

FROM THE LAND O' CAKES.

INTERESTING NEWS NOTES FROM BONNIE SCOTTISH BRAES.

stray scraps of News Perfumed by the Weather—Happenings of a Week Told in a Few Words.

Paisley corporation's new baths cost £10,000.
Ayr Carnegie Free Library and site cost £12,120.
A Gladstone memorial is to be erected in Glasgow.
Railways within Troon burgh are assessed for £3,581.
Mr. Brockie has been elected Proconsul of Lockerbie.
The fishing in Shetland is reported light and variable.
Paisley favors the overhead system of trolley traction.
Donald R. Henry, editor of the Ross-shire Journal, is dead.
A medal has been offered for a reliable ascent of Ben Nevis.
Paisley is to have six representatives at Bilsly this year.

Saltcoat's commissioners propose acquiring the gas works there.
Lammer Day was celebrated in Lanark in old-time manner.
A hawbee has been taken off the four-pound loaf in Glasgow.
As a barley market in Scotland, Elgin ranks next to Edinburgh.
During the recent epidemic Port-Glasgow had 508 cases of measles.
Five big locomotives for the Belgian Government are being built in Glasgow.

In the Pothead colliery there has only been one fatal accident in thirty years.
The severity of the weather has had a bad effect on the crops about Portpatrick.
Last year Glasgow School Board spent £256,593. The income was £260,304.
John N. Weyness, a cattle dealer, will know in the north of Scotland, is dead.
Shootings in the Highlands are in demand this year and command big rentals.
Lord Elgin, Viceroy of India, is expected to arrive at Broomhill in November.

Helenburgh commission is prepared to give £29,000 for the local gas works.
Dulkeith is to erect a lamp and drinking fountain in memory of the pet Burns.
William Black, wool sorter, a well-known character in Jedburgh, is dead, aged 90 years.
D. Bryden, of Ross Mains, Dumfriesshire, was dangerously bitten in the leg by a horse.
Greenock and Port-Glasgow Tramways Company are contemplating the introduction of electricity.

There are 639 patients in the Montrose Asylum. The grounds are to be enlarged and the buildings improved.
At Rothes, in Morayshire, the money placed in a bottle under a foundation stone became the plunder of burglars.
J. Smith, Brae Farm, Pitfodells, succeeded in suiciding in the second attempt by throwing himself in front of a train.
Piper Findlater does not think it better to be a gatekeeper at Balmoral than a dweller on the stage at the Empire.

Leith is satisfied with the Spanish-American war. It has greatly increased its import trade with the United States.
An Aberdeen steamer has sighted the annual sea serpent. It was 115 feet in length, 30 feet being head and the remainder tail.
An association has been formed to protect fishing in the Gala at Stow.
An abundant fruit crop is expected in the Althly district.

In Perthshire the weather has at last consented to "tak' a thocht an' mend," almost tropical heat having been experienced lately.
An unknown gentleman has volunteered to build the second block of consumption hospitals at Bridge of Weir, at a cost of £8,000.
The postman for Eastbairn district is now provided with a bicycle, which enables him to deliver letters to farms hitherto exempt.

The directors of Musher's Iron Works, Dalkeith, finding that the business cannot be profitably carried on have resolved to wind up the company.
"Lack of little common sense" is the reason given for the falling through of the negotiations for a union of the Free and U. P. kirks at Dumfries.
Donald McPherson, a Nairn hotel-keeper, recently deceased, claimed the grand distinction of having been initiated into the mysteries of angling by John Bright.

Gladstone's mother belongs to the school of having originated Sabbath schools in the Highlands, the first Sabbath school in Dingwall having been conducted by her.
Langholm has been presented with a new seat to be placed on the surrounding roads, but the Duke says he would prefer to make all seats to be placed on his ground.
While four trumpeters in the Forfar and Kincardine Militia were bathing in the sea, two of them—Edward Taylor and Taylor—swam out a distance of thirty yards in a pretty high sea, and Noble was drowned.



DOTTED MUSLIN WAIST.

The waist illustrated is of light blue dotted muslin. The fronts are composed of alternate groups of three tucks and bands of cream Valenciennes insertion, and are trimmed at intervals with five lengthwise frills of lace to match the insertion, one set down the

middle and two on either side as illustrated. The back is pleated in three box pleats. The neck is finished with a standing collar, which is trimmed with two pointed tabs edged with lace frills. The sleeves are trimmed from the top to the wrist with bands of insertion and clusters of tucks.

The gross revenue earned by the Glasgow tramways for the year to 31st May last amounted to £394,111, and the working expenses to £293,594, leaving a balance of £100,517.
In the Original Secession church, Ayr, the anniversary of Drumclog was celebrated by a special service. One of the flags carried at the battle was displayed in a prominent place.

The first sod of the extension of the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire railway from Lugton to Cambuslang was cut on June 6th by the Hon. Mrs. Vernon, in the presence of landowners, railway officials, coal-masters and traders.
The Engineering and Shipbuilding Federation has decided to concede a five per cent. advance in wages to all grades of Clyde shipbuilders, the advance to come into force on August 1st, and to remain in operation for six months.

At a meeting of the Aberdeen Town Council it was resolved to contribute £2,000 to the guarantee fund of £20,000 required for the International Fisheries Exhibition next year, and also decided to grant a site on the links for the Exhibition.
The penny bank is quite an institution in Dumbarton. It was founded many years ago, and not a few of those who took the sage advice to take care of the pence have learned habits of thrift that will stand them in good stead so long as they live.

Sympathy is felt with the women workers who went to the herring fishing at Scrabster and Stromness. The catch has been so small at both places that the women have had no chance of earning even in some cases

what may be regarded as starvation wages.
The body of William Howell, a fireman, belonging to the Shettleston district, has been found at the bottom of the shaft of the Broombridge pit, Dennylothead, in a frightfully mangled condition, and it is supposed that Howell must have thrown himself down the shaft.

"HUMAN ALLIGATORS."
According to the mail news from the west coast of Africa, a "human alligator" society infests the banks of the Kittam Boom River. Fishermen and boatmen have been enticed from their canoes, by the members of the society, who, after murdering them and stealing their belongings, feasted on their bodies. One man who was enticed onto the river bank, when fallen on by the "human alligators," killed one of his assailants and wounded two others, but was eventually himself killed and eaten, excepting one of his legs, which was found in the river and identified by some marks upon it. So common were the outrages becoming in the district that the attention of the authorities was being drawn to the matter.

THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.
The nervous system, says Prof. W. H. Thomson, has a greater store of reserve vitality than all the other bodily systems together, and is the only texture that does not lose weight in death by starvation or other cause. It is the last to grow old. As to the mind, it need not grow old at all, provided it be supplied with the mighty stimulus called interest, by which it will grow steadily, even while bone and sinew are wasting through age.

JOURNEYS OF CRANE-BACK.

How the Little Birds Travel From Europe to Asia and Vice Versa.

How even the little birds contrive to get across such vast expanses of the sea in their annual migrations is a puzzling question. That they do it is unquestionable; it is admitted by the most competent observers that they sometimes get over stretches of billowy brine that for a thousand miles afford no perch for their weary little claws to clutch on. That such an extended flight is too much for them is not only evident in itself, but is proved by the fact that these too venturesome songsters sometimes alight on the riggings of ships in such a state of exhaustion that, when disturbed, they are unable to fly the length of the vessel, and occasionally even fall helpless upon the deck.

An English traveller, who was considerably interested in the birds, happened to be passing the autumn in the island of Crete, in the Mediterranean; and he often noticed a sound like the twittering of small birds at times when the sandcranes were passing overhead on their way southward. As the only fowl in sight were the cranes, this aroused his curiosity, and he mentioned the matter to a friend who was a native of the island, suggesting that possibly the noise was caused by the

WHIRRING OF THE FEATHERS.
of these great birds. His friend, however, said no; the noise, he declared, was made by song-birds that were riding on the backs of the cranes, and he further asserted that the saucy little fellows had come all the way from the coast of Europe with their good-natured companions, who lent, if not a helping hand, a helping back, which was much more servicable, as often as needed.

A few days later the Englishman got pretty conclusive proof of the truth of these statements. He was cruising about in a boat about fifteen miles from shore, when another flock of cranes passed overhead, and he heard the same twittering notes. He, therefore, discharged his gun to see what would come of it; and forthwith he saw three small birds rise up from the flock in fright. After a short time they disappeared among the cranes.

The next year he was visiting Cairo, in Egypt, and observed a great number of wagtails in the palm gardens there. After watching them for some time, as they hopped about and tilted in the fashion that has given them their name, he asked an old Bedouin chief who stood near how he imagined they got there, as they always spend the summer in Europe. The sheik at once replied: "Ya khamageh, my dear sir, do you know that these little birds are borne across the sea by the larger ones?"

The traveller put the same question to a couple of Arab donkey-boys who came up to offer him their beasts. "Surely," they cried. "Abu Sand, the stork, has carried them over the sea." It is said that Indians of the region south of Hudson's Bay tell a similar tale of a finch which travels very comfortably on the back of the Canada goose. It certainly seems improbable that a belief so widely disseminated should be wholly without foundation.

SAVED BY HIS PURSE.
An English Settler's Experience in the Matabeleland War.
"History repeats itself," but one would scarcely have expected the famous foot-race of Grecian mythology to be repeated, several thousand years later, in South Africa. According to the Grecian story, Atalanta, the famous huntress, made it a condition that the suitor who would win her for his wife must first outrun her in a foot-race. Though she was the swiftest-footed of mortals, she was conquered by Meilanion in this manner. During the race he dropped three golden apples, one after the other. Atalanta was so charmed by their beauty that she could not abstain from gathering them. Her wily suitor outran her, and she became his wife.

The repetition of this story occurred in the Matabeleland War of 1896. An English settler, named Carruthers, having been warned of the rising of the natives, was making his way to a place of safety. While on the road he fell in with a party of blacks, and being parched with thirst, asked them for water. A negro approached, bearing a big calabash full of water. To drink from the calabash, it was necessary to take hold of it with both hands. Carruthers, not suspecting treachery, rested the butt of his rifle on the ground, with the muzzle leaning against his chest, and stretched out his hands to grasp the calabash. As he did so, the native seized the rifle and ran off.

Carruthers also ran, but in the opposite direction. The natives fired on him and gave chase. He outran them all, save a young black, who kept shouting to the others to bring a gun, as he had only an assegai.
After running a long distance, Carruthers turned and offered his pursuer money as a bribe. "All right, give me the money!" answered the native. Carruthers took several pieces of silver out of his purse, and placing them on a stone, ran on. The native, after picking them up, continued the chase, shouting, "Give me the purse!"
"Very well, here it is," said Carruthers, throwing the purse as far as he could into the tall grass. The native stopped to look for the purse, and Carruthers made good his escape.

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