

The Invention of the Spoon

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Behold, all men, the humble spoons,
What help to earth they bring!
Who first upon the planet green,
Concocted up this thing?

For with one spoon, the race of man
Was better educated;
Instead of forks with perilous points
Or dangerous knives serrated

We now can fear no danger when
We slurp and swallow stew,
(Except, on rare occasions, when
The spoon is swallowed too.)

With spoons we safely can conduct
A Battle at the Table;
With spoons we poke our siblings dear
As hard as we are able.

So, next time when you slurp your soup
And forks you do impugn,
Oh, think of him whose daring mind
First forged the noble spoon!