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Valley Beyond Time

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New Mexico State College of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts, at the Santa Fe Public Library and elsewhere, and who know her charming paintings, depicting scenes, flowers, and animals with such delicacy of touch and delightful design, will enjoy her illustrations for this book, which are typical of her kindly feeling for simple people and her ability to catch the form and grace in animal life. Two of the outdoor scenes seem allegorical in treatment, and one will love little Pancho and his burro at once, when they are seen as Miss Rush has depicted them when lost.

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Valley Beyond Time

By VINCENT H. OGBURN

Time is nothing here.

This polished round of rock
Has beaten back the heat of sun
Since time of man began—
And still lies unperturbed.

This cholla's gray and dusty flesh
Has felt the cooling wind of night,
The stifling blaze of summer sand
About its feet, since the first
Basket-weaver's smoke cut the sky
With thin and painted stream.

Time dwells not here.

This fixed and breathless air
Is filled with agelessness.
In this vast dim bowl of immortality
We see the patient ages at their work—
So slow it may blend into eternal sleep.