

He often recalled in his childhood,
The things he had learned in school—
That living was much like building;
The importance was materials and tools.

One began with a basic foundation,
That grew as he lived day by day.
Proper use of the plans and instructions,
Assured straightness and prevented sway.

All these, and a roof of religion
To keep out the wind and the rain,
Built a house that would withstand weather;
And a lifetime, it would remain.

Thus, he learned and loved and labored—
His ambitions were strong and tall;
But not until some years later,
Did he realize the worth of it all.

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