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"Dust of Snow "

---Robert Frost

Rhyme Scheme of the whole poem is--- ab,ab

Central Idea-----

The poem 'Dust of Snow proclaims Frost's attention towards natural images by virtue of which he succeeds to present the importance of little things in this vast existing world. The poem has been set up in the lap of nature where the poet was not depicting the beauty or kindness of nature but was repenting sitting under a hemlock tree that is considered poisonous. He was in a gloomy state of depression for some loss. A crow, supposed to be a crooked and unpleasant bird, was sitting on the hemlock tree. The crow shook the tree and as a result the flakes of snow fell on the disheartened poet. A sudden transformation took place in him and he was no longer dejected then. He felt joyous then as such an incidence (a trifle one) had saved the rest of the day for him.

Thus, we observe that a little thing touches a larger one. The hemlock tree and the crow have been symbolized as wicked things but falling of

dust of snow despite its scaring effect changed the poet's inner conscience. The revival of the poet's mood shows that happiness and sadness are inseparable sides of the same coin. We feel happiness and sorrow in different measures. Hence, it is right to say that the poem signifies the importance of small things that sometimes seem simple but have a larger significance in times of depression or helplessness. The poem proves how gloomy situation gives way to merriment in one slight jerk.