

MUSIC FOR THE EMPEROR.

He Loved Music and Asked to Hear Before he Died.

A charming and pathetic bit of history concerning the Emperor Frederick William, of Germany, who died in 1888, was once written by Mr. K. Von Hugen, and entitled 'The First and Last Adagio.'

In 1844 the future Emperor of Germany was a lad of thirteen. One day as Reichardt, his music master, was about to leave him at the close of a lesson, the young prince asked him to wait a moment.

'Herr Reichardt,' said he, 'my father's birthday, the 22d of March, will soon be here, and Doctor Curtius thinks it would be very nice to learn a new piece as a surprise for him on that day. Will you kindly choose something that you think might do? Only mind, it must be very difficult, so that papa shall see I have taken great pains, and that will please him more than anything else. What he likes best is one of those soft slow pieces with a great deal of expression in it.'

Herr Reichardt turned over his music and by and by paused a moment as if considering whether a certain piece would answer the purpose.

'Have you found me something?' asked the prince.

'I am afraid your royal highness is hardly far enough advanced,' replied Reichardt; 'this is so very difficult. It is the adagio from Schumann's Sonata in F sharp minor; but it won't do, I fear. There is so little time in which to learn it.'

'Ah, but Herr Reichardt,' broke in the prince, 'I will work so hard! Do please let me have it. It must do—it shall do.'

By dint of great trouble and perseverance the task was finally accomplished, and on the 22d of March the young prince played Schumann's grand movement quite correctly and with much feeling, to his father's great surprise and pleasure.

As a reward for his industry, Prince Frederick William received a turning-lathe fitted up with every necessary implement, and great was his excitement and delight.

Forty-four years later the beloved Emperor Frederick lay dying in the castle of Friedrichskron. During the last few days of his life he was unable to speak, but his family and those around him interpreted his signs so that he was almost entirely spared the trouble of writing.

Four days before he died, when the empress enquired if there was anything he wished, he waited a moment, and then with both hands imitated the movement of a pianist.

'Will it not be too much for you?' asked the empress. The emperor shook his head, and then wrote on his tablet 'I should so like to hear some music. Could not Riffer, Victoria's master, come and play something?'

A message was sent, and the composer of 'Merlin' came at once, and seated himself at the piano in the room next the emperors, the folding doors having been opened. He played piece after piece the emperors evident pleasure, till at last the empress said to the invalid gently:

'Are you sure this does not tire you? I am so afraid the excitement may do you harm.'

The emperor smiled and wrote on his tablet. 'Just one more; I should like an adagio from one of the sonatas. That shall really be the very last.'

The musician received the message and again began to play. The sick man beckoned to the empress and wrote these words with feverish haste: 'Forty-four years ago I learned this very adagio, and played it to my father on his birthday. Of course not so well as he plays it! It is out of the sonata in F sharp minor. Very beautiful. Please think Ruter. This is the last. Now I will go to sleep.'

It was indeed the last earthly music to which he ever listened—a tender farewell from the art he loved most dearly.

JOE'S SERMON.

He Preached a Grand Sermon on Man's Contentment.

Joe was an old fisherman, who lived on an island off the Southern coast, where he served as a guide and man-of-all-work to summer visitors. A year or two ago several young men, sons of rich New York merchants, who had been fishing and shooting under Joe's guidance, brought him to the city. Kindness and the desire to surprise the old man prompted the boys' act.

Joe, however, walked quietly about in his clean homespun suit, manifesting little surprise and admiration.

'Now, Joe,' said one of the boys, nettled by his calmness, 'tell me candidly what you think of New York. Isn't it grand? It 'pears too shut in for to call it that,' the old fisherman said, reluctantly, unwilling to be ungrateful or uncivil. 'My cabin has all outdoors behind it, an' the sea in front. That's what I call grand.'

'Oh, certainly. But wouldn't you like to give up your drudgery and live as New Yorkers do?'

'No,' said Joe, thoughtfully. 'Taint as easy livin' here. Your uncle sits in his bank all day, an' your father in court, an' I set in my boat. They fish for men, an' I fish for mackerel. They hev to study an' fret to catch their fish. I don't.'

'Well,' said the boy, discomfited, 'wouldn't you like your wife to live in a house like this?' glancing around the

stately rooms filled with costly draperies and bric-a-brac.

'No!' said Joe, laughing. 'Jane scrubs our two rooms an' cleans them up, an' then she sets an' rests, or has some fun. She never finish keeping this house tidy.'

'Oh, my mother has plenty of servants to do that.'

'Yes. An' she told me they was a on-bearable weight an' a worry on her.'

'But we see people,' urged the lad, 'and have music and gaiety, an' many things to see.'

'We have company, too; we sent round! The neighbours come an' set round evenin's n' tell stories and sing. I reckon we enjoy ourselves as much as you do at your big dinners.'

There was a short silence.

'We've got friends, like you,' Joe went on, gravely, an' our families. It's the same thing in the long run. Your preacher in that gilt pulpit said pretty much the same words as old Parson Martin does. An' when we die we rest just as quiet under the grass as under them thousand dollar monymints you showed me.'

'I'm glad I've seen it all,' he added, smiling, 'an' it was kind in you to show me. But it don't seem to make any difference between you an' me as I thought it would. Inside we're pretty much alike.'

'That's a good sermon you've preached to me,' the lad said, laughing.

'I wasn't awer I was preachin',' Joe said, anxiously.

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ONOMATOPEIA.

A wag who, for a consideration, helped the Cincinnati Police Court to distinguish between the innocent and the guilty, got off a good thing.

His honor asked an officer who the prisoner was.

'A Russian, your honor.'

'His name?'

'I can't pronounce it, your honor.'

'Spell it then.'

'V-e-z-o-z-i-z-a-z-e-z-s-h-h-z-z-i.'

What is he charged with? Then Carl Nippert, the wag, jumped up and said, 'Soda water, your honor, I should say, by his name.'

BORN.

Truro, Apr. 5, to the wife of F. F. Moriarty, a son.

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St. John, Apr. 8, to the wife of Chas. H. Climo, a son.

Wassila, Mar. 20, to the wife of Chas. Sterling, a son.

Halifax, Apr. 8, to the wife of James Maxwell, a son.

St. John, Apr. 4, to the wife of T. C. Teasdale, a son.

Moncton, Apr. 3, to the wife of L. T. Jondrey, a son.

Windsor, April, 1, to the wife of H. M. Bradford, a son.

Yarmouth, April, 9, to the wife of Walter Holly, a son.

Shag Harbor, Apr. 7, to the wife of Arthur D. Fox, a son.

Kentville, April, 1, to the wife of Rev. Mr. Stevens, a son.

Pleasant Point, Apr. 5, to the wife of Wm. Hamma, a daughter.

Auburn, N. S. Apr. 5, to the wife of Joseph Lee, a daughter.

Halifax, Apr. 6, to the wife of A. G. Morrison, a daughter.

Salem, Mar. 31, to the wife of James Wesley, a daughter.

Urbanis, Mar. 18, to the wife of Stewart Rose, a daughter.

Walton, Mar. 24, to the wife of Albert Parsons, a daughter.

South Ohio, Mar. 27, to the wife of Stephen Cook, a daughter.

Kentville, April, 3, to the wife of Geo. C. McDougall, a son.

Upper Dyke, Mar. 18, to the wife of Sherman Belcher, a son.

Dutch Brook, C. B., April, 5, to the wife of J. D. Brown, a son.

Upper Musquodoboit, Mar. 23, to the wife of Frank Fraser, a son.

Kingston Village, Feb. 17, to the wife of David Langille, a son.

South Ohio, Mar. 27, to the wife of Capt. Stephen Cook, a daughter.

Upper Musquodoboit, Mar. 29, to the wife of George Easton, a daughter.

Factoryville, N. S. Apr. 5, to the wife of Albert Ewing, a daughter.

Middle River, Feb. 10, to the wife of J. W. McDonald, a daughter.

MARRIED.

Augusta Me., Mar. 23, Harry Wilson to Edith McLean of N. B.

Malbone Bay, Mar. 31, by Rev. J. Maurer, Robert A. Garber to Ida Wolf.

Gardiners Mines, Mar. 26, J. A. McGlashan, Frank Miller to Kate Johnson.

Tremont, April 7, by Rev. J. A. Gaets, James McGinnis to Flora Crocker.

Carleton, April 7, by Rev. W. C. Weston, Leslie Allen to Jennie Sanders.

Middleton, April 7, by Rev. E. E. Lorko, W. E. Dalhousie to Carrie Chas.

North River, Mar. 24, by Rev. R. B. Mack, Albert Bartlett to Annie McKay.

St. George, April 7, by Rev. R. L. Smith, Stephen Seelye to Louisa Taitany Cummings.

Fredericton, Mar. 21, by Rev. Dr. McLeod, John Nason to Minnie Dupuis.

Annapolis, Mar. 25, by Rev. J. H. Toole, Eibert Marshall to Annie Britton.

West Dublin, April 4, by Rev. H. Crawford, Servia Croft to Minnie B. Wolf.

Woodstock, Mar. 27, by Rev. C. T. Phillips, Ernest Anderson to Emma Bulmar.

Kentville, March 31, by Rev. H. Alfred Porter, John Miller to Agnes Binor.

Tracy St., Mar. 31, by Rev. O. N. Mott, Maynard Seelye to Evelyta McLeary.

Advocate, April 1, by Rev. H. K. McLean, George E. Morris to Marion Merriam.

Centerville, Mar. 31, by Rev. F. M. Young, Freeman Slipp to Angeise Brooks.

West River, March 23, by Rev. J. A. McGlashan, Peter Churchill to Hattie Knox.

St. George, April 7, by Rev. E. E. Smith, John McCormack to Mary E. Austin.

Knottford, April 7, by Rev. Jos. A. Cahill, Howard E. Stewart to Lizzie Chas.

North Sydney, April 3, by Rev. T. C. Jack, Joseph P. Troke, to Isabel J. Muirhead.

Freeport, March 31, by Rev. L. J. Tingley, F. B. Knight to John to Jess Thurbar.

Barrington, N. S., Apr. 1, by Rev. James Billington, Ed. H. Christie to Helen Kopp.

Weymouth Bridge, March 27, by Rev. G. D. Harris, J. A. Grierson to Edith F. Jones.

North Sydney, March 16, by Rev. W. G. Lane, John B. Savage to Caroline O'Neill.

Centerville, March 31, by Rev. Joseph A. Cahill, Amos Downey to Julia L. McKenzie.

North Sydney, March 27, by Rev. W. G. Lane, Nelson Coates to Florence Curus.

New Glasgow, March 5, by Rev. W. Stewart, R. McG. Jackson to Gertrude M. Fraser.

Lower Oshlow, Mar. 30, by Rev. J. A. Chase, Capt. Geo. M. Cummings to Gertrude M. Fraser.

Lower Granville, Mar. 31, by Rev. J. A. Porter, Samuel Armstrong to Lucilla Littlewood.

DIED.

Halifax, Apr. 8, Edward Ryan, 86.

St. John, Apr. 9, William Robb, 54.

Yarmouth, April 8, Dermot Cole 53.

Waterford, April 5, Mary Morris 98.

Waterford, April 2, Robert Parlee 57.

Studholm, April 3, James Robinson 77.

Halifax, April 3, Louisa M. Pelton, 88.

Hantsport, Apr. 4, John F. Davidson, 69.

Scotts Bay, N. S., Mar. 16, Walter Munro, 24.

Wine Harbor, Mar. 27, Allen Kennedy, 77.

Penobscot, April 3, Edward Whitehead 19.

Bridgewater, Mar. 24, Whitman Foster 80.

Melbourne, N. S. Apr. 6, Timothy Allen, 65.

Bridgewater, March 24 Whitman Foster 80.

Port Morien, C. B., Benoni S. Sheppard, 81.

Sydney, C. B., Mar. 27, Eva May Burton, 17.

St. John, Apr. 9, William Harold Barry, 21.

Scotts Bay, N. S., Mar. 16, Walter Munro, 24.

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Having been urged to become a candidate for the office of Mayor of Saint John by a large number of representative fellow citizens, who have signed a requisition to that effect, I readily comply with a requisition which entirely concurs with my personal aspirations.

I have always taken a lively interest in all that relates to the city and having had considerable experience in the management of its affairs, I am not without reasonable confidence that, as its chief magistrate, I might be of some use in both guarding and advancing its welfare.

I may be pardoned for reminding you that my ancestors and nearest relatives, as well as myself, have in the past, each contributed towards the development of property in this community, and I need only add that, while I shall always entertain supreme satisfaction in having passed my life in its midst, my proper ambition must remain unsatisfied until I shall have secured from my fellow citizens, the highest recognition of good citizenship.

I therefore respectfully request you to give me your votes for the office of Mayor at the approaching election, assuring you that if elected I shall devote my very best efforts to the discharge of the duties of that most important as well as honorable position, and am always,

Your Most Obedient Servant, CHARLES McLAUGHLIN.

CARD.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 10th, 1897.

George Robertson, Esq., Mayor of the City of St. John.

Your Worship—In recognition of the large amount of time and earnest efforts which you have devoted to your duties as chief magistrate of the city during the past three years, and fully realizing the deep interest that you have taken in the work of harbor improvements, and the general development of the city.

Feeling that it is in the public interest that all the improvements which should be utilized for the completion of the improvements which the increased traffic of our port will still require to be carried out, we therefore trust that you will devote another year to the service of your fellow citizens and assist in carrying to completion the work in which you have taken such an active part.

If you will accept the position, we will have much pleasure in nominating you on the 13th April. We have the honor to remain,

THOMAS McAVITY, W. A. FISHER, and many others.

Gentlemen.—In compliance with the above most influential and numerous signed requisition, representing the manufacturing, shipping, labour, real estate professional, mercantile and other important interests in the city, I feel it to be my duty apart from all personal considerations to accept your nomination, and offer my services to the citizens for another year.

Yours sincerely, GEORGE ROBERTSON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF ST. JOHN: Ladies and Gentlemen.—I respectfully solicit your support for the office of Mayor at the coming election.

Yours faithfully, GEORGE ROBERTSON.

To the Electors of the City of St. John. I will be a candidate for the office of Mayor.

at the coming election on the THIRD TUESDAY IN APRIL, and respectfully solicit your support. If elected I will use my best endeavors to promote the interests of the city.

I am yours faithfully, T. H. HALL.

To the Electorate of the City; RESPONDING to a requisition of representative citizens, I announce my acceptance of their nomination for Mayor, and that I shall be a candidate for the office at the election to be held in April next.

If elected I shall endeavour to merit the confidence reposed in me.

Faithfully yours, EDWARD SEARS.

St. John, March 8th, 1897.

To the Electors of the City of Saint John. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—At the earnest solicitation of a large number of electors, I have consented to become a candidate for a Alderman for Wellington Ward at the approaching civic election. I respectfully solicit your support, assuring you that if elected, my best efforts shall be directed to the promotion of the city's best interests.

Having never sat at the Council Board I have no record to meet your approval or to merit your commendation, but I believe that the affairs of the city should be conducted on the same business principle as those of private concerns, combining enterprise with economy.

Yours faithfully, JAMES DUNLOP, Grocer, Cor. Waterloo and Paddock Sts.

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