

native fashion. With balconies on the ends and rear, the shelter is surrounded on three sides by a light railing, the fourth open to the Cherry Garden. Cast stone seats provide resting places for those seeking shelter.

The structure<sup>1</sup> bears a bronze tablet with the following inscription:

Cherry Garden Shelter  
built in 1920 by  
Nathaniel Lord Britton  
and  
Elizabeth Gertrude Britton  
in memory of  
Charles Patrick Daly  
and  
Maria Lydig Daly  
Benefactors of the  
New York Botanical Garden

JOHN R. BRINLEY

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#### STEWARDSON BROWN

By the death of Mr. Stewardson Brown at his home in Germantown, Pennsylvania, on March 14th, 1921, botanical science has lost one of its very useful members, and the New York Botanical Garden one of its highly valued correspondents.

Mr. Brown was born in Germantown on April 29th, 1867, was a member of a distinguished family, descended from Henry Brown who came from England to Massachusetts in 1639. His great-grandfather Thomas Stewardson was deeply interested in plants and was one of the founders of the Horticultural Society of Philadelphia and his more immediate ancestors were also lovers of plants and of flowers. His botanical studies began in his boyhood, while in the Germantown Academy, from which institution he was graduated in 1885; as early as 1882 he was

<sup>1</sup> The plans and specifications for the Cherry Garden Shelter, as well as supervision of its construction, were contributed, without charge, by John R. Brinley, Landscape Engineer of the Garden, who was aided in his design by Mr. Louis F. Bird. It was built under the direction of Mr. Arthur J. Cort, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, without having recourse to a contractor. (EDITOR.)

member of a natural history club which investigated the flora, fauna and geology of Germantown; he early became a frequent visitor of the collections at the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, thus coming under the stimulating influence of Mr. Thomas Meehan, Mr. John H. Redfield, Mr. W. M. Canby, Dr. J. Bernard Brinton, and Dr. Joseph Leidy. After a few business years in the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, he became a volunteer assistant to Mr. Meehan in the herbarium of the Philadelphia Academy, and he was given charge of the botanical collections there about 1898, a position which he filled until his death, continuously increasing these collections by field work in Pennsylvania and New Jersey; he brought important accessions from the Keys of southern Florida in 1905; from Trinidad and Venezuela in 1911; from the Canadian Rocky Mountains in 1906; from Jamaica in 1910.

He was with me in Bermuda in 1905 and again in 1912 and 1913, and was there alone in 1908 and 1909; his cooperation in the study and collecting of the plants of Bermuda was most important in the preparation of my "Flora of Bermuda" published in 1918; Brown published a preliminary paper entitled "Notes on the Flora of the Bermudas" in the Proceedings of the Philadelphia Academy, 1909: 486-494. He also accompanied me to Porto Rico in the early part of 1915, where we made large collections.<sup>1</sup>

I first made his acquaintance about 1891, either at the herbarium of the Philadelphia Academy or on one of the joint field meetings of the Torrey Botanical Club and the Philadelphia Botanical Club, and we became intimate friends, meeting each other frequently, either in New York, in Philadelphia, or in the field; his companionship was always delightful, and we discussed and compared specimens of many species of plants of the local floras of Philadelphia and New York; he was elected a member of the Torrey Botanical Club on May 14th, 1893.

Brown was an enthusiastic collector but not a voluminous author. He published in 1905, with Dr. Ida A. Keller, a very useful "Handbook of the Flora of Philadelphia and Vicinity," a work of 360 pages, and in 1907, his "Alpine Flora of the Canadian Rocky Mountains," 353 pages with many reproductions

<sup>1</sup> Journ. N. Y. Bot. Gard. 16: 103-112.

of water-color drawings and of photographs by Mrs. Charles Schaeffer.

N. L. BRITTON

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### VISIT FROM HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS

200 biology pupils from the Washington Irving High School visited the Garden on the forenoon of Monday, June 13, to study tropical plants in the conservatories; herbaceous plants and trees on the grounds; plant products in the museum; and to hear a lecture on Forestry in the large lecture hall. They were in charge of Miss Mullen and several other teachers in biology. The lecture was given by Mr. Inman.

650 biology pupils from the Morris High School spent the forenoon of Tuesday, June 14, at the Garden in charge of Dr. Peabody and his staff. The program was similar to that of the day before, only the lecture by Mr. Inman was given first, followed by the observation work in the museum and on the grounds.

460 biology pupils from the Evander Childs High School in charge of Mr. Mann and several of his teachers spent the afternoon of Thursday, June 16, in carrying out their usual program at the Garden, beginning at the conservatories near the Elevated Station and taking up herbaceous plants and trees, prior to the museum work and lecture. Mr. Hastings occupied the platform and spoke to the pupils on the subject of Forestry.

Members of the Garden staff acted as guides and instructors during all of these exercises with the high school pupils. The weather was perfect and the grounds were at their best. A total of over 1,300 pupils were in attendance at the three series of lectures and demonstrations.

W. A. MURRILL

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### SPRING INSPECTION OF GROUNDS, BUILDINGS AND COLLECTIONS

The spring inspection was carried out successfully on the afternoon of Thursday, May 5, 1921, including a visit to Conservatory Range 1, where special attention was given to the col-



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