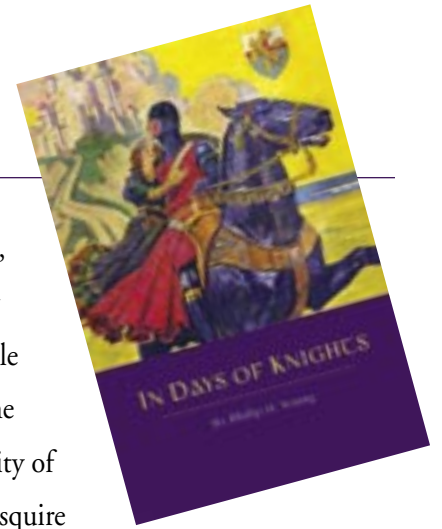




In Days of Knights

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Into the mysterious world of King Arthyr—a time of magic, knights, ladies, and the quest for goodness and for the Holy Grail—enters an ordinary boy named Cedrych from the little village of Dornbridge. Through a series of unlikely events, he learns about knighthood and dreams of going to the great city of Camelot. His courage and good character serve him well as squire to Sir Gawain, who must fight the dreaded Green Knight, and for his service King Arthyr makes him a Knight of the Round Table! Many adventures follow, as Sir Cedrych joins the other knights in their quests to do good deeds throughout the kingdom. Will they be able to solve a puzzle that will save the king and queen? . . . outsmart a dangerous dragon who is ravaging a village? . . . find the maiden who controls a unicorn? . . . and even find the Holy Grail?

Through it all, Sir Cedrych never forgets his humble roots and, especially, his boyhood sweetheart, a pretty girl named Maralynne. He and his best friend, Sir Parsivale, both keep faith with lovers from their past, hoping against hope to meet them once again. Suddenly, everything at Camelot changes, as the mystical Holy Grail appears, the sorcerer Myrddin brings the Perfect Knight to the Round Table, and evil begins to work its way through the chinks in the fortifications of the righteous kingdom. As the fate of Logres draws nearer and nearer to disaster, will the genial, down-to-earth Cedrych be able to survive, and will he ever see his first love again? And what will become of this realm of goodness and civilization if King Arthyr himself should be betrayed and killed?

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