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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

Notice of Birth, 1s 6d; Marriage Notice, 2s 6d; Death Notice, 1s 6d—with Funeral Intimation, 2s 6d.

BIRTHS. At Cairn, Crown Drive, Inverness, on the 4th inst., to Mr and Mrs A. Davidson, a son. At Lynwig, Drummond Road, Inverness, on the 6th inst., the wife of John Macpherson, of the 5th inst., the wife of Geo. O. Middleton, stationmaster, of a son.

MARRIAGES. At the Alexandra Hotel, Bath Street, Glasgow, on the 10th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, J.P., Church, John M. Macdonald, merchant, Stormroy, to Mary Janet (Polly), fourth daughter of the late Donald Macgregor, teacher, London. At Athol, Sask., Canada, the residence of Mr. Charles Niven, on the 12th December, 1906, by the Rev. Mr. Scott, James N. Adair, formerly of Montreal, Ontario, to Mary Ann, eldest daughter of Mr. William Macintosh, The Gardens, Elchity. At the Glenalbyn Hotel, Inverness, on the 28th December, 1906, by the Rev. Alex. Stuart, David, Lachlan Macphail, herdsman, Macphail, to Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Chisholm, Craggan, Falcloch, Cuplich, and late farm manager, Farr, Strathairn.

DEATHS. At Breachan, Inverness, on the 10th inst., Pierre Delavault, artist. At Park of Inverness, on the 8th inst., Elizabeth Macrae, beloved wife of John Macrae. At Park of Inverness, on the 9th inst., James Fraser, groom.

At Veele Cottage, Ardersier, on the 5th inst., John, son of John Fraser, carpenter. At Balvaird, Tomatin, on the 5th inst., Alexander Macdonald, late farmer. At Muir of Ord on the 7th inst., John Henderson, builder (late of Beaulieu).

At Beech Hill, Inverness, on the 6th inst., David, youngest son of Samuel Davidson. At 25 Frier's Lane, Inverness, on the 8th inst., Helen Hill, beloved wife of Angus Stewart, H. Suddily, on the 7th inst., at West End Terrace, Gilbert Soper, Inverness, James, eldest son of Eben Macdonald.

At 25 King Street, Inverness, on the 6th inst., suddenly, Benjamin Munro, youngest daughter of the late John Munro, of Beaufort. At Culburnie, Kiltarity, on the 7th inst., Finlay Fraser, aged 27 years, eldest son of the late James Fraser, slater.

At 3 Avondale Terrace, Harrowden Road, Inverness, on the 5th inst., Jeanie, second daughter of the late David Macmurtrie. At Station Cottage, Allargrange Station, on the 5th inst., Catherine Johnston, widow of the late John Fraser; deeply regretted.

At 32 Keith Street, Stormroy, on the 3rd inst., Kenneth Bain, contractor, in his 73rd year. (American papers please copy). At Inverness, Newburgh, on the 31st ult., Georgina, eldest daughter of the late George Maclean, Newburgh Cottage, Connabridge; deeply regretted.

Very suddenly, at Hawthorne Lodge, Fairfield Road, Inverness, on Sunday, the 6th inst., Catherine Fraser, daughter of the late Donald Fraser, Assent (Ross-shire), and beloved wife of Donald Ross, shoemaker, in his 71st year. At 675 Govan Road, Govan, on the 9th inst., Isabella, third daughter of the late Alexander Cameron, late of Kintail, Strathmore, and sister-in-law of Alexander Macleod, 37 Innes Street, Inverness.

DEATH. At Oakwood, Inverness, on January the 9th, Elizabeth Barbara Black (Bessie), youngest daughter of Robert Black, C.E., and Funeral Today (Saturday), at One o'clock p.m. Friends please accept of this (the only) intimation and invitation.

M. R. ROSS and Family desire to express their sincere thanks to all their friends who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement. Hawthorne Lodge, Fairfield Road, Inverness.

ST ANDREW'S ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER (No. 115). FUNERAL OF COM. DELAVAUT, EAST Z. Companions are requested to meet in Freemasons' Hall Today (Saturday), at 12.30. They will afterwards join the Procession of Craft and Masons at the Odeon Theatre, and accompany it to the Cathedral and New Church.

GRANITE TOMBSTONES from 24 upwards at Robertson & Law's, Longman Road, Inverness.

WREATHS made of Choice Cut Flowers Macdonald's, Fruiters and Florists, Castle Street, Inverness.

FUNERAL Wreaths, Tablets, Angels, Shells, Crosses, and Marble Slabs Cameron, Ness Walk.

MEMORIALS of all kinds in Granite, Marble, and Freestone may be had from Messrs J. & A. Fraser, sculptors, Inverness, who give the best value in Memorials to be got in the North. 45 Academy Street. Designs and prices on application. Send for patterns and compare prices.

LOST OR FOUND. LOST, a Round Gold Locket, with Miniatures of two children. Reward at Police Office.

DANCING CLASSES. Miss ALICE TODD re-opens her classes for the Season in the Music Hall on Wednesday First. Afternoon Class for Children, commencing 2 p.m. Evening Class, for Ladies and Gentlemen, commencing 8 p.m. Prospectus, 9 Drummond Street.

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CHURCH NOTICES.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH, ENGLISH STREET.

TO-MORROW (SABBATH), January 13th.

Preacher—Rev. H. HOWARD MAY, 11 a.m.—IV.—"THE EARTH STAIN." (This is the Fourth in a Course of Sermons.)

6.30.—TOWN HALL. Subject—"B.C. and A.D.—THE LESSONS OF A.D. 1906."

N.B.—Please reserve Wednesday, February 6th, for Mr May's Lecture in the Town Hall on "Three Burning Problems which must immediately be Solved." Admission by Ticket only, reserved and numbered. The Tickets will be issued in order of application, without charge, and may be obtained from Mr Donald Mitchell, Union Street, or Mr P. Finlay, High Street. Silver Collection.

NESS BANK CHURCH. YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN'S GUILD.

LECTURE ON MONDAY, January 14th, by the Rev. R. HOWARD MAY, at 7.30 p.m. Subject—"CROMWELL."

NESS BANK U.F. CHURCH. The Services To-morrow (Sabbath), 13th inst., at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE Rev. JOHN S. MACDONALD, United Free High Church, Nairn.

UNITED FREE EAST CHURCH. LECTURE BY REV. MR MACKAY (CROMBAGH), Entitled—"TIS FIFTY YEARS SINCE," Illustrated by Gaelic Songs, to be Sung by Mr ROD MACLEOD and others.

IN CHURCH HALL, ACADEMY STREET, ON TUESDAY, 15th January, at 8.15 p.m. T. A. WILSON, Esq., Chairman.

Admission, 1s and 6d. Tickets may be had from Mr Mackay, bookseller, High Street, and Mr Munro, Eastgate; also at Hall Door.

THE SALVATION ARMY. TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), at 11 a.m., 3, and 6.30 p.m., in the MUSIC HALL.

Staff-Captain RENDALL and Captain BARTON.

PUBLIC NOTICES. 1st V.B. CAMERON HIGHLANDERS.

ANNUAL REGIMENTAL BALL WILL BE HELD IN THE DRILL HALL, ROSE STREET, ON WEDNESDAY, 13th FEBRUARY.

Volunteers in Uniform, 2s 6d. Civilians, 1s 6d. Tickets can be had at Drill Hall or from Members of Committee.

D. MACCOLL, Convener.

Gaelic Society of Inverness. THE THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL DINNER OF THIS SOCIETY WILL BE HELD IN THE STATION HOTEL, INVERNESS, ON FRIDAY, 18th Curt., at 7 p.m.

The MARQUIS OF TULLIBARDINE, D.S.O., in the Chair.

Tickets, 5s each, can be obtained at the Hotel and from Members of Council, Baldo John Mackenzie, Union Street, and the Secretary, 10 Union Street, Inverness, 11th January, 1907.

INVERNESS-SHIRE FARMERS' SOCIETY. Annual Ploughing Match at Dunbelloch, near Brouly, on Saturday, 2nd February next. Competitions for Medals, High-Cutting Ploughs and Chilled Ploughs. Entries close 25th January.

36 Union Street, Inverness. D. GRAY, Secy.

CONGESTED DISTRICTS BOARD. STEAMER SERVICE, COMMENCING 21st JANUARY, 1907.

And mail further Notice. The screw steamer "GAIL," or other steamer, will run (weather and other circumstances permitting) as follows:—

From KYLE to GAILOCH, BADEN-TARBERT, and ULLAPPOOL, every MONDAY Mornings at 6 a.m.

From ULLAPPOOL to BADEN-TARBERT, SCORRAIG, AULTBEA, and GAILOCH, every TUESDAY at 11 a.m.

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For further particulars apply to Mr Neil M'Intosh, Kyle; Alex. Macdonald, Fishery Office, Ullapool; and to Mr Macpherson's Agents on the Coast.

R. R. MACGREGOR, Secretary. Office of the Congested Districts Board, Edinburgh, 29th December, 1906.

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AUCTION SALES, SITUATIONS VACANT, AND PROPERTY FOR SALE AND TO LET WILL BE FOUND ON PAGE 8.

PUBLIC NOTICES. FREE GARDENERS.—Ordinary Meeting on Monday, 14th, at 8.15 p.m.; Summoned Meeting on 25th January. J. C. D., Secy.

NELSON LODGE, ST. A.O.R.T.—Gospel Lantern Services in Great Street Hall To-morrow Night at 8 o'clock. Speaker—Mr Henderson, Scottish Temperance League.

INVERNESS CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, LTD.—The Shop Closes at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, 16th, for Stocktaking. All Purchases and ShareBooks to be handed in at the Shop by Saturday, 19th inst. W. T., Secy.

WORKMEN'S CLUB, BRIDGE STREET.—DRAUGHTS CUP COMPETITION.—All those intending to compete for above, please notify Secretary of Draughts Club not later than Thursday, 17th inst. J. M. STEVEN, Secretary.

BEARER COMPANY, R.A.M.C. (V.). Wanted, a few Young Men to complete Establishment of above Company. Apply at 10 Bank Street. J. MACDONALD, R.A.M.C. (V.) Officer Commanding.

COMUNN GAIDHEALACH IN BHARRIS. INVERNESS HIGHLAND ASSOCIATION. A Meeting will be held in the Educational Bureau on Tuesday, 15th January, at 8 p.m. Subject—"The National and Economic Aspects of Gaelic." by A. Macdonald.

All interested cordially invited. K. F., Hon. Secy.

POOR AND SCHOOL RATES, 1906-7. Ratepayers are respectfully reminded that these Rates are now past due, and IMMEDIATE PAYMENT is requested, in order to avoid the additional 10 per cent., which will shortly be exacted on all Rates in arrear.

ROBT. F. URQUHART, Collector.

BURGH ASSESSMENTS, 1906-7. Ratepayers are respectfully reminded that these Assessments are now due, and should be paid immediately at this Office. Costs and Penalties will be incurred on all Assessments in arrear. Original Notices to be produced at Payment.

ROD. PATERSON, Town Chamberlain.

TO HOTEL AND LODGING-HOUSE KEEPERS. LODGINGS (SLEEPING ACCOMMODATION ONLY), FROM 15th JANUARY to 27th FEBRUARY, ARE REQUIRED FOR 50 MEN OF THE 3rd BATTALION CAMERON HIGHLANDERS. FULL PARTICULARS FROM THE ADJUTANT, TELFORD ROAD BARRACKS.

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MUSICAL HALL, MONDAY, at 8 p.m. MUSICAL RECITAL BY MISS MARY WILSON. Tickets at Cornets', 1s 6d, 1s, and 6d.

VALLEY OF NESS LODGE, L.O.A.S. GRAND EVENING CONCERT IN MUSIC HALL, ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1907.

Tickets—Reserved Seats, 1s 6d; Balcony and Front Area, 1s; Back Area, 6d.—to be had from Members of Committee or at Cornets', Lombard Street.

BEAULY CHARITY CONCERT. THURSDAY, 17th JANUARY. IN THE PHIPPS INSTITUTE. Among the Artists are:—

Miss C. H. P. WATT, Miss M. MACLEOD, Miss COLLIE, Mr R. MACLEOD, Miss PARK, Mr JEFFERYS, Mr K. MACKENZIE, Mr D. MORISON, Pipe-Major FRASER.

Miss PARK—Accompanist. CAPTAIN THE HON. HUGH J. FRASER OF LOVAT, Chairman.

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24 Ladies' Fashionable TWEED COATS. Will clear the lot at 5s 6d each. These were sold at 14s 6d to 18s 6d each.

We have a very Smart Lot, of which there are only 9 left. These COATS were sold from 12s 6d to 28s 6d each. Our Price as long as they last, 9s 11d each.

We want to draw your special attention to one lot of Ladies' TWEED COSTUMES. There are only about a Dozen of them, and were sold from 16s 6d to 30s. You can have your pick for 7s 11d each.

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8 Pieces FLANNEL, in Grey and White, 7/4; worth 1s per yard.

12 Pieces in Pink and White FLANNELETTE, only 3/4 a yard; worth double.

6 Pieces Furniture CRETONNE, very nice Patterns, 3/4 per yard as well as for them.

10 Dozen Ladies' Flannelette CHEMISES, only 9/4d each.

5 Dozen Ladies' Stockingette KNICKERS. Sale Price 9/4d per pair.

35 Dozen Ladies' Cashmere HOSE. As long as they last, 6/4d per pair.

22 Dozen Ladies' Cashmere HOSE. Were sold at 1s 2d; Sale Price, 8/4d per pair.

8 Dozen Ladies' Coloured GOLF JERSEYS. Only 1s 9/4d each.

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(Air leantainn). Tormod—S e aon a sin seann eagra le...

Aonghas.—Bhithheadh an àmhachd sin...

Tormod—Sheall gu robh sin mar a bha...

Aonghas.—Nuair a chuir seannair...

Tormod—Chomhachaidh aig aig fathach...

Aonghas.—Thormod, imis domh so, am...

Tormod—Se sin, mar tha miso 'cur...

Aonghas.—Seadh, as deigh an airm a 'chur...

Tormod—Cha 'eil cinnt a' air a sin ach...

Aonghas.—Na bròin! Co bhiodh cruaidh...

Tormod—Thug, do feadhainn gur, iadsan...

Aonghas.—Cha d' fhuair na Iapach na...

Tormod—Tha e an duigh to riaghaild nam...

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NEW COLLEGE, DIUN-EIDEANN.

An duigh, an Smh là de Iannaraidh aig...

Thug Professor Paterson an Colais na...

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MO THURTS A STEORABHAGH LATHA NOLLAIG.

'S ann agamsa bha'n deoin-bhaidh...

Bha'n turus sin aig ceann domh...

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If you wish to makelighter pastry and make it more quickly—send to your grocer at once for a 7d. or 3 1/2d. packet of Brown & Polson's raising powder.



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REVIEWS.

'AN DEO—GREENE.—(Monthly Magazine of an Ommun Gàidhealach).

The January number of this bright little miscellany has reached us and its contents are at least of uniform interest with those of previous issues.

'THE SCOTTISH EDUCATIONAL YEAR BOOK AND DIARY FOR 1907.' Price, 1s. 6d.

First published in 1891, the issue now before us is the sixteenth of this publication.

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The above is the title of a small booklet (price threepence) just published under the auspices of the Highland Association (An Comunn Gàidhealach), and the Council have done a very good service in putting such useful and interesting material in concentrated form, at the disposal of the public when considerable attention is being extended in various quarters to the question of Gaelic teaching.

Perhaps the only small fault to be found with the arguments and recommendations as a whole, is that they are too general. A smattering of some more practical suggestions as to how best, in existing circumstances, to set about obtaining the end in view, would add materially to the value of the booklet.

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HALLOWE'EN (HALLOWEVEN). CERTAIN CUSTOMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE OCCASION.

[CONTRIBUTED.] Halloween is the night of the 31st of October, and is nowadays generally observed as far as the observance of the day is concerned, as the day of All Hallowes or All Saints' day, which is the 1st of November.

Hallowe'en is a festival of the Roman Church, and is said to have been instituted by Pope Gregory IV., about the year 835, in honour of the departed spirits of the departed. This festival was fixed for 1st November. It is supposed, as on that date it is understood to have been held one of the four chief festival observances of the Northern Pagans. Among the Gaelic-speaking nations the night of the 31st of October is known, however, by the name of "Oidhech Shamhna" or "Naiar theirear ganham" or "na bhoig," which would suggest a pagan origin.

It is now pretty generally accepted that at any rate prior to the Christian era the people or peoples inhabiting Central and Western Europe two seasons in their year—those being summer and winter, and one very ancient Gaelic quotation divides the year as from Beltane to Samain, and from Samain to Beltane. As usual, the word "Samain" is interpreted in a variety of ways by our scholars, and I am not to risk my reputation upon any further treatment of a subject in regard to which doctors differ. I was struck, however, with Dr Stokes' interpretation of the word, as quoted by Dr Macbride in his dictionary, in which it is explained as meaning "assembly," and as such possibly pointing to the "gathering at Tara on 1st November," which may have been one of the four great Gaelic festivals referred to as falling on that date.

All things considered, it is most probable that the origin of Hallowe'en may be traceable to the observance of certain rites and ceremonies dating back to a period long anterior to the beginnings of modern history, and afterwards assimilated to certain festivals of the church. The fact of there being so much of the practice of divination associated with it would seem to suggest that its customs are but a transference of the divination by omens signs, words, verses, lots, sights, water, figures, &c., so common among the ancients, and of which we have much in Greek mythology. The passion for prying into futurity, says Burns, "makes a striking part of the history of human nature." It is but the force of the spirit within trying to reach beyond its material bounds.

Hallowe'en, the eve of All Saints' Day, appears to have been characterized, more or less all over Europe, since very early times by the observance of popular customs, such as the ringing of bells, the kindling of bonfires, and such usages. During the middle ages the belief was prevalent that invisible spirits roamed about on that night. In later times it had become very common—and the practices have not yet wholly disappeared in the rural districts of both Britain and Ireland, coming now to our own country—to celebrate its return by various customs composed of both sport and superstition. Perhaps the best popular account of Hallowe'en as observed in Scotland, is the poem on the subject by the poet Burns. Certain of the customs peculiar to it are also referred to in "Fanny's Fair in Scotland and Appendix," and in the "Statistical Account of Scotland"; but there is no necessity for quoting from these authorities here. I would rather confine my remarks to the more particular observances, distinguishing Hallowe'en, which have come under my own notice.

tells that he was dead very soon after. Pulling cabbages blindfold was also in vogue, the size and form of the cabbage indicating the figure of the future partner. When ground stuck to the cabbage a tocher was to be looked for. The cabbages were afterwards, in some cases, placed above the door, and the name of the person first entering the house was to be that of the future husband or wife.

Winding the clue, though at one time common in the district under contribution, has of late years practically died out. The procedure was as follows—All alone a person went out to the kiln, and threw a clue of yarn into the pot; then winding the yarn on to a new clue, towards the end something would hold the thread. The party then asked—"Who holds," and the answer gave the name of the future companion in the married state.

In my experience, young ladies have shown particular interest in Hallowe'en divinations. They had an especial favour, among other things, for the ceremony of eating an apple before a glass, combining their halcyon at the same time, in the belief that the face of the future one-and-only would appear in the glass peering over the shoulder. Sometimes the face that appeared was that of a very substantial "apparition."

Something similar to the idea of wetting the sleeve of a nightdress—or bedgown, as we then said—and placing it before a fire, in the belief that, if one lay awake till midnight, the ghost of the future partner would steal into the room, and turn the sleeper a drink.

Another superstition was that if one ate a salt herring pretty raw when going to bed, by way of causing unusual thirst, the future husband or wife would appear during the night at the bedside in a dream, offering a drink.

Perhaps the most uncommon form of divination among us was that of going to a burn over which the dead and the living had passed, and taking therefrom a mouthful of water; thereafter making for a house for the first name that would be spoken; which was to be the name of the man or woman, as the case might be, to share with the person her or his lot.

Ducking for apples was a childish custom that had nothing of the mysterious about it, and boys particularly had some disagreeable experiences of a surprise wash occasionally from the temptation it offered in that direction to those looking on.

Hallowe'en was frequently taken advantage of for the exercise of a spirit of mild mischief by the boys. Long-standing scores with cantankerous old men or maidens were settled, but if any "purr body" had shown kindness during the year, the reward, in the shape of a plentiful supply of turnips or something similar—generally at the expense of the disliked—was certain on that night to be tendered.

All these customs and practices seem now, however, to be fast becoming things of the past; and it would appear as if it would never again be as at one time it so generally was. "Oidhech Shamhna th'a' Gheamhraidh, 'S a' bhail' ud thall ha ceol againa."

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BAZAAR LOTTERIES ILLEGAL. MINISTER AND CHURCH OFFICIALS FINED.

At a Justice of Peace Court in Glasgow on Tuesday—Justices Stephen and O'Hear presiding—a charge of conducting a lottery was preferred against the Rev. Duncan Hunter Brodie, Parkhead Parish Church; Stephen Miller, session clerk; and Duncan Brodie, secretary of the Bazaar Committee. The charge bore that the respondents had contravened the Lotteries Act by publishing to a meeting of children in the church on 3rd September a scheme for the sale of chances in a lottery for a gold watch, valued at £20.

Objections were raised to the relevancy of the complaint, which the agent for accused said was founded on an Act of Parliament passed in the early years of George IV., but never applied to schemes set up for public purposes. It was also urged that such competitions were practically under Art Union rules.

The prosecutor argued that such a lottery did not come under Art Union rules. The Court sustained the relevancy of the complaint. Evidence was given as to the character of the scheme and also for the defence. Justice Stephen said they felt their duty that day to be very unpleasant, and they regretted that the law shut them up to finding the accused guilty. The sentence would be six, or three days' imprisonment.

The Assessor stated that as a mere matter of form the Court must rule them to be ROGUES AND VAGABONDS.

COAGULINE—Transparent Cement for broken articles. It is understood that Mr Lewis Harcourt has been appointed Chief Secretary for Ireland in succession to Mr Bryce.

INVERNESS CRIMEAN VETERAN HONOURED.

A very interesting function took place at the Cameron Barracks, Millburn, a few days ago, when Colour-Sergeant Austin, Hillside Cottage, Ballifeary, was presented with the medal for meritorious service. Colour-Sergeant Austin, who is one of the few survivors of the Crimean War, is well known in northern military circles, and it was fitting that the duty of pinning the medal on the veteran's breast should devolve upon Captain Wimberley, who warmly congratulated the recipient on the high honour that had been conferred upon him. Major S. S. Clark, who is now in charge of the Depot, also spoke in eulogistic terms of Colour-Sergeant Austin, who suitably replied.

DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENTS.

On Tuesday evening a dramatic entertainment took place in the St Andrew's Guild House in aid of the fund for children's dinners at the Cathedral Schools. There was a large attendance, the hall being quite full. A stage and drop screen with various other fittings were improvised at one end of the hall. The opening piece was "Emery Brown," in which Miss C. Hilda Ross and Miss F. J. Grant took the parts of Liza Jane and Amelia Amerlyda respectively. The acting and declamation were good, and the piece was much enjoyed. After an interval "The Peasant Queen" was performed with very decided success. The acting throughout was natural and effective. The parts assigned to Miss Ross and Miss F. J. Grant were again most effectively rendered. The whole performance was warmly applauded. The following was the cast:—Madame Mignago (The Village Busybody), Miss C. H. Ross; Madame Bonceur (Proprietress of the Farm), Miss I. Moir; the Countess De Belleville (Lady of the Village), Miss V. Innes; Adele (Grand-daughter of Madame Bonceur), Miss L. M. Grant; the Village Girls, Candidates for the Rose of Honour, Marguerite, Miss N. Murray; Louise, Miss E. Moir; Martine, Miss E. Aitken; Claudine, Miss L. Ross; Beldina (Servant to Madame Bonceur), Miss F. J. Grant.

THE FUTURE OF THE ACADEMY. NEW DRAFT SCHEME APPROVED BY GOVERNORS AND SCHOOL BOARD.

REV. GAVIN LANG AND EX-BAILLIE MACDONALD WITHDRAW FROM MEETING. A meeting of the Academy Board in conference with the School Board was held on Wednesday—Baillie Fraser in the chair—when the new Draft Scheme as drawn up by Mr Kenneth Macdonald was considered, and, with few minor alterations, approved of. At the outset, ex-Baillie Macdonald asked if by the transference of the Academy to the School Board was to cost any considerable sum in legal expenses, and, if so, who was to pay them?

The Chairman thought the expenses would come out of the Academy funds—the Scheme under consideration was one incurring a charge in the administration of the Academy and its funds, and the charge would in all likelihood fall on the Academy.

Ex-Baillie Macdonald—I thought you had no funds available? The Chairman—We have plenty capital that can be drawn upon. Ex-Baillie Macdonald said he objected to the whole proceedings. He could not be a party to any Scheme involving the transference of the Academy to the School Board, and he intimated his intention of withdrawing from the meeting.

The Rev. Gavin Lang objected to any part of the expenses being taken out of the rates, and also intimated that he must withdraw from the meeting, as he could take no part in any such arrangement as they had before them. Those present heard these announcements with considerable astonishment, and the opinion was freely offered that when public men could not get their own way they should fall in with the majority and give assistance in carrying out the course decided upon. The objecting Governors were not to be prevailed upon, however, and ultimately withdrew from the meeting. The proposed Scheme was then considered. The changes on the present Scheme were made as few and as slight as possible. The clauses dealing with the Mackintosh Farr Fund were left practically unchanged. The preamble of the Draft Scheme set forth that the Governors have thought it expedient that the endowments should in future be administered by the School Board, and that the Board have agreed to undertake their administration; and that the Governors cross the consent of the Scotch Education Department and the Court of Session to the necessary alteration of the Scheme. It was agreed to send a copy of the draft Scheme to the Scotch Education Department for approval and consent.

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UNITED FREE CHURCH PRESBYTERY. TRIBUTE TO DR RAINY.

The United Free Church Presbytery of Inverness met in the Bank Street Hall on Tuesday—Rev. D. Connell moderator. After the minutes were read, the Moderator referred to the great loss the Church had sustained by the death of Principal Rainy—the great name or the Church's roll since the death of Dr Chalmers. It was difficult to give expression to all that Dr Rainy was to the Church, and years must pass before they could realise his greatness. He had prepared the following minute for the Presbytery's record if it should be approved by the meeting:—The Presbytery learn with profound regret of the death of Principal Rainy at Melbourne on the 22nd day of December last, and agree to record their sense of the loss sustained by this Church and the Scottish nation in the removal of one who for so many years has held a pre-eminent place as a faithful and devoted servant of God. Principal Rainy gave his splendid natural gifts, his wide and profound learning, and his commanding personal influence to the furtherance of the Redeemer's Kingdom with a constancy and whole-heartedness rarely met with in the history of the Church.

As her most trusted leader for many years, his guidance and counsel were of inestimable service to his own Church in times of difficulty and perplexity, and men of all Churches often looked to him for light and leading. His immovable faith in the sovereignty of Jesus Christ over the Church and over the nation, his whole-hearted acceptance of the faith once delivered to the saints, and his deep reverence for the Word of God, were of unspeakable value to the cause of living religion, and a notable example and inspiration to all his brethren in the ministry. Through master as he was of all periods and phases of the history of the Church, Dr Rainy was a Presbyterian by conviction; he was an evangelical believer who valued, supremely, the doctrines of grace; and he believed the salvation of the world depended on the preaching of the Gospel in its purity and integrity. The freedom of the Church to do her Lord's will according to His Word had in him its most powerful advocate for a generation. His piety, his humility, and magnanimity of Dr Rainy won for him in a very unusual degree the admiration and love of all who knew him and understood his character. The Presbytery, in common with the whole Church, and all Scottish men, mourn the loss of this most eminent servant of

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#### The Highland News

INVERNESS, Saturday, January 12, 1907.

#### THE LORD ADVOCATE ON SCOTTISH HOME RULE & SOCIAL REFORM.

There was a breezy air about the Lord Advocate's speech at Edinburgh on Wednesday which was quite refreshing. At the outset he indulged in some pointed banter at the expense of those who only a year ago were predicting all sorts of disasters should the electors be so infatuated as to send into power the Liberal party—a party which was unable to produce a policy, unable to produce a Government entitled to respect, and unable to produce a leader fit to command. The results, however, he said, had proved deplorable for blatant Unionism—the Empire really still existed, and now people had Sir Robert Finlay at Inverness dangling before them outside to ranks of his party the old Macdonald fig of distress with the words, "Come over all help us."

Though his Lordship more than once asked his hearers that he was speaking in a non-official capacity, merely as "a private citizen having rather a liking for Liberal principles," Scotland may be pardoned for attaching to his opinions and his advice the weight which properly pertains to them as those of one who in Scottish matters holds a position of the highest importance, and who may be accepted as setting forth views which carry an imprimatur which does not attach to those of an irresponsible private citizen. It is therefore significant for example to find him assuring his hearers—and we mention the fact for the encouragement of the small landholders of the Highlands—that further consideration has only confirmed him in every one of the views which he had expressed at Inverness last year. He also reaffirmed the promise of the Prime Minister that that measure should have an early place in the Parliamentary programme. Nay more, instead of restricting the application of the plans of land reform there set forth to certain specialised counties in Scotland, all the probability is that a Bill similar in its outstanding features would be introduced for England as well as for Scotland. He, however, claimed for Scotland the first place. But I view of the "crush" of work before the Inner Parliament he was led to state that the devolution of Scottish business and purely local and separately national affairs had almost become an imperative duty in the highest degree. A measure of Home Rule for Scotland might not, he admitted, be practicable at present, but the idea must not be lost

sight of, and he urged that they should all unite in supporting with all their might the appointment of a Scottish Grand Committee which would expiate all the press and cons of a measure instead of discussing already too much occupied House of Commons. He claimed for Scotland first place in Parliamentary consideration. Scotland was ripe, and occupied a position in advance of England, and ought not to be made to wait for the slower pace of the predominant partner. Scotland had already found by the experiment of the Crofters Act the benefits of such a legislation on the land question as was now contemplated. In regard to temperance, Scottish opinion was in advance of that of England. He advised Scotsmen to stand shoulder to shoulder with regard to these social measures. If they gave him a sober people who had an interest in the land that bore them he would guarantee that much of the present social misery would rapidly disappear.

#### KEEP DARK!

The Inverness School Board, or at least certain members of the Board, appear to have rather peculiar views regarding the privileges of popularly elected bodies. With them the ballot box is a democratic machine for the manufacture of bureaucracies. Once elected by popular vote, the constituency has no right to criticise the actions of the Board or offer advice. Anything of the sort savours of dictation, and popularly-elected bodies may not be dictated to. The School Board consider themselves in the same position as regards criticism as the House of Commons. Who ever heard of anything being done, or about to be done, at Westminster criticised in the country's press, or advice offered? Does a leader writer ever dictate to Parliament? Why, he would be summoned instant before the Bar of the House for his temerity. Last Wednesday the Rev. Gavin Lang raised a question of privilege, and in course of the discussion not a few ideas, wondrous strange and of a strong bureaucratic flavour, were released from the minds that conceived them. Exception was taken to an article which appeared last week in these columns. In justice it must be admitted that most of the members were inclined to make light of any attempt to prove an abuse of privilege, but certain opinions and criticisms were passed at the meeting which showed unmistakable evidence of swelled-head or lamentable ignorance of the privileges of the electorate, or both. Mr Lang held that the information in the article complained of must have been supplied by a member of the Board, and appeared very wrath that such information should have been divulged. Mr Lang feigned surprise at the leakage. How did it come about? Well, we have actually heard of State secrets finding their way into the columns of the press, and have noted it offered in explanation, and extenuation, that even Cabinet Ministers have wives. May not School Board members have wives also? Not that in this case we pretend it was necessary to resort to any such unfair method of obtaining news. Why, anything we published was to be had in the street for the picking up. Did Mr Lang himself never mention to a friend the name of a single applicant not on the list? Did he never mention the qualifications of one of the selected six? And can he vouch that his confidant has proved more reliable than himself? What Mr Lang has done all the other members of the Board have done. Some may have said more; some probably less. None of them has done what he ought not. The information supplied by us was tabled at an open meeting of the Board, and was thus accessible to any member of the public. The unsuccessful candidates mentioned in our article were all referred to in a complimentary manner, and as men of superior attainments to some of those selected. We have merely given them a testimonial refused by the Board, and at which they are unlikely to take umbrage. What is really objected to is that the public are taking so keen and intelligent an interest in educational matters. Certain members of the Board dislike the glare of the public eye; they would rather keep things dark and shuffle these appointments about without due regard to the interests they are supposed to serve. There has been no dictation in the matter, either from the public or the press—we have advocated the claims of no man in particular but have constantly urged that the best man should be appointed. We believe that the best man is still in the running, and from the now obvious intention of the majority of the Board to do their duty there is every hope that in the end the best man will win.

#### THE IRREPRESSIBLE MACALLAN.

It is obvious that if all the Town Council meetings were conducted in the same manner as that of last Monday, business would quickly be at a standstill. For this latest change of atmosphere in the Council Chamber Councillor Macallan is in great measure responsible. The oddity of the situation is that the moment one wishes to criticise Councillor Macallan adversely he is somewhat handicapped by the exasperating fact that there is a ground-work of honesty, commonsense, and thoroughness underlying everything the representative of the Merkinch says or does. And therein lies the subtlety of a dangerous situation that must be faced. We put it to Councillor Macallan whether he does not defeat his own purpose by seizing on every word, suggestion, and imputation with which he does not agree, and by weight of votes and rapidity of repartee tripping up all progress is stopped and the Council Chamber resembles a bear garden. Last Monday Councillor Macallan was in the right on almost every question touched on. He was right in protesting against the stoppage of civic business that a few members might pay their last respects to the politically deceased elsewhere. Fattie Cassip was wrong in moving the adjournment of the house while speaking to a point of order, and the Chairman was in error in permitting him to do so. But was Councillor Macallan's attitude wise or prudent? Sheer and continuous obstruction over the veriest trifles is most impolitic, and must in the end defeat itself. The business of the Council cannot be allowed to come to naught, and new rules and restrictions regarding procedure will perforce be adopted. The price of liberty is eternal vigilance. Now, doubtless Councillor Macallan would be the first to deny himself an enemy of free speech, or to acclaim himself as ready to curtail discussion or to cover the retreat of those who wish to shun the strong light of public opinion. Yet he is fast qualifying for such a character. Freedom cannot be co-existent with an abuse of its privileges. If business comes to a standstill measures will be adopted to curtail discussion, and behind these the

reactionaries will shelter at times when they should, under happier circumstances, be exposed to a searching fire of free criticism. Many working men may applaud Councillor Macallan for his outspoken and fearless criticism, but it must not be forgotten that the right of free speech was won by those who had sufficient self-control to see that the privilege was not abused. Business must proceed at any cost, but we would warn Councillors to be exceedingly chary about adopting new rules to deal with the novel conditions that have arisen. They cannot the Councillor Macallan without trying themselves. The right of the freest possible discussion is in their keeping, and they may not lightly sell what is the birthright of the people. Rather should the rules of procedure be kept as elastic as possible. It might well be left to the common sense of Councillors that advantage shall not be taken of privileges at present enjoyed. There are many who will adopt with avidity anything that would tend to curb or control open discussion, and it is just possible that others, exasperated at the present state of matters, may too readily agree with them, and so seal the bond of their own silence. When times of crisis arise it is well that all possible methods of obstruction should be at command, but continuous and thoughtless obstruction, on matters of trivial import, is neither to be wished for nor tolerated.

Reports of local football matches and other events to-day will appear in our Evening Edition—on sale at 6.30.

SONG WANTED.—One of our readers desires to obtain the song "Stearnahigh Mhor Caisteal," composed by Dr Macgregor, Stornoway.

Sir R. B. Finlay travelled to London on Tuesday by the 3.50 p.m. train.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE.—A marriage has been arranged and will shortly take place between Mr John Cameron, Holydene, Ballyfeary, and Miss M. A. Macdonald, of Nairn.

LECTURE-REGAL.—Under the auspices of the Highland Railway Literary Society, Miss Mary Wilson, A.R.A.M., &c., is to give a lecture-recital entitled "Jacobitism and Jacobite Songs" in the Music Hall on Monday. Mr Wm. Whitehead will preside.

PETTY CUSTOMS LAW SUIT.—The Town Council have agreed to pay the whole of the expenses incurred in connection with the action at their instance against the Highland Railway in connection with the Petty Customs.

CHARITY CONCERT.—The Beaulieu charity concert, which had been postponed owing to the indisposition of several of the artistes, will take place in the Phipps Hall on Thursday. A capital programme has been arranged.

SUNDAY EVENING LECTURE.—On Sunday morning the Rev. H. Howard May is to preach in the Wesleyan Methodist Church on "The Earth Stain." In the evening Mr May is to lecture in the Town Hall, his subject being "B.C. and A.D.—The Lessons of A.D., 1906."

LECTURE BY REV. MR MACKAY. CROMBAGH.—An interesting lecture on "Fifty years since" will be delivered by Rev. Mr Mackay, Crombagh, in the hall of the East U.P. Church on Tuesday evening. Gaelic songs will be sung by Mr Roderick M'Leod and others.

LECTURE ON CROMWELL.—On Monday evening the Rev. H. Howard May is to lecture in Ness Bank Church under the auspices of the Young Men and Women's Guild. The subject is "Cromwell," and all who have already heard Mr May will bear out our anticipations of a treat.

VOLUNTEER APPOINTMENT.—His many friends in the service and elsewhere will be pleased to learn that Sergeant-Major John Lockie has been appointed Quartermaster of the battalion. He is a popular local volunteer, and has been connected with the regular and auxiliary forces for thirty-two years.

ILLNESS OF MR JAMES HOWE.—Many in Inverness and district will learn with deep regret that Mr James Howe, Castleheather, still lies seriously ill, and sincere wishes are on all hands expressed that his illness may take a turn which will lead to ultimate recovery. He was reported yesterday as being slightly better.

THE CANADIAN SCOTSMAN.—The Christmas number of this paper has been received by us, and does much credit to the promoters. We note with pleasure that the Edinburgh correspondent of the journal is Mr James A. Dunbar, at one time teacher in Farraline Park School, and belonging to Gollanfield. Mr Dunbar's portrait is given.

INDUCTION OF REV. JOHN MACASKILL AT PAISLEY.—The Rev. John Macaskill, formerly of the United Free Church, Tayport, son of the late Rev. Mr Macaskill, Dingwall, was on Thursday inducted as colleague and successor to the Rev. Mr Renny Caird of the United Free Middle Church, Paisley. Mr Macaskill was, it will be recollected, for some time assistant to the Rev. Dr Black, Inverness.

SUCCESSOR TO DR NORMAN MACDONALD.—At a meeting of the High Church congregation on Tuesday evening a large and representative committee was appointed to make arrangements for the nomination of a pastor as successor to the Rev. Dr Norman Macdonald. Rev. Dr Sinton, Doro, moderator in connection with the vacancy, presided, and Mr W. C. Macbean was clerk of the meeting.

COMING CONCERT BY SHEPHERDS.—As will be seen from our advertising columns, the Shepherd of the Valley of the Ness Lodge are to hold their annual reunion in the shape of a grand evening concert to be held in the Music Hall on Friday, 22nd February. The Committee in charge are sparing no effort to put a first rate programme before the audience, and will, that end in view, have engaged several of the best local artistes. It is hoped that their efforts will be rewarded with a bumper house.

IN THE WAKE OF THE STORM.—The traffic returns of the railways have been seriously effected on account of the recent snowstorm, while the expenditure has been seriously increased in connection with clearing the lines. Owing to the serious snow blocks the Great North Railway traffic for 23 weeks shows a decrease of £4396. Though the Highland Railway suffered a substantial decrease in the week of the storm, it is up £202 for the past week, and for the 23 weeks of the half-year there is an increase of £2648. The Company had also the satisfaction of keeping its line clear, except on the Dingwall and Skye section.

SALVATION ARMY.—The public of Inverness have a treat in store for them, as it is announced that the Chief Officer of the North of Scotland (Staff-Captain Rendall) is to conduct three special meetings in the Music Hall to-morrow (Sunday), 13th. The Staff-Captain is an old and experienced officer, having held some important commands prior to his appointment to the north. He will have a good account to give, and those who come to hear him will not be disappointed. Captain Barton (an old lieutenant of Inverness), who is known by a wide circle of friends, will accompany the Staff-Captain. We trust the public of Inverness will give these officers a hearty welcome.

TRINITY COLLEGE OF MYPIC, LONDON.—The following candidates were successful at the "Theory Examination" held at the Inverness centre in December:—Intermediate Division—Pass—Annora A. Grant (Mrs Whitehead), Junior Division—Honours—Mary T. Beaton (Miss Fraser); Violet L. Cameron (Miss Fraser); Robina B. Pagar (Miss Fraser); Isobel Fraser (Miss Fraser); Annie F. L. Lamsie (Mrs Whitehead); Mona Macdonald (Miss Fraser); Annie L. Macdonald (Miss Park); Margaret A. Macgillivray (Mr Whitehead); Daisy R. Mackenzie (Miss Fraser); Janet A. Smith (Miss Fraser); Pass—Honours—J. Mackay (Miss Park); Annie Maclean (Miss Park). Preparatory Division—Pass—Margaret Maclean (Miss Park); Isabella Ross (Miss Park).



THE KILLED POPULATIONS OF INDO-FIRBOGIAN SCOTLAND.

[By W. J. EDMONDSTON SCOTT.—Continued.] A savage love of ornamental finery would, according to our opinion, have constrained the FirBolg crofter of old to produce frequently the credentials which substantiated his claims to the privileges of a legally qualified village-dominion lord.

The elderly FirBolg paterfamilias thus looked upon his kilted garment as a valuable ornament within the precincts of his village, and it remains to consider his ideas regarding it when he was a young man.

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LEWISMEN AND THE RED ARMY.

[To the Editor.] Sir,—Mr Mackenzie in the last paragraph of his letter which appeared in your issue of 29th ult., says that there is a feeling derogatory to serve in the army or navy prevalent in the Highlands.

Your correspondent evidently wishes that Highlands should regard the army and navy with more favour since the drastic methods referred to are no longer brought into requisition.

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IN COMMENDATION OF THE TURF HUT.

[To the Editor.] Sir,—As one who feels aggrieved at the description recently given, through the medium of the Press, by would-be philanthropists and reformers of the sanitary condition of the Highlands in general, but of the Lewis in particular, I crave for a corner in your valuable paper for the following extract from a book written by an Edinburgh gentleman over forty years ago.

Within the hut there is good food, if a little scarce at times. Without there is air that will call colour back to the cheek of an invalid, pure water, play, exercise, work.

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LETTER FROM A LEWISMAN ABROAD.

[To the Editor.] Sir,—Having read about the meeting of Lewis men held in the Carnegie Hall, Stornoway, protesting against the grossly exaggerated reports, such as circulated by the London and provincial Press, regarding the social and sanitary condition of the Lewis, as a native of Valtos, Uig, Lewis, I thought far away from the island home in the cold North West of America, I am heart and soul in sympathy with my fellow-islanders for the splendid attitude they have taken up in connection with this matter.

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THE RED ARMY AND THE GAELS.

["IT MADE NO GREAT DIFFERENCE." BY HIGHLANDER.]

Having carefully perused the various articles published in "The Highland News" in connection with the above, I was constrained to take up my pen in defence of the late respected Mr Charles Fraser-Mackintosh, the well-known member of Parliament for Inverness-shire, whose name has been dragged into the controversy.

It is my contention that the late Mr Fraser-Mackintosh referred to published a number of papers and documents which he discovered among the old dispatches and records of the English War Office, which he was authorised to ransack in search of valuable historical facts long buried in the archives in London.

One of these very interesting documents published at the time was the eventful dispatch of General Wolfe, written on the eve of battle, on the night of the 8th of September, 1759, at the battle of Quebec, which was then defended by the French. General Wolfe's dispatch was addressed to the Minister for War at the time in London, and referred to the awful fate of the assault that was made on the citadel of Quebec, which was then defended by the French.

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WHO IS TO SUCCEED LORD KYLLACHY? The name of Mr. C. J. Guthrie, Sheriff of Ross and Cromarty, is mentioned as the probable successor of Lord Kyllachy.

THEFT FROM CLACHNAHARRY INN. MILITIAMAN IN CUSTODY. A few days ago the theft of a silver brooch from the person of Mrs. Margaret Mackay, Clachnaharry Inn, was reported to the burgh police, who on Thursday morning arrested a young man named Angus Matheson, belonging to the Inverness-shire Militia, and residing on board H.M.S. Briton.

PRINCIPAL RAINY'S WORK IN THE HIGHLANDS. As everyone knows, the Highlands formed the citadel of resistance to the Union. In the light of this development it is interesting to note how deep, energetic, and effective was the interest of the late Principal in the welfare, not only spiritual but material, of the Highlands. In May, 1882, Principal Rainy succeeded Dr. MacLachlan as Convener of the Highland Committee. Six years after the appointment of the Principal the Assembly, mainly at his suggestion, met at Inverness, under the Mod-eratorship of Dr. Aird of Creich, the parish of which Dr. Rainy's grandfather was minister in the early part of last century. Later, the Assembly, at the instigation of the Principal, concerned itself with the possibility of crofter legislation, and the movement was cordially supported by such men as Dr. W. C. Smith and Professor Stalker.

What was the ecclesiastical condition of the Highlands, from a Free Church standpoint, in 1887, five years after Dr. Rainy assumed the convener's office? There were, in all, seventeen congregations, with endowments varying from £500 to £1270, and amounting in the total to £12,000. Twelve years later things had altered greatly for the better, and the credit for this improvement is almost entirely due to the late Principal, who never wearied in the work of persuading wealthy people to mitigate in some degree the hardship of Highland ministers working among poor and sparse populations. The number of endowments now reached 26, and the total endowment had increased nearly a hundred per cent.—to £23,000.

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