

THE UNCONQUERED GAEL.

[TO THE EDITOR.] SIR,—Perhaps you will allow me to mention one or two incidents that have occurred...

emphatically deny. Such is by no means the case. The following quotation is from the article "Argyll," in Cassell's "Gazetteer of Great Britain and Ireland," a very comprehensive and reliable guide...

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12 Gooseberries—Green—1 D. Macleod, Clashmore; 2 Wm. Cumming, do; 3 Mrs Forsyth, do. 12 Red—1 A. Gordon, East Clashmore; 2 P. Kennedy, Skibo; 3 G. Irvine, do.

20 Raspberries—1 G. Irvine, Skibo; 2 D. Macleod, Clashmore; 3 Mrs Macleannan, Syderhall. 1 Basket of Fruit, containing not less than 10 varieties—1 Mrs Macleannan, Syderhall; 2 D. Duff, Bonar-Bridge; 3 Mrs Watson, Syderhall.

1 Imperial Plant Black Currants—1 D. Macleod, Clashmore; 2 D. Cameron, Skibo; 3 Alex. Murray, Clashmore. Red—1 A. Gordon, East Clashmore; 2 D. Macleod, Clashmore; 3 D. Cameron, Skibo.

1 Pelargonium—1 A. Gordon, East Clashmore; 2 D. Macleod, Clashmore; 3 D. Robertson, Overskibo. 1 Fuchsia, Light—1 D. Duff, Bonar-Bridge; 2 J. Sharp, Skibo; 3 D. Macleod, Clashmore.

1 Fern, native—1 A. Gordon, East Clashmore; 2 Jeanie Bain, Skibo; 3 Wm. Cumming, Clashmore. Double—1 D. Duff, Bonar-Bridge; 2 Bessie Mackenzie, Skibo; 3 Mrs Macleannan, Syderhall.

1 Hanging Plant in Basket—1 J. Macdougall, Ferryton; 2 D. Duff, Bonar-Bridge; 3 J. Sharp, Skibo. 3 Dahlias—Self-distinct Varieties—1 J. Sharp, Skibo; 2 P. Kennedy, do; 3 J. Munro, Overskibo.

1 Mignonette—1 D. Duff, Bonar-Bridge; 2 Alex. Murray, Clashmore; 3 J. Sharp, Skibo. 1 Bouquet of Cut Flowers—1 Miss C. Cameron, Skibo; 2 Mrs Macleannan, Syderhall; 3 Miss Leith, Driemastie.

1 Sweetwilliams—1 Wm. Cumming, Clashmore; 2 Wm. Munro, Aste; 3 P. Kennedy, Skibo. 4 Pansies—Show—1 D. Leith, Driemastie; 2 A. Gordon, Clashmore; 3 J. Sharp, Skibo.

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4 Turnips, White—1 J. Sharp, Skibo; 2 Kennedy, Skibo; 3 D. Duff, Bonar-Bridge. 6 Potatoes, Kidney, two varieties—1 J. Riddout, Skibo; 2 G. Tainsh, do; 3 J. Macdougall, West Lodge.

1 Quarter Pure Oatcakes—1 Mrs J. Macleod, Clashmore; 2 Mrs Munro, Front Street; 3 Mrs Tainsh, Skibo. 4 Quarter Flour Scones—1 Mrs Munro, Front Street; 2 Mrs Gordon, East Clashmore; 3 Miss J. Cameron, Skibo.

1 Best Assorted Collection of Vegetables—1 P. Kennedy, Skibo; 2 J. Sharp, do; 3 G. Tainsh, do. Best Bouquet of Sweet Peas, 1 variety—1 A. Gordon, East Clashmore; 2 W. Munro, Front Street; 3 Wm. Cumming, Clashmore.

1 Best Kept Gardens—1 P. Kennedy, Skibo; 2 G. Irvine, Skibo; 3 D. Leith, Driemastie. 2 James Sutherland, Aste; 4 Representatives of Wm. Grant, Cannab; 5 William Mackay, Tulloch; 6 William Munro, Aste; 7 George Murray, Acharry; 8 Wm. Bain, Clashmore; 9 Hugh Calder, Spinningdale; 10 Alex. Munro, Aste; 11 Alex. Murray, Migdale; 12 Angus Ross, Aste; and William Calder, Spinningdale, equal.

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DAY EXCURSIONS.—The Highland Railway have this week announced another day excursion which should prove very popular. Every week day until 25th September excursion tickets will be issued from Inverness to Kingussie by 7 a.m. train, including a coach drive through romantic Badenoch as far as Loch Laggan and back, at a fare of 6s 6d for the combined rail and coach journey. A motor coach leaves Kingussie on the outward journey at 9 a.m., and 1.45 p.m., and Loch Laggan on the return journey at 10.20 a.m. and 3.15 p.m., thus affording an opportunity of spending about 5 hours in the Laggan district, or at option either the forenoon or afternoon at Kingussie. The return trains leave Kingussie at 2.56, 6.20 and 7.6, arriving in Inverness at 4.36, 7.42 and 8.40 p.m., respectively. The coach route from Kingussie to Loch Laggan, which is about 18 miles in length, runs through a most historic and highly interesting district, passing the village of Newtonmore, St Columba Church, with its ancient burying ground, across the river Calder into the Cluny country, so closely associated with Prince Charlie and the Jacobite rebellion of 1745. Here Craig Dhu (2350 feet above sea level), the hill from which the Macphersons took their ancient war cry, comes in view. On the opposite side of the river lies Invernahavon, where a fierce battle was fought between the Clan Chattan and the Camerons of Lochaber in 1866. Other places of interest on the route are—Ovia, where the famous witch of Laggan lived two centuries ago; Glenruth House, Craig Dhu House, Cluny Castle, Strathmashie, near to which Sir John Cope's army encamped, etc. Loch Laggan, about seven miles in length and one mile in breadth, is a fine sheet of water encircled by lofty mountains and with its shores partly wooded. The district was visited by Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort in 1847, and aptly described in Her Majesty's words—"We were delighted with the scenery, which is singularly beautiful, wild and romantic, with so much fine wood about it, which generally enhances the beauty of landscape." Excursionists would do well to procure a copy of the guide to Badenoch, published by Mr Johnstone, stationer, Kingussie, which gives a very comprehensive description of the district.

The Highland News

INVERNESS, Saturday, August 21, 1909.

MR MACALLAN'S PROTEST.

The Inverness public have every reason to thank Councillor Macallan for the strong protest he entered this week against the conspiracy of silence which seems to be in high favour with so many of our public functionaries. Far too often the Press are left to discover for themselves when the meetings of our local governing and spending bodies are held. It is not so much for the Press to complain as for the public. It is the business of the reporter to find out what is going on, and, despite the official tendency to keep things dark and to baulk him at every turn, very little as a rule escapes his ken. But the public have a right to demand that the proceedings of public bodies shall be made public, and it is for them to say whether impediments are to be placed in the way of the reporter or whether he is to be assisted in doing what is generally accepted as a public service. One would have thought that, as far as the Town Council is concerned, the matter had been decided years ago, for one of the Standing Orders declares that notice of meetings shall be sent to the local Press. As a general rule this order is faithfully carried out, and for ourselves we can bear testimony to the punctiliousness and unflinching courtesy with which the Town Clerk Depute attends to this small part of his many duties. As regards the ordinary meetings failure of notice seldom or never occurs, and it is only on the occasion of special meetings, often hastily summoned, that the Press is overlooked. It is of the general attitude towards the Press of those in positions of public trust that we complain, for if they show a disposition to conduct their discussions in the dark, their officials cannot be blamed if they do not attach the importance it deserves to the need for publicity. The Town Council is not the worst offender among the local public bodies, and it would seem Inverness is not the only place where public representatives are inclined to shun the light of day, for only this year an Act of Parliament was put in force granting to the Press the right of entry to the meetings of public boards. Mr Macallan's action is in every way praiseworthy. On the question of the liberty of the Press he has been all along most consistent, and anxious to preserve a most valuable democratic privilege. Others there are who wish publicity when it suits them, and when it does not they would impose the gag. Mr Macallan takes a higher stand. Whether the Press report him well or ill, whether they approve or condemn the finding of the meeting or the part he plays, he is equally ready to allow free publicity. This is the action of a man who perceives the value of a great principle, and, emancipating himself from the temptations that so often beset particular applications of it, seeks to preserve it intact.

THE BUDGET TRIUMPH.

The fate of the Finance Bill is now hardly in doubt. The failure of the Budget Protest League to rouse the country against the great democratic measure has been a signal one. The Dukes are still slobbering in their dainty lace handkerchiefs, quite out of step over the gardeners they will have to dismiss and the charities that will suffer through the stoppage of their subscriptions, and strange to say the country instead of sympathising with the dual woe is highly amused. The Finance Bill is going to pass. A few by-elections settled that much. They took the heart completely out of the Opposition, and lately their fighting, though protracted, has been listless and dispirited. This week rapid progress was made with the Bill, and at last the Land Clauses are as good as passed. A few important details still require to be settled, but these are unlikely to occupy much time. It is not too much to say that the provisions made for the valuation of all the land in the kingdom is the greatest victory won for democracy since the passing of the Reform Bill. Once the information is gathered and arranged we shall know how to deal with it. The persistent resistance offered by the territorialists to the passage of the land clauses has drawn public attention to the land question in a way that nothing else could have done. The unreasoning bitterness of the Opposition has been an immense help to the land reformers, whose proposals for future legislation are bright indeed. The most important part of the clauses just passed is that which makes provision for the complete valuation of the entire land of the country. The site value is now to be ascertained apart from improvements. That value we hold has been created by the community and should go to the community. In no other way can every man enjoy his natural right of equal opportunity to use the land of his native country. For the first time in modern days the community is granted a partial restoration of that right. There are many unfortunate restrictions and limitations, but within these the site value of the land of Britain, which formerly was intercepted and retained by the landlord, is to go into the public treasury for behoof of the community, and that to the extent of 1d in the £1 of the capital amount. The rest is still retained by the landlord. As far as the Government are concerned, they may have no intention of going further; but land reformers regard this land tax as the minimum and as the thin end of the wedge. We do not doubt that as the public become educated by its partial application, and note the justice of the tax and its beneficial effect, that they will slowly, but surely, drive it home. The Budget provides in another way that the value of the land created by the community shall for the future go to the community and not to the landlord. Again, with many unnecessary limitations and restrictions, it has been decided that where in future the site value of land increases, 20 per cent. of the increase will go to the State. Of the proceeds of these taxes half is to be given in relief of rates. This must meet the approval of go-ahead communities in the North of Scotland, as elsewhere. Take Donoch, for instance, where, as Provost Macalchlan stated recently, the assessable rental has doubled within the past ten years. That means that the land in and around the burgh is rapidly increasing in value. Suppose it continues to increase for the next ten years as it has done in the past, 10 per cent. will go to the local authority where formerly it went into private pockets.

For the remainder of the Finance Bill discussion is not likely to be unduly prolonged. The next part deals with the liquor licenses and the Prime Minister has stated that here the struggle will be short, sharp and decisive. Death duties, Income Tax and stamp duties will not give occasion for the desperate resistance offered to the valuation of land, so that the worst of the struggle may now be considered over. And Liberalism has won. It is noteworthy, too, that this great victory has been won on the question of the land laws—the only impediment to the free development of the people through the exercise of their natural right of equal opportunity.

BLACK AND WHITE.

These are great days of Liberal triumphs and the vindication of Liberal principles. This week sees the ratification of the constitution drawn up by British and Dutch for a United South Africa. We were in a fair way towards this happy consummation in the days previous to the Jameson raid until Lord Milner and Mr Chamberlain threw Liberal policy to the winds and strove to impose by force what can only come by free consent. The Liberal idea was the solution of the South Africa difficulty by discouraging the spirit of racial antagonism, by insisting on the community of interests of the Dutch and British races, and striving for their voluntary co-operation on the basis of racial and political equality. On both sides there was a reactionary party obsessed with a desire of racial dominance. President Kruger aimed at a Dutch South Africa, but the younger Boers knew how futile was that hope and urged on the movement for conciliation. The aged President was fast losing his popularity when the Jameson raid took place and the entire Dutch element in South Africa rallied to his side. Then the reactionaries on the other side came forward and waged a cruel, costly, inglorious war in a futile attempt to set up British dominance. Thus was the union of South Africa delayed and racial feeling revived. The policy, as we all now confess, was a costly failure. Then at length Liberal ideas were revived. In spite of the strong protests from Mr Balfour and his Tory following, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman granted free and representative Government to the Transvaal and the Orange River Colony. It was granted on the basis of equal rights for the two white races. At once a change for the better took place, mutual suspicion gave place to mutual trust, and South Africa resumed its natural development at the point where it was broken off prior to the infamous raid. The problem in South Africa is essentially a race problem. It is strange, therefore, that the whites are so slow to read the lesson from their own bitter experience. It is now a case of black versus white. And here if there is to be a satisfactory settlement Liberal principles must also hold good. The races must recognise they are mutually dependent on each other's goodwill. Each has its place in the scheme of things that makes for the peace and prosperity of the country. As to the talk about giving the black man a vote, we are of opinion that too much is being made of the vote fetish. A great fuss is made over the colour bar. The cynic can afford to smile when he recalls that even in freedom loving Britain there is a double bar to the vote—property and sex. If it is contended that a worthy man can acquire sufficient standing to leap the former, it must be confessed that a woman, despite the persistent efforts of the Suffragettes to do so, can no more change her sex than the Kaffir can change his skin. The cynic will smile again at all this condensation on the part of the sentimental Radicals towards the natives when it is recognised that the whites exist in South Africa on sufferance only. So far from honouring the Kaffir with a vote, the Europeans may consider themselves lucky if some of these fine mornings they are permitted to remain in Africa on any terms. We have every sympathy with men like Mr Bryce, who shrink from countenancing a colour test within the Empire for political rights, but no one would for a moment suggest universal suffrage for South Africa, and anything short of that is a compromise with democratic principles. We regret that a hard and fast line has been drawn between the races, but we have given South Africa free government and it must work out its own salvation. We could hardly at the present juncture impose one Liberal principle without violating another. At the same time, we think too much is being made of the right to vote. There are other ways of securing justice to the blacks, but of this we are assured that the present temper of the Afriander towards the native will, if maintained, end in violent rupture and disaster.

INFIRMARY DIRECTORS

AND SKATING RINK.

The question of the erection of a roller skating rink at the Ladies' Walk was discussed by the Infirmary Directors at their meeting on Thursday. It was generally agreed that the erection of such a place of amusement so near the Infirmary would have a prejudicial effect on the welfare of the patients. The Directors resolved that steps should be taken to oppose, in the Dean of Guild Court, the granting of the application. It was also agreed that the medical officers should get a report on the subject.

ROLLER SKATING RINKS.

[TO THE EDITOR.] SIR,—Those in the know are quite aware that the opposition to the proposed skating rink by the Infirmary is being got up for purely private ends. The rink would not affect the Institution in the slightest degree. What we have to remember is that the proposed building operations will give work to scores of men, and very serious must be the objections that should weigh with the Dean of Guild Court, or whoever has to sanction or stay the erection of the rink, before deciding on a course that means so much to the workpeople.—I am, Sir, yours, etc., MECHANIC.

[TO THE EDITOR.] SIR,—In your contemporary of to-day it is reported that the Directors of the Infirmary are to oppose the erection of a Roller Skating Rink on the piece of land right opposite the Infirmary, between Eileanach and Silverweils, on the grounds that the noise inseparable from such an institution would be injurious to the patients in the Infirmary. No one can doubt that this would be the case in a high degree, and we can hardly imagine the Magistrates will licence a place for amusement which would likely aggravate the pains and sufferings of the sick and the dying in the Infirmary. It is to the Magistrates, however, that the Directors must appeal, and not to the Dean of Guild Court. The latter has no power to take cognizance of an objection of this kind. Apart from the objections as regards the Infirmary, no doubt the Magistrates will take into consideration all the other interests affected by this sudden epidemic of skating rinks in this one particular locality of the town.—I am, Sir, yours, etc., CITIZEN.

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NORTH KESOCK AGENCY.—The Football Times will be on sale at Mrs Elder's establishment, North Kesock, between 6 and 7 o'clock this evening.

EDINBURGH AGENCY.—The "Highland News" may be had at Mr Fairgrieve's shop in Cockburn Street, Edinburgh, every Saturday evening.

OPENING OF FOOTBALL SEASON.—Special article dealing with the opening of the football season in Scotland, and giving valuable advice to both patrons and participants in the game, will appear in to-night's Football Times.

THE MOY SHOW.—This interesting event which is to be held at Moy next week, promises to be very successful. There is a large entry list.

FOR THE BUDGET.—A resolution expressing approval of the Government's Finance Bill was passed at a Liberal meeting held in the Leachkin School on Tuesday evening.

NORTH KESOCK SALE OF WORK.—SUN REALISED.—Friends in Inverness and elsewhere who have generously rendered efficient aid in this effort will be pleased to know that it has realised over £60, a sum beyond the expectation of the promoters.

GLEN-URQUHART HIGHLAND GATHERING.—These well-established games are to be held next Saturday in the Sports Park, Blairhall, where an excellent programme of lawn tennis and croquet will be going through. The prizes offered are sufficiently tempting to induce first-class athletes to attend and compete in their best style.

REQUESTS TO LOCAL INSTITUTIONS.—The late Mr Farquhar Urquhart has, in addition to provisions to relatives, bequeathed legacies as follows to local institutions:—North Kesock Infirmary, £300; Northern Counties Institute for the Blind, £200; the Highland Orphanage, £200. On the expiry of certain life rents, the Infirmary will benefit to a further extent of £1000; the Institute for the Blind, £500; and the Orphanage, £500.

INVERNESS AUCTION MART.—On Tuesday Messrs Hamilton & Co., Inverness, had good supplies of milk cows for sale which met a good demand. Two waggoners from Mr Liddell, Denny, sold at prices ranging from £18 10s to £23; other owners, to £18 5s, and from £9 10s to £15 10s; young calves sold from £6 10s to £7 15s; young calves sold similar to late rates, best making up to 68s, and from 15s to 66s. Pigs were extremely dear, a consignment from Mr Grant, Bross, realising from 75s 6d to 95s 6d; others, to 72s, and from 45s to 65s; young pigs, to 16s, and 9s 6d to 15s 6d.

GUIDE TO HIGHLAND GOLF COURSES.—To the making of guides there is no end, and much reading is a weariness to the flesh. With this little alteration, the apostolic saying may be made to apply to a class of present-day literature which has attained enormous proportions. Much of it is written with open eyes, and is consequently never read, only perused under a strain of necessity. A guide book that can be read not only for information, but for pleasure, is refreshing to encounter, and such has just been issued by the Highland Railway Company. It consists of a "Guide to a Group of Famous Golf Courses in the Scottish Highlands," and contains copious illustrations of all the well-known Highland golf courses, including Nairn, Strathpeffer, Spa, Tain, Royal Devenish, and others. Information is given regarding all in a way that will interest those who golf and those who don't. The booklet will amply repay reading, apart from the valuable information it contains, after which it should be placed in a convenient pocket for reference.

INDUCTION OF FREE CHURCH MINISTER

TO THE PASTORATE OF CROY.

Rev. Dugald Cameron, late of Lochjellyhead, was inducted to the charge of Croy Free Church yesterday. There was a very large attendance of the congregation, every seat in the spacious building being occupied. The ministers present were:—Rev. James Macgowan, Kiltarity; Rev. Murdoch Mackenzie, Inverness; Rev. James Henry, Burghhead, Moderator of the Free Church General Assembly; Rev. William Conway, Elgin; Rev. James Mackay, Ardersier, interim Moderator during the vacancy; Rev. Mr Fraser, Strathpeffer; Rev. Mr Aitken, Portobello; and Rev. Mr Mackessack, Alves.

The proceedings commenced with a Gaelic service at 12 noon, conducted by Rev. Roderick Macgowan, Kiltarity, which was followed by a service in English, conducted by the Rev. Wm. Conway, Elgin, assisted by Rev. Mr Macgowan.

Rev. Mr Conway preached an eloquent sermon, at the close of which Rev. Mr Mackay, Ardersier, who acted as Moderator during the vacancy, read the narrative of the steps taken for the selection of the minister who was about to be inducted.

Rev. Mr Macgowan put the prescribed questions to Rev. Mr Cameron, who then signed the formula and received the right hand of fellowship from the elders of the church and Presbytery.

Rev. Mr Henry, Burghhead, then addressed words of counsel and exhortation to the minister and congregation.

At the luncheon which followed complimentary speeches were delivered, and the congregation highly congratulated on having secured Mr Cameron as their pastor. The sentiment of the newly-inducted minister was spoken to by Rev. Mr Mackay, the interim moderator. Mr Cameron, he said, came from a section of the Presbyterian Church which was very near to the Free Church and which he considered part of the Free Church. The fact that he came from that Church was a guarantee of his sound Free Church principles. He would ask them to complete the sentiment with good wishes for Mrs Cameron, who would be a valuable helpmeet to her husband.

Rev. Mr Cameron briefly replied.

Rev. Mr Fraser, Strathpeffer, speaking to the sentiment of the congregation, said he would like to congratulate the minister on having such an excellent congregation, and he would like to congratulate the congregation on having secured a harmonious settlement. Croy had been a power in the past and had some great ministers. They would recollect the great Mr Caldwell, the man who made the parish of Croy famous by his evangelical fervour and his piety. He hoped that the old evangelist's gospel would continue to be preached in Croy under the ministry of Mr Cameron.

Mr Finlay Smith, Hardhill, replied.

Rev. Mr Aitken, Portobello, speaking to the sentiment of the Inverness Presbytery, said that he welcomed Mr Cameron as a member of the Presbytery. The Presbytery greatly needed strengthening, and he regarded Mr Cameron as an acquisition to the Presbytery, and he hoped he would not be an absentee member. He thought the minister's work as a member of the Presbytery was almost as important as his preaching.

Other sentiments followed.

In the evening a congregational meeting was held, where there was a large attendance. The proceedings were characterized by the greatest cordiality, and in the course of the evening presentations took place.

Miss Macdonald, Dalgarraich, presented Rev. Mr Cameron with a purse of sovereigns, which was accepted by the minister with much interest.

Rev. Mr Mackay, Ardersier, was made the recipient of a handsome travelling-vag during the vacancy.

The presentation was made by Miss Katie Sutherland, Castry.

INVERNESS FLOWER SHOW

SPEECH BY MR DARWIN.

THE PRIZE-LIST.

Regarded purely as an exhibition, the flower show which was held in the Market Hall yesterday was a great success. The Highland Horticultural Society are doing excellent work, and the Committee were highly fortunate yesterday in getting Mr Francis Darwin to open the show. Mr Darwin is a keen horticulturist, and he seldom allows an occasion to pass without remarking upon the benefits to be derived from gardening. The genial sunshine which prevailed yesterday induced many ladies to patronize the show. There was a very representative attendance in the afternoon, and the exhibits were greatly admired. Mrs Logan's orchestra discoursed excellent music.

Competent judges described the display of vegetables as being a most excellent one. The first prize exhibit was forwarded by Susan Coultress of Southesk. Mr Hannah, the gardener, must have devoted a great deal of time and energy in order to bring the exhibit to such a state of perfection. The second prize went to Doctfour, and the third was secured by Mr Fraser-Tyler. The latter two sent nice displays. The fruit sections were the objects of a good deal of admiration. The grapes from Muirtown Gardens and Brahan were shown in fine bloom. The exhibits from Ness Castle and Trafford Bank were excellent. Indeed the general display of fruit was a feature of the show. We were pleased to see from the amateur section that good progress is being made both as regards fruit, plants and flowers. On the platform were magnificent fuchsias sent by Mr Darwin. Twelve exhibits were awarded in the ladies' decorated table class. Miss Manners, Sunnysbank, was the first prize-winner. The second award went to Mrs Middleton, and the third to Mrs Fraser-Tyler of Aldourie. In the sweet pea section we have seldom seen such a pretty display. The flowers were remarkably well grown and very tastefully arranged.

THE OPENING CEREMONY.

Mr Francis Darwin opened the show, and among those present were:—Mr F. W. Grant, Maryhill; Dr Macfarlane, Arpacie; Mr P. D. Macfarlane, solicitor, and Mr J. Kitchin, Councillor, Murray; Mr John Mackintosh, Southwood; Mr J. M. Middleton, solicitor; Mr Mackinnon, of Howden & Co., High Street; Mr Gossip, jr.; Mr T. A. Wilson, general manager, High and Railway; Mr Angus Urquhart, 21, Dudd Street; Mr E. G. Critchley, solicitor, etc.

Mr P. D. Macfarlane, in the absence of Mr J. C. Macgowan, president of the Society, he had been asked to take the chair in order to introduce to the members of the Society Mr Darwin, who would declare the show open. He (the chairman) thought it was quite unnecessary to introduce Mr Darwin to an Inverness audience. Mr Darwin was as well known here as the members of the Society, and it remained only to introduce the first flower show which they had heard of, in which there were only two persons present, and the man introduced himself to the lady as "Madam, I am Adam" (laughter). The other day Lord Rosebery opened a horticultural show, and he remarked in the course of his speech that gardening was an ideal occupation. The Chairman laughingly remarked that he did not know whether he could agree with everything Lord Rosebery said, but he did imagine a gardener would require the patience of Job and a temper as good as his (the chairman's) own wife (laughter and applause). After a few other remarks the Chairman called upon Mr Darwin to open the show.

SPECIAL COMPETITIONS.

Display of Vegetables—1 Challenge Cup and bronze medal. Countess of Southesk, Leys Castle (John Hannah, gardener); 2 Baillie of Doctfour (H. Mackenzie, gardener); 3 Major Davidson, Rothiemurchus (Alex. Paterson, gardener); 4 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 5 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 6 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 7 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 8 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 9 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 10 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 11 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 12 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 13 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 14 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 15 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 16 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 17 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 18 J. P. Grant, Rothiemurchus (H. Bell, gardener); 19 J. P. 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THE CROPS IN THE COUNTY.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS. With a continuance of the present weather it is expected that a commencement will be made with harvest operations at the end of the month. On the whole, there are bright prospects for a good crop. A cold wet spring retarded the growth of grass, which did not get a proper start until a much later date than usual. A moist summer brought about a vigorous growth, but it came too late to improve matters so far as pasturing was concerned. Cropping suffered to a large extent in consequence of a very heavy rainfall. Firstly the preparation of land was affected, and secondly the growth of seed was interrupted. On the whole there will be a good yield, the prospects having greatly improved since the beginning of the present month. The spell of general sunshine has done a considerable amount of good. Oats are looking very well, and they promise to be a heavy yield. Barley will also be a good crop. Hay is considered satisfactory, and farmers have been busily engaged securing the crop. Turnips also promise well. If the fine weather continues the harvest will be earlier than was anticipated a few weeks ago.

THE "EUROPEAN MAIL" ON INVERNESS.

INTERESTING ARTICLE. In Saturday's issue of the "European Mail" there appears the third of a series of articles entitled "Further Impressions of the Scenery," accompanied by photographs, including a large view of Inverness from the Castle, the Castle itself, Moyhall, Culloden House, Dornoch and Brora Golf Courses, etc. The article, which occupies over a page, is extremely interesting, and we cannot forbear quoting the following paragraphs:—"The title of this article is getting familiar to our readers, and deservedly so, for, judging from the many laudatory communications we have received, as well as from our personal convictions, nowhere is greater interest being shown than that of which Inverness is the centre." "Inverness, too, is so easily get-at-able from all parts of the United Kingdom, and the Highland Railway is now such a progressive one, and so convenient, that its effects are so great that it is small wonder that the popularity of travel through the magnificent scenery it traverses increases in proportion as its advantages get more and more brought to the attention of the public." "To see the courtyard of the Station Hotel at Inverness at the present time is an interesting sight, inasmuch as it gives one the impression of a huge motor garage, so many are the motor cars at a stand near the portals of this excellent hostelry, which, by the way, is contiguous to, and adjoining the Railway Station itself." "Amongst various illustrations in this issue is a picture (no other term can be applied to it), taken from the Castle Hill, of the beautiful town and lovely River Ness, which, as may be deduced from its name, is that from which the Capital of the Highlands is taken." "The article then goes on to speak of Culloden House, of a sail through the Caledonian Canal (the latter being illustrated by an excellent photograph of the s.s. Gairloch, taken at Midtown Wharf), concluding with a reference to the golfing facilities in the Highlands." "The "European Mail" is a newspaper freely circulated among the upper and chiefly the touring classes on the Continent and in America.

BLACK ISLE NEWS.

CROMARTY—Lighthouse Steers.—On Tuesday the Northern Lights Steamer, Pharos, came in with stores for the Lighthouse. CROMARTY—Display by Binoculars.—On Monday afternoon the binoculars on the wharves in the courtyard engaged in a friendly game of cricket on the links. CROMARTY—For the South.—H.M.S. Diamond and two destroyers left for the south on Monday night. The scout Assistance, with attendant destroyers, still remain in the Firth. FAIRBURN—Opening of Grounds.—Major Stirling of Fairburn has consented to open the beautiful gardens and grounds of Fairburn to the public on Friday, 13th August, and Friday, 20th August, between the hours of 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. A charge will be made for admission and the proceeds are to be given in aid of the funds of the County Nursing Home at Conon Bridge. FOREBOSK—The Regatta.—The sailing races in the Firth of the programme of events of the regatta were to be run on Saturday afternoon, but the dead calm which reigned supreme again nullified the initial destination of the hand-ome challenge cups, and the accompanying money prizes. We have it on reliable authority that the Committee have decided to abandon the remaining events of the programme until another year. AVOCH—Nautical.—Heartly congratulations to Mr John Cruickshank of the Central Hotel in winning the Walter Philip challenge trophy for boats of the deep-sea class with his yacht, the Flying Cloud at the Invergordon regatta on Wednesday. In an age which has witnessed the decadence of the true sporting spirit, and when men in all its ramifications trample over each other for pride of place, his cheery optimism at all times, despite the fickleness of fortune, has at last been seasonably rewarded. Mr Cruickshank is a sportsman in the best sense of the term. In yachting matters the dogged ill-luck which has relentlessly followed in the wake of his boat has not in the least ruffled his generally placid countenance. "His not in mortals to command success, but he has deserved it."

ROSMARKIE—Concert.—That the practice of music is nothing more or less than the vernacular idiom of Nature was the conclusion we instinctively arrived at as we sat among the audience which comfortably filled the Gordon Memorial Hall on Tuesday evening. The occasion was a concert organised by Mrs St Quintin, Kincurdy, in aid of the prize fund of the industrial section of the Black Isle Horticultural Society. The programme was presided. The following programme was submitted:—Piano duet, "La Bergsliere," Mrs and Miss Hilda Whitehead, Inverness; songs, "Loch Lomond" and "Roses," Mrs Murray, Stornoway; songs, "The Death of Nelson" and "Maid of Athens," Mr Goodlad; song, "Across the Blue Sea," Mrs Campbell Ross of Cromarty; recitation, "He Didn't," Miss Thomson, Edinburgh; piano selection, "Highland Melodies," Mrs Murray; scarf dance, Miss Whitehead; songs, "Kathleen Mavourneen," "The Carnival," and "The Three Fishers," Mrs Wiseman; piano solo, "The Dew's March," Mrs Mackay, London; violin solos, "Hungarian Dances" and "Humoresque," Mrs Douglas; songs, "Redonnet Love Song," "The Irish Girl," "The Recruiter," "Marching Along," "Nancy," "The Drum Major," and, by special request, "The Baby on the Shore," Mr Alec Sinclair, Inverness. With such a galaxy of talented artists in attendance the concert could not be other than both a musical and financial success. A dance of a few hours' duration followed, capital music for which was supplied by the Misses Geddie and Mason on the piano, and Mr James Clark on the violin.

The Muirton House Gardens are now open to the public on Wednesday and Saturday from three to six o'clock in the afternoon.

TENDERS INVITED.

INVERNESS BURGH SCHOOL BOARD. Tenders are required for Supplying Coals to the Public Schools of the Burgh and the Royal Academy for the year from 1st September. Sealed tenders to be lodged with the Sub-Commissioner on or before Monday, 23rd September, specifications of Terms of Contract can be had from W. CHARLES MURRAY, 42 Union Street, Inverness, 13th August, 1909.

ROYAL BURGH OF INVERNESS. MASONRY.—Tenders are wanted by the Inverness Town Council in connection with the Erection of Lavatories at Tomahurich Cemetery. Plans and Specifications may be seen, and Schedules of Quantities obtained, on or after Monday, 23rd inst., at the Office of Mr T. H. Scott, Burgh Surveyor, on payment of 10s. which will be returned on receipt of a bona-fide Tender. Offers, marked "Lavatories," will be received by the Burgh Surveyor not later than Friday, 27th inst., at 10 a.m. KENNETH MACDONALD, Town Clerk, Inverness, 19th August, 1909.

SITUATIONS WANTED AND VACANT. TAILORS wanted immediately, Ladies' and Gent's Coatmakers. Apply Ross, tailor, Dornoch. GENERAL Servant wanted immediately for Country House near Inverness. Apply No. 3111 Highland News Office. WANTED, well-recommended House-tenant; comfortable, quiet place. Apply No. 3075 Highland News Office. CAN any Lady recommend good Plain Cook? One who can milk Cow preferred; good character indispensable. Apply No. 3074 Highland News Office. WANTED, well-educated Girl, to attend Shop and keep Books, in Stornoway. Address Box 30, Market Street, Aberdeen. EXPERIENCED Nurse wanted, to accompany a Lady to South America; three addresses; passage paid. Mrs Alexander's Select Registry, Inverness. NORTH WEST SCHOOL BOARD.—Female Assistant (qualified under Article 79 of Code of 1906) wanted for Lochmaddy Public School, Infants and Industrial Work. Salary, £50 per annum. Applications, with copies of testimonials, to be lodged forthwith with R. F. Macdonald, Lochmaddy, N.B. SCHOOL BOARD OF BOLESKINE AND ABERDEEN.—For Boys Public School, a Fully-Certificated Female Teacher for Infant Department. Salary at the rate of £70 per annum. Applications, with five copies testimonials, to W. W. Jack, Bank Agent, Fort-Augustus, by 20th inst. WANTED, Landed Proprietors, Factors, Architects, Farmers Contractors to know how to save money by getting the best CROSCOTED SCOTCH FIR POSTS, any size, guaranteed to last Half-Century, from JOHN MACDONALD, LTD., Timber Merchants, Glasgow Sawmills, Inverness.

CANADA.—Large Families (Farm experience), constant work for reliable men, definite situations. Sawmills, Forest, Farm, Railway, Coalfield and Cotton Factory Workers, etc. May own Farm out, from £5 10s upwards. Passages booked also to New Zealand, South Africa, Australia and all other parts of the world. Transport of all classes of Goods from and to all parts of the world. PICKFORD'S and POLYTECHNIC TOURS' Agency. Apply.

DUNCAN DUFFY, SHIPPING AGENT, 12 LOMBARD STREET, INVERNESS. RE-OPENING OF CLASSES. Our Day Classes for all Civil Service, Law, Commerce, University Preliminary Examinations, etc., and for a Business Training, will RE-OPEN for the Winter Session on AUGUST 31st. All those intending to compete at the above Exams. should enrol on that date. 70 LADIES WANTED FOR C.S. APPOINTMENTS. An Examination for Girl and Women Clerks has been announced to be held on October 12th, 1909. Age limits, 16-20. Salary rising up to £100. A capital opening for any girl leaving a secondary school. Examinations have also been announced for Boy Clerks (15-19) and Second Division Clerks (17-20). Careful advice and prospectus post free on application to THE PRINCIPALS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE, 39 UNION STREET, INVERNESS.

PROPERTY FOR SALE AND TO LET. CROFTER HOLDING FOR SALE. For Sale, the Holding No. 5 Syre, Strathnaver, Sutherland. Immediate entry. For full particulars apply to Mr Angus Mackintosh, Congested Districts Board Office, Uig, Skye. TO LET, Artie, with convenience, 1 Stair up, Apply 20 Priar's Lane. COMFORTABLE Parlour-Bedroom to Let on Hill, suit Lady or Gentleman. Terms very moderate. Apply 3096 Highland News Office. TO LET, several Workmen's Houses, Rents from £2 to £10. Apply Squair & Middleton, Solicitors, Church Street. TO LET, Semi-Detached Cottage, 5 Apartments; also Workmen's Houses, two, three and four Rooms; also Stables, Coach-house and Coachman's House. Apply to James Macgregor, Crown Lands, Inverness.

HOUSES TO LET. 6 Mary Ann Court, Andrew Place, Rent, £9. 41 Ross Street, Rent, £11. Shop, 2 Hill Street, Rent, £8. 100, Murray Court, Rent, £5. Apply Squair & Middleton, Solicitors, Church Street.

TO LET. Shop, 9 Castle Street. Office, Albany Place, Island Bank Road (3 Public Rooms) (Bedrooms, etc.) (Office) (1 Room), Queensgate, 2 House, Haugh (2 Rooms). These Houses are in Excellent Repair, and the Rents are Moderate. Fraser & Ross, solicitors, 63 Church Street.

SUTHERLANDSHIRE. STANDING TIMBER FOR SALE. Standing Timber for Sale in Creich Woods, on the Estate of Skibo, Sutherlandshire, consisting of the following:— 434 SLEEPER TREES, 1737 TIMBER TREES, 1270 FIRST SEAR TREES, 4092 SECOND SEAR TREES, 1292 PROP TREES. Mr John Macdonald, Forester, will point out the Terms. Conditions of Sale can be seen at the Estate Office, and Offers will be received by the undersigned up to 1st September, 1909. The highest or any offer may not be accepted. JAS. F. HARDIE, Factor, Skibo Estate Office, Clashmore, Dornoch, 4th August, 1909.

GROUND TO LET, suitable for Warehouses, Workmen's Houses, and Villa Residences. Apply to James Macgregor, Crown Lands, Inverness.

THE HIGHLAND RAILWAY. EXCURSIONS TO LONDON on Mondays, 6th and 20th September, via Dundee. HALF-DAY EXCURSION FROM INVERNESS TO DINGWALL AND STRATHPEFFER ON SATURDAYS. During the months of July, August and September an excursion train will be run from Inverness to Dingwall and Strathpeffer on Saturdays, leaving Inverness at 2 p.m. Third class return fare, 1s. The return train will leave Strathpeffer at Dingwall at 2.15 p.m. same day.

CHRAP DAY AND HALF-DAY FARES FROM INVERNESS. Return tickets at reduced rates, available for return same day, are issued as under:— Every Tuesday and Friday, from 15th June to 10th September inclusive, for Loch Maree by Rail to Achmishon, and thence by Steamer's Coach. Also during June, July, August and September, on Mondays to Fortrose, Novar and Strathpeffer. On Wednesdays to Carr-Bridge, Culloden Moor, Daviot, Portrose, Nairn and Tomatin. On Saturdays to Beaulieu, Carr-Bridge, Culloden Moor, Daviot, Dingwall, Edin. Forest, Fort-George, Fortrose, Muir of Ord, Nairn, Strathpeffer and Tomatin.

RETURN tickets are issued on Fridays and Saturdays all the year round, available on the going journey on the day of issue, and for return on Saturday, Sunday or Monday at single fare and One-Sixth (plus fractions of a penny) minimum, 3d first-class and 1s 6d third-class, between all Stations on the Highland Railway. For further information see the Company's Time Tables and Bills.

IMPORTANT TO FISHER PEOPLE. On Thursday, 1st April, and every week-day thereafter until Saturday, 25th September, individuals fisher people returning home or proceeding to the North, West and East Coast Herring Fishing will be covered at the usual cheap fares by fisher people from Stornoway to Kyle of Lochalsh will be 4s; from Portree or Raasay, 2s; and from Broadford, 1s 6d each.

AUCTION SALES.

CALL AT COLVIN'S AUCTION ROOMS, QUEENSGATE. Last Few Days OF THE Jewellery Sale.

An Entire Clearance must be effected at any price. NO RESERVE. Fine Opportunity for Bargains. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT NOW.

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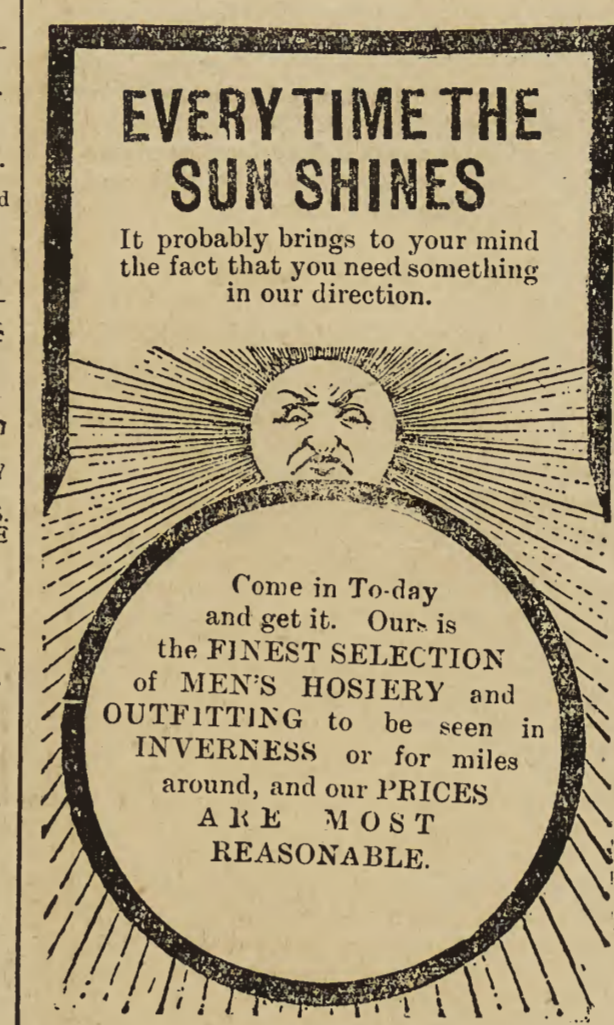
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