

Books And Their Authors

BOOKS.

"O, for a book and a shady nook." You recollect the rhymes, Written many years ago...

"O, for a book," the cry goes forth, "O, for a book to read; To sooth us in our weariness..."

A book can have a thousand lives, With each new reader, one; A book should have a thousand lives, Before its course is run...

THE LOVE OF AN UNKNOWN SOLDIER.

Anonymous. 207 pages. Price \$1.25. McClelland, Goddchild & Stewart, Toronto, publishers.

The authorship of this splendid but tragic little book is shrouded in mystery. The papers from which it was compiled were found in an abandoned dugout somewhere in France by an officer of the Royal Field Artillery...

ORDEAL BY SEA.

By Archibald Hurd. 227 pages. Price \$1.50. Jarrolds, Limited, London and New York, publishers.

When the full story is told of the brave deeds of the war that has just ended, the world will be astounded at the great heroism displayed by the men of the merchant marine...

DR. MUEHLON'S DIARY.

By an ex-director of Krupp's. 242 pages. Price \$1.50. Cassells Limited, Toronto, publishers.

Dr. Muehlon, whose diaries of the days following the outbreak of the war are now published, was formerly an ex-director of Krupp's Iron Works, and was in receipt of a salary of one hundred thousand dollars a year...

THE CRACK IN THE BELL.

By Peter Clark MacFarlane, William Briggs, Toronto, publishers. 458 Pages. Price \$1.35.

Occasionally some author comes to the front with a story which strikes out along new paths, and this is what Peter Clark MacFarlane has done in "The Crack in the Bell..."

THE AMAZING INTERLUDE.

By Mary Roberts Rinehart. 317 pages. Price \$1.50. McClelland, Goddchild & Stewart, Toronto, publishers.

The work of Mary Roberts Rinehart is well known to the reading public of this continent, but it is safe to say that she has never penned a more appealing, a more beautiful nor a nobler story than that of Sara Lee Kennedy...

sues at stake present in this volume, the book will be read with interest, for the impressions which are recorded are confirmations of those formed and widely held in neutral countries all over the world.

WHO WROTE "THE LOVE OF AN UNKNOWN SOLDIER?"

Is it really a Mystery? The latest "mystery" book to be published is "The Love of an Unknown Soldier..."

In the first place, many definite clues are given which would lead to an easy revelation of the supposed writer of the letters. If there were such a man, it would not take very long to trace...

Then again, the author of the book seems to have somewhat overdone the story of the finding of the letters. According to one letter, they were always safely tucked away in a sleeping bag...

At least, that is what the author wishes to imply. Yet this last letter is supposedly found in the dugout hidden with the others, without a trace of the letter being broken off with a dash...

Then there are other passages, descriptions of battles, and stories of the actualities of war which do not ring true as the love letters actually written, without the intention of being sent by an officer to a girl he loved...

The title is rather a puzzle at first until one remembers that the famous symbol of liberty in the United States is the far famed Liberty Bell and then one can recall that it has a flaw...

At the present time the people in Germany, impressed by our victorious advance, are triumphantly predicting that revolution will break out in Paris in from eight to fourteen days...

Is not that a remarkable statement for a high German official to make in the first flush of victory? He recognizes the greatness of the British Empire, and has been sufficiently far-sighted to visualize wherein lay the secret of that greatness...

SECOND BUBBLE BOOK.

By Ralph Mayhew and Burgess Johnson. 16 pages. The Musson Book Co., Toronto, publishers.

Something entirely new in the way of books is this unique design for children. Parents who possess phonographs can now get something different from the book case of their little folks...

New Books Worth Whistle.

The question which is occupying the attention of the book sellers today is: "Which is to be the big Christmas book this year?"

Amongst war books there are some new issues that are notable. "Canada's Day of Glory" by F. McKenzie, the war correspondent, is full of the glorious deeds of Canadians in the war...

"The Eyes of Asia," by Rudyard Kipling, is the form of letters from an East Indian officer who has been wounded in France, to friends and relatives at home in India...

"Everyman's Land," by C. N. and A. M. Williamson, is a romance of travel which weaves itself in and out among the cities and towns of France...

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When the children wake up on Christmas morning, and find a 1918 "Chatterbox" left by Santa Claus, they will not realize how nearly the book came to robbing them of their coveted story book...

A cable has just been received from Miss Olive Gilbreath, whose "Miss Amerikaner" attracted much attention last year, saying she was then in Vladivostok...

The Purpose of Life.

Every soul that touches mine, Be it the slightest contact—get there in some good;

To brave the thickening ills of life, One glimpse of brightening skies beyond the gathering mists, To make this life worth while and heaven a surer heritage.

What we want to make us true men, over and above that which we bring into the world with us, is some sort of God-given instinct, motive and new principle of life in us...

Patriotism.

Law, learning, charity are insufficient to save our nation from vice, ignorance and infidelity. But add to them the practical morality of Christianity, and a pure and honourable citizenship is assured...

Notes Of Interest to Booklovers.

Lady Frances Balfour's biography of Dr. Elsie Inglis is one of the most important biographies of the year. It is a story of the life of a woman who risked with the famous "Life of Mary Slessor"...

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Vladivostok, but was starting for the Ural Mountains, and in the spring would cross over into European Russia and go to Moscow and Petrograd.

Edmund Dulac, the famous illustrator, has illustrated "Tanglewood Tales," which Messrs. Hodder & Stoughton are publishing soon...

"Common Cause" is the title of a new novel by Samuel Hopkins Adams, which is to be published in the near future...

WAR PUZZLES



BRITISH RETOOK GOZBEAU-COURT

And La Vaquerie, checking a German advance, checked a year ago today, November 30, 1917. Find another Englishman.

COUGHED, COUGHED All Night Long

Terribly wearing on the system is the cough that comes at night and prevents sleep. Sometimes it is a coughing fit, cough that will not be quieted.

Miss Margaret Landly, Bristol, P. E.I., writes: "I am writing to tell you the benefit I have received from Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup."

Do not accept any other "pine" preparations when you ask for "Dr. Wood's." This remedy has been on the market for a quarter of a century...

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Public Library Bulletin

NEW IDEAS for your BUSINESS HOME RECREATION Or HOBBY

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