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Bridges Was a Doctor

New Poet Laureate Widely Known in Hospitals.

Mr. Robert Bridges, D.Litt., has been appointed Poet Laureate in succession to the late Mr. Alfred Austin. Mr. Robert Bridges, who has been described as Britain's only classical poet, is sixty-eight. He was born in Kent, and from Eton he went to Corpus Christi College at Oxford, the university which just a year ago honored him with the degree of Doctor of Letters. After leaving Oxford he settled down to study medicine in London, at St. Bartholomew's, where he eventually became casualty physician. Assistant at the Children's Hospital, Great Ormond Street, was his next post, followed by a period as physician at the Great Northern Hospital. In 1882 he retired from medical practice, and a couple of years later married the eldest daughter of the late Mr. Alfred Waterhouse, the well known artist. He lives at Oxford.

Mr. Bridges is undoubtedly one of the surest of immortality among our contemporaries. His work maintains throughout an extremely high standard; little, if any, of it has suffered from hurry; he has never allowed the quest for popularity or gain to tell against its perfection or beauty, but careful and studied finish has ever been his motto.

His output includes eight poetic dramas, a couple of masques, numerous lyrics and several pieces in classical prosody. He maintains that English prosody depends on the number of stressed syllables in a line, not on the number of syllables, and that poetry should follow the rules of natural speech. A number of essays stand to his credit, and he has strong and, in some particulars, curious views on spelling reform.

The new Poet Laureate has been particularly successful in the writing of odes. The following is from that written for the bi-centenary commemoration of Henry Purcell:

The sea with melancholy war
Moaneth about our castled shore;
His world-wide elemental moan
Girdeth our lives with tragic sons.

Yet shall his storm and mastering
wave
Assure the Empire to the brave;
And to his bellowing bass belong,
The music of our patriotic songs,
When to the wind his rigging goes
In furious following, careering a-row,
Lashed with hail and withering snow,
And ever undaunted hearts outside
His rushing waters wide.

The beauty of his masques, too, compares well with that of the greatest of this form of expression, and his epic, "Eros and Psyche," is distinguished for delightful melody. His lyric gift is also remarkable. We quote the following from Shorter Poems, Book I:

I heard a linnet courting
His lady in the spring;
His mates were idly sporting
Nor stayed to hear him sing
His song of love—
I fear my speech distorting
His tender love.

The phrases of his pleading;
Were full of young delight;
And she that gave him heed
Interpreted aright—
His gay, sweet notes—
So sadly marred in the reading—
His tender notes.

And when he ceased, the hearer
Awaited the refrain,
Till swiftly perching nearer
He sang his song again,
His pretty song—
Would that my verse spake clearer
His tender song!

Ye happy, airy creatures!
That in the merry spring
Think not of what misfeatures
On cares the year may bring!
But unto love
Resign your simple natures
To tender love.

The salary of the laureateship is £70, with an allowance of £27 in lieu of a butt of sack. Dr. Bridges himself contradicted a report early this month that he had been offered the vacant post.

The exterior of Sir Henry Mill Pellatt's two million dollar residence at Spadina Hill, Toronto, has been completed, and the interior will be finished a year hence. It is to be the finest residence in Canada.

Joseph McGill of Shelburne Dead

He Was a Prominent Shipbuilder of That Town.

Shelburne, N. S., Aug. 10.—Joseph McGill, the well known ship builder, died at his home here at seven o'clock last evening. He went to Boston about three weeks ago with the hope that expert treatment under specialists might improve his condition, but in spite of everything that could be done, he failed to improve. He returned home and passed away last evening.

The news, though not unexpected, came with a great shock, as no man in this community was held in more esteem than he, and in his removal Shelburne town and County loses its most foremost citizen, particularly in industrial matters, as Mr. McGill had built up a large business in vessel building here, and the result of which being that the name of Joseph McGill stood for the very best that could be had in Canada in the shape of shipbuilding to such an extent that the class "built by Joseph McGill" was recognized as superior to any by shipping people throughout the Maritime Province and Newfoundland.

It is very gratifying to know that Mr. McGill before his death completed arrangements for the continuance of the business heretofore carried on by him, and that no interruption in that respect will take place on account of his death. Mr. McGill was about sixty-four years of age, and was unmarried, the members of his family remaining being his brothers James P., William J., Chas. S., and Johnstone A. His sisters are Mrs. Eliza Allen, Mrs. Charlotte Pentz of Shelburne.

MORE NOVELTIES FOR THE PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

Manager Hall has Secured Several of these for the Fair at Halifax. The Strong Amusement Feature.

The amusement features of the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition will be striking and interesting as experience, careful selection and judicious expenditure of money can provide. This phase of the big Fair which opens at Halifax on September 3 and continues for a week make the show interesting alike to young and old and well repay a visit to Halifax, whose attractions, apart even from the exhibition, are great at this season as well as other seasons of the year.

In the regular departments the exhibition will be no less complete than on its amusement side, and there will be novelties to be seen which will amply repay the visitor who wishes to keep abreast of the times. One of those interesting to dairymen, which Manager Hall has secured for demonstration is the Milking Apparatus. With the aid of this machine milking cows by hand is done away with altogether, the apparatus filling the cans from the cows. An electric motor is used and with the individual machine for each cow a whole herd can be milked at once.

The exhibition dates are early this year so that visitors will have the advantage of warm weather adding to their other pleasures of a visit to the capital.

HELEN KELLER HEARS MUSIC.

For the First Time and Was Exhausted From Excitement.

Petosky, Mich., Aug. 13.—Miss Helen Keller, the blind, deaf and dumb prodigy, has heard music for the first time. With her teeth held against the bridge on a violin, she caught the vibrations of the notes, and they were carried to her brain. Prof. Franz Kohler, of the Berlin Conservatory, played for Miss Keller. The first note was sounded on the E string of his violin.

Miss Keller was astonished. She had her teeth fairly against the instrument, while Kohler played strains from Saint-Saens, using both the high and low registers.

"Like the voices of singing angels," said Miss Keller, communicating to Miss Macey, her teacher. She was exhausted from excitement. Miss Macey said that this was the first musical sound that has reached the brain of Miss Keller, despite reports of her previous knowledge of notes.

CLANDESTINE LETTERS.

Our General Delivery Much Abused by Crooks and Others.

The restriction of the "general delivery" system at the postoffices, is one of the matters submitted for the consideration of the Postmaster-General Pelletier.

The "general delivery" in cities where there is a postal delivery is responsible for many evils, which up to the present time the Postal Department have been unable to overcome, but through the efforts of Dominion Inspector George Ross, under instructions of the Postmaster-General, these evils have been reduced to a minimum in the larger cities.

The general delivery is for the purpose of supplying transients with their mail at a convenient place and time, and it was never intended that a resident served with a house delivery should be privileged to secure mail at the general delivery. However, this cannot be avoided, and one of the greatest abuses is the vast amount of clandestine mail that passes through the wicket at the general delivery of the Toronto Postoffice. The fictitious names are in some instances sufficiently unique to attract attention, and where they are too common there is many a mix-up.

This system is employed by husbands to carry on correspondence with young girls and the wives of other men. Any person who makes the postoffice one of the "habitués" soon learns to spot the "habitués" at the wicket. Mrs. So-and-So presents herself at the wicket, and half the time gets her letters without the formality of even asking the name. Not a few cases like this are known, where the husband and wives, carry on illicit correspondence.

The general delivery is the haunt of young girls and young men, who every day at the noon hour and in the evening stand in long rows waiting their turn.

The crook and the thief, but very rarely the expert criminal uses the mails and the general delivery. This is one of the sources from which the secret service men operate, and the haunt of a number of private detectives who "shadow" people day in and day out.

The bungling criminal is usually caught through correspondence in some way or other, and only the most expert of the underworld are sufficiently well versed to leave the mails alone as they know the immense possibilities of being traced by means of this system, which is both sacred and secret, as far as the public are concerned.

No person rents a box at the postoffice to receive mail unopened for. In case it is a business, it must be explained to the postmaster. If the man is carrying on a business through advertising, he must submit copies of his literature and advertising matter to the postal authorities for approval before he may use the box, even if he has been using the mails for his schemes. A number of schemes which prey upon poor people have been killed by this practice, and several of these very questionable enterprises are now under investigation by the authorities at Ottawa.

It has been estimated by officials of the morality department of the churches that from 75 to 90 per cent. of the mail which goes through the "general delivery" wicket is clandestine.

Canada's Backbone.

During Sir Wilfrid Laurier's recent tour through Ontario the following incident occurred:

At one place Laurier's "special" car was side-tracked and he was resting there alone, with the exception of Hon. Geo. P. Graham. Presently there came to the door of the car an old Scotchman bringing some papers for Mr. Graham. The old man knocked at the door and Mr. Graham, thinking it was the chief's nephew, returning from an errand for his uncle, opened the door wide. The rugged Scot walked right in, and there straight before him he saw Sir Wilfrid, in a chair, reading.

The old man exclaimed in a tone of mingled surprise and delight, "Why, it's the auld chieftain himself!" and tears began to trickle down his weather-beaten face. Sir Wilfrid was deeply touched. Rising from his seat he came forward and laid his hand on the old veteran's shoulder. "It is just such stalwarts as you," he said, in a moved voice, "who have made Canada what she is to-day."

A Western Pioneer.

Winnipeg lost an esteemed pioneer, a few days ago, by the death of John Harrison O'Donnell, who had lived in that city for over forty years. He was born in Simcoe County, Ontario, in 1844, and graduated in 1861 from Victoria University College. He was for many years a member of Manitoba's Legislative Council, and was Speaker of the House for some time. Also he was president of the College of Physicians and Surgeons until 1877, president of Winnipeg General Hospital staff till 1882, and a member of the medical board of examiners from 1882 until his death.

While traveling in what was then the Northwest Territories he was taken prisoner by Louis Riel at the time of the rebellion, remaining in custody for ten weeks. He was later instrumental in the capture of Riel, signing the warrant for his arrest along with others.

Potato Canker.

The Canadian Department of Agriculture has decided to prohibit the importation into Canada of potatoes from Europe, Newfoundland and the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, thus protecting as far as possible Canadian potatoes from the potato canker which has done much harm in Europe, and the Department of Customs has issued orders to that effect.

The Canadian potato crop this year in the western province is a large one and of excellent quality, and imports to this country are being spoken of to make up the deficiency that has occurred over wide areas owing to the past inclement season.

The First Japanese in America.

The first Japanese who ever came to America as far as is known was Manjiro Nakahama, a fourteen-year-old lad, who was picked up by the captain of an American fishing vessel in 1841, twelve years before the coming of Commodore Perry to Japan. Nakahama, with four companions, had sailed out into the ocean on a fishing expedition, their boat had been wrecked by a storm, and they were finally washed ashore on a desert island in the northern Pacific. Three months of dire privation were passed on the island before the little party was rescued by the American vessel. His companions were left in Hawaii, but Nakahama, who became a great favorite of the captain, was brought to the United States and sent to a New England school. And when Commodore Perry came to Japan, Nakahama was able to act as interpreter in the negotiations carried on between the American envoys and the Japanese feudal government authorities.—Dr. Jokichi Takamine in Oriental Review.

Beavers' Work.

The beavers not only cut down trees for the purpose of making dams, but also use the smaller upper branches as a storage supply of food for winter use. These branches, from two to four inches in diameter, are cut into lengths of two or three feet and then by wonderful engineering ability are carried beneath the water and into the beavers' houses, or the burrows, with which the bank of every beavers' dam is honey-combed. Here they are carefully stored. The green bark is the staple article of food throughout the winter. The dams are of varying height and length, according to the particular location. I found a dam in Mesa county, Colo., which was just six feet from bottom to top and impounded a body of water six feet or more in depth and covering an area of several acres. This dam was perfect in construction. It was composed entirely of willow bushes, as no large timber grows in the vicinity.—Our Dumb Animals.

His Cheapest Poker Game.

In a mining locality is a miner who feeds his money into the games around town as regular as pay day comes around. One Sunday, as the story goes, the "gang" was "sitting in" a game at the regular meeting place. There was no room left at the board for any one else to "sit in." Presently the habitués heard the familiar tread of the miner. He knocked on the door with the regular secret tap as a sign that he wished to deposit some more money in the bank. The crowd was very busily engaged, and one wit in the crowd yelled out to the miner: "No room in this game for you, Skinny. Just throw your money over the transom, and we'll divide it up!" And Skinny shot a two dollar bill over the transom.

That night he met the regulars downtown. "Say," he exclaimed, with a grin, "that was the cheapest poker game I ever 'sat in'—Indianapolis News.

Handy With His Fists.

Admiral Wilson of the British navy won his Victoria cross at the battle of El Teb in 1884. There was a gap in the square, and five or six of the enemy made a vicious rush forward, attempting to get inside. Captain Wilson, who was present with the naval brigade, advanced to meet them alone, but his sword broke in the endeavor to cut one of the intruders down. Hereupon the officer, instead of beating a hasty retreat, stood his ground and began bowling over the enemy with his fists. Either from the nature of the ground or, as the record puts it, "the surprising nature of his attack," Captain Wilson escaped with a few wounds and was rescued by the square closing up round him. Sir Frederick Bull described the act as the most courageous he ever witnessed.

Not Likely.

Mrs. Morton (angrily)—Tommy Horton, what made you hit my little Johnny?

Tommy Horton—He struck me with a brick.

Mrs. Morton (angrily)—Well, never let me hear of your hitting him again. If he hits you you come and tell me.

Tommy Horton (sneeringly)—Yes; and what would you do?

Mrs. Morton—Why, I'd whip him.

Tommy Horton (in disgust)—What! He hits me with a brick and you have the fun of licking him for it? Not much!—London Telegraph.

Matched.

Towne—Met Gabbie and Perkins at a smoker last night and introduced them to each other. Brown—Oh, say, it's a shame to introduce a bore like Gabbie to anybody. Towne—It's evident you don't know Perkins or you'd see the humor of it.

The Proper Head.

Husband (studying his wife's accounts)—There are several items you haven't entered here: Doing up the furniture, your hairdresser, dentist, trip to the sea, for instance. Wife—Oh, those all come under "repairs."—Pilegende Blatter.

A Will and a Way.

"Where there's a will there's a way," quoted the wise zuy.

"Yes," assented the simple mug; "there's generally a way out of it."—Philadelphia Record.

Will Persist in Trying it.

"What is an optimist, pa?"

"An optimist is a man who comes home late and thinks he can get in without his wife knowing it."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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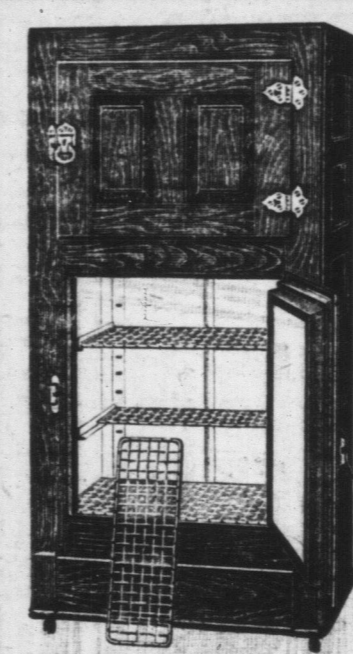
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