A NATAL HYMN

FOR LITTLE JANET

OD who made the white things—drifts with curling edges,
Brooklet's fairy ice-glades, snowcloud like the breast

Of white swan descending, gales in winter sedges;

God who guides the sunbeams to the snow-bird's nest—

Shine on the baby.

God who made the green things that grow in the summer,

God who made the gaudy things that wave on the stalk,

God who made the light winds that play with every comer,

God who made the bright waves and tuned their tender talk—

Welcome the baby.