

COLLEGE COLUMN

SHAKESPEARE

William Shakespeare was born on April the 23rd, 1564 in Stratford-on-Avon, Warwickshire, England. Few other countries have produced a genius equal to Shakespeare. Before he was thirty, he had already become famous in the world of literature as a dramatist. His father, John Shakespeare, was in early life a prosperous citizen of Stratford and his mother, Mary Arden, was the daughter of a well-to-do farmer of Warwickshire. Between the ages of seven and fourteen he attended the Stratford Grammar school, where he received some training in Latin. In 1582, before he was nineteen, he married Anne Hathaway, of Shottery, who was about eight years his senior. He had two children, Susanna and Judith, both of whom were married, but only one of his grandchildren reached maturity. With the death of this grandchild in 1700, the poet's family became extinct. His early manhood was spent in London where he obtained employment in some minor capacity with the theatres. Here he began making over old plays, and it was probably in 1594 that he wrote his first original drama. From 1594 to 1610 play after play came from his pen. Soon Queen Elizabeth showed him honour and some of the great men of his time received him as a friend. His profound sympathy with, and insight into, human nature enabled him to understand every class; he knew the heart of the great man, and read also the mind of the blacksmith and the ploughman. In 1594 he became a member of the Earl of Leicester's Company of Players. Shakespeare was one of the chief shareholders of the Globe theatre which was built in 1599 and most of his plays were acted there. About the year 1610, after an active life as player and playwright, he left London to make his home at Stratford, where he had previously purchased a fine residence, known as New Place. It was his intention to spend the remainder of his life in quiet and seclusion. A few years later his health failed. Here in the town of his birth, England's greatest literary genius passed away at the age of 52.

How the Pirates Fare

John Silver was a pirate. He had sailed on many seas. His name was feared by all the merchant men on account of the lawless piracy he carried on. Once while on the high sea, he saw a merchant vessel under sail; so he prepared for the fight because he was bound to have the ship. This vessel, however, was a fully armed man-of-war, disguised as a merchant vessel, in search of pirates. Silver got his guns ready and the merchant vessel slackened its speed till Silver was near, when all of a sudden it opened a tremendous volley of roundshot and killed a number of Silver's men. Silver himself was wounded. He now ordered his men to retreat as he saw that he had been fooled by the supposed merchant vessel. But it was too late. The ships were lashed together and the sailors came on board the Hispaniola — this was the name of the pirate ship — and handcuffed the remaining men. In two days' time they arrived at Liverpool, England, where the pirates were handed over to justice. They were all sentenced to be hanged because orders had been received not to show any mercy to pirates. Silver and his bad companions were put into jail where they remained for two days when news was received that England had declared war on Spain and that all capable seamen that could be gotten together should meet to fight the Spanish Armada. When the judge found that Silver and his companions were seamen he gave them the alternative either to be hanged or to fight the "Invincible Armada" and, after the battle, to serve two years in prison. They all accepted the second alternative and confirmed it by an oath. Before many days, the battle took place between the English fleet and the Spanish Armada. Silver and his men fought well. But, in some way, the ship on which they fought became separated from the rest of the fleet and was carried out into the ocean. Silver and his accomplices saw their chance. As they noticed that the ship was working its way back to England, they resolved upon a desperate stroke. They decided to take the ship by force of arms and continue their former life as pirates. The captain however, who was a prudent and courageous seaman, had closely watched their movements and, before they could carry out their plans, set upon them with his men and had them handcuffed. All was now secure. But the captain, not having enough men on whom he could rely, did not wish to risk a mutiny. Hence he sailed towards an uninhabited island and, giving them some provisions, put them ashore. Before departing he told them that, as two years of prison was not enough for them, they could spend the remainder of their lives on the lonely island. E. G.

MUNSTER BASE BALL FANS ORGANIZE

MUNSTER, BASL, April 16 1923.

With the coming of Summer weather and its attractions to outdoor amusements, a meeting called to discuss possibilities of organizing base ball resulted in a three-out which surpassed all expectations. Both young and old men were present and a considerable amount of work was disposed of. There was no lack of enthusiasm at any time during the meeting and, if we judge from the interest shown at the opening meeting we may be convinced in advance that base ball will be a real success in our locality. As we have here an almost unlimited number of good players, there is no doubt that Munster will make a good showing in the league we are endeavoring to promote.

Remember, Base Ball Fans, that all enterprises have to be financed. You will be called upon to purchase a membership ticket for the season at the rock bottom price of \$1.00. This minimum price was agreed upon so that it may be within the reach and possibility of all residents without exception to become members of this club.

The following are the minutes of the meeting held: At a well attended meeting of the residents of Munster held this 15th day of April for the purpose of promoting base ball in our town, it was moved by Albert Nenzel and seconded by J. N. Lalonde that James S. Britz act as Chairman of the meeting. Carried.

Moved by Alphonse Weber and seconded by Richard Lemmerich that J. N. Lalonde act as Secretary of the meeting. Carried. The meeting then proceeded to the nomination of officers. Moved by A. Weber and seconded by Albert Nenzel that James S. Britz be nominated as President for the year. There being no further nominations, James S. Britz was unanimously elected President.

Moved by Ed. Loehr and seconded by Joseph Weber that Frank Boehm be nominated Vice-President. There being no further nominations, Frank Boehm was unanimously elected Vice-President.

Moved by Albert Nenzel and seconded by Ed. Loehr that the acting Secretary be appointed as Secretary-Treasurer for the year. There being no further

nominations, J. K. Lalonde was unanimously elected Secretary-Treasurer.

Moved by Albert Nenzel and seconded by Frank Boehm that Henry Schneider act as Manager for the season for the Munster base ball team. Carried.

Moved by Albert Nenzel and seconded by Alphonse Weber that the President, the Sec.-Treas. and the Manager act as ground committee for the year. Carried. Moved by Carl Lindberg and seconded by Ed. Loehr that an executive committee of three be appointed. Henry Lemmerich, Alex. Flack and Ed. Gaudet were nominated as the members of this committee and unanimously elected.

Moved by Alphonse Weber and seconded by J. A. Campbell that all people be approached to enter the club at a minimum membership fee of \$1.00. Carried.

Moved by Alphonse Weber and seconded by Ed. Loehr that Wednesday night of every week be official practice night. Carried.

Moved by Alphonse Weber and seconded by Alex. Flack that the executive committee along with the Sec.-Treas. communicate with Lake Lenore and Humboldt, which towns have in view the forming of a league. Carried.

Moved by Alphonse Weber and seconded by Richard Lemmerich that the next base ball meeting be held on Sunday, April 22nd, at 7 P. M. Carried.

Moved by Alphonse Weber and seconded by Leo Muench that the minutes of all meetings and the news of the club be published in the St. Peter's Bote. Carried.

After a lengthy discussion treating of matters pertaining to the club, the meeting was adjourned till next meeting day. James S. Britz, J. N. Lalonde, President, Sec.-Treas.

The first sergeant was talking to his men about courtesy. "You men must have proper respect and care for all women, and if you ever see a woman in trouble, go to her rescue at once. "Sam", he continued, addressing a tall negro in the rear rank, "supposing you were walking down the street and saw a big brute strike a woman in the face. What would you do?"

"Sergeant", replied Sam, "Ah would look dat brute in de eye and say: 'Man, it am mahy lucky for you dat you didn't strike me.'"

Registrar of a school, entering the names of new students: "What's your name?" — "Jule". Registrar: "You should say Julius, not Jule." — Turning to the next boy whose name was Bill (William): "What is your name?" — "Billious."

Zur Beachtung!

Wir eine gute Auswahl haben will, muß seine Einkäufe beizugehen machen. Daher, werde Kunden, macht eure Einkäufe bei uns, wo ihr das ganze Jahr über gut bedient werdet, solange wir noch eine große und reichhaltige Auswahl haben.

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