

FROM BONNIE SCOTLAND

NOTES OF INTEREST FROM HER BANKS AND BRAES.

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

In Perth burg 400 applications have been made for old-age pensions.

The Duchess of Montrose has sent 400 rabbits for distribution among the poor of Glasgow.

John K. Cameron, a Crimean veteran, died in Aberdeen recently. He was born in Paisley in 1826.

Much of the steel construction work at the Franco-British Exhibition was prepared at Motherwell. The sheriff has decided that the owner of unlet property in Glasgow is liable in ownership taxes.

In the Northern District, in Glasgow, the other day a single apartment licensed for three was found crowded with 13.

Glasgow University is to have a lady censor to prevent flirtation within its precincts between men and women students.

Bothwell school board, like the Burgh school board of Hamilton, are finding the problem of accommodation pressing heavily.

Just fifty years have gone since the Presbytery of Edinburgh persecuted Robert Lee to death for introducing an organ to Greyfriars.

Mr. James Johnston, Woodside, Gartsherrie, has been appointed experimental agriculturist in the British East Africa Protectorate.

The old-age pensions passed by Banff Burgh Committee amount to \$4,725 annually, and in the neighboring burgh of Macduff to \$4,860.

Last season on the 16 public bowling greens of Edinburgh, there were 163,124 players, the expenditure was \$5,260, and the revenue \$4,010.

The annual re-union of the Edinburgh branch of the Seaforth Highlanders' Association was held recently. Major Douglas Campbell presided.

Mr. Robert Reid has retired from the position of chief clerk and assistant postmaster in Glasgow. He has been over 40 years in the service.

There died suddenly recently at Nairn, at the age of 82, a well-known horticulturist, Mr. David Stalker, of Messrs. D. Stalker and Son, Nairn Nurseries.

Lord Leith, of Fyvie, is erecting flagstaffs at all the schools in the parish. The Union Jack will be hoisted on these on the occasion of important national events.

Councillor D. M. Stevenson has offered to erect a public hall in Clarendon street, Glasgow, cost not to exceed \$35,000, if the corporation will maintain it.

22 HOURS ON A PLANK

SURVIVORS OF SHIPWRECK HAVE AWFUL EXPERIENCE.

Heat Drives One Insane—Others Perish One by One Until Rescue Comes.

A terrible tragedy of the sea, involving the loss of the Leith steamship Dunear, with fifty-one of her crew of fifty-three hands, was described the other day by William Phillips, a youth of 19, third officer of the ill-fated ship, on his arrival home at South Shields, England.

The only other survivor besides Phillips was John London, fourth engineer.

The vessel was bound from Katsue to Singapore. Two days after leaving port a typhoon burst upon them. On the third day the storm was raging at its height, and about 2.45 in the afternoon, a fearful wave crashed on board, sweeping away the bridge, charthouse and lifeboats.

The captain and second mate were on the bridge at the time, and went overboard with the wreckage. Phillips made his way to the port alleyway, where a number of the crew were sheltering, and told them the vessel was keeling over. In a few moments they were compelled to scramble up the deck, to prevent themselves being buried beneath it as the ship gradually went over.

PERISHED ONE BY ONE.

They reached the side of the ship as she lay over, but one after another was washed away. They numbered about twenty altogether, out of the total of fifty-three, sixteen being Lascars, while the others were the second and fourth engineers, who had rushed out of the engine-room when the crash was heard, the quartermaster, and Phillips.

A large quantity of wreckage was floating about, and many of the hapless crew, after going overboard, managed to keep themselves afloat by this means.

But one by one they sank. Phillips supported himself by means of two planks, one under each arm. A Lascar seaman hung on to the same planks in the same way. Phillips saw the fourth engineer and another Lascar holding themselves afloat by two other deals.

So, for some time, the last four survivors kept together under the lee of the ship, which was now keel upward and slowly sinking.

Certain death appeared to await them all. There was imminent risk of being sucked down by the foundering vessel. They were constantly lashed, too, by the heavy seas which broke over the sinking ship and hurled the broken water over them.

For more than an hour they faced the double danger, and then the wind beat them from off the ship, and they drifted away and apart.

The two white men were in sight of each other until sunset, each having a Lascar as companion on the planks which bore them up. By this time the typhoon had passed over them, but the early morning brought fresh terrors and tortures in a blazing hot sun.

HEAT DRIVES MAN INSANE.

The heat, said Phillips, drove the Lascar insane, and he dived under the water and was drowned. The agonies of Phillips were prolonged till midday, by which time he had been twenty-two hours in the water.

When he had almost given up hope he saw a passenger steamer, which proved to be the Saikio Maru, cruising among the wreckage. Twice the vessel passed round him, but on the third occasion it came nearer. His faint cries for help were heard, and he was rescued more dead than alive.

An hour afterward the same ship picked up the fourth engineer fully ten miles away from the spot where Phillips was found. He, too, was alone, the Lascar having stayed with him until near daybreak, when his strength gave out, and he slipped from the planks and disappeared.

The two rescued men rallied under medical treatment, and were landed at Moji, whence they were sent on to England.

Six months after marriage a man discovers that he has to get twice as angry in order to induce his wife to notice his wrath.

The only colony of Barbary apes in existence is on the Rock of Gibraltar. It is protected by the Government.

In Spain, boys under sixteen are not allowed to lift or carry more than 15 pounds, or push or draw heavy loads.

"A FRIEND TO THE GOVERNMENT."

Very few people have any idea of the enormous value of the tobacco crop to the world in general.

It is more extensively used than any other product grown in the world with the exception of tea.

In 1904 the total production of tobacco for the world was estimated at 4,100,000,000 pounds valued at \$400,000,000.

The amount of duties collected is estimated at one billion of dollars.

There are hundreds of different types grown, and every country, every state, every province, almost every county has a peculiar type of its own.

Some sections raise pipe tobacco only, others raise chewing tobacco only, and others cigar tobacco only.

When cigars are mentioned every smoker naturally thinks of the Island of Cuba, the Island that makes the standard for the world, for cigars. All other countries have tried to imitate, but none have ever equalled.

All Cuba tobacco, however, is not good tobacco and each province in the Island grows a type of its own, in fact each district or parish.

Few people realize how painstaking a manufacturer must be in the selection of the Cuban leaf in order to produce a satisfactory cigar, not only must he be particular as to the ash, the burn, the aroma, but above all to the taste. Some types possess all the desirable qualities except the taste. It may be a little flat, a little seedy, lacking that spice necessary to satisfy the palate, the same as cabbage needs vinegar, consommé need Worcester sauce, or steak needs salt. In order to obtain the necessary spice the manufacturer has to select, from another district, a spicy tobacco, to blend with the other desirable qualities already obtained, in order to secure the perfectly satisfactory palatable cigar.

All manufacturers strive to obtain the blend that will suit the majority, but for obvious reasons many fail in the attempt. It requires a long and careful study of the section of the country from which the tobacco originates, a study of its fermentation, of its blending, of its workmanship, and the manufacturer making the study must personally have a very discriminating taste.

Mr. J. Bruce Payne, of Granby, is an enthusiastic tobacco student, and a recognized authority on Tobacco. When smoking one of his Pharaoh cigars you can feel assured that you are enjoying one of the choicest blends in domestic ten cent cigars.

INVENTIONS OF WOMEN.

Many Fire Escapes Are Credited to Gentler Sex.

Most women are very much afraid of fire, and thus it is not surprising to discover that they have patented a good many fire escapes. Some of these take on queer disguises. One of them masquerades as a window-cleaner, another is a spring bed under ordinary circumstances. A thermometer that gives an alarm of fire when the temperature rises above a certain point is a woman's idea, and so likewise is a scheme for making the doors and shutters of a dwelling fireproof, so that they may not catch and impede escape, what ever happens to the rest of the house.

So many interesting things have been invented by women, however, that it is impossible to mention more than a few of them here. Among them are a self-heating sardine, an implement for holding green corn when one eats it, a refrigerator with revolving shelves (surely an excellent idea), a folding car-step to render access to railroad cars easier for the fat and elderly, an egg-cup that fits an egg of any size, a deep-sea telescope for examining the ocean bottom for wrecks, a robberproof chicken coop, a musical skipping-rope, a trap for bedbugs, a pair of scissors and tape-measure combined, a step-ladder that is an ironing-board in disguise, a sofa that can be transformed into a bathtub, a machine for hanging wall-paper, a rocking-chair with automatic attachment for keeping the flies off the head of a bald-headed man, a means of detecting tampering with sealed envelopes, a combined collar and necktie, a door-plate that is also a card receiver, and a carriage with one wheel.

The population of Canada is now about 6,500,000.

The phonograph is in use in some Austrian schools, and by its means pupils are made familiar with famous speeches in history.

If a man doesn't flatter a woman she imagines it is because it doesn't understand her.

IN MERRY OLD ENGLAND

NEWS BY MAIL ABOUT JOHN BULL AND HIS PEOPLE.

Occurrences in the Land That Reigns Supreme in the Commercial World.

There are now 129,285 paupers in London—an increase of 6,777 on the number a year ago.

James Nicholls, 35, laborer, was hanged at Norwich for the murder of Susan Wilson, aged 70.

The docks at Fleetwood are to be extended at an outlay of \$400,000 by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company.

H.M.S. Irresistible was recommissioned at Chatham on Dec. 15 with a new crew for further service in the Channel fleet.

The commanding officer of the Scots Greys, stationed at Tidworth barracks, reports the robbery of \$500 from the regimental funds.

Next year the Royal Agricultural Show will be held at Gloucester, and in 1910 at Liverpool. The Earl of Jersey has been elected president for 1909.

"Scotland Yard" is said to have derived its name from a palace which formerly occupied the spot, under which the Scottish ambassadors were lodged.

Between 1903 and 1907 mechanical cabs in London have increased in numbers by over 700, while horse-drawn cabs have decreased by more than 1,500.

For a poisoned thumb, now useless, a barge builder was awarded 15s. a week—£39 a year—at Woolwich County Court, under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

The new propellers of the Cunard steamer Mauretania weigh eighteen tons each, and the bracket replacing the one which was damaged represents an additional ten tons.

Ernest Yarrow, 37, a solicitor's clerk, of Chichester, suddenly took a knife from his pocket and stabbed himself through the heart at Portsmouth town hall. He died almost immediately.

The Indomitable, at full speed, burns 500 tons of coal a day, with oil in addition. With reciprocating engines and burning coal only, she would probably have touched 1,000 tons a day.

The First Lord of the Admiralty announces that 420,000 gallons of rum have been bought for the Navy this year, against 120,000 gallons last year, and 400,000 gallons the year before.

Admiral Sir Charles Drury, lately commander-in-chief of the Mediterranean Station, took over the appointment of commander-in-chief at the Nore in succession to Admiral Sir Gerrard Noel.

Speaking of the withdrawal of military picquets from Aldershot streets, the Rev. E. P. Lowry, Senior Wesleyan Chaplain at the camp, says he knows battalions in which 50 per cent. of the men are total abstainers.

Algernon Borthwick, Lord Glenesk, died recently at his London residence in his 78th year. His lordship was the chief proprietor of the Morning Post, which he made a most successful paper, realizing a great fortune, powerful social influence, and finally a peerage.

A girl who got three months at Marylebone for robbing her employer had been engaged on the following character:—"She is a strictly honest, sober and reliable maid. As a house parlor-maid she takes the greatest interest in her work, and she is a pleasing mannered girl."

LET HIM KNOW IT.

When a fellow pleases you,
Let him know it;
It's a simple thing to do—
Let him know it.
Can't you follow out the style?
It is sure to bring a smile.
And that makes it worth the while—
Let him know it.

You are pleased when anyone
Lets you know it;
When the man who thinks "Well Done"
Lets you know it.
For it gives you added zest
To bring out your very best—
Just because some mortal blest
Lets you know it.

When a fellow pleases you,
Let him know it;
Why, it isn't much to do—
Let him know it.
It will help him in the fray.
And he'll think his efforts pay.
If you like his work or way,
Let him know it.

THE TORTURES WOMEN SUFFER

Can Be Relieved by Keeping the Blood Supply Rich With Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

A woman needs a blood building medicine regularly just because she is a woman. From maturity to middle life, the health and happiness of every woman depends upon her blood, its richness and its regularity. If her blood is poor and watery she is weak, languid, pale and nervous. If her blood supply is irregular she suffers from headaches, backaches, sideaches and the other unspeakable distress which only women know. Some women have grown to expect this suffering at regular intervals and to bear it in hopeless silence. But women would escape much of this misery if they took a box or two of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to help them over each critical period. These Pills actually make new blood. They help a woman just when nature makes the greatest demand upon her blood supply. They have done this for thousands of women throughout Canada, why not for you?

Mrs. Joseph Kinney, Gilbert's Cove, N. S., says:—"For ten years I suffered from nervousness and those troubles that make the lives of so many women one of almost constant misery. At times I would be confined to my bed for weeks. I spent sleepless nights and seemed to lose all courage. I tried several doctors, but they failed to give me any relief. The last doctor I consulted told me frankly that he could not undertake my case unless I would undergo an examination. It was then I decided to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial. After taking six boxes I was much improved in health, but I continued to take the Pills for a couple of months more when I felt like a new woman, and was enjoying such health as I had not experienced for ten years before. I have had no return of the trouble since, but I have used the Pills once since that time for the after effects of la grippe and the result was all I hoped for. These are plain facts from my own experience and I have always felt that I cannot too strongly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to the many women who suffer as I did."

You can get these Pills from any dealer in medicine or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

GIVE A RIGHT CHARACTER.

Mistresses Should Give Servants Good Recommendations.

Many employers believe that the laws of good manners do not apply to their dealings with their servants. This was not the opinion of Chesterfield, who was more on his guard with servants and others who were called his inferiors than with his equals.

There is nothing more keenly appreciated by good servants than evenness of temper, which respects itself at the time it respects others. A lady visited a dying servant not long ago, who had been in her family for 33 years. "How are you, Nancy?" she asked, taking hold of the withered hand which was held out. "Is that you, my darling pet?" exclaimed the old woman, as a beam of joy spread over her face. "Oh, yes," she added, looking up, "it is you, my kind, my mannerly mistress."

A wise mistress sees that their meals are regularly served and that they are undisturbed during that time. She does not think that any hole does for a servant's bedroom; she includes the servants in the circle of her sympathies; they are made to feel that if they have to work for the family and bear its burdens they are not excluded in a real share in its interests and joys. In managing servants a little judicious praise is a wonderful incentive.

Half the domestic difficulty arises from a want of honesty among mistresses in the character which they give of servants they discharge. Many a domestic receives flattering recommendations who does not deserve any better than the following: "The bearer has been in my house a year—minus eleven months. During that time she has shown herself diligent—in gadding about; frugal in work; mindful—of herself; prompt—in excuses; friendly—toward men, and honest when everything had vanished."

Training schools are often advocated for domestic servants to meet the servant difficulty. But improvement must begin at the head. To rule well is often more difficult than to serve well. There might be a training school for mistresses.

"The physician attending me prescribed, on my rallying from an attack of rheumatism, your Scott's Emulsion, which I have been taking every winter since. I find it most valuable in strengthening and building up one after a severe illness. I have not had rheumatism since the time mentioned above and I owe it to your most valuable Emulsion. It is my life now, and makes me strong and healthy."—R. PICARD, Grand Ligne, Quebec.

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