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Harry H. Lothrop Correspondence

Harry Howard Lothrop 1880-1973

Hilda McLeod Jacob

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LOTHROP, Harry H
b. North Wayne, Maine
** Robert Frost **

A Master Mind.

Commended.

It is not the years we live that count
How fast they go, how fast time flies,
It is the accomplishment in life that never dies,
His soul has returned from whence it came
Eternal, in the heavenly skies.

It was those Old New England Hills
That gave him such a thrill,
His Work, He has left behind for you and me
His ashes will now rest, (In Bennington Vt.)
shadowed by The New England Hills, He loved the best,
Where his boyhood days were spent that earned his name.

The work he has left behind, is of the
Old New England kind.
And will remain within the Halls of Fame.

By Harry h. Lothrop.
March 26, 1963

Mr. Harry H. Lothrop
Kents Hill
Maine

Dear Mr. Lothrop:

A short time ago we read of your book of poems, REFLECTIONS RECALLED. You have very evidently had a varied career, and it must be a source of gratification to you that you are possessed of such versatility.

Are we correct in understanding that you were born in Maine? We are especially interested in Maine writers and like to have as complete information as possible about them, both biographical and critical.

The Maine Author Collection is a permanent exhibit of Maine books, most of which are inscribed presentation copies. There are about three thousand volumes in it now, an impressive testimony to Maine's literary output. The inscriptions are varied and original, and contribute immeasurably to the distinction of the collection, which attracts many students and visitors.

We hope that you will want to inscribe and present a copy of REFLECTIONS RECALLED to be included in this Maine exhibit. We should be happy to welcome the book to other Maine writing. Meanwhile, you have our good wishes for its success.

Sincerely yours

hmj
In Charge of
Maine Author Collection
April 14, 1963

Mrs. Hilda Jacobs,

In answer to your letter of March 26, I am in accord with your
suggestion of submitting my Book, Reflections Read to the Maine Library,

just as born in North Wayne, Maine, but
have lived in Maine for many years.
Maine is my home.

This letter has been delayed because of
an automobile accident, I had two ribs
fractured, seven broken, together with
a general whamping up.

Please arrange, send me a copy as
soon as I am well enough.

I wonder if Mr. Benedict would not
sign my name into the inside leaf when it
is sent to the library.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
10 Maynard St.,
East Longmeadow, Mass.
April 29, 1963

Mr. Harry H. Lothrop
10 Maynard Street
East Longmeadow, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Lothrop:

Thank you for your letter. We look forward to receiving the inscribed copy of your book, and will acknowledge its arrival. Please do this at your convenience. While you are recuperating, it is very likely that you do not want to be troubled with such details.

With all respect to our Governor, his signature in your book would not enhance its value or interest at all. It is your book, not his, and so your inscription is the one which distinguishes it. If Governor Reed writes a book, we'll get his signature in that!

Our thanks to you for your friendly letter, and the promise of a copy of REFLECTIONS RECALLED, and our very good wishes for your prompt recovery.

Sincerely yours

hmj

In Charge of
Maine Author Collection

Dear Miss Hilda Jacob
Or
Mrs. F. W. Jacob.

In answer to your letter of April 29.

I am getting on well regarding my accident. I feel, anything worth while is important.

I am up, and around now, but not wholly recovered, as yet.

I am sending under separate cover, My Book, Reflection Recalled.

I hope it is up to your expectations.

Cordially Yours,

Harry H. Lothrop
May 16, 1963

Mr. Harry H. Lothrop
10 Maynard Street
East Longmeadow, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Lothrop:

Thank you very much for the inscribed copy of your book of poems, REFLECTIONS RECALLED. We add it to the Maine Author Collection with appreciation of your interest and generosity, and with delight at being able to welcome a new name to Maine's literary roster.

These verses speak of a variety of interests, and very strongly of your love of family and nature. You are fortunate to be able to express yourself so easily and well.

Sometime, at your convenience, would you be willing to let us know your birthdate? We can list North Wayne as your birthplace, but for our information to be complete, we really should have the date, too.

Again thank you, and best wishes to the book, and to its author.

Sincerely yours

hmj

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