

Angelic Doctor, where there are to be found treatises on the Creed, the Decalogue, and Prayer, as well as the treatment of the Sacraments in the "Summa Theologica." This, indeed, was but fitting in a work embodying the teaching of the Council which during its sessions had placed on the altar with the Bible and the decrees of the Popes the immortal Summa, "whence to seek counsel, reason, and inspiration,"¹¹ an honor shared by no other Doctor of the Church.

Thus it is that the present revival of interest in the Roman Catechism is but a practical application of the command of the late Pope Leo XIII that St. Thomas be restored to his rightful place in the Catholic world as prince of theologians, for the Catechism, composed by Dominicans, the only true teachers of the doctrine and spirit of the Angelic Doctor is based on the works of St. Thomas. What better encomium of the Catechism than the words of Cardinal Newman: "I rarely preach a sermon but I go to this beautiful and complete Catechism to get both my matter and my doctrine?"¹²

¹¹ Encyc. of Leo XIII "Aeterni Patris," Aug. 4, 1879.

¹² *Apologia Pro Vita Sua*. Newman.

—Bro. Theodore English, O. P.

SPRING

When the birds again start singing,
And the sleigh bells stop their ringing,
When that biting blighting wind has passed away,

When the trees just move a-swaying
And the young folk talk of Maying,
Then we know that Spring is here and come to stay.

When the grass begins a-growing,
And the crocus starts a-showing,
Being hidden from all view through Winter's day,

When the buds begin a-peeping
And the ants again start creeping,
Then we know that Spring is here and come to stay.

—Bro. Arthur Kelly, O. P.