A SUMMER NIGHT

I saw a quivering moonbeam kiss The petals of a rose, Within a garden quaint and old, Just at the daytime's close.

I saw the heaven's brightest star, A thing of youth and mirth, Reflected in a limpid pool On dear old Mother Earth.

I saw the tall trees 'round abut In stately measure sway, While in and out amount the leaves The glowworms were at play.

A mocking bird, his changing song
Trilled forth in sheer delight –
Somehow, God seems so close to earth
Upon a summer night.

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