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### ANTICIPATION

I will wash my brain in the splendid breeze,  
I will lay my cheek to the northern sun,  
I will drink the breath of the mossy trees,  
And the clouds shall meet me one by one.  
I will fling the scholar's pen aside,  
And grasp once more the bronco's rein,  
And I will ride and ride and ride,  
Till the rain is snow, and the seed is grain.

The way is long and cold and lone —

But I go.

It leads where pines forever moan

Their weight of snow,

Yct I go.

There are voices in the wind that call,  
There are hands that beckon to the plain;  
I must journey where the trees grow tall,  
And the lonely heron clamors in the rain.