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TEMPERING CEDARS

Sugar pines breathe woolen hints
Above pastel plastered leaves,
While painted deer nuzzle mint,
And nearby drowsy black bears heave.

Above pastel plastered leaves,
Clouds whisper of those on whom the sun glints,
And nearby drowsy black bears heave,
With eyes folded in sleep, tinted

With warm visions. The nuthatch cleaves.
Sugar pines breath woolen hints,
And whippoorwills shudder on winter's eve,
While painted deer nuzzle mint.