

Chapleau and Laurier, as a favourite orator at all national festivals.

Judge Routhier has enriched our Canadian libraries with about ten volumes of prose and one volume of poetry. That he was born a poet, all his writings, whether in prose or verse, sufficiently testify ; the divine afflatus breathes through them all. He has the genuine inspiration of a poet, his ideal visions and striking imagery.

His published poems are entitled : *Les Echos*. The author gives his reasons for selecting this title in an introduction remarkable for dignity and grace : " Poetry, he writes, " commonly called harmonized chant, is nothing else than the echo of songs and melodies heard by the poet, wafted to his ear from ideal worlds. Some of his lines would do honour to the best French poets, and have been very