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Memories of Bruce & Wallace

Stirling Castle, Bannockburn.

Mementos of John Knox.

The beautiful valley of the Forth described.

Edinburgh, Sept. 7th 1897.

DEAR MR. RAMAGE:—
This letter is somewhat out of its proper chronological order but I have a short time at my disposal and I shall try to relate very briefly my visit to Stirling, Callander and Edinburgh.

To one versed as you are in Scottish history, Stirling has peculiar interest. So many important events cluster round it that days might very profitably be spent in viewing scenes which at one time or another throbbled with the heartbeats of a nation struggling for its very existence and field, upon which some of Scotland's noblest heroes and England's bravest soldiers shed their life's blood. They should indeed be fertile, nourished with such precious comest.

Stirling Station is near the very centre of the town. For the tourist there are three or four points of special importance and his first care is to reach one of these in the shortest time. In my plan of campaign, the High Church came first in order. This is one of the oldest and most important churches in Scotland. There is evidence that a church was here in 1414, it is recorded that the church was rebuilt after having been destroyed some time previously by fire. It is now divided by a solid wall into two separate and distinct parts called respectively the East and the West churches. The style of architecture is early Gothic. The cylindrical pillars, 13 ft. in circumference, the pointed arches, the massive spandrels and the round and beautifully arching windows will at once attract attention. The guide for 2 pence tells you the main historical associations of the building. It was originally a "Greyfriars Monastery," then Episcopacy held sway and lastly Presbyterianism held its keys and worshipped within its walls. A beautiful stained glass window was erected to the memory of John Dick Esq., whose works some are familiar with. Many other such windows nine or ten in all are in memory of other friends of the church. The tower is about 90 feet in height and shows marks which are said to be the marks of balls fired from the castle, it having been occupied by Monk, one of Cromwell's generals in 1631. In this church many notable events took place, the most important to me being the coronation of James VI on July 29th 1567 on which occasion John Knox preached. The pulpit in which this sermon was preached is still preserved in Guildhall and I was permitted to stand in the sacred desk in which the great preacher stood declaring in his own fearless manner the truth of the Gospel.

Leaving the church, and lingering in the older part of the cemetery just alongside, tombstones bearing dates from 1513 onward may be seen. Near the centre of the cemetery is an elevated rock called the Ladies' Rock on the top of which and not far apart are a sundial and a compass. The inscription engraven on the dial is suggestive and striking. The thoughtful traveller pauses to take in its full meaning:
"I am a shadow, so art thou,
I mark time, dost thou?"
This is cut deeply in the bronze of the dial in a circle around the outer edge and doubtless causes many a passing wayfarer to look within, amidst all the outlooking to which they are so prone. In the new cemetery to the north of the old are some very interesting statues. Three or four may be mentioned. One, "The Virgin Martyr," enclosed in glass is a beautiful piece of statuary. That of James Guthrie, one of the Ministers of Stirling who suffered martyrdom in 1661 and to Ebenezer Erskine at one time minister in the High Church are commemorative of great and worthy men. The star Pyramid or Salem Rock, intended to commemorate the doctrine of Bible truth is also striking as it rises in silent and stately grandeur above the trees of the Upper Gardens of the cemetery.

Guid Hall, or as it is known, Cowan's Hospital, is next visited. Here may be seen some very old and honored relics of the town and of John Cowan, the founder of the hospital. Time will not allow further description here. Stirling Castle is next visited. Here I had the pleasure of falling in with a

gentleman and his daughter from New Zealand. In company of a guide we went through the several rooms, courtyards, palaces, prisons, etc., which are open to the public but it would be altogether too long to give a title of the historical and mythical episodes which the guide volubly asserted as having happened within or around these walls. From the wall however may be seen one of the finest sights in all Scotland. To the South and West is the field of Bannockburn the victorious Bruce overthrew the power of the first Edward. To the North lies the beautiful valley of the Forth and about a mile from the foot of the castle wall is the scene of the Battle of Stirling fought in 1297 by the Scots under Sir William Wallace and the English under the Earl of Surrey and Sir Hugh Cressingham. Who has not read the charming description of this battle in Miss Porter's "Scottish Chiefs"? To the North East is the famous old Forth Bridge, and beyond it about two miles distant in majestic and solitary grandeur rises the imposing monument of Sir Wm. Wallace. To the east may be seen the "winding of the Forth" and the beautiful Forth Valley extending for many miles to the head of the Estuary—the "meeting of the waters" famous in song and story. A walk to the monument over the new Forth Bridge from which an excellent side view of the Old Bridge is seen and through the valley is most enchanting on a clear warm morning. Wallace's monument is on the summit of Abbey Craig—a rock-like elevation 300 feet high on which the Army of Sir William was stationed before the battle of Stirling.

By a winding road through dense woods the base of the monument is reached. A sight of surpassing beauty meets the eye, but for a better view the visitor ascends the monument tower many feet higher still and from this elevated station can be seen I believe one of the finest views of the world. In the words of another: "From the Tower may be seen the links of the Forth, extending as far as the eye can reach, the picturesque valley of Meniceth, with the distant Grampians and their prominent peaks, Ben Lomond, Ben Ledi and Ben Cruachan with many mountains in the far distance, forming a panorama of unsurpassed grandeur. The rivers Forth and Teith are seen shining like silver in the level carse. The sun setting beyond the lofty Ben Lomond on a summer evening, the mountains tinted with heath, and the horizon a mass of liquid fire, is a sight to be remembered." This beautiful picture is not overdrawn. Dull of soul indeed would he be who could look out on such a view unmoved—the sight of seven different battlefields—Cambuskenneth 813, Stirling bridge, 1297, Bannockburn 1314, Sauchie Burn 1388, Sheriffmuir 1715, Falkirk 1298, and Falkirk 1746, tempers the rosetate joy of the view with a sombre sadness which produces a finer joy because the interest is thereby greatly intensified. The monument itself is a magnificent tribute to the great national hero, whose bronze statue, 13 feet in height adorns the front corner facing the town of Stirling. Within are four large galleries, one above the other in which are kept genuine Scottish relics and busts of heroes or other distinguished Scotchmen. The sword of Sir William was the most interesting of these relics to me. It measures 5 feet 6 inches in length and is 2 1/2 inches broad at the hilt narrowing to 1 inch at the point. It is secured in a shrine the gift of a lineal descendant of the hero. The strength of body and especially of arm to wield such an implement of death must have been enormous yet it is related that it was handled by the sturdy soldier-patriot with the greatest ease.

Many other interesting relics connected with the makers of Scottish history are to be seen in Stirling Castle—the old pulpit of John Knox—not the one used in the High Church but the one used regularly in his own church—being one of the most important. But I must pass on as this is already too long. A short visit to Callander to see friends and the town which is romantically situated between the mountains—Ben Ledi being but a short distance away—and the river Teith which is here spanned by a fine old bridge. The town is a favorite place of resort for tourists for her ready access can be had at all times to the coaching tours through the Trossachs. Retracing my steps to Larbert the train is changed for Edinburgh the fair capital of a fair country.

HOLSTEIN.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Burrows, of River-view, visited the former's mother Mrs. Wm. Burrows over Sunday and Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. Morrel, of Harriston, spent Sabbath at Mrs. Tribe's.
The young people of the Methodist church in this place, intend giving a treat in the basement of the church on show night. 15 cents admission. All are welcome.

Rev. J. R. Isaac and daughter, Miss Gerlie, took in the excursion to Niagara Falls Thursday last, stopping over till Monday.
Miss Kate Smith returned to the Queen City last week after spending a few weeks' holidays with her parents.
Miss Ida Keith is at present visiting her brother's at Goldstone.



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GLENELG COUNCIL.
The Council met Sept. 20th pursuant to adjournment. All the members present; the Reeve in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. Communications read as follows: from John McKay on municipal audits; from James Norris, gravel certificate; from the Municipal Ward on account; from S. J. Parker a list of tax arrears.
Williams—McMillan—That the Clerk be instructed to insert notices in Markdale Standard Durham Chronicle and Review that the municipality will not be responsible for accidents to steam engines passing over bridges within the municipality.—Carried.
Williams—McFadden—That Alexander McMillan be paid \$18 for the keep of widow McMillan up to Oct. 1st 1897.—Carried.
McMillan—Williams—That the commissioner for Ward 3 be instructed to improve the road opposite lot 27, con. 9 and not to exceed \$25.—Carried.

McFadden—McMillan—That the Treas. be authorized to borrow \$300 for current expenses.—Carried.
Further payments were made as follows: Robert Ryan, repairing bridge at lot 10, con. 150 tons; Angus Black, repairing hill at lot 30, con. 3, 88; Donald Black, repairing bridge at lot 32, con. 3 \$25; John Sweeney, two culverts and grading at lot 9, con. 8 \$12.50; John McCann, repairing sink hole bridge lot 8, con. 1 \$1; Samuel Miller, repairing of culvert, lot 105, con. 1 \$1; Gillen Boyd, filling at lot 28, con. 3 \$8.50; Samuel Wright repairing road at lot 20, con. 10 \$25; The Municipal Ward for Marriage Register \$1.50; John Staples, for gravel \$2.50; Andrew Walker, for gravel \$5; John Williams, letting and inspecting 80.
The Council adjourned to Nov. 8th at 10 a. m.
J. S. BLACK, Clerk.
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