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*News of the Book World*

**"THE FRIENDLY ARCTIC"**

By Vilhjalmur Stefansson  
 Macmillan Company

The honors that are being paid to Sir George Hubert Wilkins, aviator and explorer, in recognition of his flight in April across the Arctic Circle from Alaska to Spitzbergen, are of double interest to those who have been watching his career since 1913. In that year he accompanied Vilhjalmur Stefansson on the famous expedition which he has described in his book "The Friendly Arctic."

Wilkins worked with Stefansson's party for three years as official photographer of the expedition, and Stefansson said of him: "I have never known any one who worked harder than Wilkins. He would be cleaning the scraps of meat off the leg bones of a wolf before breakfast and scraping the fat from a bearskin up to bedtime at night. His diaries were filled with information about the specimens he gathered, his fingers stained with the photographic chemicals used in the development of his innumerable plates and films, his mind was always alert and his response always cheerful when a new task was proposed.

A half dozen such men would make an invincible polar expedition."

**"IT HAPPENED LIKE THAT"**

By Eden Phillpotts  
 Macmillan Company

"'Tis playing with the truth to tell me that everything happens for the best, because I've got ears and eyes and a measure of sense, and I know right well a lot falls out that didn't ought. . . . But what I say is a still tongue

makes a wise head in these cases, and the only dignified way is to keep shut about Providence when some things happen. The wicked flourish like the green bay tree, and they always will, and the fool we shall continue to mourn only so long as he lives, in Bible words."

All of which simply proves that Eden Phillpotts is still creating most amusing rustic characters whose humor is one of the chief charms of his Devonshire tales. His new volume, "It Happened Like That," contains stories of Kitty Dean and the strange happenings on the night of her elopement, of the mysterious theft of the famous old Sheffield plate from the Woodstock farm, of two men who loved the same girl and how a crock of gold found in an ancient stoneheap brought their rivalry to a happy ending, and many other curious and amusing matters.

**LITERARY NOTES**

For fourteen years Edwin Arlington Robinson, the poet, has been spending his summers and doing his best work at the MacDowell Colony at Peterborough, New Hampshire, where in his cabin in the quiet woods the only sounds to be heard are those of the birds and the wind and the showers. His poem "Tristram," which won the Pulitzer Prize, was written there in 1926. Mr. Robinson will bring out this fall a volume containing all his sonnets from 1889 to 1927.

St. John Ervine, British critic, novelist, and playwright, has accepted an invitation to become dramatic critic of the New York World, and will take up his work here in the early fall.



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The program of fall publications from any printer is always an interesting thing to look over, for it gives one the feeling that it should prove something about modern tendencies and such, and acts as a mental dare to find out just what it does prove, if anything.

Picking up the fall catalogue of Harcourt, Brace and company one is surprised to see that a popular dollar edition of "Elmer Gantry" will come off the press in the fall. It is peculiar that a book most persons have hated as badly as they have hated that one should be so popular. Perhaps it is like "The President's Daughter" which was read by most to satisfy themselves that it was as black as it was painted.

**Louis Untermeyer Busy**

Louis Untermeyer has been busy during the past year. "Moses" is a historical novel based on the life of that leader, studying his personality, and promising to be a first novel worthy of the poet and student that is Louis Untermeyer. With David and Clara Mannes he has edited also a book on "New Songs for New Voices," a collection of modern nursery songs. Peggy Bacon has done the illustrating.

Paul de Kruif has written a biography of the "Hunger Fighters" of North America. He sings the stories of men who have established our food supply. If it is anything like "Microbe Hunters" it bids fair to be a fascinating addition to our informative literature.

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