

# **Moths and Butterflies**

## **Moths**

Moon-pale beings pressed  
Against the night-black window  
Seekers of the light

## **Night Comfort**

A gentle pressure  
Against the back of my legs  
Beloved puppy

## **Dry Spell**

I wake in the night  
To hear the rain chattering  
What a joyful noise

## **Harvest**

Silently watching  
High over the black bay hangs  
The great pumpkin moon

## **Cricket**

Singing, creak, creak, creak  
In swirling September mist  
Laced through with moonlight

## **In Wildness Is**

Coyotes howling-  
That they still sing may well be  
The world's salvation

## **and Butterflies**

Flower to flower  
Flitting on fragile feathers  
Snippets of sunshine

## **Tomatoes**

Earth and water and  
Distillation of sunlight  
Yield sweet scarlet globes

## **Riches**

Sunflowers golden  
In a row every which way  
So brighten my day!

## **Harbinger**

High in the maple  
Tangled in the glowing green  
Shines one scarlet branch

## **October**

Once citric yellow  
Shimmering asparagus  
Now all glows golden

## **From Trees**

Leaves fluttering down  
Orange, scarlet, yellow, gold  
(Farewell messages)

## **October Gale on the Bay**

The bitter wind writes  
Upon the slate-gray waters  
Its chalky message

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