

SPRING MELT

At times the clues are vague and strange.
Despite that, I have always felt
there's no mistaking proof of change
when muddy feet announce spring melt.

Clean rugs and carpet, shiny floors,
should generate sufficient hints
how neat we keep our home indoors.
We don't allow dogs' muddy prints.

When warmer temperatures abound
we guard against surprise attacks
from feet that love the thawing ground.
We don't permit dogs' muddy tracks.

Mud seems to be the curse of spring
that spreads to soil everything,
but be assured if you appear
with mudless feet, you're welcome here.

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