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Or have tasted the bag of the bee?

Oh, so white! Oh, so soft! Oh, so sweet, so sweet, so sweet is she!
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Before rude hands have touch'd it?

Have you mark'd but the fall of the snow

Before the earth hath smutch'd it?

Have you felt the wool of beaver?

Or swan's down, ever?

Have you smelt to the bud of the briar? Or the nard in the fire?

Or have tasted the bag of the bee?

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