

THE NATURE OF LOVE

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Not every soil is good for growing a flower;
One must find the best environment
Optimum to nurture its growth.
Even then the sower has no control
Over which seed will take hold;
It might be the right seed at the wrong time
Or the wrong seed altogether.
The sower is nonetheless hopeful that
Nature will do the trick.
Rain will fall and water the seed;
As nutrients flow, a flower will grow.
With expectations of a masterpiece in mind,
The sower dreams of the vibrant bloom.
Despite his many efforts of preparation,
He is never fully ready for the unique beauty
That will bring happiness and love to his life.

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