

he would be relying on the past, and his performance would not be the living thing that it is.

LITTLE JACK HYLTON

BEFORE the birth of the cinema and the countless other outside shows which have made mere domestic entertainments seem less inviting, the properly-managed English public-house was often the social centre of the immediate neighbourhood. George Hylton, father of Jack Hylton, kept such a "house," and made it a favoured spot for all the likeable cronies for miles around. There, in the atmosphere of tinkling tankards, sawdusted boards and healthy recreation, little Jack Hylton made his first modest appearances as pianist, singer and clog dancer.

COMPOSER-PIANIST

HENRY ERNEST GEEHL, English composer, pianist and conductor is 53, and one of those musicians of solid merit—the salt of our national artistic life. He has devoted a large share of his best work to the educational side of music. Teachers of pianoforte and singing owe him much for the way in which he has enriched their libraries with music which is at once thoroughly sound and well laid out for its purpose, and so melodious as to attract the young aspirant. Listeners have heard some of his best-known songs, but his more important works deserve to be better known.

FRITZ HELPS HUGO

OF the many compositions of Fritz Kreisler, we have heard much lately, especially the devices he adopted when a young man to extend his repertoire for concert programmes by composing pieces and putting old masters' names to them. In the throes of this youthful creative fever he turned out piece after piece which had a market value with a certain Leipzig publisher, to the tune of £5 each. When the late Hugo Kreisler, the cellist brother, went from Vienna to Leipzig to study under the famous Klengel, money was pretty scarce. Fritz gave young Hugo a folio of six unpublished pieces, which he sold one at a time, and by dint of very careful managing, he contrived to live on the £5 each month for six months.



Can You Solve This Simple Puzzle?

Don't miss this splendid one-week competition! It is just a short and easily-worded paragraph about Postmen, which appeared in a New Zealand newspaper some time ago, and has now been put into puzzle form by our artist. The opening words, "Postmen in . . ." will tell you what it is all about—and for the rest, the wording is simple and the sense of the sentence will help you. Each picture or sign may mean part of a word, one, two or three words, but not more than three. Errors are calculated on the basis of the number of words wrong.

Solve the puzzle carefully and write your solution IN INK on one side of a sheet of paper. Add your name and residential address, and post the entry to:—

"PUZZLE PIE," No. 94.
BOX 950, G.P.O., CHRISTCHURCH.

READ THESE RULES CAREFULLY.

All entries must be postmarked not later than TUESDAY, MAY 21.

The First Prize of £75 will be awarded to the competitor whose solution of the paragraph is correct, or most nearly correct. In case of ties, the prize-money will be divided, but the full amount will be paid.

Sealed Solution and £75 Prize-money is deposited with "Truth" (N.Z.), Ltd. A postal-note for 1/- must accompany each initial entry and 6d. each additional entry. Stamps not accepted. Any number of attempts may be sent on plain paper. Alternatives in single entries will be disqualified. Post Office addresses not accepted. Results will be published on Friday, May 31.

SOLUTION TO "PUZZLE PIE" NO. 92

Paragraph from the "New Zealand Times," January 9, 1912.

"While we are on our holidays, the book of Nature is the best that we can read, but in the drowsy afternoons when we lie on the beach in some sheltered cove, listening, with dreamy delight to the swish of the waves, it is good to have some book-friend beside us into which we can dip occasionally."

£75 WON

RESULT OF "PUZZLE PIE" NO. 92.

The winning competitor in this contest is—

MR. J. A. CORSKIE,
Kaitaia, North Auckland.

His solution, containing only one error, was the most nearly correct one received, and the PRIZE OF £75 IN CASH is therefore awarded to him.

Prize money will be posted on Monday, May 27.