## Men of the Hour: Robert Bleakie

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IN Scotland, many years ago, a boy of ten

Took up the weaver's work along with men.

The way was hard, the boy was strong and true;

He saw the only way and saw it bravely, too;

And time did broaden it unto the boy of ten

And stretched it fair for him to walk with Men.

How well he's walked results do best attest:

A life of high ideals, of living for the best;

Industry, courage, hope that sterling stock-in-trade

By which in best of ways, the best of men are made

A seeker for the truth, along all economic lines,

A man of large affairs; a student of the times.

May I be pardoned do you scent bouquets?

He will not like them never fond of praise

But here in Maine, where he has come so near

To being of us, with us year, by year,

We run the risk and since his heart and brain

Appeal so strongly to us men of Maine,

We override those feelings, truly his

And write him fairly as we know he is.

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