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Music—What It Does

In the course of his unremitting study of all aspects of human life, a certain journalist chanced one day to be wandering in that quarter of the East End of London which is known as the Hectic Acre; where life is lived at the greatest possible pace, and where all the sin and folly, and much of the courage and nobility as well, that belongs to the human heart, is found on the surface—apparent to all beholders.

have the almost more than human tenderness of mother-love, far too strong for time and circumstance and evil to weaken it.

Once more the violin takes up a new strain, and this time the journalist cannot imagine the tune. But it has become a voice from the darker places of life.

Astonished at the question and, looking at the tradesman with fresh interest the man who told me the story said he was, and the little man replied, "Come upstairs with me, sir, and you shall hear something worth hearing."

With a half-smile at the absurdity of the thing, the journalist walked behind the counter and, when the tobaccoist had handed over the charge of his business to a young assistant, followed him through a narrow door and up a dark stairway into a sort of stock-room, littered with cardboard boxes, and bare of furniture.

The old violinist tucks his violin and bow under his arm, and holds out his battered hat. And the audience, as they contribute, pass out silently, "as if," said my friend, "they had been in church."

Downstairs, in the shop, the journalist begged to be told all about this strange concert; how and why it came to be held. But the tobaccoist had little to say.

"I am not what you call a good man, sir; but when I hear that music, I think it brings me a little nearer to the angels."

That, my friend, is what music is, and what it does. It makes us see those great facts of life which in the bustle and hurry of life we are prone to overlook, and it brings us a little nearer to the angels.

With scarcely a pause, he changed his tune, and it is a sweet, sad, yearning thing—the Canto Popolare of Elgar. What is it that this simple air has to give to these nine diversely assorted people, is it the hopeless longing of an unrequited love? Or is it the cry of the soul looking up at the unattainable ideal? The bibulous commercial man smoothes his moustache, and the commissionaire moves his feet heavily; the two girls are standing very still.

Again the air changed, and instead of the pitiful yearning, we

After Effects Of Mustard Gas

NEW YORK, April 19.—Soldiers poisoned by mustard gas in the Great War can look forward in after years at the worst to chronic bronchitis, emphysema (swollen lung tissues) bronchial asthma and certain eye conditions such as conjunctivitis and corneal opacities.

Probably 60 per cent. can look forward to no ill whatever. It is doubtful whether mustard gas played much part in the development of tuberculosis.

These are some of the conclusions of a study of wartime gassing after effects made public by the medical bulletin of the veterans' administration.

Spring Opening Slowly In North

OTTAWA, April 19.—Spring is opening up slowly in the far north. The Canadian government wireless station on Hudson's Bay report the breaking up of the sea ice and lightning temperatures.

Chicago Crowds To See Octopus

CHICAGO, April 19.—Times are very good, as far as the octopus at the Shedd Aquarium is concerned. Crabs are being shipped from California for his diet. Sunday crowds have increased from an average of 25,000 to 60,000.

The octopus, caught in Florida waters, has been in captivity here for three weeks, which is one week longer than the high record of longevity for captured octopi in this country.

"And," said Director Walter H. Chute, "he's still as good as new."

King Who Declined Church Warden Role

LONDON, April 19.—In connection with the annual Easter Vestry meetings it is recalled that about 150 years ago the King was elected Church Warden. It was George III, who was given this distinction by the famous London Church, St. Martin-in-the-Fields, but His Majesty did not take it as a compliment, and refused to serve.

Buckingham Palace being in the parish, the church members at a vestry meeting, probably moved by some freakish whim, named the King as the People's Warden for a year. The monarch's refusal to accept the office led to a threat to take action at law to compel him to do so.

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Woman Feels A Fool In Tiara

LONDON, Eng., April 19.—A woman who had been presented at Court expressed some outspoken views on the wearing of tiaras during the hearing in the King's Bench Division recently of a dispute regarding eight pieces of jewellery which, it was claimed, were held on trust for Captain Ambrose William Goddard, a son of the late Captain Edward Hesketh Goddard, and a beneficiary under his will.

The plaintiffs were Mrs. Florence May Goddard, widow, of Walpole street, Chelsea, Mrs. Charles Frederick Goddard, of Cotham Gloucester, and Sir William Henry Crozier, of Brunswick Gardens, Kensington (trustees under the will) and Captain Ambrose William Goddard.

The defendant was Mrs. Ursula Goddard, formerly the wife of Captain Ambrose William Goddard, of Meadowscroft, Winkfield, Berkshire.

Mrs. Ursula Goddard, it was stated, had obtained a divorce from her husband, and the action was brought against her to recover the jewellery.

Wedding Present Story

She denied that certain of the pieces were in her possession, and said that other articles were given her as a wedding present by her husband and a further article she sold with her knowledge and consent.

Lost Dignity Won Rumpus

CANNES, France, April 19.—Lord Louis Mountbatten lost his hat, sick and, for a time, his dignity, but he won a rumpus with policemen who tried to keep him out of the Royal box at the annual battle of flowers Saturday.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. AUGUSTINE MacDONALD

To few mortals is it given to attain almost a century of life, yet was it so given to the late Mrs. Augustine MacDonald of Allisay, who passed to her eternal reward on March 29th.

The late Mrs. MacDonald was the last of her generation born and living in Allisay, and the last member of her family. She was the daughter of James MacDonald and Mary MacEachern, a grand niece of Bishop MacEachern and a cousin of Bishop Charles MacDonald.

She was one of the old stock, as it were, one of the now scattered few who seemed to belong more to the pioneer stock of the Island, more of the nature of the first emigrants, than those of the present younger generations.

In 1864 she married Augustine MacDonald also of Allisay, who predeceased her four years ago, and to this marriage was born three daughters and five sons all of who are still living.

MR. JOHN J. MARTIN

The death took place in the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Charlottetown, April 15th, 1933, of Mr. John J. Martin after a lingering illness lasting about 4 months at the age of 75 years. His wife predeceased him by 5 years. There was no family.

Mr. Martin was born in Valleyfield East, but his father while the subject of our story was still very young bought 100 acres of timberland in Glen William to which he removed his family and began the strenuous life of a pioneer farmer with which he combined some blacksmithing.

Mr. Martin is described to the writer as a kind and dutiful son who in his youth and young manhood helped his parents all he could until he left to make his living in the United States, settling in Boston, where he spent the most of his life. He was engaged in various branches of building construction, until advancing years and slack times came. Now he found himself out of work and was obliged to return to his native Province. Since his return he was the cordially welcome guest of his sister Catherine and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McKenzie, Valleyfield, and helped this hospitable and highly respected couple all he could on the farm. Two months ago taking seriously ill Dr. Brehaut ordered him to the hospital. After about 2 months there he wrote his sister how eager he was to get home with her, on hearing which she made all necessary preparations for his reception. But alas it was not to be. Becoming suddenly worse he passed away as above stated.

Those who knew him best, especially his sister, Mrs. McKenzie, declare that like his father and forebears he was a Presbyterian all his life time, that he was a regular worshipper under the ministry of one of the Presbyterian ministers of Boston and a humble and devout believer much given to quiet reading and meditating on the word of God and prayer.

Everytime he could he worshipped with us with his sister and brother-in-law in Caledonia Presbyterian Church since his return from Boston. He was a great lover of the Gaelic language, especially did he love to come to Caledonia and hear the glorious gospel proclaimed there in his father and mother's native tongue. He is survived by 4 sisters and 2 brothers: Catherine or Mrs. Malcolm McKenzie, Mrs. Marjorie McDonald, Allison, and the Misses Margaret and Mary Ann Martin, Boston, Angus of Glen William and William of Vancouver, B. C. The bearers were Messrs. Wm. McPherson, Angus Matheson, A. R. McDonald, J. Murcheson and Charles McLeod. The remains were brought by train

to Valleyfield Church, Reverends D. M. Sinclair and Allister Murray officiating at the church and grave in Valleyfield Cemetery.

Hun's Big Bertha Covered 80 Miles

BERLIN, April 18.—(G.P.)—A description of the bombardment of Paris by the special long range naval gun "Big Bertha" at the end of March, 1918, is given by the "Lokal Anzeiger."

It states that the ex-Kaiser was present to witness the firing of the first shot at 7.16 a. m. on March 23. The gun was finally destroyed to prevent its falling into the hands of the French, but it is not known what became of the plans.

Rear-Admiral Rogge, who was in charge of the operations, is still alive.

During the firing the gun barrel was raised to 50 degrees and the shell rose to a height of 25 miles, travelling the 80 miles to Paris in three minutes. In all 289 shells were dropped on the French capital.

The gun barrel was 111 feet long, and the strength of the charge was calculated on reports received as to the temperature, strength of the wind, and moisture in the air. Sixty men served the gun—and none of them has ever disclosed any information about it.

CHICAGO JUNK DEALER GIVEN \$4,000 FOR DIME

CHICAGO, April 19.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Rose Malczynska spent Easter Sunday looking for a white-whiskered junkman who drives a white horse and to whom she sold \$4,000 for a dime.

Bare Leg Victory For London Girls

LONDON, Eng., April 18.—Bedford College, London, girls are now to row in Regent's Park with bare legs.

This college was the last stronghold of skirts and black stockings among women's colleges. The authorities till 1927 refused to allow their teams to wear anything but the traditional gym tunic. Then they substituted shorts and stockings.

Now gym stockings have gone. Miss D. J. Alexander, captain of the Bedford Boats said: "Yes, this April we shall row on the Regent's Park lake in shorts and white ankle socks."

U. S. WIVES BOUGHT ON INSTALLMENTS

CHICAGO, April 18.—Wives were chattels in the West less than a century ago, Willoughby M. Babcock, of St. Paul, curator of the museum of the Minnesota Historical Society, today told the Mississippi Valley Historical Association.

A good wife, he said, brought as much as \$150 among the pioneers and payment by installments was acceptable.

Muir's Memorial Still Undecided

TORONTO, April 18.—(C.P.)—Turning down on the proposal of Toronto's chief librarian, Dr. George H. Locke, to build a children's library as a memorial to Alexander Muir, author of "The Maple Leaf Forever," a majority of the members of the Muir Memorial Committee are now said to favor a plan to spend the \$17,000 collected in creating a "sunken garden."

The site proposed is the ravine or dip into the side of the hill on the west side of Yonge St. directly opposite Mount Pleasant Cemetery. It is long and narrow and has a tiny stream running through it. Its area is about two acres.

There is criticism that the idea is only ornamental, lacking the practical qualities that a memorial to such a man should have. The issue is not yet decided.

Dr. Locke's proposal has the support of the Toronto Home and School Council, that body taking the view that Alexander Muir would undoubtedly declare that his memorial should take a practical form and be of direct benefit to girls and boys.

Alexander Muir's son recently suggested that the \$17,000 be kept for a few years and allowed to grow into a sum that would afford a proper memorial.

Automotive exports from the United States have increased this year. Minard's Liniment heals wounds. MORTGAGE SALE

To be sold by public auction in front of the Law Courts building in Charlottetown on Friday the 19th day of May A. D. 1933 at the hour of twelve o'clock noon all that tract of land situate lying and being on Township Number Fifty-one in King's County, Prince Edward Island, bounded and described as follows that is to say: Commencing at the Georgetown Road at the West line of John Kennedy's farm and running west along said Road to Lloyd Shaw's (now William Power's) east line, thence running north along said Road to the line of the farm of John Kennedy (now Milton Kennedy's), west line, thence south along said line one hundred chains or to the Georgetown Road, thence west along the said Road to the place of commencement, containing one hundred acres of land a little more or less.



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