

#### 4. The Nobel prize for literature:

*The prize for the year 1901 was awarded to:*

SULLY PRUDHOMME, RENÉ FRANÇOIS ARMAND, member of the French Academy, born 1839, died 7th September, 1907; *"in recognition of his exceptional merit as a writer, as shown even in his later years; and especially of his poetry, which reveals a rare genius for the expression of lofty idealism and deep feeling in a perfect form."*

*The prize for the year 1902 was awarded to:*

MOMMSEN, THEODOR, professor of history at the University of Berlin, born 1817, died 1st November, 1903; *"the greatest living master of historical narrative, in special recognition of his monumental Roman history."*

*The prize for the year 1903 was awarded to:*

BJÖRNSON, BJÖRNSTJERNE, Norway, born 1832, died 26th April, 1910; *"in recognition of a noble devotion to poetic creation over a long period of years, distinguished by a rare purity of spirit and originality of conception."*

*The prize for the year 1904 was equally divided between:*

MISTRAL, FRÉDÉRI, France, born 1830, died 25th March, 1914; *"in recognition of the fresh originality and true artistic genius of his poetry, which faithfully mirrors the native spirit of his people, and of his important work as a Provence philologist;"* and

ECHEGARAY, JOSÉ, member of the Spanish Academy, born 1833, died 14th September, 1916; *"in recognition of the brilliant and extensive literary work in which he has revived the great traditions of the Spanish drama on original and independent lines."*