A Notable Verse Writer

Readers of Vancouver's morning newspaper (The Daily Sun) will have noticed that there is published therein a series of verses (copyright) by Edgar A. Guest, who seems often to combine fluency of expression with fineness of thought.

From a recent issue we quote the following four verses on "Difficulties." As it happens, no name or copyright line was printed with these verses, but we understand that that was an oversight, and that the contribution is one by the author mentioned.

Some of the lines may sound familiar, and others may recall to memory such words as those of R. L. Stevenson: "To travel hopefully is a better thing than to arrive, and the true success is to labour."—(Ed. B. C. M.)

Difficulties

Is richer for the struggle you have made.

Great joys which truly compensate the soul

Obtain their splendor from the price you paid;

There is no victory on earth so fair

As that which conquers danger and despair.

What if the task be hard, the pride
Is greater when at last the thing is done.
He who stands fast when he is sorely tried,
Knows happiness the day his battle's won;
Within the struggle all the glory lies—
Greater the odds, the greater is the prize.

The early roads the multitude may fare,

The simple tasks a thousand hands can do,

Yet allow with for men to do and dare.

The tasks challenged only by the few.

The victoria take faith and strength and time,

Historia always have been hard to climb.

with pride when once the danger's past.

With pride when once the danger's past.

With pride which you meet,

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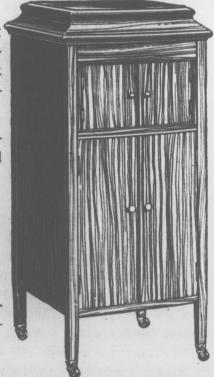
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