

Memories of Long Ago



Young folk say that they are bored,
Yet they have got so much;
With all the gadgets they have now,
No trouble keeping in touch.



Fascinated by changing pictures,
I could see in the firelight glow;
To me it was like fairyland,
Oh... How I loved it so.



Entertainment is laid on for them,
No need even to think;
Yet many seem to lose the way,
And take to drugs and drink.



Yes, I have my coal fire yet,
Though I am now old and grey;
It transports me into another world,
As I dream the hours away.





So different now from days gone by,
You'd to seek out your own treasure;
And it always was the simplest things,
That brought the greatest pleasure.



Still finding pleasure in the things,
That I did when I was small;
Reliving the happy memories too,
As those fire pictures I recall.



I still remember as a small child,
I would sit by the warm coal fire;
And listen to the kettle hum,
Of its soft sound I'd never tire.



My message is simple - Go out and play,
The time spent will all be gain;
The young will remember it in years to come,
Just as I do ... with the firelight flame.

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