

A Wreath of Canadian Song

death a collection of his poems with a memoir by Arthur J. Stringer was published by William Briggs of Toronto. The following extract is taken from a poem called "Life's Shaping Moments":

"Things we deemed greatest, looked at from the
distance,

Have oft had little bearing on life's course;
The trivial (as we judge), with strange insistence,
Doth tinge the years with gladness or remorse.

"Forward we press, towards some enchanted bower
That beckons us to come and taste its shade,
And lo! beside our path a little flower,
Unlooked-for, makes the farther vision fade.

"To yonder great man came life's wished-for honor,
Which neither helped or stayed him from the goal,
But in the throng that night he gazed upon her,
And that one glance made history for his soul!"

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