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INVERNESS, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1904.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

Notice of Birth, 1s 6d; Marriage Notice, 2s 6d; Death Notice, 1s 6d—4th Funeral Intimation, 2s 6d.

MARRIAGES. At Kincaid, Argyll, Ross-shire, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. Alexander Macdonald, M.A., M.D., Registrar, to Miss Isabella, eldest daughter of Alexander Ross, contractor.

At the George Hotel, Oban, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. Duncan Macnamara, United Free Church, Ballachulish, Donald MacColl, Ballachulish, to Kate, daughter of the late Angus Garnachan, Albert Street, Tobarney, Mull.

At the Scottish National Church (St. Columba's), London, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. John, eldest son of the late Andrew Fraser, tailor, Millita Barakka, Inverness, to Agnes, eldest daughter of William Greig, Pittenwee, Fife.

DEATHS. At Benrinnes, Aberlour, on the 17th inst., at 12 noon, Jane Findlay, wife of the late Alexander Litch, mason, Clachnasharry, Inverness, on arrival of 12.5 p.m. train at Inverness, to High Churchyard. All friends respectfully invited.

DIED, at 83 Castle Street, Inverness (the residence of her son, Alexander Ross), Mary Macrae, relict of the late Rodrick Ross, quarry man, late of Ballyva, Culloden. Funeral from above address on Friday, 12.5 p.m. train at Chapelary Burying-ground. All friends respectfully invited.

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CHURCH NOTICES. UNITED FREE EAST CHURCH.—To-morrow (Sunday)—Rev. Allan Cameron will preach at 10.30 a.m. Evening Services, Collections for Emergency Fund.

SPECIAL SABBATH SERVICES. MR WILLIAM EDGAR GELL, OF AMERICA. Will conduct SPECIAL SERVICES as follows:—The U.F. High Church at 11 a.m. (Dr. Norman Macleod).

ART CLASSES.—Miss Bremer resumed on Wednesday, November 19th. Painting, Manicure, Poker-Work, and Crocheting. 4 Porter-hall Bank.

DANCING CLASSES.—Miss Alice Todd will resume her Classes in the Music Hall on Tuesday, 23rd December, 1904.

NOTICE.—Madam Fatma, Egyptian Palmist, begs to announce that her Sister having taken her engagement in the South, she will remain in Inverness, and can be consulted daily at the Great American Bazaar, Academy Street.

£1000 wanted immediately on Heritable Security. Fraser & Ross, solicitors, 63 Church Street.

SEE CORNETS' HEATHER XMAS CARDS READY FOR FOREIGN MARKS. With Cameron, Fraser, Black & White, Mackenzie and Inverness Tartan Ribbon, and Views of Inverness. 41 and 64 Each.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

PRIVATE LEGISLATION PROCEDURE (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1899, DECEMBER, 1904.

NORTH BRITISH RAILWAY (GENERAL POWERS). (NEW RAILWAYS AND WIDENING OF RAILWAY); ADDITIONAL LANDS; POWER TO HOLD LANDS ALREADY ACQUIRED; EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PURCHASE OF LANDS AND COMPLETION OF CERTAIN RAILWAYS AND WORKS; POWER TO THE BERTHLEND HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS TO BORROW, AND TO THE NORTH BRITISH COMPANY TO ADVANCE THEM FURTHER MONEY; ADDITIONAL CAPITAL; CONFIRMATION OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS; OF EXCHANGE; AMENDMENT OF ACTS, &c.)

Notice is hereby given that the North British Railway Company (herein called "the Company") intend to apply in the month of December next to the Secretary for Scotland, under and in pursuance of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899 (herein called "the Act of 1899"), for a Provisional Order for the following purposes, or some of them, that is to say:

To empower the Company, for the purposes of their undertaking in connection with the working of the West Highland Railway, to acquire compulsorily or by agreement, and to hold the additional lands hereinafter described, namely:—

(1) Certain lands in the Parish of Kilmallie and Burgal of Fort-William, on the south side of and adjoining the West Highland Railway at Fort-William.

(2) Certain lands in the Parish of Kilmallie, on the south side of and adjoining the ballast siding on the West Highland Railway at Fort-William.

To authorise the Company to purchase so much only as may be required for the purposes of the intended application of any house or other building, manufacturing, work, or other premises, or any equipment, in or under the name, without being subject to the liability imposed by Section 90 of the Lands Consolidation (Scotland) Act, 1945.

Plans in duplicate of the lands which may be taken or appropriated under the compulsory powers to be conferred by the intended Order, and a book of reference to such plans, will be deposited as follows (that is to say):—

At the offices of the Company, at 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

TO-DAY at 3 and 8. TO-DAY at 3 and 8. MUSIC HALL, INVERNESS.

SEVEN NIGHTS.—Commencing SATURDAY, November 19th, and Closing SATURDAY, November 26th.

THREE MATINEES.—SATURDAYS, 10th and 20th, and WEDNESDAY, 23rd, at 3 o'clock.

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YELLOW and Swedish Turnips, in cart loads, for Sale; delivered free in town. Apply Morrison, Auctioneer, 53 Academy Street.

LOST OR FOUND.

LOST, in Academy Street, yesterday afternoon, three Notes, Howard Police Office, Numbers known.

FOUND, on Green Row, Cheviot Ewe. If not claimed within three days will be sold. Apply to Macdonald, 15 Brown Street, Inverness.

FOUND, yesterday in Waterloo Place. A Sheep, if not claimed within three days will be sold. Apply James Mackenzie, 7 Simpson's Lane, Inverness.

FOUND, Straying on the Pasture of the Town Council, to Uig, Lewis, since July last, small Tweed Bull. Any person missing same please communicate with Murdo Matheson, 4 Langsharder, or Kenneth Macgregor. If not claimed within fourteen days will be sold for expenses.

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AILEAN NAN SOP.

'S iomadh a' ghealladh air innisidh mu 'n duine so ann a' caidreachd na Gàidhealtachd...

CLARSACH NAN GAIDHEAL.

No. 416.—MHOZAG BHEAG.
Chorus.
'Fàilte air a' chàirdeas...

A WALK THROUGH INVERNESS SIXTY YEARS AGO.

[BY AN OLD INHABITANT]—No. XXVII.
This afternoon we will, as previously arranged, devote our attention to the stone bridge...

What is the worst feature of the worst man in England? It was his skin it isn't now, because he uses Vinolia. Toilet (Ohio), 10d.

MHOZAG, MUR DUN THIGHINN

'S nach eil stà dh'èidh bhith ri gearan 'N' Alasdair Mac Neill...

HER GRIEF WAS ALMOST FATAL.

Passion wastes and destroys as fire, wind, and flood do. An even temper and a soft heart beat, those are the things to pray for and to cultivate.

THE LATE REV. DR. MURRAY MITCHELL.

By the death at Edinburgh on Monday of the Rev. Dr. Murray Mitchell, retired Indian missionary, the United Free Church has lost one of the last three of the noble band...

OUR LOCAL PARLIAMENT.

The monthly meeting of the Inverness Town Council was held in the Council Chamber on Monday evening. Bailie Sinclair occupied the chair in the absence of Provost Ross...

AGRICULTURAL CO-OPERATION.

Some time ago observed in the newspapers that a number of the rural population of the Highlands and Islands had petitioned the Congested Districts Board...

REGULATIONS FOR ICE-CREAM SHOPS.

Councillor Roderick Fraser drew attention to the delay in getting the regulations proposed to be done to the streets or roads within the burgh put in the contractor's hands...

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Councillor Macgregor inquired if anything had been done by the Council with the view of adopting regulations for ice-cream shops.

LITERARY NOTES.

The proprietors of the "Queen," the lady's newspaper, Christmas double number, present the readers with a beautiful work of art, in the form of a Rembrandt Gravure...

OVER IN MUNLOCHY.

Inverness cannot fail to be interested in the following letter from a resident of Munloch, Mrs. Macpherson, of Taylor's Buildings, Munloch, for it gives a hint which will be the means of benefiting many of our townsmen.

INVERNESS INTERESTED.

Ever since the birth of my first child—four years ago—I suffered from a weak back and kidney disorders. So dreadfully painful was my back that I could not stoop to do a thing. How I managed to get through the day I do not know.

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Many will be pleased to learn that ex-Bailie Macallister, who was seriously indisposed, has now recovered and is able to attend to business.

SPiritUALISM STILL SURVIVES.—Local spiritualists are still active, and it is stated on good authority that a southern lecturer will ere long appear in our midst, and in a practical manner illustrate "the great truths" of spiritualism.

A FEMALE OFFENDER.—Yesterday Henrietta Macdonald, 34 King Street, was held by the Burgh Police Court charged with being drunk and disorderly. She was sentenced to pay a fine of 10s, with the alternative of seven days' imprisonment.

FREE HIGH CHURCH.—On Tuesday evening a meeting for prayer and supplication in connection with the Church crisis was held in the Free High Church. There was a large attendance present.

HEATHER CHRISTMAS CARDS.—Mr Cornet, Lombard Street, has prepared a series of Christmas cards which are sure to prove popular. On the outside they bear neat and clear views of portions of Inverness, while inside is a sprig of blooming heather fastened with a neat bow of clan tartan ribbon.

ANIMATED PICTURES.—We desire to call attention to the gigantic array of animated pictures which are to be exhibited in the Music Hall during the ensuing seven nights, beginning this evening.

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A MEERKIN ASSAULT CASE.—Peter Macneil, a labourer, residing in Shuttle Lane, was summoned on Thursday evening to Court on Wednesday in connection with a charge of assault and breach of the peace.

SALE OF PROPERTY YESTERDAY.—There was exposed for public sale yesterday within the walls of the Court House, the property known as the Drumcrudden Hotel, Resolis, belonging to the late Mr A. R. Mackenzie, at the upset price of £1500.

THE MACKENZIE FAMILY.—An entertainment by the members of the MacKenzie Family requires no "puff." Inverness people who have had the privilege of attending any previous concert by this gifted family require only to have it pointed out to them that this year's concert is to be held in the Music Hall, on the 30th December, to ensure their overcoming all obstacles to be present.

A MONSTER TURNIP.—The root crop has been an exceptionally good one throughout the north this season, and the result is that monsters of the field are on exhibition everywhere. Already we have referred in our columns to huge potatoes and extraordinary cabbages, and now we would draw attention to an enormous turnip—a green-top Swede—which has just been shown to us.

DEATH OF AN OLD RAILWAY GUARD.—Many throughout the north will hear with regret of the death of Mr Hugh Macdonald, civil servant, Highland Railway, which occurred suddenly on Monday at his son's residence, 20 Upper Kesock Street.

PRESENTATION BY ADMIRALTY TO YACHT CAPTAIN.—Captain John Kendall, who is a native of Falmouth and at present in command of the "Victorious," is to be presented by the Admiralty with a beautiful gold hunting lever watch and a handsome cheque in recognition of services rendered. It appears that on the occasion of the visit of the Channel Fleet to Coumelen, Loch Linnhe, recently, Captain Kendall observed H.M.S. "Victorious," the flagship of Admiral Bridgeman, in dangerous proximity to an uncharted rock. He at once boarded the vessel and advised the Admiral of the hidden danger. The advice was promptly acted upon, and the "Victorious" was soon in a place of safety.

PRESENTATION.—On the occasion of his departure to fill an important post in the south, Mr George Mackenzie, who has been in the office of Mr R. F. Cameron, C.A., for the last three years, was waited upon by a number of friends on Wednesday evening, and presented with a handsome travelling bag and a suitably inscribed card.

BAILIE SINCLAIR'S WELCOME.—Bailie Sinclair, who presided at the monthly meeting of the Free Library Committee on Tuesday evening, extended a hearty welcome to the new members. He said that since the recent municipal election a number of new members had been appointed to the Committee.

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ALLEGED CONTRAVENTION OF THE COW SHEDS ACT.—At the Burgh Police Court on Monday, Alexander Murray, Hillon, was charged with contravening the section 15 of the Cattle Sheds Act, 1866.

THE INVERNESS JOINT CATTLE SHOW.—The committee who have charge of the arrangements for the forthcoming show have found that the date, 11th August, which was recently fixed, is not a suitable one.

SIR HOWARD VINCENT'S FORTHCOMING VISIT.—The Mackintosh of Mackintosh is to preside at a meeting which is to be held under the auspices of the Inverness-shire Branch of the Tariff League in the Music Hall on Friday and Saturday, to hear an address by Sir Howard Vincent, M.P., on the question of Tariff Reform.

TOWN BAND CONCERN.—We would remind our readers of the popular concert of vocal and instrumental music to be given by the Inverness Town Band on 1st December, in aid of the Bazaar for the benefit of the poor.

ABRIACHAN PIER.—A correspondent from the Abriachan district complains sadly of the condition of the roads which the people have to traverse in order to get to and from the steamer. He is of opinion that the owner of the steamers and the owner of the ground might, between them, do something to make passengers more comfortable.

NORTHERN COUNTRIES FAIR SHOW CLUB.—The above association will hold its Inverness on Saturday, 26th inst., and from enquiries we learn that the entries are numerous, while the class of stock is exceptionally high.

A ROYAL HEAD.—Messrs Hugh Snowie & Son, the well-known northern taxidermists, have received a letter from Miss Knollys, Sandringham, in which she states that she has been commended by the Queen to thank them for the photograph of the stag which she sent to Her Majesty.

MARRIAGE OF MR. G. MACPHERSON GRANT.—The marriage will take place on Monday, 23rd November, of Mr George Bertram Macpherson Grant, second son of Sir George Macpherson Grant of Ballindalloch, and Miss Dorothy Eleanor MacCallum, daughter of Mr J. D. Kellie MacCallum, who served in the Ashanti expedition.

HIGHLAND RAILWAY.—APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL ORDER.—The directors of the Highland Railway Company intend to apply to the Secretary for Scotland for a Provisional Order for various purposes of a provisional kind, to be used as circumstances may require.

THE HIGHLAND RAILWAY AMBULANCE CORPS.—The class, in connection with the above corps, has now been resumed for the season. The lecturer being Dr. Johnston of the Northern Infirmary.

THE BURGH SURVEYOR CONVALESCENT.—Mary will be pleased to learn that Mr J. F. Smith, burgh surveyor, is now convalescent from his recent illness, and has gone to the Isle of Man for the purpose of further recruiting his health.

"THE ART OF CONVERSATION."—On Monday evening the Rev. A. Dickson, M.A., Edinburgh, delivered an interesting lecture entitled, "The Art of Conversation," under the auspices of the Ness Bank U.F. Church Young People's Guild.

INVERNESS FIELD CLUB.—The opening meeting of this Society for the current season was held in the Waverley Hotel on Tuesday evening—Mr D. S. Chisholm, the retiring president, in the chair.

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A DIAMOND NECKLACE AND ITS HISTORY.—On Tuesday evening Ballie Gossip gave an interesting lecture on "Maria Antoinette and the Diamond Necklace" to the members of the High Church Literary and Debating Society.

LETTER FROM LACHIE.

PRIVATE AND PUBLIC PRAYER. MY DEAR EDITOR.—We are in the Smiddy nearly every night just now, for the nights are so long, and we have the papers nearly every day. We are all waiting to hear about Port Arthur and the Churches. Last Saturday we had the Colporteur again. He was away over to Drum-fruich, and he was on his way to the south. He was saying he would like to be in Edinburgh when the Commission of the Assembly would be met on Wednesday.

PROGRESS OF ELECTRIC LIGHT WORKS. Already considerable progress has been made with the clearance of the site of the new power station at Waterloo Place, and a large gang of men is engaged excavating the foundations. Work has not yet been begun on the ducts, but the measurements are now almost completed, it is thought that a start will be made within the next few days.

GRAND AQUATIC GALA. INVERNESS AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB'S ANNUAL COMPETITION. Last night the Baths, Montague Row, Inverness, presented an animated spectacle, when the members of the Inverness Amateur Swimming and Athletic Club held their annual aquatic gala.

A "SUIT" IN COURT. A MOLECATCHER'S "HAINING" JACKET. A somewhat amusing case was heard in the Inverness Small Debt Court yesterday, when the British Supply Company sued Alexander Fraser, a young molecatcher resident on Culluthel Road, for the price of a navy blue suit which he purchased from pursers some two years ago.

INDECENT ASSAULT CASE. Thomas Connor, a tramp, was apprehended in the large hall of the Theatre Royal on Thursday night on a charge of indecent assault on an old woman.

ACCIDENT ON DENNY STREET LAST NIGHT. Last night, between nine and ten o'clock, Miss Isabel Ross, an elderly lady residing at 15 Charles Street, was proceeding along Denny Street in the direction of her residence, she accidentally slipped and fell heavily to the ground, injuring her thigh somewhat severely.

COMINGS AND GOINGS AT THE HARBOUR. Shipping at the Harbour has been brisker this week than on the previous one. The s.s. "Jane" of Gottenburg—to which we referred in our last report—discharged a large cargo of batons for Messrs James Walker & Co., timber merchants, and sailed on Wednesday morning.

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IT'S COMING. The date of publication of our Christmas Annual (1st December), is fast approaching, and our readers may meantime be making up their minds that there is a great treat in store for them.

PREVIOUS SPECIAL NUMBERS have had splendid receptions at the hands of the public, but we are confident that our coming Number will be even more successful than any of its predecessors. The literary contents bill is a high-class one, and deals with many well-known landmarks in and around Inverness and the Highlands generally.

ONE of the features will be portraits of men who, at one time, played an important part in the history of Inverness, not, although dead, their life's work is still talked of and appreciated by Invernessians at the present day. We do not intend here to give full details of the contents of our 'Xmas Number. That we will leave to its readers, whose decision, after a perusal, we are confident will be a favourable one.

THE DATE of our annual will be one penny; postage one penny extra. Orders may now be received at "The Highland News" Office.

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TIDE TABLE—HIGH WATER.

Table with columns for Morning and Evening tide times for various days in November.

Imports.—The s.s. "Zephon" this week discharged a cargo of oranges from the Clyde for Messrs Bain & Miller.

VITAL STATISTICS.—The Registrar's returns for the parish for the week ending Thursday are: Births, 8 (3 males and 5 females); marriages, 1; deaths, 2 (females).

FOOTBALL MATCH.—Another match in the Nicolson Institute League series was played on Tuesday afternoon. The contestants were the representatives of Secondary Class III. and the Supplementary Class. An evenly fought game ended in a victory for Class III. by two goals to 1.

HANDSOME COLLECTION FOR EMERGENCY FUND.—The collection in aid of the Emergency Fund was held in the United Free Church, Stornoway, on Sunday. At the evening service the pastor (Rev. A. Murray) intimated that the handsome sum of £120 had been realised.

NICOLSON INSTITUTE.—At a meeting of the School Board on Thursday, Mr. D. J. Macdonald was appointed to succeed Mr. A. L. Fletcher on the staff of the Nicolson Institute. Mr. David Pattison, Glasgow, and Mr. W. G. Waddington, Girvan, were placed respectively second and third on the list.

YOUTHFUL GAMBLE.—Two youths from Beside, Donald Macdonald and John Macleod, who had been charged by Constable Maciver with having hares in town, were charged with having poached them. The charge against Macdonald was found not proven, but Macleod was convicted and admonished.

TELEGRAPH INSULTERS.—The telegraph inspector's smashing season is on again. Sheriff Squair had a number of cases from Lochs and Callanish before him on Wednesday. He sent the boys away on the understanding that their parents would investigate the cases and punish the guilty parties in the presence of a policeman.

OUR COMING LIBRARY.—With the large-hearted generosity for which his many kindnesses will make his name ever remembered in Lewis, Mr. James Coats, jun., of Glasgow, has been the donor of 200 volumes to form the nucleus of the Public Library to be formed when the Carnegie Library Buildings are completed.

PARISH COUNCIL—NEW ELECTION.—At the recent Parish Council election the number of candidates in each ward was one less than requisite, and the Local Government Board have instructed the Town Clerk that a new election is to be held to fill the vacancy. The Council remitted to Provost Anderson to return officers to arrange for the election.

BEFORE BALDIE MACKENZIE.—On Saturday Alex. Mackenzie, coachman, was found guilty of committing a breach of the peace on Cromwell Street, and was admonished. He was also charged with disturbing the peace in the same street, but this charge was found not proven. John Macleod, coachman, and Kenneth Smith, labourer, were fined 2s 6d each for a breach of peace committed on Bayhead Street.

LEWIS HOSPITAL.—The hon. secretary acknowledges, with thanks, a box of potatoes from Rev. L. Mackenzie, Barvas, fish from Bella Macfarlane, patient; six bags of potatoes from Vati-ker, brought by Norman Graham; three bags of potatoes from Southend of Thom, by Donald Kennedy, cart and pack, and some potatoes from Mr. W. Macleod, mason, New Valley; 8s 3d, being Bernera United Free Church collection, per Mr. J. N. Macleod, teacher; 10s from Miss Parker, per Miss Harrold.

SERVICE OF PRAISE.—A service of praise in the James Street U.F. Church on the evening of Thursday first—the Thanksgiving Day for the Harvest. It will be noted that the hour has been altered from 7 to 8.30 p.m. This has been done at the request of members of other congregations who were unable to be present on former years owing to the service being at the same hour as their own. The harvest praise services in the James Street U.F. Church have always proved most enjoyable, and we feel certain that this year's will be no exception. Further particulars are given in our advertising columns.

ST PETER'S CHURCH—HARVEST FESTIVAL.—Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held in St Peter's Church last Sunday. The building was most tastefully decorated for the occasion. Miss Craig, and other kind helpers, with flowers, fruit, and vegetables—the Thanksgiving offerings of members of the congregation—which were afterwards given to the poor and sick. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m. and services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. An appeal was made by Mr. Evans for the Home Mission, to which the collections were devoted. The Mission is doing splendid work among fishermen and fishing girls entirely neglected, and through its agency the girls are looked after, not only at the Scotch stations, but also when they go to the English stations. All the ladies working under it are trained nurses, and are very skillful in dressing some hands which are so numerous among both men and women. In Stornoway alone Miss Treweek attends to some 400 cases each fishing season. In the evening there was a crowded congregation, and Mr. Evans preached an impressive sermon from St Matthew's 11:28—'Declare unto us the tale of the field'—emphasising the mercy of God. Who in His love forbids to judge men during the day of grace which is free to all. He said that the least might be likened to the natural life, the fruit to the grace of the fruit to life for others, to life for God. Trees bring forth leaves only, and even on an ear of corn how little grain there was compared with the leaf, and on a fruit tree how little fruit in comparison with the leaf. Were they bearing leaves only, or fruit? The fig tree that was cursed by the Saviour bore leaves—it was the absence of fruit that was condemned. The special lessons for the occasion were read morning and evening by Major Macleod.

TOYS COLLECTED.—At the Council meeting on Monday a letter was read from Mr. Wm. Mackenzie, merchant, agreeing to contribute £7 towards the laying of a concrete pavement in front of his newly renovated premises in Cromwell Street, provided the work was proceeded with as soon as possible, and that a copy of the specification was first submitted to him. It was remitted to the Provost and Baldie Mackenzie to open the tenders when received, and with powers to accept of one of the offers should they be placed with reference to the way in which the streets are being destroyed by contractors and others, opening them and not putting them into proper order afterwards. The Clerk was instructed to give them notice on the matter to the parties concerned. Eight offers for the supply of 300 tons of stones for road metal were submitted, ranging from 1s 10d to 2s 4d per ton. Only one of the tenders was from ratepayers, and it was decided to give them the preference. The offers accepted were John Mackenzie and Donald Nicolson, Keith Street, 1s 11d per ton for 200 tons, and Duncan Bain and John Mackenzie, Cromwell Street, 1s 10d per ton for 100 tons. It was decided to ask Mr. Wm. M.P., to join with other members in balloting for a place for the Bill for the Taxation of Land Values which is being promoted by the Glasgow Town Council. A letter was read from Mr. J. F. Macleod stating that at a meeting of the Parish Council he was instructed to ask if the Town Council would contribute £5 per annum towards the rent of the Parish Chambers in the Municipal Buildings in respect that he is collector of the burgh rates within the town's boundaries. It was agreed to reply that the collector was bound to provide his own office, and that they could not take anything to do with the proposal.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING.—Thursday first will be a close holiday in Stornoway in connection with the Harvest Thanksgiving services.

FREE STABLING.—Mr. Macdonald, tenant of the Cromwell Street market place, wrote to the Town Council meeting on Monday complaining that country carters were being allowed to ankylose on the harbour grounds instead of patronising the market place, which was set aside for them. The Council instructed Mr. Munro to call the attention of masters' attention to the matter with a view to having carters presented in terms of the harbour bye-laws for unyoking on the quays.

HERINGS ON THE PACIFIC COAST.—On the 25th ult. Mr. John A. Cowie, the Scottish fish expert, left Ottawa for British Columbia to enquire into the herring industry on the Pacific Coast. For the past three years herrings have been plentiful on the Coast of Vancouver Island. So far there has been no fishing on the Pacific Coast, and Mr. Cowie's instructions are to report on the industry. In Nova Scotia he raised the price from two dollars and a half to three dollars.

RACE CIVILISATION.—Does man exercise a greater influence on the civilization of the human race than woman? was the subject of debate at the meeting of the Salesmen's Association last Wednesday. Mr. John Macleod presided. Mr. Neil Maciver, seconded by Mr. Donald Munro, opened for the affirmative, and Mr. Ewan Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Duncan Macdonald, led for the negative. After a good deal of interesting discussion, the affirmative was carried by a majority of four.

EXTINGUISHING OF STREET LAMPS.—Attention was called at the Town Council meeting on Monday to the malicious turning out of the lamps about 9.30 last Friday night along the whole stretch of Bayhead, and also to the fact that the sewer flowing from the public conveniences was every now and again being choked by bottles, tin cans, &c. The Councillors felt that these practices must be put down, and decided to call the attention of the police to the matter, in the hope that some of the offenders may be detected and punished.

NORTH SEA OUTRAGE.—Before taking up the ordinary business at the Town Council meeting on Monday Provost Anderson referred to the recent outrage in the North Sea in connection with which 200 fishermen lost their lives. Seeing that Stornoway was a seaport, and so largely bound up in the fishing industry, he thought it would be but right at this—their first meeting since the occurrence—that they should minute their deep sympathy with the friends of the victims, and send an excerpt from the minute to the Mayor of Hull. Baldie Mackenzie seconded, and the motion was unanimously agreed to.

MALICIOUS ALLEGED ASSAULT WITH A KNIFE.—John Montgomery, labourer, 12 Ballaban, was accused before Sheriff Squair on Wednesday with having on 28th October assaulted Malcolm Macleod, postman, by attempting to stab him with a knife, throwing stones at him, and hitting him on the left ear to the effusion of blood and serious injury of his person. The case arose out of Montgomery setting his dog on Macleod's sheep, which were trespassing. The Sheriff convicted assault with a stone, but as he considered Macleod was a good deal to blame for what occurred he imposed a fine of only 2s 6d or one day. Montgomery was also charged with assaulting Macleod's brother later on in the same day with a spade. In this case he was fined 5s or two days.

BURGH COURTS.—Baldie Mackenzie presided for the first time since his appointment at the Burgh Police Court on Saturday. Before the business was proceeded with Mr. C. G. Mackenzie, Procurator-Fiscal, expressed the satisfaction of the Court officials at Baldie Mackenzie's elevation to the magistracy, and at seeing him preside at that Court. The relations hitherto subsisting between the magistrates and the officials of the Court had always been of the most pleasant kind, and he had no doubt that they would continue so. Baldie Mackenzie thanked Mr. Mackenzie for his kind expression of goodwill, and said it would be his endeavour to perform the duties of the office to the best of his ability and with a proper sense of what was due to all concerned.

NEW ENTERPRISE.—As will be seen from our advertising columns, the new laundry erected on Lewis Street by Mr. Kenneth Mackenzie is now opened under the management of Miss Duncan, who has had a wide experience in laundry work. On Thursday we had a look through the premises, which the proprietor, with characteristic enterprise, has constructed and fitted as a thorough-going concern. The east end of the building—a large airy room—is utilised for drying purposes, and to insure excellence in the workmanship, he has introduced here Bradford's famed cuff, collar, and shirt ironing machine, as also their nappy ironing machine, &c. The west portion of the building—another large airy room—is reserved for washing operations. Here, with the exception of the indispensable wringer, there is no machinery. The washing is all done by hand, and as business grows, work will be provided for an increasing number of girls. Between the washing and dressing rooms is situated a hot air drying compartment, which, like the rest of the laundry, has been constructed on approved lines. Altogether the laundry is a compact little concern, capable of turning out a considerable quantity of work, and housewives will hail it as a boon and a blessing, meeting as it does a long-felt want in the community.

STORNOWAY WATER IMPROVEMENT SCHEME.

SETTING THE CONTRACTS.—The principal business at the monthly meeting of the Town Council on Monday was to fix the contracts for the water improvement scheme. Provost Anderson presided, and there were also present—Baldie John Mackenzie, Councillors John M.P., Morrison, Kenneth Mackenzie, Wm. A. Rees, and John Macleod, with Mr. Munro, Town Clerk, and Mr. Macdonald, Burgh engineer.

THE TENDERS.—The contracts were divided into two portions—No. 1 for the work at the filters and source of supply and the leading of the water into town; and No. 2 for the improvement of the system throughout the town. The tenders had been opened at a previous meeting, when they were remitted to the Engineer to check and report. His report was now submitted, showing that he had found errors in several of the tenders. Mackenzie & Macleod made an error of 2s against themselves on No. 1 contract, and also understated No. 2 by £22 15s 2d. Messrs Ross & Mackenzie were 6d out on No. 1 contract, and were correct on No. 2. Mr James Macrae, 42s 6d, and Messrs Mackenzie & Macleod, £270 9s 3d. No. 2 Contract.—Mr Alex. Maciver, £121 6s; Mr Keith Macdonald, £115 4s 8d; Messrs Ross & Mackenzie, £123 11s 11d; Messrs Mackenzie & Macleod, £137 5s 2d. Provost Anderson moved the acceptance of Messrs Ross & Mackenzie's tender for No. 1 contract.

Councillor Kenneth Mackenzie said it was in order at that stage he would refer to one point. He thought, when the scheme was launched, it was not contemplated that the filters were to be covered in, but that they were simply to be closed by a boundary wall. Now the Engineer's estimate of the cost of the filters, as shown in £270; but he (Councillor Mackenzie) contended that an 8 ft. corrugated iron fence, at a cost of £50, would give sufficient protection. There was also the matter of the 15-inch pipes which were to be carried 18 feet into the loch. His contention was that he would proceed with that portion of the work they should have the filters con-

structed and connected with the present pipes from the loch, which yielded a supply of 1,000,000 gallons per day, while the requirements of the town was only 750,000 gallons. The No. 1 contract would require the No. 1 contract to the filters meantime and see how they were going to do before proceeding to spend £1050 on pipes alone, besides £200 on a bridge into the loch, and about £400 on an upstand pipe, amounting to £1400 in all. After the filters had been tested they could proceed with the rest of the work later on if that were found necessary.

Provost Anderson pointed out that at present the supply was drawn from the loch by a pipeline laid at the bottom, which admitted a lot of sediment. The upstand pipe was to obviate this, and it had all along been looked on as an essential part of the scheme. By connecting the present pipes with the filters they would be throwing more work on the filters than was necessary. Besides this, Councillor Mackenzie was overlooking the fact that the present pipes from the loch were of fireclay, and it was known that this was a ridiculous farce. Why upstand pipes were a ridiculous farce, and a Norwegian cobble would do as well. The upstand pipe could be stayed to the base and did not need the bridge to support it.

Councillor W. A. Rees said he had had really very considerable difficulty in knowing what to do in connection with this scheme. It seemed to him that the bridge was quite unnecessary, and he did not hesitate to say so. This item was cancelled, and it could be dispensed with and the work done by a boat. Some of the other items were quite bewildering to him. For instance, Councillor K. Mackenzie told them that night that the present pipes were 250,000 gallons more than was required. If that were so, what was the necessity for altering the pipes? Provost Anderson—Because they are fireclay pipes, and the water is being polluted. The Mackenzie thought the discussion was altogether out of order, and for this reason—their engineer had supplied, on their instructions, plans and specifications of a complete scheme, including the laying of filters, and from the filters to the town and through certain streets of the town. They approved of these, and submitted the scheme to the ratepayers and had it accepted. They proceeded to make the Engineer to proceed, and they got the Engineer to make schedules, and they got together on these schedules and were met that night to accept one of them. And here they had points of objections that should have been raised before they accepted the scheme. The contractors had given their offers on schedules and the Council would only be responsible to pay for the work done, and, as far as the bridge was concerned, it was for them to say whether it was necessary or not, and if they thought it was necessary to pay for it, and the same with the upstand pipe, &c. They were not to accept tenders, and he thought it was utterly disgraceful for any councillor, at this time of day, to raise such a question as that. As for the pipes from the loch to the filters, if these were good enough it would never have been proposed to replace them. But as the Provost had said, they were fireclay pipes, and they passed through the town. They had public meetings in town which were attributed to pollution of the water, and they had had public meetings over the heads of it. They would remember how the Provost and other councillors got keeled up at one public meeting, and in taking steps to put the water system into perfect order. Really and truly he could not understand Councillor Mackenzie's attitude at all.

Councillor K. Mackenzie rose to explain that the following is the full list of officers—Honorary Presidents, Rev. A. F. Campbell and Mr Donald Mackenzie, Stornoway; President, Mr Alexander Murray, Stornoway; Vice-President, Mr John Morrison, Lochmaddy; Treasurer, Mr Roderick Gunn, Gairloch; Committee, Miss Flora Maclellan, Muir-of-Ord; Miss Eva M. Macleod, Stornoway; Miss Christina C. Macrae, Muir-of-Ord; Mr J. M. Cameron, Uist; Mr John M. Cameron, Ullapool; Mr Colin F. Gunn, Gairloch; Mr Wm. Mackay, Thurso; Mr John F. Macleod, Stornoway; and Mr Alex. Morrison, Harris. The Society has drawn up an excellent syllabus for the season. Besides the names of several of the officers, the members there are also the following names:—Miss J. N. Miller, Caithness; Messrs John and Angus Macleod, and Colin J. Maciver, Stornoway; and Mr Ewan Macleod, Lochacorn. The Society has every reason to hope and look forward to a good season.

HIGHLAND SECOND SIGHT.—Those who have not read the weird and thrilling experiences of the Rev. John Morrison, of Petty, as contained in his book under the above title should send for a copy to "The Highland News" Office, Stornoway. A few copies of the second edition still remaining. Price 3d; postage 1d extra.

COD LIVER OIL.

New season's oil, home-made, from selected livers, guaranteed the finest in the world. Quart Bottles ... 2s 6d; post free, 3s 6d. Pints ... 1s 6d; post free, 1s 9d. JAMES MAIR, STORNOWAY.

LEWIS PEBBLE JEWELLERY.

MAKES THE BEST KNOWN SOUVENIR OF THE ISLAND. The Pebble in itself being so pretty when cut and polished, the Subscriber has now on show a large supply of PEBBLE JEWELLERY IN GOLD AND SILVER. In very up-to-date design. Please see window and judge for yourselves. J. W. MACGILVERAY, JEWELLER, CROMWELL STREET, STORNOWAY.

TEETH. TEETH. TEETH.

MR. MACDONALD WATSON OF INVERNESS, Intends to visit Stornoway this evening. Dates may be ascertained and appointments arranged on application to MR. TOLMIE, CHEMIST, CROMWELL STREET.

LARGE STOCK OF FURNITURE.

Old Furniture Upholstered, Repaired, Polished, and made as good as New. H. WESTBROOK & CO., 7 AND 8 BAYHEAD STREET, STORNOWAY.

A. MACARTHUR, GENERAL MERCHANT, STORNOWAY.

Bees respectfully to announce that he has now on hand a Large and Comprehensive Stock of DRAPERY GOODS SUITABLE FOR LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S WEAR; Also a Large Assortment of MEN'S, WOMEN'S, AND CHILDREN'S BOOTS AND SHOES SUITABLE FOR WINTER WEAR. PORTREE AND HOME-MADE BED BLANKETS AND BED-COVERS. A SPECIALITY. A Splendid Stock of GROCERIES, OAT-MEAL, and FLOUR sold at the KEENEST PRICES FOR CASH. Customers can rely upon getting the Best Value for their Money. A. MACARTHUR, GENERAL MERCHANT, CROMWELL STREET, STORNOWAY.

REGARDING THE BRIDGE AND THE UPSTAND PIPE.

After further discussion the Provost moved the acceptance of Ross & Mackenzie's offer, but with the proviso that the engineer intimate to them that meantime the Council are not to proceed with the roofing of the filters, the upstand pipe, or the bridge. Councillor John Morrison seconded, and this was unanimously agreed to. On the motion of Councillor John Morrison, seconded by Councillor John Macleod, the offer of Alexander Maciver, plumber, being the lowest for No. 2 contract, was accepted unanimously.

ST COLUMBA U.F. CHURCH, ABERDEEN.

AN INTERESTING GATHERING. In connection with this, the only Gaelic Church in Aberdeen, there was held on the 11th inst. the annual social gathering of "The Sabbath Morning Fellowship Meeting." This meeting is upheld and conducted by students from all parts of the Highlands, and on Friday evening the vast proportion of those present were from the Highlands. Over the audience—mostly students from the University, Training Colleges, and U.F. Divinity Hall—Rev. A. F. Campbell, the genial and respected pastor of the congregation, presided. Tea was served from 6.30 to 7.30, and all seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves. A varied and interesting programme was then proceeded with.

The Chairman, in his opening remarks, expressed his pleasure at presiding over such an audience of young people, and aptly described the aims of the "Fellowship Meeting" and the good results it had attained in the past. Professor Iverach, D.D., of Aberdeen College, and the Rev. J. D. MacGill, M.A., of Rutherford U.F. Church, both of whom are Highlanders, were the speakers of the evening. Dr Iverach, as was usual, presided over the church crisis, and while he gave in graphic and vivid language a review of his tour through the Highlands in this connection, he pointed out that his aim in doing so was to give renewed expression of the great pleasure he had received in seeing the warmth, sympathy, and loyalty of the people of the U.F. Church in the Highlands. Mr MacGill also spoke of the Highlanders, pointing out some things which hindered progress, and touching upon what he thought might be done to improve the cause. The address of Dr Iverach's speech, Mr MacGill's address was received with enthusiastic cheers.

The programme for the evening was an exceedingly interesting one, all the artists expressing themselves with marked distinction, and gave great delight to the audience. Songs and violin and pianoforte selections were given by the following ladies:—Misses Mackenzie, Black, Bremner, Robb, Macleod, Macleod, and Mrs. A. A. Macdonald. Mr Inneside, the recently appointed choir-master of the congregation, gave an excellent rendering of "Duncan Grey." Mr Chris. Victor Macleod, who is a son of the Rev. Chas. Macleod, of Gaelic Church, Melness, gave great delight by his rendering of Scottish and Highland selections on the mandoline. Mr John Macmillan, Stornoway, gave an excellent recitation, which was loudly cheered, his acting of the piece being extremely well done. Unique in the programme was a Gaelic song by Mr John F. Macleod, Stornoway. Mr Macleod was loudly cheered.

The election of office-bearers formed a distinctive and characteristic feature of the evening. Mr Mackenzie, the retiring president, and who is now honorary president, in an excellent speech impressed on the new members that they would be made extremely welcome at the "Fellowship Meeting," and earnestly requested them to give. If they were concluding, Mr Mackenzie, who is a native of Lewis, nominated as his successor as president Mr Alex. Murray, who has long been identified with the meeting, and also hailed from Lewis.

The following is the full list of officers—Honorary Presidents, Rev. A. F. Campbell and Mr Donald Mackenzie, Stornoway; President, Mr Alexander Murray, Stornoway; Vice-President, Mr John Morrison, Lochmaddy; Treasurer, Mr Roderick Gunn, Gairloch; Committee, Miss Flora Maclellan, Muir-of-Ord; Miss Eva M. Macleod, Stornoway; Miss Christina C. Macrae, Muir-of-Ord; Mr J. M. Cameron, Uist; Mr John M. Cameron, Ullapool; Mr Colin F. Gunn, Gairloch; Mr Wm. Mackay, Thurso; Mr John F. Macleod, Stornoway; and Mr Alex. Morrison, Harris. The Society has drawn up an excellent syllabus for the season. Besides the names of several of the officers, the members there are also the following names:—Miss J. N. Miller, Caithness; Messrs John and Angus Macleod, and Colin J. Maciver, Stornoway; and Mr Ewan Macleod, Lochacorn. The Society has every reason to hope and look forward to a good season.

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SUTHERLAND FISHING INDUSTRY.

Impelled by the pressing necessities of the case, the fishermen of Sutherland, with the fishery workers generally, to the number of about 1600, a week or two ago presented an application to the Congested Districts Board asking for an official inquiry into the condition of the fishing industry on the coast of Sutherland and the resulting poverty and distress.

DINGWALL NEWS.

The expenses of the recent burgh municipal election amounted to £2 13s 4d. A grand concert, in aid of the Athletic Club, is to take place at Canon on 25th inst. The annual "At Home" of the Dingwall Tennis Club will take place in the National Hotel on the 9th December.

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Table with columns for stations (London, Glasgow, Aberdeen, etc.) and times for various routes.

HIGHLAND RAILWAY.

STEAMER SAILINGS FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

The public are respectfully informed that for the months of November and December, for which further notices, the service will be as follows (weather, &c., permitting):-

Scottish Office, Whitehall, S.W., 11th November, 1904. Sir, I am directed by the Secretary of State to inform you that the enclosed copy of the report of the Congested Districts Board...

HECTOR MACDONALD MEMORIAL.—150 designs for the above were submitted to the Selection Committee at their meeting on Saturday last. This number has now been reduced to three, and the final selection will be made at another meeting.

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EASTER BOSS NEWS.

Kincardine (Ross) Cattle Market takes place on Tuesday, 29th inst. The prizes won at the Novar and District Horticultural Society show were distributed at Novar House on Saturday by Lady Helen Munro Ferguson, and thereafter the prize-winners were entertained to tea.

ROSS-SHIRE RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the Dingwall Town Council held on Monday—Provoost Macrae presiding—a letter was read from Captain Featherstonehaugh, secretary of the Ross-shire Rifle Association, relative to the question of increasing the range accommodation there, so as to enable the whole meeting to be held at Dingwall instead of part at Dingwall and part at Tain, as was done this year.

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Advertisement for Ogston's soap, featuring an illustration of a woman and text: 'The Standard of Purity and Excellence for all Household Uses.'

INVERGORDON-SCHOOL BOARD.

At the quarterly meeting of the Invergordon School Board held on Monday, H.M. Inspector's report on Invergordon Higher Grade School was read and considered very satisfactory, the total grant being £181 6s 6d.

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STORMONAY AND ISLE OF LEWIS.

Table with columns for ship names (Stormonay, Lewis, etc.) and departure times.

DELNY-DEATH.

Many friends will regret to hear of the death of Mr Donald Campbell, which took place at Kincadee, Delny, on the 4th inst., after a few days illness. Mr Campbell came to the north about six months ago. Previous to that he was for the long period of thirty-eight years in the employment of the late Thomas Livingstone Learmonth of Parkhall, by whom he was looked upon as a trusted and valued friend.

BLACK ISLE NEWS.

CROMARTY-ARRAERS OF RATES.—At a recent meeting of the Cromarty Parish Council the Inspector was instructed to take steps to enforce payment of arrears of rates.

Advertisement for CALVERT'S Carbolic Toilet Soap, 'For the Skin and Complexion.'

WESTER BOSS NEWS.

POOLEWE.—Mr O. H. Mackenzie of Inverewe has been appointed Chairman of the Poolewe School Board in room of the Rev. Mr Mackinnon, Garrioch, resigned.

AVOCH-ASSISTANT REGISTRAR.

A special meeting of the Avoch Parish Council was held on Monday, when the appointment of Mr Fleming as assistant to Mr W. D. Mitchell was approved.

SKYE NEWS.

BROADFOOT-HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES.—On Sabbath the services in Broadfoot Parish Church were conducted, both in Gaelic and English, by Mr Anderson, missionary, Portree, in the absence of Mr Leonard at Glenties.

MAINLAND AND ORKNEY ISLANDS.

Table with columns for ship names (Shetland, Orkney, etc.) and departure times.

BEAUFY AND THE AIRD NEWS.

KILWATLY-EMERGENCY FUND.—The collection for the above fund, which was taken in the U.F. Church last Sabbath, realised the sum of £22 18s.

CROMARTY-DEPARTURE OF A CONSTABLE.

Constable Thomas Maclean, who has received an appointment under the Midlothian Constabulary, has resigned from the Ross-shire Constabulary, in which he served for three years.

PUIR SCOTLAND.

[TO THE EDITOR OF "THE HIGHLAND NEWS."] Sir.—It is high time some protest was made against the shabby distribution of the King's Birthday honours in Scotland.

DISTRICT NEWS.

GRANTOWN-EVANGELICAL SERVICES.—Mr Farquhar Macdonald, Inverness, conducted a series of special meetings in the Institute during the past few days with much success.

KILMORACK MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD.

The Kilmorack School Board met on Monday in the Parish Council Office, Beaufy. It was agreed to raise the salary of Miss M. Mackenzie, Teanassie School, to £65, and to advertise for a certificated teacher, or should any be qualified, under Art. 79 of the code, for Canish School.

GRANTOWN-U.F. CHURCH SERVICES.

The services in the U.F. Church were conducted on Sunday by the Rev. Mr Johnstone, Strathpeffer.

GRANTOWN-NEW SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER.

Mr Grant, postmaster, Cromdale, has been appointed a member of the Cromdale School Board, in room of Rev. J. Dykes Lang, resigned.