NOW AND THEN

LIFE SYMPHONY

By B. Y. Williams

"O, Master! I would play the violin!
Pray try me! I am really not unskilled."
The Master with a patient gesture stilled
The ardent voice. "The music must begin.
Seest thou for violins I have no need.
Back to the wood-winds. Take thine own bassoon
And play thy part."
The strings were all in tune,
The brasses ready. Still the voice did plead:
"O Master, I play only three short bars."
"Thou playest the bassoon well. No more entreat.
Thy three short bars are needed to compete
The music that shall lift men to the stars."
O, Soul, play well the few notes given thee.
The Master needs them for Life's Symphony.

THE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Have you ever watched the players in a Symphony Orchestra, how the violins play so constantly while other instruments come in only occasionly? And yet these latter know if they fail to come in at the proper time, the Symphony will be spoiled so each to each take his part to make the wondrous whole.

LESLIE FORD

So here right in our midst this author is building a home where she can retire and write her stories. She has been very successful for she has never failed in selling any of her stories. Leslie Ford alias Mrs. Brown is the grand daughter of the illustrious Judge Chambers of this town, and though she was born else where the town feels a certain feeling of proprie tor ship concerning her. She has travelled to many places, and finds interesting happenings which she weaves into her stories. Mr. Brown, her husband, is a Prof. at St. John's College. He is the critic of all of her stories, and many times after his criticism, she writes the stories all over again. Mrs. Brown visited here and was present at the unveiling of the portrait of Judge Chambers which was presented to Washington College by her family.

She has a little daughter who spends the summer at the Kellogg-Smith Camp in Quaker Neck.

HOMELESS PAYNE

John Howard Payne, author of "Home, Sweet Home", was broke and alone in Paris when he wrote the words. In fact he was always roaming. On March 3, 1851, he recalled his wanderings, when, on that date, he wrote a letter to a Mr. Clarke, in which he said:

"Surely there is something strange in the fact that it should have been my lot to cause so many people in the world to boast of the delights of home, when I have never had a home of my own and never expect to have one."

When Payne died in a foreign land, Cyrus Field, who laid the Atlantic Cable, had him brought home, for after all America was his home.

THIS TOPSY TURVEY WORLD

This is certainly an upset world, and what has caused it all? Ambition. Ambition to be leaders to make larger countries to rule over. And it always brings in its wake suffering and misery to the innocent. Long years ago, in the 16th century Cardinal Wolsey, when he had fallen from his dizzy height said to his devoted follower, "Cromwell, I charge you fling away ambition, for by that sin, fell the angels and shall man profit by it?" And so he fell and so did Napoleon with his great dream of empire. Will some of the present dictators have the same fate?

Many have wondered why Canada is always called the Dominion of Canada. This was found in a paper some time ago.

THE PSALM OF CANADA

Behind the title "The Dominion of Canada" there lies a beautiful significance.

Many years after self-government had been granted to the provinces of Canada, all, with the exception of Newfoundland, decided to unite; but what to call the confederation was a problem not easy to solve. Many names were suggested, but none yet met with whole-hearted approval. At last, from the best source, inspiration came to Sir Samuel Tilley. He was reading the Bible one evening, and in the 72nd Psalm there were the words (verse 9), "He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth."

"That is the name for Canada," he said to himself, and the next morning he proposed the title to his fellow delegates, who accepted "dominion" with acclamation. And from that time the 72nd Psalm became known as "The Psalm of Canada."

WEST WINDOWS

Let us grow old casually and gently, with no forced, foolish gaiety, no thinking to make ourselves appear young again, and become ridiculous in the effort.

Let us be loved for what others who have known us long remember of our youth, our maturity, and our age.

Let us be tolerant with youth because we, too, were young; understanding with age because we are a part of it; impatient only with our own shortcomings.

Give us understanding hearts, a young outlook on today through the wise eyes of yesterday's experiences.

And, oh, let us keep within us a merry heart! Laugh easily and inspire laughter through a spontaneous sense of the ridiculous.

Let us be sensitive to beauty, mellow to sentiment, able to stand awed and misty-eyed in the hush of a garden at twilight.

When we are facing west the far horizon will not bewilder us if we live each day within its measured hours, keeping busy at some simple service.

Let us love and be needed, and finally . . . go quietly on to face another dawn, believing that the youthful ones may take time out to drop a tear or two, and the older ones will smile upon us.—Eleanor Dulany Smith.

KENNEDYVILLE

The W. C. T. U. monthly meeting was held at the parsonage Thursday afternoon.

Miss Marie Miller, of Wilmington, spent the week end at her home.

Mrs. Edith Mason returned to her home in Baltimore last Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. William Miller and Mrs. Toulson accompanied her for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Toulson spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Frank Fogwell and family near Worton.

Mrs. Robert Thompson and baby of Chestertown ,spent the week end with her parents.

Service in Grace Presbyterian Church Sunday evening at 7 p. m. Rev. Thomas will preach.

The P. T. A. met in the school building Wednesday evening. Mrs. Leamy gave an address and the 4-H Club gave a demonstration pie was served and all enjoyed a pleasant evening.

Mr. and Mrs .Charles Myers and Mrs. Bertha Herzog, of Baltimore, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Redmile.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ringgold and friend of Baltimore spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. George Ringgold.

Mrs. Samuel Wiltbanks is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank Estees and family in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Robinson, of Baltimore, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson.

Mrs. Katie Crew and daughter, Helen, of near Chestertown, visited relatives here on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boggs and daughter, Sara, of Wyoming, Del., are spending their vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boggs.

Mrs. Catherine Spencer was taken to the hospital in Baltimore on Sunday for special treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Redmile and Mr. and Mrs. George Johnston attended Mr. Kent McKnotts funeral in Philadelphia on Thursday.

MILLINGTON

The Millington Home Makers Club held a flower show in community hall on Friday, October 6th and there was a great display of beautiful blooms, a number of those having exhibits drew more than one prize on their display.

Mrs. John E. Woodall was a Monday visitor of friends in Philadelphia.

Mrs. James Skinner, of Galena, Md., who has been spending some time with her daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. W. Leo Gale, has returned to her home.

Miss Betty Hollett, near town, was taken suddenly ill on last Tuesday and after an examination by Dr. Merritt Brice was rushed to the Kent and Queen Annes Hospital where she was immediately operated upon for appendicitis, she has recovered nicely and is expected home one day this week.

Miss Marcella Williams, of Pitman, N. J., and Mrs. Lester Woodall and son, Lester, Jr., of Houston, Texas, spent the week end with the latters mother, Mrs. John E. Woodall.

Mrs. Herman Wallace, of Queen Annes, near town, is in the Kent and Queen Annes Hospital for special treatment.

Walter Kulley, of Chestertown, Md., was a guest of his mother, Mrs. Willie Kulley, on South Crane St.

Charles P. Jones, George B. Jones and son, George B., Jr., spent Tuesday in Onancock, Va., visiting Mrs. John Akins, who has been quite ill the past eight weeks, she is not any improved.

Roland Bartlett, of Wilmington, Del., was a visitor of his grand mother, Mrs. William Burris on Saturday last.

Dr. and Hrs. Clarence V. Hudgins, of Northampton, Mass., and his sister, Mrs. W. S. Burris, of Biggs, Va., were week end guests at the home of Fred C. Numbers.

The District Meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was held in Union Church, Wilmington, on Thursday, October 12th. Those attending from Millington were Mr. and Mrs. Norman A. Wallen, Mrs. Mary E. P. Smith, Mrs. Charles S. Church and Mrs. W. Leo Gale.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Numbers, Jr., of Wilkinsburg, Pa., and Julian C. Numbers, of lower Delaware, were Sunday guests of their father, Fred C. Numbers.

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