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For further information, address: Mr. Harry Dean, Musical Director, Halifax Conservatory of Music, Halifax, N. S., or apply at the office.



PRESIDENT WILSON, AS HE IS TO-DAY, AT WORK AT HIS DESK IN THE WHITE HOUSE

For the first time in months President Wilson has agreed to pose for a camera man. This photograph was one of a series made by George W. Harris in the White House on Saturday morning, June 19. Members of the President's official family say that this "snap," taken after he had been at work at his desk for nearly an hour, shows the President exactly as he is to-day.

HAS PLAYED HIS 1,000TH GAME AS A CATCHER IN MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL



Ray Schalk

A record as catcher, hard to beat, was established recently when Ray Schalk played his 1,000th major league game in the uniform of the White Sox in Chicago. He has caught 130 or more games every year and has been a consistent batter—260 or better. Schalk was sold to Comiskey late in 1912 and has never played on any other major league team than the White Sox. Comiskey got him for cash and four players, worth approximately \$17,000, from the Milwaukee club of the American Association. That team had purchased him for \$700 from Taylorville, of the I. & M. league in 1911.

WHEN SEA BALLADS AND WAR SONGS WERE PREVALENT IN HALIFAX.

(“Occasional,” in Halifax Recorder)

In reading the “Quest of the Ballad,” by W. Roy Mackenzie, the old inhabitant will recognize some of the songs that he heard the old men of a former generation sing in the days of his youth; Sea Ballads, war songs and chantes were prevalent in Halifax before the Crimean war. You might hear a pensioner of the famous 52nd regiment, or the 23rd Welsh Fusiliers singing Waterloo songs in tap rooms of the town, over his glass of grog or pot of ale; or old retired seamen, like John Bilby, a Halifax man, who fought at Trafalgar, with Nelson, singing sea ballads of “ye old time,” among which was heard the single combat between the “Chesapeake” and the “Shannon.” Mr. Mackenzie has picked up the surviving portion of one which runs thus:
“Twas of the “Shannon” frigate,
In the merry month of May;
To watch those bold Americans,
Off Boston Light she lay.

The “Chesapeake,” lying in harbor, A frigate, stout and fine;
She had four hundred and sixty men on board,
And her guns was forty-nine.

Captain Broke, he commanded us;
A challenge he did write
To the captain of the “Chesapeake,”
To bring her out to fight.

He says, “My noble Lawrence,
Don't think it's through enmity;
For it's to show to all the world
That Britain rules the sea.”

The challenge being accepted,
The “Chesapeake” she bore down;
And she was as fine a frigate
As belonged to the British Crown

Yard-arm and broadside
For a quarter of an hour;
When that enemy's ship drove up
Alongside alongside
And her yard got locked in ours.

The author of “Quest” says: “At this point the singer's memory flatly refused to work, and we were compelled to leave the two stout frigates with yards locked, in a state of perpetual mortal combat. But the ancient bard who sang the ballad was careful to warn me that I should not be lulled into a false sense of security by this circumstance. “If I was you,” he said, “I wouldn't try to sing that one when you go back to the States. They know very well how the Chesapeake got licked, and they wouldn't thank ye for puttin' them in mind of it.”

“The Saladin songs,” says the author of the “Quest of the Ballad,” “by reason of their rich background of attested fact, mark the high water limit of interest in Nova Scotia production, and I shall not precipitate an anti-climax by turning to examples of such unattached songs as I considered earlier in the chapter. The Jones ballad is not as full of sensibility as that of the Anderson one, and for that reason is not singled out for as wide a popularity as the one supposed to be spoke by the Swede. The following are the concluding stanzas of Jones' ballad:
We sailed the ship before the wind,
As we could do no more;
And on the twenty-eight of April
Were shipwrecked on the shore.

We were all apprehended,
And into prison cast;
Tried, and found guilty,
And sentence on us passed.

Four of us are now condemned,
And ready for to die;
And the day of execution
Is the thirtieth of July.

At the commencement of the nineteenth century, Halifax presented a prosperous condition. The population then approached 9,000. Trade was brisk, and the place was enlivened by a large garrison and the presence of a Prince of the Blood Royal. The harbor was the resort of the fleet, and was the principal station of the naval commander. The war was at its height, and the prize court in full operation. A number of privateers had been fitted out by the merchants of the town, and captures of French vessels were frequent, though the trade of the port occasionally suffered from French cruisers. Among the captures from the enemy at the time, the most remarkable was that of two prizes—one French and one Danish, brought in by Captain William Pryor, commander of the privateer “Nymph,” of Halifax.

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