

SNOW-BOUND COTTAGE.

BY J. G. WHITTIER.

A hard, dull bitterness of cold
The coming of the snowstorm told.
Meanwhile we did our nightly chores,
Brought in the wood from out of doors.

FOR THE YOUNG FOLKS.

Out of a Tool Chest.

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the law and take away thy coat, let him
have thy cloak also.
"O mother! tell me what it means."

"Well, I felt real mean about that,
mother," he said, "for I only hurried up
that way to save time for something else

"Go on, dear," she said encouragingly,
as he stopped, evidently at a loss how to
proceed, and with his hand held fast in

"Well, what do you mean to do for
Lem now, boy?"
"Do mother?"

"Dear Jo I have bin reel meen I am
sorry will you forgiv me I am affraid I can
never by Your toolchest I will show you

"Plan for what?" his mother asked,
too busy with her work to look at his
shining face.

"Oh, it's a great secret now, but when
we've worked it out I'll surprise you. You
just wait."

"That was not very hard for Mrs. Adams,
She had done a great deal of it in her
lonely, hard working life.

GRAVE AND GAY.

FOUR SEASONS.

In the balmy April weather,
My love, you know,
When the corn began to grow.

In the golden summer weather,
My love, you know,
When the mowers went to mow.

In the wild and wintry weather,
My love, you know
With our heads as white as snow

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