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New Brunswick Pays Homage to Memory Of Bliss Carman

The Ashes of Canada's Premier Poet Laid to Rest
Today in Forest Hill Cemetery—Impressive
Memorial Service at Christchurch Cathedral
—An Eloquent Tribute By Very Rev. Dean
Neales.

In the presence of the Lieutenant-Governor and members of the Provincial Government, Judges of the Supreme Court, Members of the City Council, relatives, life long friends and admirers, the ashes of Bliss Carman, one of New Brunswick's most gifted sons and Canada's premier poet, were committed to their last resting place in a concrete tomb in Forest Hill Cemetery this afternoon, following a state funeral service at Christchurch Cathedral. It was a fitting tribute to one whose poetic genius had made his name stand high in literary circles throughout America and had done much to exploit the scenic beauties which nature has so bounteously bestowed upon his native land and province. The funeral service which began a three o'clock was very largely attended and was most impressive. The Very Rev. Dean Neales was in charge of the service, and there were a number of other clergymen in attendance. The full choir under the acting leadership of Mr. Harrison Wade, rendered appropriate hymns including two from the pen of the deceased poet.

Order of Service

The memorial service, which began at 2.30 o'clock, was very largely attended the beautiful Cathedral being crowded to capacity. Reservations had been made for His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and party, the members of the government, the chief mourners, representatives of the press, members of the city council and others.

The service began with a scriptural reading from Revelations VII, 9, after which the choir sang an appropriate hymn which began with the words: "How bright these glorious spirits shine." Scripture readings from St. John 11, 25, 25, 14, 1 and 2 followed by the 23rd Psalm and Hymn II, a paraphrase of Psalm CXXI.

THE DEAN'S TRIBUTE

The Very Rev. Scovill Neales, Dean of the Cathedral, who had charge of the service spoke as follows:

"We are here today, to bear in remembrance before God, and to honor in His hold name, the memory of Bliss Carman, a Poet Laureate of Canada. His name is as a household word, not only in this native city, but throughout Canada,—indeed throughout the English speaking world. Born of that sterling stock of Loyalist blood, who ever stood for high principle and truth, as they themselves had learned it, Bliss Carman had behind him, through the good providence of God, a rich heritage of priceless privilege and worth,—a splendid example of integrity and honor.

Here, in this Cathedral Church, his spiritual life began. Here in his youth he worshipped God, and here amidst these chaste and beautiful surroundings, he increased in wisdom and stature, as he grew to man's estate. Close by, in the old Collegiate School, under the master hand of that prince of teachers, Sir George R. Parkin, his education was begun, and the spirit of poetry, and love for the beautiful, of which his soul was full was fostered and developed.

At the U. N. B.

Then in that venerable seat of learning upon the hill behind us, crowned with its glory of noble trees, and with its wide, uncramped outlook over the spacious valley of the crystal river

over flowing by, his education was continued. In such environment it is small wonder that his untrammelled soul learned to give full vent to his great gift of the genius of poetry and imagination.

From those classic halls of old King's College, now the University of New Brunswick, many sons have gone forth to win distinction and honor in the wider world. By their brilliant achievements they shed a reflected glory upon their Alma Mater and so increased her wealth, her prestige and her influence. Some of her sons acquired great material wealth, and of their abundance they poured their riches at her feet. Some, by their powers of oratory and eloquence, won wide renown and popular applause, and so shed a bright radiance upon their Alma Mater. But, from nothing has there come a greater return of distinction, and of glory than from the literary achievements,—the sweet songs and poetry of her gifted and cultured sons especially of Bliss Carman, whose memory and worth all Canada delights to honor! Of vulgar popularity, so dear to the hearts of some, Bliss Carman had but a small measure. Of material wealth he had none. But with his rich possession of those thrilling charms of poetry of vision and of utterance, those sweet influences and powers of inspired imagination and of utterance which make men feel,—which house and stir the soul, or soothe it with delightful melody,—which form the halo round a poet's head, Bliss Carman, stood distinctly among the first. Some there doubtless are who affect to despise such things,—who are not poetical in spirit, but merely commercial. The price of stocks and bonds affect them more than the most glorious visions of poetry and romance. To such, the making, or the losing of a little money, some sordid gain or loss, is of more moment far, than the natural magic of some sea-girt cliff, lashed in storm, or kissed by sunlit waves, which enraptures the poet's soul.

A Priceless Gift

We may well indeed regard poetry as a glorious and priceless gift of vision, and of utterance bestowed upon humanity, in order that life may not be rendered intolerable, by the per-

A NEW CANAAN TRIBUTE TO BLISS CARMAN

(The New Canaan, Connecticut, Advertiser, Editorial)

Although New Canaan would have deemed it a privilege and an honor to forever hold the ashes of Bliss Carman the poet, in Lakeview Cemetery, it realizes that this native town, Fredericton, his native Province, New Brunswick, and his native land, Canada, are sincere in their desire to pay tribute to his ashes and his memory. No other place was dearer to the heart of Carman than the town in which he had lived more than twenty years.

Bliss Carman was one of us from the day he first arrived in New Canaan. Here he enjoyed commune with the hills and dales which meant so much to him. Wrapped for eternity in many of his poems is the inspiration he received in our town.

Honors will be accorded the ashes of Bliss Carman in Fredericton, the home of his forefathers and himself. To the land which gave him birth he will return. As a youth with dreams he left New Brunswick. He returned many times to spend brief periods with his friends and one occasion to receive the greatest honors Canada can confer upon its poets. It is right that final tributes are to be paid by the great and the humble of his native country. Carman honestly earned through a pen that sang of the good and the beautiful any and all honors that be conferred upon his ashes and his memory.

plexing enigmas of the universe, that the hopefulness of the race, may, from time to time, be made sure, by the perception of a divine harmony pervading the great round of Creation! For surely Poetry is not only the interpreter, but the transfigure of life. Poetry, like the little girl in Browning's lyric, walks the world, singing words of power, she often, herself knows not of; and, by some indefinable charm, at the sound of her voice, the whole aspect of life changes; evil stands abashed; light looks in, on despair,—the solution of the dark enigmas of sin, and pain, and death, seems flashed upon our hearts.

"God's in His Heaven".

"All's right with the world."

Poets as Prophets

The function of the poet such as was our dear friend, now gone before, is indeed very little below that of the prophet of old.

The poet Shelley thus speaks of poetry:—

"Poets in the earlier epochs of the world were called legislators or prophets. A poet essentially comprises 'and units both these characters; for 'he not only beholds intensely the present as it is, and discovers those laws according to which present things ought to be ordered, but he holds the future in the present and his thoughts are the germs of flowers and fruit of latest time. Not that I assert poets to be prophets in the gross sense of the word, or that they can foretell the form as surely as 'they foreknow the spirit of events. 'Such is the pretense of superstition which would make poetry an attribute of prophecy, rather than prophecy an attribute of poetry."

Everyone, who has at all entered into the true spirit of the old prophets of the Jewish Church, must surely recognize how true this conception of Shelley's is, as to the function, not only of the poet but of the prophet. For rightly regarded the prophet is
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ENTHUSIASM FOR SNOWDEN UNDIMINISHED

Labor Party Welcoming
the Praise From Its
Opponents

WILL RAISE PRESTIGE

Hopes of Reparations
Conference Shattered
Today.

By HERBERT LITTLE,
British United Press Staff Correspondent.

London, Aug. 20.—The enthusiasm for Right Hon. Philip Snowden's stand at the Hague reparations conference shows no sign of diminishing and labor instead of being embarrassed by the chorus of praise from their opponents in the Conservative and Liberal parties, are welcoming it with the broadest smiles.

Every commentator when referring to the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, maintains that he has raised British prestige to a high pinnacle and some expect extraordinary results from his policy.

Hopes are Shattered

The Hague, Aug. 20.—Hopes of saving the reparations conference as a result of the treasury experts efforts to establish the value of the compromise offer of France, Italy, Belgium and Japan to Great Britain was virtually shattered early today. After working until midnight and continuing until one a. m. the experts admitted that their final report would constitute a complete inability to agree in the value of the four power offer. The experts from each nation insisted on an entirely different figure.

BURGESS MILL AT GRAND FALLS IS DESTROYED

The Damage is Estimated
at \$25,000—Explosion
of an Oil Tank the
Cause.

Grand Falls, Aug. 19.—Fire caused the demolition of a large sawmill, two sheds and a blacksmith shop owned and operated by the Burgess Lumber Company here this afternoon in a conflagration which threatened the houses near the plant, situated just across the Grand Falls bridge leading to St. Andre, the damage being estimated at \$25,000.

The fire which was first noticed by two employees of the sawmill was thought to have been caused by the explosion of an oil tank which became overheated, although no explosion was heard, and giving warning to their companions, several of whom barely escaped with their lives, sent in the call alarm for the volunteer fire brigade which responded immediately.

From the sawmill the flames quickly spread to the adjoining buildings, demolished the blacksmith shop and left the sheds a mass of ruins. The fire department worked hard in a successful effort to save the residences nearby some of which had caught from the flames.

An automobile which had been parked in the mill yard prior to the outbreak was completely wrecked when the gas in the engine, caused an explosion, showering the various parts of the machine in all directions.

In City Today.

Miss Mary K. Tibbitts and Miss Blanche A. Tibbitts both of Boston, Mass., are visitors to the city today and are guests of the Barker House.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Leaman and young son of Boston, is here renewing old acquaintances.

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, motored from Rothesay today and is a guest at the Barker House.

Mrs. Willbrandt The Defendant in Big Libel Action

Gus O. Nations, Former Dry Chief of St. Louis
District, is Claiming One Million Dollars
Damages — Says His Reputation Suffered
From Articles Written by Defendant.

(Special to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

ST. LOUIS, MO., August 20.—The \$1,000,000 libel suit against Mrs. Mabel Walker Willbrandt, former United States assistant Attorney General and Current News Features Company fled here by Gus O. Nations, former chief of Federal prohibition enforcement in the St. Louis district, will be filed in duplicate in Washington, D. C., Nations indicated today.

The petition asks \$500,000 actual and \$500,000 punitive damages growing out of a series of articles written by Mrs. Willbrandt on prohibition enforcement now being published in serial form by several newspapers.

Would Garnishee Funds.

Nations has moved to garnishee funds due Mrs. Willbrandt by the St. Louis Post Dispatch, which publishes the articles headed "The Inside of Prohibition."

The plaintiff who acts as his own attorney, declared "His excellent reputation and wide acquaintanceship during his two and one half years in office and afterward were materially damaged" by the defendant's first article published Aug. 13 in which she wrote she "had to fight the anti-saloon league to remove a popular agent." Nations said he believed the popular agent was himself.

NEW BRITISH PLANE TO SEAT 50 PERSONS

London, August 20.—A huge British flying boat, which is expected to outdistance the German Dornier D O-X plane, recently tested over Lake Constance, is under construction at the Blackburn Company's works in Brough, near Leeds, Yorkshire.

While the utmost secrecy surrounds the new machine, which is being built for the air ministry, it was learned today that it will be a 50-seater with a 1000-mile non-stop range. The Dornier D O-X machine has a range of 600 miles with the same load.

It is understood that the new plane is a biplane based on the three-engine type, but equipped with Rolls-Royce engines. A distinct feature will be sleeping quarters built in the wings. It is contended that this reduces weight and wind resistance.

The main principle of the construction follows the "Nile" type of Blackburn plane admired by the Prince of Wales and constructed for the Imperial Airways at a cost of £150,000. It is said that the new plane will be twice as efficient as the present model. The date for the tests has not been revealed.

ROUMANIAN SOLDIERS MET TRAGIC DEATH

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Vienna, Aug. 20.—Reports from Bucharest, Roumania, today asserted that 18 soldiers were killed and 10 severely injured in an explosion of unknown origin Monday in the fortress of Domesti near Bucharest.

REPORTS OF FIGHTING ARE AGAIN DENIED

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Peiping, Aug. 20.—It was reliably reported by a foreign official at Harbin today that no Manchurian towns had been occupied by Soviet troops, as announced by the Mukden Government in official communiques and that fighting has not occurred anywhere along the Siberian Manchurian border.

The official stated, however, that Chinese mobilization continued and that the troops were being rushed to the frontier in large numbers.

CRUEL PARENTS SENTENCED TO PENITENTIARY

(Special to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Union City, N. J., Aug. 20.—Mr. and Mrs. Emil Isle, have been sentenced to the penitentiary for hanging their three children by the wrists and beating them with clubs.

Police Judge Alfred Moderelli tried the couple and sentenced them promptly last night after the children Adolph, 8; Emil Jr., 7; and Louis 5, were brought into court with welts a quarter of an inch deep in their wrists and bruises on their bodies.

ENGAGED IN BORDER RIOTS

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Harbin, Manchuria, Aug. 20.—An official statement issued today said red army troops engaged in a series of border raids along the Manchurian frontier afterward leaving without occupying Chinese towns.