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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.

BIRTH.
At Bourdie, Montague Row, Inverness, on the 31st ult., the wife of David J. Tolmie of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.
At Raeburn Halls, Edinburgh, on the 25th May, by the Rev. J. Reid, M.A., Inverness, James Gray, to Ellen Law, youngest daughter of John Hastie, Glasgow.

DEATHS.
On 30th ult., Ewen Fraser, tailor.
At the Northern Infirmary, Inverness, on the 29th ult., Alexander Fraser, Culcabook.

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THE CHURCH OF THE FUTURE IN THE HIGHLANDS.

A sufficient answer to the triumphant boast of an ex-Moderator of the Legal Free Church the other day that the United Free Church had for ever lost the Highlands might be found in the fact clearly shown by statistics that in the first place the United Free Church, even in the Highland Synods, had lost little or nothing in membership since the last day of December, 1899, and secondly, that even if the statement were true, the difficulty which the Free Church found in mastering a roll of one-third of the former numerical strength of the congregations, even when she included so-called adherents showed that the vulgar boast of Mr Macqueen was one which his Church had no right to make. True, the United Free Church has lost property through a monstrous straining of the law and she has lost her buildings by equally monstrous methods. The magnificent gathering which filled the Assembly Hall on Tuesday night—the Highland night—showed that she had lost none of the sympathy of the Christian people, and the statements made by representative men from various districts in the north showed that in the elements which go to make a "healthy, living, lively church" she stood even on a higher and safer plane than she ever did before. That the United Free Church should have lost any of her members in the Highlands is as regrettable as it was unnecessary, and is due more to the character of the contingent which has separated from her than to any reasons founded upon alleged changes in her testimony implied in union with the United Free Church. The Free Church, therefore, would be well advised not to encourage such vaunting as is indulged in by one and another of the least far-seeing of her leaders for the very fact that she has got possession in very large proportion of the element in the old pre-union Church which was most open to be influenced by the mischievous operation of the unscrupulous emissaries of the Rev. Mr. Macneil of Rosehall, the Rev. Mr. Macneil of Cawdor and others would suggest caution. With the opening of eyes which is already beginning to show itself in some quarters, the time may not be far distant when those who find that they have been miserably deceived will deem it their duty under the influence of fresh enlightenment to ally themselves with a church which after all is most accordant with the ideals that they had by such mistaken methods sought to realise. The saddening consideration is that ere the Free Church's inability to supply ordinances has led to some of the positions which she is now being put in possession of becoming according to Lord Oretoun's prediction defunct, many of the people should have been so much familiarised with the want of regular religious ordinances that there is a danger of their lapsing into a condition of indifference. It will be the duty and work of the United Free Church which is so fully equipped in these respects to use all her energies and her activities to prevent the people from falling away and to win them back to the church with which as Dr Rainy claimed the hope of the Highlands was connected.

THE CONGESTED DISTRICTS BOARD.

Land reformers have ever been annoyed at the cumbersome and slow-moving machinery by which the Congested Districts Board manage to turn out tardy and niggard results. The Board does not appeal to the impulsive reformer as a businesslike body. It is slow, costly, and ineffective. The Scottish Board may not be worthy the disparagement accorded the sister institution in Ireland the other day by Mr John Burns who said that for a lesson in effective working in social reform he had been advised to take the Irish Congested Districts Board as an institution to follow. He had gone to Ireland to see, and had looked into its operations and found he could not touch it with a hundred foot scaffold pole. Coming from Mr John Burns this is a strong condemnation. Like many other members of the Liberal party he goes right to the root of the land question. He has no love for those who are nibbling at various social reforms—men whom he characterised very forcibly as do-gooder economists and soup kitchen reformers, who desire to dump England with pauper compounds. These men may be doing good work but they leave the main evil untouched. Land, said Mr Burns, was at the bottom of the question, but the Government had to prevent people coming from the land rather than take men back to the land at great expense and great disappointment. From the report issued by the Congested Districts Board it is evident that the solution of the problem before the members is too great for the means at their disposal. But it is hopeful, from words used by Mr Burns and other members of the Government, that measures are about to be undertaken which will result in relieving the Board of much of the work admitted by the report to be outside the limits of their resources. The whole question is so vast, and the distress so widespread, that much of their work must devolve on other bodies. The Board recommend that the entire income at their command for the purchase of land and for the carrying out of improvements, ought to be free for expenditure year by year, and that purchases should be provided for by funds apart from annual income. At present they complain that, as a large part of the funds is now sunk in the estates they have purchased, their operations are necessarily restricted, and that, unless some means can be devised to regain part of the capital expenditure more rapidly than by the slow process of repayment by the small proprietors, further purchases on any large scale cannot be undertaken. This is an admission that the machinery has broken down—the task is too great for it. It is an admission that further purchases of land are necessary, but the provision to do so is inadequate. The sums expended between 1898 and 1906 for the purchase and adaptation of land suitable for the purchase and adaptation of land suitable for house building to settlers, amount to £175,000, or about £22,000 per annum. A further sum of over £100,000 was offered as grants for marine works, roads, bridges, &c. Perhaps it would be well if the work of the Board were in future to be confined to these improvements, which include operations in poultry, bees, &c., improvement in stock, construction of breakwaters, piers, and boatslips, work, which on the whole, has been well done, and on which the whole of the present income might profitably be spent. The attempts at land purchase have been costly and unbusinesslike; the Board have no compulsory powers, but had to bargain as best they might with grasping landlords. The

results are what might have been expected. With the coming of fresh legislation we hope the necessity of land purchase by the Congested Districts Board may be obviated and their whole income and energies may be set free to develop and improve the distressed parts of the Highlands, and effect more tolerable conditions of existence.

THE FOUNDER OF THE LAND LEAGUE

Michael Davitt is dead. The very mention of his name recalls a lifetime full of stormy episode. He was a man whose whole life was dominated by a grand ideal. With him the love of freedom was a passion. It governed his thoughts and guided his actions. No matter to what end, for good or ill, it urged him onwards with all the directness of animal instinct, up towards the sun like the eagle, or into the flame like the moth. Listen to his words when in the prison cell he offered to a blackbird the liberty denied himself:—"I opened his door with a trembling hand, when, quick as a flash of lightning, he rushed from the cage with a wild scream of delight, and in a moment was beyond the walls of the prison! The instinct of freedom was too powerful to be resisted, though I had indulged in the fond hope that he would have remained with me. But he taught me the lesson which can never be unlearned by either country, person, or bird, that Nature will not be denied, and that liberty is more to be desired than fetters of gold." Small wonder that a man whose imagination was so heightened at the sight of a bird recovering its freedom should live and work so strenuously to free his own oppressed land and bring independence and happiness into the minds and homes of his own countrymen. He was a Celt of the finest type—tall, bearded, aquiline—with a noble air of command, he had something of the look of an Afghan or Sikh warrior or of a picturesque Hebrew prophet, for his features had a decided Semitic cast. His early history was typical of many an Irishman of many a Highlander. He was born on an Irish croft, and had lived but a few years when the potato famine brought destitution to an already distressed and miserable home. His father was evicted and he came to England. His great ideal was to have Ireland free—an independent nation. In 1865 he joined the Fenians—the notorious revolutionary society. In their company his compelling passion for liberty brought him in conflict with the law and in 1870 found him in prison. Pondering during his confinement on the futility of liberating his unhappy country by raising an armed rebellion, and sobered no doubt by the loss of his personal liberty, he decided to change his course of action. It was probably during his prison days that he evolved his great idea of the overthrow of landlordism must be linked on to the cause of Ireland. Freedom in the abstract, as a great national ideal, was beyond the comprehension of the Irishman—it could not stir them to action. On the other hand, they could understand the right to be free from rack-rents, and free to make a living on the soil that bore them. The Land League—an institution which was to organise Irishmen into a national party playing havoc with the Parliamentary machinery at Westminster, and eventually to cause such a revolution in the land tenure of Ireland—was formed. Its objects were announced by Davitt in these words:—"It is the complete destruction of Irish landlordism, first, as a system which is responsible for the poverty and periodical famines which have decimated Ireland; and, secondly, because landlordism is a British garrison which bars the way to national independence." He never lost sight of the ultimate aim—freedom and independence. Then followed the "No Rent" manifesto. He declared that "rent for land under any circumstances, in prosperous times or bad times, is nothing more nor less than an unjust and immoral tax upon the industry of the people." The Land League soon developed into the Clan-na-Gael which it avowed object—a republic in Ireland; but Davitt had by this time learned that revolution, unless you are sure of its success, is a bad card to play, and he was not much in sympathy with this later development of the Land League. He came to know the value of constant agitation, constant pressure, and was convinced that to hasten evolution is better than forcing an unsuccessful revolution. Ireland is now reaping the benefits of this man's thought and work and unflinching effort under the banner of freedom. The Highlands, too, have reaped, and will yet reap what Michael Davitt has sown. His Land League was initiated in the crofting counties of Scotland, an institution which agitated for and won the Crofters Act with its attendant benefits. The land question is only beginning to be touched upon. Organisation is again required in the Highland counties, and the value of concentrating attention on one main issue may be learned from the successes and failures of Davitt's career. First get the people back to the land—give the land back to the people—then the other points may be taken up. There is a great work before the newly-formed Crofters' Association.

LONGINGS LIST.—The first edition of our Longings List has now been printed off, and may be had at "The Highland News" Office. Price one penny.

ORGAN RECITAL TO-MORROW.—A recital of organ and vocal music will be given in the West Parish Church to-morrow evening. The solo singers being Mrs Munro, Strathpeffer, and Mr R. MacLeod. Rev. Gavin Lang will deliver a short address.

EYE DISPENSARY.—Mr F. A. Black, hon. secretary, acknowledges with thanks the following contributions towards the purchase of a new dispensary, per Mr W. Munro, Lochgroom Hotel, Inverness, secretary, 5s; cash found in contribution box at Dispensary, 15s 7d.

THE LATE MR ROBERTSON, CHEMIST.—The inventory of the personal estate of the late Mr William Robertson, retired chemist, Albion Villa, Southside Road, as lodged with the Sheriff Clerk of Inverness-shire, amounts to £2301 5s 10d, and estate duty to the amount of £21 18s 9d has meantime been paid.

NEW EDITION OF "THE PETTY SEER."—This booklet consists of the strange sayings of the Rev. John Morrison, minister of Petty, who was popularly supposed to have been endowed with the gift of "second-sight." The volume should be read by all interested in old Highland customs. Price, 3d. per post, 1d extra. "The Highland News" Office, Inverness.

GAS COOKING EXHIBITION.—Commencing on Monday, 4th June, a free exhibition of cooking and heating gas appliances by the Iron Company, under the auspices of the Town Council, will be held in the Queen's Gate Hall, at 3 p.m.—Provost Ross presiding. Lectures on cookery will be given twice daily—High class at 3; plain at 7.30—by Miss E. M. Dods, principal of the Dundee School of Cookery. The exhibition will be held up to the 15th of June.

TRINITY COLLEGE MUSIC EXAMINATIONS.—The annual examinations held at the Inverness centre by the Trinity College of Music, London, were held in the Town Hall on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, and were presided over by fifty-six candidates for examination in pianoforte and violin playing and solo singing. Mr Myles Birker, Foster, Fellow of the Royal Academy, acted as examiner, and Mr F. W. Whitehead, the local secretary, conducted the arrangements.

1st V.B.C.H.—OUTING.—On Tuesday evening the members of the 1st V.B.C.H. had their first outing for the season. Accompanied by their pipe and brass bands the battalion marched to the Victoria Park, where, through a number of interesting movements which were closely watched by a large number of people. Among the officers present were Colonel Duncaan Shaw, V.D., and Adjutant G. I. Fraser, both of whom are very popular with the members.

FARMERS' SOCIETY.—At a committee meeting of the Inverness-shire Farmers' Society, held on Tuesday, Mr D. Gray, secretary, gave an interesting account of the statement submitted by him as a member of the deputation to the Canal Commission, as to the impression formed by him of the views of the Commissioners on the subject. Mr Macdonald, Morayston, said the Farmers' Society were indebted to Mr Gray for the able manner in which he had laid their views before the Commissioners in favour of the abolition of the Petty Customs. Mr Gray was very cordially thanked, and the meeting agreed to support any further action to be taken in securing the abolition of the customs. Mr Popper of Dunmaglass, president of the Society, and Mr Bradley Martin of Balmacan were proposed as life members of the Society.

THE CALEDONIAN CANAL.

A HIGHLAND PROBLEM.

Our picturesque and venerable waterway, the Caledonian Canal, is receiving considerable attention at the present time alike from a national and from a local point of view. Local interest in the canal is most interestingly evidenced in the fact that the body of Commissioners who manage it and the Town Council over a proposal for the abolition of the Petty Customs in which the Canal Commissioners maintain they have a material interest. It is, however, as a national asset that the Caledonian Canal is being specially canvassed at the present time. The feasibility and wisdom of improving the Canal and rendering it more serviceable as an inter-oceanic waterway are likely to come before the Royal Commission which is at present investigating the matter. The most recent reference to the Canal in the public press is an interesting article which appears in the June number of the "World's Work" from the pen of Mr John Macleay. Mr Macleay, being a native of Inverness, is no second-hand admirer of the scenic and historical attractions of the great Glen through which the Canal passes. It must, therefore, be with a pang of regret that he is constrained to come to the conclusion that the expense necessary to make the improvements required would be altogether staggering in amount. Mr Macleay points out that originally the Canal was projected as a means of checking the tide of emigration which had set in about the beginning of last century. Mr Macleay does not find that the Caledonian Canal has ever done much for the retention of the people on the Inverness coast, and there is no fear of the emigration problem still awaits solution. The history of the Canal scheme is shortly referred to by Mr Macleay. The cutting of a waterway round the back of Tomnahurich is said to have entered into the project of the Commissioners of the Caledonian Canal. Be that as it may, there is no doubt that the advisability of making a series of cuttings to connect the lochs which occupy more than half the length of the Great Glen

was at an early period a subject of interest. In Burt's letters (1725) the proposal is strongly condemned, but in Sir John Sinclair's old statistical account are to be found several intelligent communications recommending the proposed scheme. The first survey was made in 1773 by James Watt, and afterwards by Thomas Telford, who presented a report in 1803. He began operations in 1804, but the work was not completed till 1847. The cost of the Canal was £1,100,000 sterling. The depth of water in the Canal proper is 16 ft. It has in its course 25 locks, 170 feet long and 40 feet wide. It is to the interruption which these locks cause to the through traffic that very much of the ill-success of the Canal is due, and they necessitate an enormous waste of time, and add greatly to the expense of working the Canal. Should the railway be extended from Fort-Augustus to Inverness, the revenue of the Canal would suffer very severely. As an element in the development of the Highlands the Town Council of Inverness is interested in the enlargement of the Canal, and point to it not merely as a trade route, but also as having strategic value in connection with the operations of the army. It is, however, Mr Macleay insists, as a trade route that the value of the Canal has to be judged. Nor does he consider that the engineering difficulties would be formidable. The cost of the improvement of the canal is, however, the subject here that the Commission on Waterways are likely to pause before recommending the necessary expenditure. Mr Macleay concludes his interesting article as follows:—"What must be ascertained is whether the Canal can be rendered serviceable to our own coastal shipping trade or to the shipping trade of the world. Closely bound up with the subject, too, is the problem of the future development of the Highlands. It is, however, the high possibilities of industrial expansion in the north? If some modern Coineach Odhar could supply a definite answer to that question we should then know what to do with the Canal. But the day of the Highland seer has passed. The future of the land of the bays, the glens, and the heroes is enveloped in doubt; so, too, one fancies is the future of our only picturesque waterway."

QUALITY! QUALITY!—MAKE SURE OF YOUR VOTE.—Election arrangements for the 20th day of June, their names will not appear on the new register of Parliamentary voters.

FURTHER NORTH.—A photograph of the gaily decorated engine which conveyed the London journalists to Inverness yesterday morning, has been taken by Mr Matheson, Innes Street, who offers copies for sale.

GAELIC FANTASIA.—One of the most interesting items at the London Gaelic Society's concert last week was the performance on the great organ of a clever fantasia on Gaelic melodies arranged by Mr J. A. Freeman, A.R.C.O. Mr Freeman, since his arrival in Inverness, has done good work in arranging Gaelic melodies, and this, his latest production, had a splendid reception.

PETTY CUSTOMS DEPUTATION.—On Monday afternoon a meeting of the members of the deputation who recently travelled to London and appeared before the Commissioners of the Caledonian Canal in regard to the proposed abolition of the Petty Customs was held in the committee room of the Town Hall. The proceedings were private, but it is understood that a general discussion took place as to what had already been done, and also as to the further steps to be taken to secure the abolition of the tax.

NEW YORK MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.—Mr William Macleod, son of the late Captain N. A. Macleod, late of Orkney, and nephew of the late Colonel Macpherson of Gleatrum, has resigned his office as joint manager for Scotland of the New York Mutual Life Insurance Company. This is not surprising in view of the relocations made regarding the business methods of the Company in New York. Mr D. C. Haldeman, the British manager, has also resigned, and has become joint manager in London for the North British and Mercantile Life Insurance Company. The agents of the Inverness and other Scottish branches have also resigned.

AN INVERNESSIAN ON THE NATAL RISING.—In a letter to his friends, an Inverness man, who is at present in Durban, says—"The country in a bed of woe just now. The rebellion, however, is not a general one, nor is it likely to be, for Dinizulu, the supreme chief of the Zulu nation, who exercises great influence, has declared himself as loyal to the Government of Natal. Notwithstanding that fact, however, the troops in the field, who number several thousands, will have difficult work to subdue and capture the rebels, as the country surrounding the Ukahlaha district, where Bambata's fastnesses are, is one in which it is very difficult to operate."

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.—Mr Thomas Fraser, the popular and well-known farmer, Munloch, was present on Saturday evening by a few friends and well-wishers and presented with a purse of sovereigns on the occasion of his departure from the district to occupy the farm of Belladrum, Duntrotter, near Inverness. Mr John Beaton, farmer, Beaulieu, occupied the chair, and referred in appropriate terms to the high esteem in which Mr Fraser was held by all classes in the community. His departure was regretted by all his former friends, but particularly so by the residents in the village, towards whom he had shown marked and recurrent liberality. Mr Mann, in handing over the gift to Mr Fraser, alluded to the latter's popularity, the regret felt by all at his departure, and wished Mr Fraser success in his new abode. Mr Fraser thanked all his friends for the exceptional kindness extended towards him on the occasion of his leaving the district.

During his occupancy of the farm of Brae he had made many friends, and his departure was mourned by the assurance that he had secured the goodwill of his neighbours.

IMPORTANT DECISION

IN INVERNESS ALIMENT ACTION. Yesterday Sheriff J. P. Grant issued his interlocutor in the action for aliment at the instance of Isabella Chisholm, domestic servant, 22 Huntly Street, Inverness, against a local bank clerk. His Lordship finds in fact that the pursuer has failed to prove that the defender is the father of her child, and in law that he is not liable to contribute to its support. His Lordship therefore assigns the defender from the conclusions of the petition, and finds him entitled to the expenses of the process from the pursuer. Sheriff Grant holds that in the circumstances, it being incumbent on the pursuer to prove her case by some independent corroboration of her story, she has failed to do so.

Agents:—For the pursuer—Mr Sinclair Fraser; for the defender—Mr George Ross.

YESTERDAY'S FEELING MARKET.

In weather conditions similar to that of last Friday the Bogue's Market was held in town yesterday. The early morning was bright and promising, but towards eleven o'clock rain began to fall, and continued more or less throughout the day. Notwithstanding this, however, there was a large attendance of masters and men, but business was stiff and wages had a tendency to fall below even last week's figures, the following being the hirings—First men, £16 10s; second men, £13 10s to £15; third men, £12 to £13; boys from £6 to £7; while the wages for women were pretty much the same as those quoted last week.

THE LATE MR JOHN MORGAN, BUILDER.

We regret to record the death of Mr John Morgan, which sad event took place at Abbot, Kingsmill's Road, on Thursday. Mr Morgan was for the long period of thirty years a builder in Thurso, where he was also an elder of the first Free Church in that town. On retirement from business some ten years ago Mr Morgan came to reside in Inverness, where he became well and favourably known to a wide circle of the community. On the passing of the Declaratory Act he succeeded from the Free Church and became an office-bearer in the Free Presbyterian Church of Inverness, of which the Rev. J. R. Macleay is now pastor. The funeral took place on Monday to the New Cemetery. The deceased is survived by a widow, two sons, and three daughters, to whom the deepest sympathy is extended in their bereavement.

INVERNESS TOWN BAND.

As will be observed from the programme appended, excellent arrangements have been made by the committee of the Inverness Town Band for entertaining the citizens during the summer evenings. That the efforts of Mr Tuft, the capable conductor, and the bandsmen have been highly appreciated is attested by the fact that whenever the band is announced to discourse music crowds of old and young alike assemble and listen with evident pleasure and enjoyment. Another interesting fact which the committee have not lost sight of is that the most unpretentious localities are not overlooked. Thus the poorer citizens are given an opportunity of whiling away their leisure moments in a pleasant and most enjoyable manner. Our Town Band deserves every encouragement, and the committee are to be congratulated for the excellent efforts they are making to foster a love of music in our midst. The season's programme is as follows:—

- June 4—Station Square—8.30 p.m.
June 5—Castle Hill—8.30 p.m.
June 10—New Islands—8.30 p.m.
June 16—Victoria Park—8.30 p.m.
June 20—Gospel Inch—8.30 p.m.
June 24—The Islands—8.30 p.m.
July 1—Victoria Park—8.30 p.m.
July 7—Citadel—8.30 p.m.
July 13—Victoria Park—8.30 p.m.
Aug. 4—New Islands—8.30 p.m.
Aug. 11—Dunelm Hill—8.30 p.m.
Aug. 18—Victoria Park—8.30 p.m.
Aug. 25—Castle Hill—8.30 p.m.
Sept. 1—Exchange—8.30 p.m.

ABOUT A PIANO. We are making our ANNUAL STOCK-TAKING CLEARANCE SALE. COME AT ONCE. GENUINE BARGAINS of the World's Best Makers' Instruments. NEW AND SECOND-HAND PIANOS, PLAYERS, ORGANS, at the LOWEST PRICES ever heard of. Catalogues and all particulars Post Free. NOTE THE ADDRESS— J. MARR WOOD & CO., LTD., 28 CHURCH STREET, INVERNESS.

FREE CHURCH OBSCURANTISM.

The Free Church professors seem to have been a little put out on account of the passing out of the papers of the brethren of the United Free Church during the sittings of the General Assembly.

LETTER FROM LACHIE.

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THE FORTY-FIVE YEARS' AGE LIMIT.

OPINIONS OF THE COUNCILLORS.

The excitement over the recent resolution of the Town Council to strike the age line beyond which new members should not be elected into the service of the Burgh Surveyor at forty-five years has in some measure been allayed.

The Council held a contrary opinion on the resolution was not likely to be rigidly adhered to, and that the discretion which apparently was withheld from the Burgh Surveyor in the matter would after all be followed.

In order to ascertain how the minds of the Council tended on the subject, a representative of "The Highland News" found an opportunity of waiting upon the majority of the Council members during the week to ascertain their respective opinions.

On Monday on a motion, of which notice has been given by Bailie Mackenzie, for a reconsideration of the whole matter, in order, however, that the question can be reopened, it will be necessary to suspend the Standing Orders, and as this requires a two-thirds majority there is considerable doubt whether the necessary number will support such a motion.

On Tuesday there will be an excursion from Durness to Inverness, when about 600 visitors will be conveyed to the Highland Capital by special train.

On Thursday holidays will be observed in Wick and Pitlochry. From 900 to 400 passengers are expected to visit Inverness.

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DEPARTURE OF INVERNESS-SHIRE MILITIA.

Yesterday over 600 of the Cameron Militia left Inverness for Tain by special train for a month's training at the Fort-Rifles Barracks.

"THE HIGHLAND NEWS" PIGEON-FLYING COMPETITION.

BRORA TO INVERNESS AND INVERNESS TO BRORA.

In connection with this race, for which there are already a large number of entries, we are offering—

First prize—Handsome silver medal, in case.
Second prize—Handsome gold cent, in case.
Third prize—Handsome silver medal, in case.

The race has now been fixed for Friday, the 27th June, and entries close on 20th June.

It is to be given to secretaries, of "Highland News," with is entry fee for each bird entered.

The race will start at 4 p.m. Rubber rings with secret numbers will be attached to each bird by the committee before starting.

The evidence of the arrival will therefore be determined by the delivery of the rubber rings at a central office (to be decided on later), thus obviating the trouble of carrying the birds.

Further information will appear in future issues.

FARMERS AND THE WEATHER.

Farmers have had just cause to complain of the unsettled state of the weather, and unless there is a marked change in the atmospheric conditions within the next few weeks the loss to crops will be considerable.

Now, however, that we have entered upon the leafy month of June, there is every prospect that the ensuing summer months will bring about the desired change.

The weather has been very serious for the Highlands. Much of the crop has been done among lambs on the hills. Deer have likewise been rendered very weak, and in many moors and forests the mortality must be very high.

It is to be hoped that the weather will be more moderate. The agent in Inverness for the steamship company providing the tour is Mr. Duncan Macpherson, Union Street.

LORD LOVAT'S OATH.

SIR,—Your correspondent "D" is at liberty to cover his heroes, Lord Lovat and Mr. Whiteley, with as much fulsome flattery as he can muster.

It was stated that an attempt to collect rates in Barra met with small result. The claim against the First District Board for arrears of £10,000 is being considered.

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GOVERNMENT'S PROGRESS WITH LEGISLATION.

Unlike the season, which is distinctly backward, the Government is forging ahead with the session's work, and Whitehall finds an unusually long and important legislative programme well advanced.

NEW LIBERAL HONOURS LIST.

Behind the scenes there is not a little fluttering as to the coming honours list. It is assumed that after such a low season from office there is a very formidable number of Liberal honour-hunters whose requirements range from Peorages to the second-rate orders awarded to assiduous ministers.

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COMING GREAT LIBERAL JUBILATION.

For the first time during many years the National Liberal Club will hold a great Ministerial gathering in June.

THE CITY'S SENIOR MEMBER.

There is a danger that the rabid Tariff Reformers may succeed in driving Sir Edward Clarke out of the City of London.

MORE CONTINENTAL VISITORS.

Our task as international host grows no lighter, and the present year looks like breaking all previous records.

ADDING TO THE ZOO.

Novelties naturally become rarer and rarer at the Zoological Gardens, for the wide world has long been laid under the contributive of a strong wealth to our national collection.

QUALITY! QUALITY!—MAKE SURE OF YOUR VOTE.

Electors are reminded that unless Poor Rates are paid on or before the 20th day of June, their names will not appear on the new register of Parliamentary voters.

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GLASGOW COUNTY OF SUTHERLAND ASSOCIATION MAGAZINE.

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In course of the annual so-called "Celtic season" in the City of Glasgow, when all the various Highland Societies may be seen, as it were, straggling along those by-paths which lead to the open field of Literature, papers of considerable literary value are read and discussed. These, however, are soon lost sight of and forgotten, and are, to all intents and purposes, "dead letters."

Or like the snow fall in the river, A moment white—then melts for ever. That this should be their ultimate fate, moves the pity. In order to obviate this cause and save the papers read at their meetings from oblivion, the Glasgow County of Sutherland Association has published in magazine form the various literary articles read at their meetings during last session. This patriotic step on the part of the members we cordially commend, and we sincerely hope that other Highland Societies in the City may emulate the course they have adopted and go and do likewise. It should be pointed out here, however, that this is not the part of the members we cordially commend, and we sincerely hope that other Highland Societies in the City may emulate the course they have adopted and go and do likewise.

INTRODUCING A HIGHLAND MINISTER.

The Sub-Commissioners under the Churches (Scotland) Act are to resume their sittings in the Highlands on Monday. The districts to be dealt with in the meantime are situated in Argyllshire and Ross-shire.

THE CELTIC UNION MOD.

A very interesting and important experiment has been made by Mr Munro-Ferguson, of Raith and Novar, M.P., who has recently been on a visit to the "Garden City" of Leith.

AGITATE AND IT SHALL BE GRANTED.

SCOTLAND AND PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR ENGLAND.

Mr J. W. Crombie, Mr R. C. Munro-Ferguson, and Mr John Gulland, on behalf of the Scottish Liberal Committee, have addressed an important letter to Mr Asquith, pointing out that in his Budget speech he devoted £135,000 for necessitous school districts in England, while he had allowed nothing for Scotland on the ground that there was no demand.

HOUSING OF THE CROFTER CLASSES.

Mr Stewart Mackenzie of Seaforth has established a depot in Park Street, London, for the sale of Harris tweeds and homespun, and the venture is going very well.

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STORNOWAY.

TIDE TABLE—HIGH WATER. JUNE.

Table with 3 columns: Morning—H.M., Evening—H.M., and a third column with tide values.

Several articles of interest to Stornoway readers will be found on page 8.

SEVERE WEATHER.—Crofters and farmers, particularly on the west side of the Lewis, have lost a considerable number of lambs owing to the recent severe weather.

VITAL STATISTICS.—The registrar's returns for the parish for the week ending Thursday are—Births, 2 (1 male and 1 female); marriages, 0; deaths, 1 male.

CALL TO REV. MR. MURRAY.—The call from the Tory U.F. congregation to Rev. Mr. Murray, Stornoway, comes before the Lewis Presbytery, we believe, on the 12th of June.

VOLUNTEERING.—Company Sergeant-Major Croucher arrived from Inverness on Monday, and took over the duties of Instructor of the local volunteer corps in succession to Sergeant-Major Craig, retired.

LEWIS HOSPITAL.—The hon. secretary acknowledges, with thanks, 6 pots of jam, flowers, and rhubarb from Lewis Castle; 14 dozen eggs from the Rev. J. S. MacCallum, the Manse; and the sum of £3 3s from the Lewis and Harris Association, Glasgow.

PHAROS CRICKET CLUB.—At a meeting of the newly-formed Good Templar Cricket Club the following office-bearers were elected.—Captain, Bro. J. H. Gibson; vice-captain, Bro. J. N. Anderson; secretary, Bro. Eneas Mackenzie; and treasurer, Bro. Alfred Robertson.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.—Evangelistic services have been held nightly this week in the Post Office Square by the crew of the mission yacht Albatross II. Several of the missionaries are telling speakers, and not a small attraction to their meetings is the excellence of the singing.

L.L.A. DIPLOMA.—The usual examination for the L.L.A. diploma of St Andrews University was held in the Victoria Institute during this week. Rev. George Macleod, Garrahost, who has always taken so warm an interest in the examination, superintended as in former years.

SALE OF WORK.—We would remind our readers of the sale of work to be held in the Town Hall on Monday by the ladies of Stornoway. The sale will be opened at 3 o'clock afternoon by Sheriff Squair, and the proceeds are to be divided between the T.V.C.A. and the Social Institute.

THE FITTING TERM.—The number of fittings was this year quite up to the usual average, but the 28th being on Monday the work of removal was spread over a couple of days, for all who had the opportunity of transferring their household goods on Saturday day. Fairly good weather favoured the fittings.

DECLINE OF LIME INDUSTRY.—At some ports on the west side where thirty or forty years ago the cod and ling fishing was prosecuted with great success, the industry has been dwindling every year. This season in some of these creeks not a single fish has been landed yet. This, however, is partly accounted for by the unsuitable weather recently experienced.

NEW EDITION OF "THE PETTY SEER."—This booklet consists of the strange sayings of the Rev. John Morrison, minister of Petty, who was popularly supposed to have been endowed with the gift of "second-sight." The volume should be read by all interested in old Highland customs. Price, 3d; by post, 1d extra. "The Highland News" Office, Inverness.

AT THE HARBOUR.—During the week the following cargoes arrived.—The ketch Croft from Lowestoft with kipper boxes for Mr. Leask, and the steamer Gambetta from Iviza with salt for Messrs Anderson & Co. The steamer Cape Clear, chartered by the Messrs Langlands & Sons, sailed for Leith with cured herrings on Monday. In the absence of the regular trading steamers at Castleby, the steamer Clansman was given a special run to Kyle on Thursday with a large quantity of kippers and cured herrings.

THEFT OF HERRINGS.—On Wednesday Donald Dallas, cooper, 21 Lower Dunbar Street, Wick, presently residing in Stornoway, was apprehended by Superintendent Smith on a charge of having on Monday stolen a half-barrel of small herrings, the property of his employer, Mr. George Tait, fisherman, and sold them to a country man for 5s. On Thursday he was brought before Bailie Mackenzie and charged with the theft. He pled guilty, explaining that he was under the influence of drink at the time. A fine of 10s or four days' imprisonment was imposed.

SHEEP SCAB CASES.—Before Sheriff Squair on Wednesday, Murdo Mackenzie, crofter, Sand Street, Coull, was charged with contravening the Sheep Scab Order, 1905, in so far as he failed to notify the police of the presence of scab among his sheep. He pled not guilty, but was convicted on evidence, and fined 10s, being 5s for each sheep affected.—Angus Macdonald, crofter, Stenish, was also charged with a similar contravention. He pled not guilty, and on evidence was acquitted, the sheep being a stray one, and not belonging to him. Macdonald was further charged with allowing the sheep in question to stray from the place of detention, but the Fiscal deserted the diet pro loco et tempore.

WESTWARD HO!—Since the beginning of March there has been a steady flow of emigrants from the Lewis to Canada and the United States, but chiefly to the latter. In the early part of the season the emigrants were principally of the tradesman class—masons and joiners—but within the last few weeks a number of families have left to take up land in Canada. This week from 30 to 40 persons (including children) left by the mail steamer en route for the Far West. The flow of emigrants appears to be getting stronger every day, and among the crofter and squatter classes there is a strong desire to get away if the passage money were available. The passage from Stornoway to Winnipeg costs £9 (3rd class throughout). The comparative failure of the fishing has also, doubtless, directed the minds of others to the West and a start in a new country.

ENTERPRISING LEWISMAN IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.—The many friends in Stornoway of our townsmen, Mr. Henry Symcock, will be pleased to see the following, which we call from the "Columbian," of New Westminster, British Columbia, dated 11th May, 1906:—"Another industry for New Westminster is the boat yard started by Mr. Harry Symcock, a veteran boatbuilder, formerly in the business in this city. The new boat yard is to be situated near the Royal City Mills. Mr. Symcock started upon his first contract to-day. The craft to be constructed will be a tug for towing purposes, the dimensions of which are to be—Length over all, 95 feet; beam, 19.5 feet; depth of hold, 10.5 feet. This craft is to be built for a man who wishes his identity kept secret, and who will have several more tugs of this order constructed in the near future. Mr. Symcock was formerly engaged in the boat-building business on the Fraser River until 1898, when he retired and entered the Yukon country, where he has been engaged in various occupations since that year. He recently sold his interest in the Cosmopolitan Hotel, this city, to Mr. J. Macdonald. Several more contracts are now being figured on by this new boat yard, and Mr. Symcock expects to keep a large force of men engaged during the year round." The yard cost about 20,000 dollars. Like every Lewisman abroad, Mr. Symcock's most cherished hope is that some day he will be able to settle down in good old Stornoway with a competency.

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COALING.—On Monday the steamer Homewood, bound from Persacola, Florida, to Tappart, with timber, came in for bunkers and coaled at the Ailsa Craig.

NICOLSON INSTITUTE—MEDAL COMPETITIONS.—The competitions for the medals awarded annually in connection with the Nicolson Institute took place this week.

M'ACHEN'S GAELIC-ENGLISH DICTIONARY.—This Dictionary is prescribed by the Scotch Education Department for the teaching of Gaelic in schools. It is got up in a handy form, and should prove an invaluable aid to those desirous of learning the Gaelic language. Price, 2s 6d; by post, 2s 9d, from the Manager, "The Highland News" Office, Inverness.

FOOTBALL MATCH.—On Monday a football match was played in Gairloch Pool between teams representative of Stornoway and the strangers presently in town in connection with the fishing. The game was a very one-sided one, and ended in favour of the locals by 7 goals to 1. Mr. Leo Gibson refereed the game to the entire satisfaction of both sides. A return match is to be played on Monday first, when the fish trade will be represented by a much stronger team.

ADVERTISING THE TOWN.—On Wednesday evening a meeting was held of the committee for the advertising of the town as a summer resort. There were present—Dr. Murray (chairman), Bailie John Mackenzie, Councillor Wm. A. Ross, Mr. W. J. Gibson, Councillor Kenneth Mackenzie, and Mr. Alexander Macdonald, C.E. The secretary and treasurer, Mr. Wm. Grant, submitted his financial statement, which showed that the income last year was £15, while the expenditure on advertising was £12 10s 6d, leaving a balance of £2 9s 6d on hand. The statement was considered very satisfactory. A general discussion took place as to whether the committee should continue to advertise this season or drop operations meantime. Several of the gentlemen present expressed strong disapproval of the recent publication broadcast over the country of the Local Government Board's report on the sanitary condition of the island, and commented on the very wrong impression which that report and the questions put in the House of Commons on the same subject would have on the very class of people they were desirous of inducing to make the Lewis their holiday resort. It was decided unanimously, notwithstanding the odious advertisement in the Daily Mail report, that the Committee should persevere, and the Secretary was authorised to re-insert the advertisement in the papers which he found more effective last year. It was felt that instead of going round the town with a subscription list other means should be taken which would secure the success of war in a more general way, and it was accordingly decided to bring off a couple of concerts. It was remitted to a small committee to arrange the first concert for Monday, 18th June, if possible. The Secretary was also instructed to again approach Messrs Langlands, requesting that they arrange for their large passenger steamers calling more frequently at Stornoway.

WEST COAST HERRING FISHING. A SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT. STORNOWAY, Thursday.

The week since our last report has been a very disappointing one indeed. The daily totals have been very meagre, and quite inadequate to meet the demands of buyers. The only hopeful feature has been the fact that what little fish was being caught was spread generally among the boats, indicating that herrings are present on the coast and distributed over a wide area of water. The boats have been trying the sea in all directions. The bulk of the fleet have been operating from Collar Head to twenty miles off the Butt. Others shot down the west side, some in the vicinity of the Flannan, and a good number proceeded to north Rona. Indeed, on Wednesday one drifter came in with a shot of 30 crans, netted forty miles to the northwest of Rona; a distance from Stornoway of nearly 120 miles. The continued want of success has disheartened a large number of the fishermen, and a good many of the boats, particularly the drifters, have left for other ports. It is estimated at the Fish Mart to-night that the fleet now here will not exceed a couple of hundred boats. Curers and kipperers are equally unsettled with the fishermen, and a number of firms have transferred a part of their staff to Castleby. Salesmen have also strengthened their staffs in Barra by drawing on their Stornoway offices. However, the catches yesterday and to-day have helped to revive hope, which, happily, springs eternal in the human breast, and if these prove justified by the results in the next few days the fleet will in a short time be again up to full strength.

The catch on Wednesday was 610 crans from 145 boats, and prices ranged from 28s to 48s a cran. The top shot, 41 crans, by the Milk Wav, Buckie, reached close on £100. The drifter, Leader, Portcreeon, had 30 crans, and the following sail boats had good catches: Annie Slater, Buckie, 35 crans; Water Lily, Stornoway, and Good Cheer, Portcreeon, 30 each; Black Watch, Buckie, 25; and Scotia, Buckpool, 20 crans.

The catch to-day was again light, but there were no heavy shots, so that all the boats had a few crans—a much more hopeful sign than to see the tow with heavy shots and the many blank. The quality was also excellent, which was another satisfactory feature. The total was 490 crans from 115 boats, and prices were 30s to 41s a cran.

The season's catch to this date is 5900 crans, as against 10,300 crans at the corresponding date last year.

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MILITARY APPOINTMENT.—Major S. S. Clarke, 1st Battalion Cameron Highlanders, has passed the necessary tactical examination for promotion to the rank of Lieut.-Colonel.

FISHERY BOARD FOR SCOTLAND.—The following statement shows the progress of the early herring fishing from 1st May to 26th May, 1906, and for the corresponding period last year:—

Table with 4 columns: Station, Landed, Cured Gutted, Ungutted, and Fished, and a fifth column with totals.

EXPORTED. To Germany, To Russia, To other places.

STATION. Landed. Cured Gutted. Ungutted. Fished.

1906. 1905. 1906. 1905. 1906. 1905.

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Leith 10,474 9,735 595 430 312 312.

Total 12,474 9,735 595 430 312 312.

ARE HIGHLAND POLICEMEN TRUTHFUL? OPINIONS OF A MAJOR AND A FIELD-MARSHAL.

On the motion for the Whiteanite adjournment in the House of Commons on Wednesday, Mr. Weir directed attention to a speech made the other day at Partick by Major Ferguson, Inspector of Police in Scotland, which he said was of a most slanderous and damaging character, affecting the men of the Hebrides. Major Ferguson charged the islanders with being generally untruthful; that, although they might sometimes speak the truth, the chances were that it was very much the other way. He (Mr. Weir) preferred to take the opinion of Lord Roberts regarding these men than that of this Major Ferguson. There was no class of men of whom Lord Roberts had spoken more highly than the islanders, and yet this Chief Inspector of Police came forward and made such an assertion against them. Why, there was only the fishing industry in these islands, the consequence being that the younger men had to find their way south. What a damning effect Major Ferguson's statement would have on these young men getting employment—(hear, hear.) Heads of firms would say—"Here is the report of H.M. Inspector of Police in Scotland, and he speaks of these people as an untruthful people. We cannot have them in our employments." Major Ferguson, the hon. member proceeded, was not fit to fill the post that he occupied—(hear, hear.) He had received many letters upon the subject, including one from the secretary of the Lewis and Harris Association, in which it was said that "Major Ferguson had gone out of his way to slander the natives of the Western Isles. It seemed monstrous that a gentleman in his position should have the audacity to make such statements." What he (Mr. Weir) wanted to know was what the Scotch Office was going to do. Were they going to allow this Major Ferguson to continue in office after making such a statement?—(hear, hear.) The hon. member was speaking when the motion for adjournment was put to the House.

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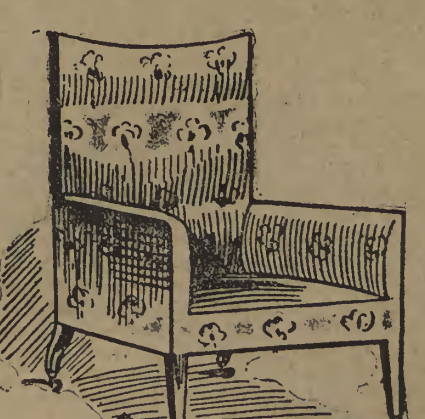
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A letter which appeared in a recent issue giving expression to the able criticisms under which the postal arrangements have been made...

SKYE NEWS.

SHEEP VALUATIONS.—This week valuations of stock were carried out on the farms of Duntulm and Craighaird...

WESTER ROSS NEWS.

POOLWEA-GAELIC RENAISSANCE MOVEMENT.—Mrs Summers, Laide, presided over a fair attendance at the annual meeting of the Western Ross Branch of the E.I.S. held in Poolwea School on Saturday...

NORTH BRITISH RAILWAY.

Table with columns for stations (London, King's Cross, etc.) and times for various services.

THE HIGHLAND RAILWAY.

Table with columns for stations (Lybster, Wick, Thurso, etc.) and times for various services.

BREAKFASTS AND LUNCHES.

Table with columns for stations (Aberdeen, Dundee, Perth, etc.) and times for breakfast and lunch services.

A SUCCESSFUL APPEAL.

John Wilson, carter, 24 Tylefield Street, Glasgow, some considerable time ago raised an action against James Currie & Co., shipowners, 45 Renfield Street, Glasgow...

THE GLASGOW SUTHERLANDS ASSOCIATION.

Anything but Queen's weather prevailed in and around Glasgow on Thursday (Victoria Day) and the numerous excursions arranged for the day were carried out under rather depressing weather conditions...

THE ROCKS OF SKYE.

An article appears in "Blackwood's" entitled "Climbing in Skye," in which the writer goes on to say that to one who has some experience of Continental alpinism the collins seem relatively small...

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