

JUDGES FOR SARAH BERNHARDT MEMORIAL TABLET.



The awards in the Orpheum Circuit contest for a suitable design for a memorial tablet to be placed at the tomb of Madame Sarah Bernhardt were made at the home of Mrs. Rockefeller McCormick, daughter of John J. Rockefeller, in Chicago. Besides Mrs. McCormick, on right, the committee included Mrs. John Alden Carpenter, Lorado Taft, Benjamin H. Marshall, famous architect, and M. Antonia Barthelmy, the French consul in Chicago.

Australia Land Of Vivid Colors

Member of Auto Expedition Describes Diversity of Wonders on Island Trip.

London, May 18.—(By Mail).—Captain S. A. White, who accompanied the McCullum Motor Expedition, which crossed Australia south to north and back again, has given the members of the Field Naturalists' Society the considered results of his observations. Captain White, a well known Australian ornithologist, showed that, far from being a gigantic desert, central Australia is a land of color—the colors of birds, flowers, and waving grasses.

His remarks related chiefly to what he saw north of Alice Springs, according to "The London Times." The season had been a dry one, and the small annuals were scarce. On this trip the years before, Captain White had traveled through many miles of ground flora. From Lake Eyre to the MacDonnell Range a desert-loving shrub (Eremophila freelingii) was gay with mauve-tinted blossoms. On the vast Burt Plain, north of Alice Springs, the mulga (Acacia aneura) and many grasses were found. The latter were of a tussocky nature, and, in the opinion of Captain White, they would make ideal pastoral country.

Range Holds Back Tropics. At Central Mount Stuart he encountered a range which seemed to keep back the tropical vegetation of the north. There was a gap where thirty-two species of plants were found, but they did not pass southward of this point. A wattle was discovered in the vicinity which carried pods 12 inches long—a fine tree—and also a cassia with large leaves and an abundance of flowers.

Captain White found at this spot a red-backed kingfisher. This bird goes without water for a long period, subsisting on grasshoppers and other insects. There was a beautiful greville which attracted numerous insects to the honey secreted in its mass of blossoms.

At Daly Waters he saw the northern territory bean tree, fifty feet high, carrying pods with a red bean, which only the emu was known to eat. The gums which grew in this country were covered with flowers. A remarkable color effect was noticed from the blue gum at Barrow Creek. From the distance the tree looked like a blue haze on account of the luminous bloom on the leaves and pods. A scarlet finch was observed here; it was named in 1911 after Captain White's wife, who accompanied him on one of his trips into the interior, and visited localities unknown to white women since time began.

Grasses Six Feet High. After leaving Barrow Creek the motorists entered the magnificent Stuart Plain, with grasses over six feet high, billowed like a sea. Rabbits are found in this country but the heavy tropical rains drive them out.

A plea was made by Captain White for the preservation of a large area of the country in its natural state so that the native vegetation and animals might be kept intact. North of Daly Waters he saw some magnificent gums with handsome tango-colored flowers. These trees were blossoming for the first time in seven years. A striking picture was composed of trees carrying vivid yellow-brown autumn leaves, lifted above a carpet of pink flowers. The light effect on this vegetation was dazzling, especially in a setting of gums, with bark of varying colors, some with white and others with green or brown. It was here that mud-building birds were seen, called jumpers, or, because they were always in flocks, "happy families."

Bare-Eyed Pigeons Tame. The bare-eyed pigeon proved so tame and confident that the motorists almost ran over it. As the tourists advanced north they noted a tendency for the birds to become smaller. Many beautiful species were observed, including rufous-breasted thickbills, double-barred finches and a gorgeous red-winged parrot.

The tropics were entered at Daly Waters, where Captain White, at a locality nearer to Darwin, came across the cyad—a rare plant. Some specimens were twenty-five feet high. It was calculated that these might possibly have taken hundreds of years to attain their present size.

The squatter pigeon was found happy in his home amid the long grass of the Barkly Tablelands, but was seen flying only at dusk and dawn. The travelers met the bronze cuckoo all through the journey and the black-faced wood swallow was nearly as ubiquitous.

It was a tour of surpassing interest, with landscapes of glorious diversity of color, a country full of education and of many scientific surprises.

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ENGLISH WRITERS PLAN SPOKEN VERSE CONTEST

Believe Beauties of Poetry Will Be Spread by New Method.

London, May 18.—(By Mail).—Some famous writers are associated with a movement to encourage the beautiful speaking of poetry by means of a contest in verse speaking in Oxford during the coming summer, reports "The Westminster Gazette." Mr. and Mrs. John Massfield, Professor Gilbert Murray and Professor George Gordon are the organizers.

It is felt that spoken verse has been too much neglected in favor of verse printed or set to music. The contest will be held July 25, and will be known as the Oxford Recitations. The adjudicators will be Sir Herbert Warren (President of Magdalen), Professor Gilbert Murray, Professor George Gordon, Laurence Binyon and John Massfield.

Lorne Powers, driver for J. Clark & Sons, was before Magistrate W. H. Parlee in Hampton yesterday charged, on complaint of Provincial Constable Robert Crawford, with driving furiously through Renforth, having no lights on his automobile and with using a deal er's tag. Fines totalling \$38 were imposed. The fines amounted to \$15 and the costs to \$23.

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SUCCESS MARKS TOURIST MEETING

Plans for Attracting Visitors to New Brunswick Made on Board S. S. Governor Dingley—Premier to Speak in Boston.

The idea of holding the annual meeting of the New Brunswick Tourist and Resources Association on board the steamer Governor Dingley met with a great success. Some sixty members assembled for the meeting and a hearty spirit of enthusiasm was apparent. Address was made for luncheon when the steamer reached Eastport. E. A. Schofield was appointed chairman in place of the president, F. W. Robertson, of Moncton. Mr. Schofield extended the thanks of the organization to A. C. Currie and the Eastern Steamship Company for the trouble they had taken and to the Boston people for the preparations they were making to receive the association.

Mr. Schofield rehearsed the history of the Tourist Association and its meetings in various parts of New Brunswick. He emphasized the benefits accruing to every line of business from tourist travel and expressed regret that the association was unable to make the Boston trip. He closed with words of high appreciation of the financial assistance given the association by the New Brunswick government and the city of St. John.

Reports and Committees. A. L. Gibb, of the Canadian National Railway, St. John, was appointed assistant to the secretary, C. B. Allan. A comprehensive account of last year's meeting and the secretary's report were presented by C. B. Allan. The latter appointed a committee on resolutions and Hon. A. A. Dwyer, of Buctouche; A. H. Lindsay, of Moncton and J. W. S. Baskirk, of Loggieville, a nominating committee on the boat.

Mr. Hoskins presented each delegate with a card from Frederick R. Basley, president of the Canadian Club of Boston, extending the privileges of the club for the two weeks. He also distributed, with the Bellevue Hotel's compliments, large colored maps of New Brunswick. There were also passed out copies of "Vacationland," a nice booklet issued by the New Brunswick Tourist Association presenting the attractions of New Brunswick offers.

In the afternoon were copies of the Boston Sunday Herald with a booster article by Mr. Allan, reporter for the booklet committee which had got out "Vacationland."

Believe Church Union Will Carry

Consummation at Present Session of Presbyterian General Assembly is Expected by Rev. Dr. Baird.

Fort William, Ont., June 7.—That church union, in so far as the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational communions are concerned, will be finally consummated at the present session of the Presbyterian General Assembly, was the opinion expressed by Rev. Robert Baird, D. D., for ten years principal of Manitoba College, Winnipeg, and one of the outstanding Presbyterian divines in Canada.

"I expect church union will carry by a large majority," said Dr. Baird. "If of this church is the next step will be that legislation will be prepared for presentation to the Dominion parliament first, then to each of the legislative assemblies in the various provinces."

CHURCH REPORTS ARE SATISFACTORY

Annual Meeting of Official Board of Queen Square Methodist Church Held Last Evening.

Rev. Neil MacLachlan, pastor, presided at the annual meeting of the official board of Queen Square Methodist church here on Tuesday night. Reports submitted from various branches told of satisfactory work accomplished during the year. The total membership of the church is 274. The number of families ministered to is 115 while the Sunday school shows a total of 235.

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which, recently, about three weeks after he committed suicide, says the Birmingham correspondent of The London Daily Express. Mason, destitute and starving, having spent his last sixpence, threw himself under the wheels of a train. His career in the army was long and honorable. He served on the north-west frontier of India, in the Boer War and in the great war. He was discharged with shattered nerves and applied for assistance to the Ministry of Pensions. Officialdom pondered his case week by week, while Mason suffered destitution, starvation and finally despair.

Church In London Is Being Consumed By Hungry Beetles

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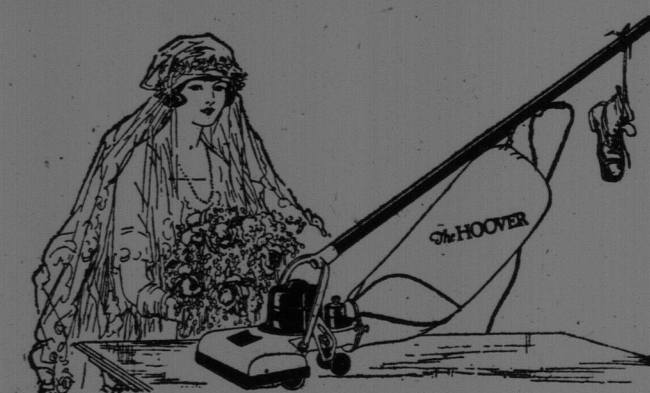
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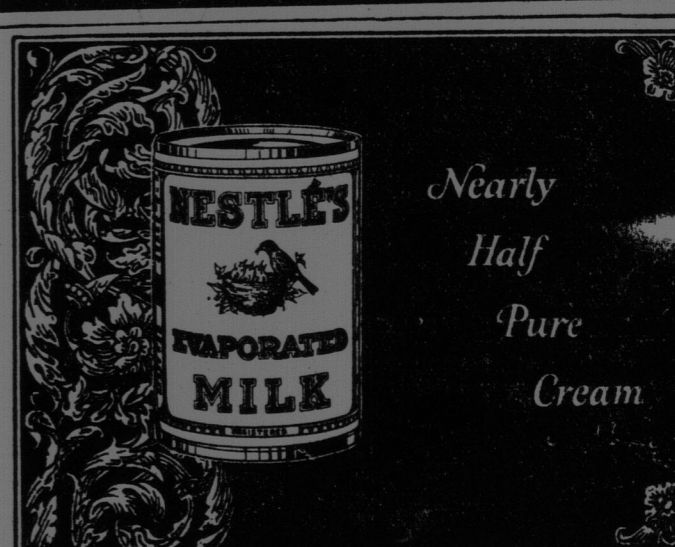
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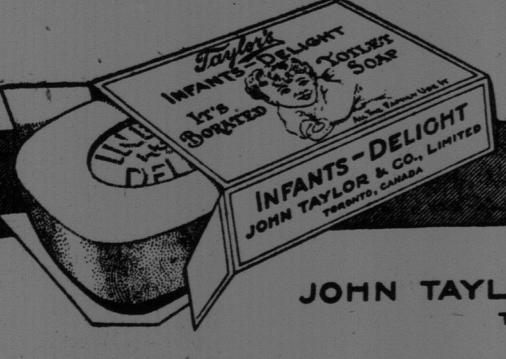
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