

## *Low-Anchored Cloud (Mist)*

**Henry David Thoreau**

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Low-anchored cloud,  
Newfoundland air,  
Fountain-head and source of rivers,  
Dew-cloth, dream-drapery,  
And napkin spread by fays;  
Drifting meadow of the air,  
Where bloom the daisied banks and violets,  
And in whose fenny labyrinth  
The bittern booms and heron wades;  
Spirit of lakes and seas and rivers,  
Bear only perfumes and the scent  
Of healing herbs to just men's fields!