

#### THE POET-LAUREATE ON READING FOR THE WOUNDED

OBERT BRIDGES, the British Poet Laureate, spoke a fortnight ago on the needs for books for wounded soldiers in hospitals, and the solace which reading affords. His address, delivered in the Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford, was on behalf of the Red Cross and the Order of St. barbarism it is, like some other ancient John War Library, Surrey House, Marblearch. The text of the Laureate's address was as follows:

. . This meeting has a definite practical purpose. It is Oxford's response to an appeal to give up our books for the and that no man has a right to hold any

classes of them. The first is the light literature: nevels, stories, and so on. Of well. these a sufficient account is that they are used for distraction.

The war has revealed how much of our ordinary behavior is founded on sound instinct. All of us, when we are harassed distraction. And our common panacea is wanted they must go. a story-book.

and this, with our intense conscious scrutiny of them, is a laborious processas is easily seen when we put it on strain, is so well able to satisfy? for then it appears as the most exhausting of all our energies. But when we are merely reading (not studying) the thoughts are supplied to us from without; and the mind is undisturbed, lying, as it were, as much at rest as the body may be on its bed or sofa.

Now this form of mental distraction has been proved efficacious under the most severe trial, even in the very shadow ory the world exists; without it, if it could Wales, heir to the British thorne, born, of death.

These light books, then, are an essenalso to the wounded, whose condition of knowledge, since she has herself absorbed Day. Bannockburn, 1314. Sluys, 1340. tial comfort to the soldier, and necessary constant pain and nervous weakness often calls as much for distraction as the anxiety, perpetual peril, and strain of the in the far penetralia of her temple, yet St. John discovered by Champlain, 1604: trenches; and the books have to be her daughter, the Muse of History, has John Hampden, English patriot, died, 1643; provided in unlimited quantities, nor need built up the stairways by which that Duke of Marlborough, British commander. we distinguish much among them. Some are no doubt better, some worse; but their various artistic merits sort themsignificance counts for nothing-it is as wholly disregarded as the moral of an exciting fairy-tale is by a young child.

The other class is the more serious iterature, for which there is an increasing demand.

This demand is partly due to the later enrolments being from a different class mansions, gay gardens, the dream-parafrom the earlier: there are more students in the hospitals, or men to whom the war his populous and laughing cities, stretch came as an interruption of intellectual the long roads, whereon the great life; and such men, when their physical condition does not forbid, are eager to fro. return to their old interests, and make use of their enforced leisure to pursue their studies.

Also the men from overseas are more inquiring and practical than our home folk, and are demanding text-books, books of reference, handbooks of science, and

But beside these two classes I would hope that there is another-men, that is. who are brought by their experience and circumstances to seek for knowledge: into compulsory inaction and tedium, for mere distraction; and the mind, being set at liberty at the very moment that the body is confined, would naturally find congenial pastime in study.

A FERTILE SOIL

vity of mind. The condition seems to create a fertile soil for new and enduring book? impressions. It is the best seed time that an adult mind can have; and the serious books that we may send will be seed-corn refuse them? for prepared fields. We should be able to

supply them well.

But since there is no one here who, if he were in personal contact with one an occasion to compare with it-but it wounded man-a man fying in hospital may be reckoned of national significance with a shattered limb and needing a book and importance. to comfort him-since there is no man who, if he were in personal contact with position of these men will have been of such a man, would not give him willingly their own making, and they will be very any book that he might possess. . .

What need to say more? the absence of personal contact; when it their common sense, patience, good temis not a special book for a special man per, cheerful courage, and devotion, they nor even a definite need to be definitely yet lack sadly in one important matter, instruction. And no more useful work could possibly be done for the country to a distant society for what may seem a than to help them to supply this deficiency, miscellaneous distribution is, in some sort of which many of them, as I know, are an act of faith or imagination. And so, if we make the round of our shelves to con
Among the men now in the hospitals sider what books we can part with and I are many who will influence their fellows have made the experiment myself—we in the reëstablishment of order, of what-

text-books, out of which I learned and any scruple in sending them books which States, died, 1836; Coronation of Queen shelf of selected stories where my visitors would so delightedly browse! Well, all we might think needed some proficiency astronomer, died, 1889; Assassination of these scruples must be brusbed aside, and to make use of; for the mere contact Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his wife we may at least reckon that the more with higher levels of thought, or strange at Sarajevo, Bosnia, 1914. books we send the better chance there is branches of thought, may be of imporof their being rightly distributed. More- tance. over, special books are asked for, and how

those who think the institution of private of his limitations. property to be a blind injustice, a mere relic of barbarism. If it be a relic of heirlooms, a most useful relic. I hold property to be a condition of the humanties, the means of progress in culture, But I agree that the private right may lapse where the social duty is neglected; use of the wounded men in the hospitals. property which he cannot or will not make About these books then. There are two use of-if he is thereby witholding it from another who is willing and able to use it

And how many of my own books are bought because I knew that I ought to read them, and should not read unless I possessed them, and which yet I have Italian writer, died, 1527; Matthew Henry, or distressed, seek alleviation in mental never read. . . . If these books are Welsh biblical commentator, died, 1714;

The grave Bishop Butler tells us that these men, shut in by the drab walls Hawthorne, American author, son of our thoughts are never so idle as when we which for weeks and months may be their Nathaniel, Hawthorne, born, 1846; Great are reading-he did not mean the reading sole landscape-if we could look into the Fire in San Francisco, 1851; Sir Rider of his sermons-he meant, I suppose, minds of these men, should we not see Haggard, English novelist and economist that when we are truly thinking, our them full of that longing for expansion, born, 1856; Major-General Sir Charles thoughts are self-generated within us, that craving for escape which the wide Dobell, British soldier, born in Canada domain of Bookland, with its gigantic 1868; Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria visions of Memory, Wisdom, and Beauty, 1897.

Think only of the world's Memory; that goddess Mnemosyné, the Mother of the Declaration of the Rights of Man by

There is a form of mental disease hy which a man may lose all memory of his pecome a mere nonsense to himself and exist without it, it would be an inconceivable and meaningless chaos. And though temple can be approached and entered.

BOOKLAND HOLDS A MIRROR

ties of the readers, while their moral There are the edifices and ruins of all his works and days, the monuments and sanctuaries of his divine mysteries, the battlefields of his conquest or defeat And if in this vast soul-map there are tracts of wilderness, there are also all the nomes of his desire: pleasant river-valleys, pastures and cultivated plains, fair dises of poetry and music; and, linking thought-merchants of all time pass to and

Bookland is such a magic land. Give a man "Twenty bookes bound in black and red" and there may be no end to his wanderings. He may pass the bounds of his little planet, and sail among the stars, or go roaming in spiritual spheres, where material conditions melt away, and he knows himself for what he is, a breath of the eternal Being who exists in all things. Now in that land Thought is self-sufficing: Thought is its own true distraction for it leads to reality, to a world free from and this may well be. Plunged suddenly the accidents of this life; a world which from compulsory activity and vigilance the great friends of mankind animate with their personalities, omnipresent and they would, if their bodies were fairly at immortal, gathering perpetual homage of ease, no longer have the same appetite new beauty from the successive races of mankind.

Where but in Bookland can you talk with Socrates or Montaigne? What living man can you be so sure of finding alive to-morrow morning as the incom-Any enforced cessation of life's routine, parable Chevalier of La Mancha, or that such as a long convalescence after severe oid leech-gatherer who for ever on the illness, is apt to produce an unusual acti- lonely moor evokes the deathless verses which William Wordsworth wrote in his

And if our wounded men are asking for their passports to that country shall we

Not only is the occasion, whether of charity or duty, inexpressibly beyond all our imagination-for there has never been

When this present storm has abated the different men from what they were before. Now with all their fine qualities, which Well, the case is not quite the same in promise well for stability and betterment,

which are so useful to refer to! This we might judge to be somewhat above Victoria, 1838; Massacre at Cawnpore

Charles Darwin used to read the scienshall the society meet such requisitions tific periodical called Nature through from unless they have very large variety in end to end every week, including the pro-stock? private property. I am not myself one of useful discipline, to keep himself conscious

And these men need initiation into this knowlege of their ignorance—to perceive how vast the field of knowledge is; how them so new and simple.

learners, as many of them are, they will above all things, do her utmost to produce advance on that path. For when once food to sustain her own troops in the the appetite for wisdom is excited it is field and those of the Allies who are not lightly quenched.-Reprinted from fighting in the same cause. FIGHT, The New York Evening Post.

#### THE WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

June 22.- John Huss of Bohemia burnt a the stake, 1415; Niccolo Machiavelli, Thomae Day, English writer, author of And if we could look into the minds of Sanford and Merton, born, 1748: Julian

June 23.-Plassy, 1757. Mark Akenside English physicia: and poet, died, 1770; French Convention, 1793; Baron Von Humboldt, German scientist and explorer, ascended Chamborazo, the highest peak own past, and therewith his identity, and in the Andes, 1802; Irvin S. Cobb, American humorist and author, born. 1866; his fellows. And so would the world be Matthew Vassar, founder of Vassar without this memory of itself. By mem-College, died, 1868; H. R. H. Prince of

Mnemosyné in a manner includes all June 24.—61. John Baptist. Midsummer into herself all her own records and Solterino, 1859. John and Sebastian memorials of herself, and dwells retired Cabot first sighted America, 1497: River born, 1650; Josephine, Empress of the French, born, 1763; Alexander Dumas père, French novelist, born, 1803; Field And Bookland holds to a man as in a Marshal Earl Kitchener, British military TENDERS for the supply of Coal for parte, grandfather of Hon. Charles J. Bonaparte, died, 1860; General Lee and army crossed the Potomac, 1863; Lieut.-General Sir Frederick Stanley Maude, British military commander who died in Baghdad in 1917, born, 1864; Sadi Carnot President of the French Republic, assassinated, 1894; Ter-Centenary celebration at St. John, N. B., of Champlain's discovery of the St. John River, 1904; Grover Cleveland, twice President of the United States, died, 1908.

June 25.-John Horne Tooke, English politician, born, 1736; Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., founded, 1795; Georges Cadoudal (Chouan), French soldier, executed, 1804; Napoleon bade farewell to his army, 1815; Cities of Mon treal and Quebec incorporated, 1840: Louis Bonaparte, ex-King of Holland, died, 1846; John Dillon, Irish Nationalist Member of British Parliament, born, 1851; Queen Isabella of Spain abdicated in favor of her son, Alfonso, father of present King, 1870; Earl of Duffierin assumed office as Governor-General of Canada, 1872; General Custer, American Indian fighter, and his troops, massacred by Sioux Indian in Montana, 1876; Sir 51-2wp. Leonard Tilley, Canadian statesman and Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, died, 1896; Sir Alma Tadema, British

historical painter, died, 1912. June 26.-Francisco Pizarro, Spanish conqueror of Peru, assassinated, 1541; Oliver Cromwell inaugurated Lord Protector of England, 1657; George Morland, English landscape painter, died, 1763; Gilbert particulars apply to
MRS. G. D. GRIMMER, or White, English naturalist, author of Natural History of Selborne, died, 1793; 50-tf. Naples surrendered to Admiral Nelson 1799; Lord Kelvin, Scottish scientist and FOR SALE-1 Driving Horse; 2 Work inventor, born, 1824; King George IV of England died, 1830; Repeal of the Corn Laws of England, 1846; Rt. Hon. Sir 2 sets Single Driving Harness. Apply to Robert Borden, Prime Minister of Canada, born, 1854; Steamer Monireal burnt on St. Lawrence River, with loss of 230 lives, 1857; Victoria Cross first distributed 1857; Emigrant ship William Nelson

of whom were lost, 1865. June 27.—Quebec bombarded by General Wolfe, 1759; Dr. Dodd hanged in London arranged. Apply to for forgery, 1777; Cairo, Egypt, retaken by the British from the French 1801: James Smithson, founder of the Smith sonian Institution at Washington, died, 1829; John Smith, founder of the Mo ect murdered, 1844: Harriet Martineau English writer, died, 1876; Helen A Keller American author and lecturer, blind, deaf. and dumb at birth, born, 1870; Carlotta Patti, Italian .singer, died, 1889; H. M. S.

June 28.-King Henry VIII of England must be prepared to face all sorts of silly ever kind. To help to enlarge the knowscruples: If I part with this history, what a gap there will be in my series! These

And this consideration should dispel Madison, fourth President of the United

astronomer, died, 1889; Assassination of

#### YOU MUST REGISTER

If you have not already registered you = must register to-day. Every person in Let us also remember what the philo- mathematics which he could not under- Canada of 16 years of age and over-even sophers are nowadays telling us about stand, because, as he said, he thought it a if of 116 years of age-is required to register not later than June 22-to-day in order that the Government may know the man and woman power of the Dominion and thereby know how to apply that 22 Sat power to the best advantage in the old and difficult the problems that seem to further prosecution of the war. Canada must continue to supply more men to And if they are earnest and willing fight in freedom's cause; and she must, FISH, or FARM! REGISTER!

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New Moon, 8th	7h. 3m. p.m.
First Quarter, 16th	10h. 12m. a.m.
Full Moon, 24th	7h. 38m. a.m.

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The Tide Tables given above are for the Port of St. Andrews. For the following places the time of tides can be found y applying the correction indicated, thich is to be subtracted in each case:

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