

Sun-fondled, dew-bathed, hardy,
 Brimful of health and glee,
 Nursing no putrid rancour,
 Un-fettered, un-tainted and free.

Back where the time flies quickly,
 Where no hours have leaden wings,
 Where the body seeks rest on warm Nature's breast,
 Where the mind to it's fancy elings.
 Where there's no more worry nor sorrow
 For the starved half-human things
 Who moil till death, in the cities,
 For the paltry pittance it brings.

THE LATE THOMAS ALEXANDER.

Mr. Thomas Alexander, of 113 Bruce street, South London, inspector of inland revenue for the district from Brantford to Windsor, died on Sunday, 5th April, after a three days' illness, which commenced with an attack of acute indigestion and which was terminated by a resultant heart affection.

Mr. Alexander, who was 68 years of age, was born on October 13, 1845, at Kingston, in which place he was educated in the grammar schools and later at Queen's University. Following his graduation he became a teacher, and for three years was mathematical master of Kingston Collegiate Institute. He abandoned his pedagogic pursuits to enter the civil service and received his first appointment in 1870. He was made collector of inland revenue in this city in 1883, and remained in that capacity until April, 1913, when he was elevated to the position of inspector for Windsor district, which he held until his death. He was a member of the Masonic craft and of several other fraternal organizations. His widow, one son, Dr. N. H. Alexander, of this city, and one sister, Miss M. Alexander, of Toronto, survive him. He was a prominent lawn bowler, and as an elocutionist was often heard at social events.

The funeral, a private one, was held Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. The service at

the house was attended by a large number of friends and co-church workers. All the revenue officers who could be spared from service were present. Mr. Alexander's death is keenly felt by all the officers of his district, as he was a very lovable man. His death is a distinct loss to the service.

A NEW PARK.

A new Dominion park has been established by transfer of lands from the department of militia and defence to the department of the interior. This is the site of old Fort Howe at St. John, N.B., which played an important part in defending British settlers and British territory from the inroads of the Americans during the revolution, and was the place of landing of the United Empire Loyalists in 1783, when three thousand of them came to Canada and founded the city of St. John. It will henceforth be known as Fort Howe National Park, and will be accessible to the public.

A GREAT SERVICE.

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