

Nature Pocket 'Pebbles' Touch Many Topics

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Time for more "pebbles" for your nature pocket and just time to plant the last of the hyacinths.

As I set a dry and dead-looking bulb deep in earth I envision the bright promise of life which it holds. It is nothing more than a rosette of fleshy leaves filled with plant nutriment, reason for a very good ground.

Some 150 million years ago when the climate of our earth was slowly changing from an equable to a reasonable sequence, nature had to do some thing about her children, the plants and animals, who were used to a continuous warmth.

One of her answers was the bulb. Other solutions included coral and perennials, root-stalks. All of these are mechanisms to carry the life of the plant over a period of destructive cold to the warmth of another spring.

Nature solved this problem for her insect children by inventing the protective larval and pupal stages. For the same reason animals gradually developed coats of fur and hearts capable of pumping warm blood throughout the body.

WHILE MY hands were busy with the bulbs, a few snow flakes fell on the sleeve of my dark sweater.

"Snowflakes this morning patterned a lace Feltie fragile—For a heart-chub's space. And so it was, for almost instantly they melted leaving no other trace than a moist spot of moisture. Why this patterned perfection for so brief a moment?

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Aids in all the decorating projects will include families and friends of the guild members—their tasks include the Christmas tree, Streets of Detroit, Hall of Patriotism, and the Hall of Science.

But who can say by looking at a man what thoughts he entertained as he stands silent and alone gazing at what degree of awareness it approaches its world? But who can say by looking at a man what thoughts he entertained as he stands silent and alone gazing at what degree of awareness it approaches its world?

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