

# Winter Rain

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Moderato

1. Ev - ery val - ley drinks, Ev - ery dell and hol - low  
2. Yet a lapse of weeks Buds will burst their edg - es,  
4. But for fatten - ing rain We should have no flow - ers,  
5. Never a mat - ed bird in the rock - ing tree tops,  
7. We should find no moss in the shad - iest plac - es,

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Where the kind rain sinks and sinks, — Green of spring will fol - low. —  
Strip their wool-coats, glue-coats, streaks, in the woods and hedg - es. —  
Never a bud or leaf a - gain — But for soak - ing show - ers; —  
Never in - deed a flock or herd To graze up - on the lea - crops.  
Find no wav - ing mead - ow grass — Pied with broad-eyed dai - sies. —

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3. Weave a bower of love\_ For birds to meet each oth - er,  
6. Lambs so wool - y white Sheep\_ the sun bright leas on,  
8. But miles of bar - ren sand, With never a son or daugh - ter,

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weave a can - o - py a - bove Nest and egg and moth - er  
They\_ could have no grass to bite But for rain in sea - son.  
Not\_ a lil - y on the land, or lil - y on the wat - er.

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Weave a can - o - py, Nest and egg rain and moth - er.  
No\_ grass to bite But for rain in sea - son.  
Lil - y on the land, Lil - y on the wa - ter.