

FROM BONNIE SCOTLAND

NOTES OF INTEREST FROM HER BANKS AND BRAES.

What is Going on in the Highlands and Lowlands of Auld Scotia.

The death rate in Wick last quarter was 14.9 per 1,000.

An epidemic of scarlet fever is raging in Edinburgh, but of a mild type.

Edinburgh and Leith shopkeepers have started a crusade against street hawkers.

Dr. Wm. Paterson, for 44 years a highly respected citizen of Invernie, died at Ardenan, Port Elphinston, aged 66.

R. C. students are causing trouble by attending the Board schools in Edinburgh attired in the habit of their order.

It has been decided that compulsory levies on trade unions for the payment of Labor members of Parliament are illegal.

Lord Rosebery recently opened a new Labor Home in connection with the Church of Scotland at Stockbridge.

Colonel Younger becomes honorary colonel of the West of Scotland Royal Field Artillery Special Reserve at Glasgow.

Mr. James Brand, ex-chairman of the Glasgow Parish Council, has given \$5,000 for the erection of a Roman Catholic hall in Garnethill.

A proposal has been made that 500 of the citizens of Dundee should subscribe \$1,500 each, making \$750,000, for starting of new industries.

Lord Provost Urquhart has put forward a proposal for the erection of a City Hall for Dundee, and the construction of municipal buildings.

An exhibition of artificial flowers made by blind and crippled girls was opened by Lady Inverclyde in the Fine Art Institute, Glasgow, recently.

The membership of the Educational Institute of Scotland has reached a total of 11,253, an increase of over 1,000 compared with the previous year.

Mr. James Caron, who retired from the head wardenship of the Calton prison, after 30 years' service, was presented with the Imperial Service Order.

Sir Donald Currie has offered to pay one-fourth of the cost of a new infirmary for Perth, if the balance can be collected before 1st May.

The Marchioness of Breadalbane assisted by the Misses Steward Robertson, entertained the local poor at Taymouth Castle on the 1st inst.

No fewer than 5,730 rooks have been destroyed by the Western Ross Farmers' Club during the past year.

NEW STRENGTH FOR WEAK GIRLS

Can be Had Through the Rich, Red Blood Made by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

There comes a time in the life of almost every girl when sickness attacks her. The strain upon her blood supply is too great, and there comes headaches and backaches, loss of appetite, attacks of dizziness and heart palpitation, and a general tendency to a decline. The only thing that can promptly and speedily cure these troubles is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. This is the only medicine that actually makes new, rich, red blood and a plentiful supply of rich blood is the one thing needed to maintain the health of growing girls and women of mature years. The truth of this statement is proved in the case of Miss Esther E. Sproule, Truemanville, N. S., who says: "At the age of sixteen years I left my country home to attend high school. The close confinement and long hours of study nearly broke me down. My blood supply seemed to be deficient, and I grew pale and depressed. I was dizzy nearly all the time, and pimples broke out on my face. I was altogether in a miserable condition and it seemed impossible for me to continue my studies unless I found a speedy cure. I tried several tonics prescribed by the doctor, but they proved useless. My mother urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I finally consented to do so. I had hardly finished the second box before a change for the better took place, and the use of a few boxes more fully restored my health, and I have since been well and strong. I feel that I cannot say too much in favor of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I strongly recommend them to other ailing girls." You can get these Pills from any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

TRAIN FOR ENGLISH ROYALTY.

Luxurious Furnishings of the Car Built for King Edward.

The three railway corporations controlling the East Coast route between London and Scotland have just completed a new and luxuriously fitted royal train for the exclusive use of their Majesties King Edward VII. and Queen Alexandra and other members of the British royal family, says the Scientific American. Hitherto when the royal family have travelled over portions of the East Coast route the train built some years ago at the London and Northwestern Company's works at Wolverton has been utilized; but now the East Coast companies are in possession of their own special train.

The King's saloon is 67 feet in length over the body, 9 feet wide and 12 feet 11 inches high from rail level to top of roof. It is constructed of teak with a steel underframe and is carried on two six wheeled bogies. Entrance is obtained from double doors opening inward at each end; the moulding round the panels and windows are of gilt brass and the centre of the bottom panels is ornamented with his Majesty's cipher. On each side of the doors are gilt grip handles extending from the cornice to the floor. The outside panels are of specially selected figured teak and the centre panel bears his Majesty's coat of arms.

Commencing at one end the saloon is divided as follows: Entrance balcony, smoke room, day saloon, bedroom or dining room, dressing room, attendant's compartment.

The bedroom, or dining room, is fourteen feet long and the walls are panelled and enamelled white, the furniture being in mahogany inlaid with kingwood and covered with fine old rose colored silk damask with green silk embroidered cushions. When used for day journeys the bed is taken out and the compartment is converted into a dining room. In order to give uniformity of effect all of these rooms, with the exception of the attendant's compartment are carpeted alike with a fine plain Saxony pile old rose carpet, and all the curtains and blinds are of soft green silk, with white silk embroidery. In addition to electric radiators the saloon is heated by means of warmed air, which is delivered into the various compartments through ducts from electric blowers situated in the attendant's compartment. Ventilation is also afforded in the same way, and the air from the roof ventilators is extracted by means of electric exhausters.

In addition to the saloon for his Majesty the King two special saloons have been constructed for his Majesty's suite and friends, which are vestibuled on to the royal saloon. These saloons are carried on four wheeled bogies of special design with ten foot wheel base. The vehicles are fifty-eight feet six inches long and are fitted with easy chairs and couches upholstered in green tapestry. The partitions are so arranged that each of the saloons can be made into four bedrooms.

FISH WITH A SAIL.

Hoists or Lowers It at Will and Navigates Shallow Waters.

Few marine animals seem at first glance to betray less intelligence than the jelly-fish. Up with the tide and down with the tide, carried along by this or that current, moving with the eddy of a back-water hither and thither, the jelly-fish has become almost a synonym for helplessness, says the London Standard.

Scientifically, of course, the popular idea of the jellyfish is wholly mistaken; but it is perhaps only in tropical waters that he is found in the perfection of intelligence. In the South Pacific, around the islands of Polynesia, and as far south as the upper portion of the North Island of New Zealand there is a jellyfish who not only knows where he wants to go, but is even provided with a sail which he can and does hoist or lower at will. The sail, like the rest of this curious animal, is almost transparent, but unlike the body of the fish, which is of the usual gelatinous construction, the sail is a membrane almost as hard as shell.

Roundabout the Ellice Group the navigating fish is often found with a sail measuring five inches across, and he navigates the shallow island waters with the skill of a Hooghly pilot, steering in and out of snaggy places and avoiding obstructions both above and below the surface with unerring skill. Like his cousins in home waters this navigating jellyfish has the power of stinging its natural enemies, and its sting is fatal to fish and dangerous to man.

A MESSAGE OF HOPE TO ALL MOTHERS

Baby's Own Tablets come as a message of hope to all worried mothers. There is no other medicine can equal these Tablets for the cure of stomach, bowel and teething troubles. They make sickly, peevish, crying children bright and well. Guaranteed to contain no opiate or poisonous soothing stuff. Mrs. J. Laroque, Long Valley, Sask., says: "I have found Baby's Own Tablets a blessing both to my children and myself. I have tried them for most of the ills that come to young children and have never known them to fail." Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

HAD BAD RESULT.

Kind Old Gentleman—"I suppose drink was your downfall?" Beggars—"Yes, sir, it was. I took a drink of milk that had microbes in it, and it damaged my health so much that I can't work."

A PERFECT FOOD.

Milk taken every morning and evening in conjunction with Orange Meat supplies the most perfect and evenly-balanced food the human subject can secure. They are flesh formers, heat makers in the right proportions.

An additional reward is offered to persistent users of Orange Meat. A payment of fifty-two dollars a year during lifetime, or seven hundred dollars in Cash will be paid to the party winning the first prize in the Orange Meat contest. Full particulars on private post card found in every package of Orange Meat.

AT LAST.

The Drill Sergeant (after worrying Nesbitt for two hours)—Right about face.

Nesbitt (perfectly immovable)—"Thank goodness I'm right about something at last."

A Woman's Sympathy

Are you discouraged? Is your doctor's bill a heavy financial load? Is your pain a heavy physical burden? I know what these mean to delicate women—I have been discouraged, too; but I learned how to cure myself. I want to relieve your burdens. Why not end the pain and stop the doctor's bill? I can do this for you and will if you will assist me. All you need do is to write for a free box of the remedy which has been placed in my hands to be given away. Perhaps this one box will cure you—it has done so for others. If so, I shall be happy and you will be cured for 2c (the cost of a postage stamp). Your letters held confidentially. Write to-day for my free treatise. MRS. F. E. CURRIE, Windsor, Ont.

NO MORE PICKETS.

Soldiers at Aldershot Placed on Their Honor.

Trusting in the honor of the troops, General Smith-Dorrien, the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief at Aldershot, England, has issued an order abolishing the pickets told off to patrol the streets at night to keep soldiers in order.

Up to the present each regiment has had to provide a picket of six men and a non-commissioned officer for this purpose.

In the recent manoeuvres the experiment was successfully tried of relaxing the order placing public-houses out of bounds and trusting to the men not to abuse the privilege.

There is not a single man in the Aldershot command who does not feel that the new order places him upon his honor to behave well.

"There is no doubt that other commands will follow the lead of Aldershot in the matter," said a company officer. "The picket system, which treats the men like children, is bad, and should be generally done away with," said another officer.

Mr. Reavell, the Chairman of the District Council, said that the behavior of the troops during the last few years fully warranted the order, for it was a most exceptional thing now to see a soldier misbehaving in the streets. The soldiers were more educated now and could be trusted to behave in a respectable manner.

ONE OF CANADA'S GREATEST BANKS.

The shareholders of the Merchants' Bank held their annual meeting on December 16th last and the year's operations show net profits of almost three quarters of a million. These profits are slightly less than the previous year, but conditions have not been so favorable for profitable operations, owing to increase on interest bearing deposits and smaller earnings from call loans.

The Merchants' Bank has the reputation of having looked after its own discounting clientele particularly well during the troubled times of the past eighteen months which undoubtedly points to far seeing and careful management. With the revival in trade and the clearing financial horizon they will probably extend every encouragement for the development of sound business enterprise. We would particularly recommend farmers to bring their business to this bank if they wish assistance to help them over the winter season. With deposits of over \$40,000,000, and resources of over \$56,000,000, (including immediately available funds of over Twenty-four millions) surely the Merchants' Bank is an absolutely safe repository for the people's savings. We wish the authorities of the Bank all the success they deserve for their liberal, cautious and successful management.

THE MIDDLE AGED MAN.

Thinks It is Rheumatism That is Bothering Him and Not Gout.

"Can anybody tell me," said the middle-aged man, "the difference between rheumatism and gout? Now, not being very well versed in medical science, knowing very little in fact about osteology or therapeutics or anatomy, materia medica or pharmacopoeia, I wouldn't undertake, myself, off-hand to say; but in a general way I would say that gout is an ailment that attacks the rich and rheumatism the poor; and, being not what you call a rich man, I suppose what I've got is rheumatism."

"I have read in novels and seen pictures of portly gentlemen of middle age or rather more who sat in great easy chairs and with one foot all swathed up in bandages stretched out in front of them supported on a foot rest. This is the old gentleman, living in a fine old manor house or in a splendid mansion in town, who is described in the novel as being testy and choleric—choleric, as I understand it, meaning not that he has cholera or anything of that sort but an uneven temper; and this old gentleman with foot thus done up in bandages and supported on a foot rest has gout."

"But several of my symptoms are different. I don't live in an old manor house, nor in a mansion in town; and however disposed I might be to be testy and choleric, I have to keep my temper, and I don't swathe my foot in bandages and recline it on a foot rest. I have to keep more or less on the move."

"So I suppose that in the absence of the familiar gout symptoms we might safely diagnose my case as one of just plain rheumatism; but I guess my rheumatism hurts me about as much as the gout of our testy and choleric old friend hurts him."

HERE'S A MESSAGE TO ALL WOMEN

MADAME LETOURNEAU TELLS THEM TO USE DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Read Why She Gives This Advice and How She was Relieved of Her Sufferings.

St. Paul du Buton, Montmagny Co., Que., Jan. 11 (Special).—It is a message of hope that Madame F. X. Letourneau of this place sends to the suffering women of Canada.

"After my last child was born," she states, "I suffered with Kidney Disease which developed into Rheumatism, Sciatica and Backache. I was fearfully nervous. My limbs were heavy and I had a dragging sensation across the loins and pains in the back of my head and through the eyes. I was a perfect wreck."

"Chancing to read that my symptoms were those of Kidney Disease I began using Dodd's Kidney Pills and began to improve almost at once. Six boxes worked a complete cure."

Diseased Kidneys are the cause of nine-tenths of the ills that make life a burden to so many women in Canada. Dodd's Kidney Pills always cure diseased Kidneys.

A SLEEP DISTURBER.

The young man and the girl were standing outside the front door, having a final chat after his evening call. He was leaning against the door post talking in low tones. Presently the young lady looked round to discover her father in the doorway, clad in a dressing gown.

"Why, father, what in the world is the matter?" she inquired.

"John," said the father, addressing himself to the young man, "you know I have never complained about you staying late, and I am not going to complain of that now; but for goodness sake stop leaning against the door bell, and let the rest of the family get some sleep."

Mr. Martin was talking at the dinner-table in his usual clever manner about the inconsistency of women. "These young ladies who protest that they are never going to marry!" he broke out. "Everybody knows they will belie their own words at the very first opportunity." He paused, and evidently hoped that Mrs. Martin would come to the rescue of her sex; but that discreet woman held her tongue. "Why, Mary," he continued, "you remember how it was with yourself. I have heard you say more than once that you wouldn't marry the best man alive." "Well, I didn't," said Mrs. Martin.

SPECIALIST WAS BAFFLED.

Child Tortured with Eczema.

When all else failed Zam-Buk Cured Her

Once again the unequalled merit of Zam-Buk as a healer of skin disease has been demonstrated, this time at Lunenburg Co., N.S. Mr. D. G. Mossman, of that place, says: "My little girl, now nearly three years old, when about four months of age began to be afflicted with eczema. I consulted a specialist who did his best for the poor little thing, but the disease baffled him, and after a long trial I was obliged to admit that his treatment was not doing any good. Then I tried various remedies which were advised by friends, but with no better result."

Next I called in another doctor—still the disease continued to spread! It began in the form of small spots and pustules on the child's head. These increased in size and discharged. The discharge seemed to spread infection to other parts, and bit by bit the diseased area increased until at last the poor child's head and face seemed to be one great sore.

"When the second doctor failed to give any relief, I was at a loss what to do. Someone who had tried Zam-Buk strongly advised me to give it a trial, and I did so. The first few applications didn't seem to have any effect at all, but although not apparent it must have been attacking the very roots of the disease, for after persevering with the treatment for a little while we noted a marked improvement. Encouraged by this we continued with Zam-Buk and left off everything else. The disease was gradually subdued, the itching grew less acute, and the little one's suffering was relieved. Then the area of the sores grew less and less, and in the end every trace of the dreadful eczema was removed. Not only so, but there has been no scarring or marking left to disfigure the child's face."

"There is now no trace of the disease which caused her much suffering baffled every specialist and one practitioner, and defied every remedy I could obtain save Zam-Buk." Zam-Buk is Nature's own healing balm, being composed of pure herbal essences. It is a sure cure for eczema, ring-worm, ulcers, cuts, burns, bruises, poisoned sores, chronic wounds, bad leg, piles, festering sores, chapped hands, cold-sores, frost-bite, and all skin injuries and diseases. Druggists and stores everywhere sell at 50c. a box, or post free for price from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto; 3 boxes \$1.25. You are warned against harmful imitations sometimes represented to be "just as good."

"After taking three bottles of your wonderful medicine, our baby was entirely well and needed no more medicine. At sixteen months of age she weighed thirty pounds. She had cried eight months, night and day, and nothing did her good until we tried Scott's Emulsion."—MRS. E. C. SMITH, Villa Rica, Ga.

Scott's Emulsion

probably saved this child's life. Four doctors had been tried. SCOTT'S EMULSION seemed to be just the thing needed, and it is just the thing needed by thousands of other children. It's so easily digested, so pure and harmless, yet most powerful in building up the most delicate child or adult. But be sure to get SCOTT'S EMULSION, there are so many worthless and harmful imitations.

ALL DRUGGISTS
A full copy of Mrs. Smith's letter and many others of a similar nature, together with some of our valuable literature regarding children, will be sent upon receipt of your address, mentioning this paper.
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