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PERSONALS

The many friends of Miss McIntyre of Montague will leased to know that she is ra- recovering from an attack of oid fever in the Mt. Sinid Hos- New York.

rnsby Looms Up As Trade

d Champions' Pilot May Be ced on Market Unless He Recedes From Contract Demands

W YORK, Dec. 16. — Rogers sby today loomed as the cen- figure in one of baseball's big- prospective deals as Nation- eague magnates embarked for go to attend the joint meet- of the two major leagues to- ow.

less Hornsby recedes from his ract demands on President Sam ion, the star second baseman anager of the world's cham- will be placed on the market month, according to informa- which reached the magnates. east two clubs, the Giants and , gave indications of opening tiations for his services.

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The magnates pointed out that obably only the Giants or Cubs uld be prepared to negotiate for rnsby, whose present player con- ct calls for an annual salary of ,000.

Establishment of a maximum ce for player purchases, revision the minor league draft agree- nt and more harmonious working angements between the two maj- leagues and Commissioner Lan- are some of the recommenda- s which National League repre- tatives carried toward Chicago.

ive Brook, English actor who por- s a playwright in his next pic- , confesses that the part is not gn to his real life. Brook is the or of several short stories pub- d in British magazines, and he has had several one act plays duced in vaudeville.

eph Knitzer, 13-year-old Detroit boy, is a new musical sensa- He is a violin pupil of the great teacher, Leopold Auer, and just appeared as soloist with the New York Symphony Orchest-

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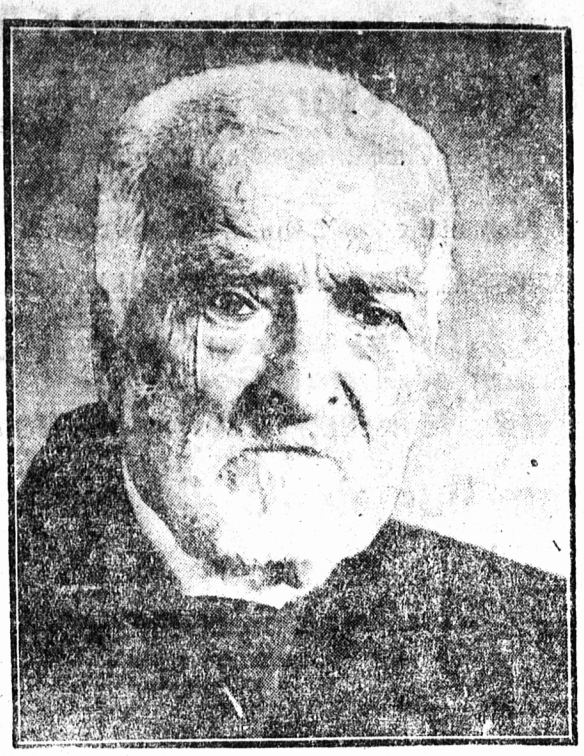

Nazaire Deroy, the ancient marker of Notre Dame de Grace, who has celebrated his 100th birthday. Capt. Deroy is in good health and has a remarkable memory.

HAIR'S BREADTH FINISH IN WHISKER-GROWING CONTEST

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 13. — A special to the Journal from Timmins, Ont., says:

"Pat O'Gorman, aged 34, of Timmins, is champion whiskerino of the world, winning by a hair from Cossington.

"Mr. O'Gorman entered the novel whisker growing contest with a clean chin on October 16th, and by some secret process which he refused to disclose at the present moment, raised a thick bushy growth of hair on his chin and chops measuring one inch and 15-32 in length with 29 hairs to the inch. He obtained the maximum number of points for prominence and 9 points out of a possible ten for thickness.

"For this effort he wins a $1,000 accident policy for one year, a $50 suit, a 30 gold watch, a big turkey, 2,000 pounds of anthracite coal, a safety razor and a $10 rocking chair.

"Twenty-one whisker growers competed. At the conclusion of the evening all competitors repaired to a barber shop."

ALLAN RAMSAY.

INFLUENCE OF THE LOWTHERS.

Those who care to "goon on pilgrimages", not, in Chaucer's language, "To ferne halwes, couthe in sondry londes," but to brood amid scenes rendered memorable by associations with our national literature, would do well to include in their itinerary Lead hills, in the heart of the Lowther Hills. That it is the birthplace of Allan Ramsay is surely cause enough to every Scot whose patriotism is not wholly of the effervescent order; but, in addition to that, the place itself, from its sense of remoteness, will act like a charm on those who wish to know—

"How balsome is't to snuff the mauler air.
An' a' the sweets it bear when void o' care."

The house where Allan Ramsay was born on October 15, 1686—"a broken down byre" in Dr. John Brown's time writer who has helped to make this district famous by his essay on the "Enterkin"—has now disappeared.

It stood adjoining the schoolhouse, on the left as one comes up from Elvanfoot, not far from the hotel. Pilgrims are thus denied their shrine, and must content themselves with a glance at the painted bust of the poet on the front of the Miner's Library, an institution which has been ascribed to Ramsay as founder, but according to Rev. John Porteous, it was founded in 1741 By a Mr Stirling, a famous mathematician of his day, and overseer of the mines in the district.

Allan Ramsay's grandfather, Captain John Ramsay, son of Ramsay of Cockpen, was cousin to Lord Dalhousie. Hence Allan's

"Dalhousie's o' an auld descent,
My chief, my stoup, my ornament."

RAMSAY'S LUCKY NUMBER.

Six is not one of the proverbially lucky numbers like seven or nine, but it is noticeable how important it was in the life of Allan Ramsay, one of the most fortunate poets who ever lived.

On the 15th of October 1686 "the Scottish Horace" was born. His mother was a pretty English girl, Alice Bower, whose father was mineralogist at the Leadhills mines, and his father was a jovial youth who had come from Edinburgh to the bleak mining village as manager. Although his father died when Allan was only a year old, his mother married again, and thus the future poet escaped the penurious boyhood of so many of Scotland's great men, and received a good education at the village school till he was 15 when he was sent to Edinburgh as apprentice to a wig-maker.

Luck followed him at the end of his apprenticeship he was able to set up in business for himself, he married Kirsty Ross in 1711, and on October 6, 1713, when he was 26 his son Allan, the future famous painter was born.

Ramsay was a devoted husband and seven years after his marriage he was still able to write to his wife:—

"But finest colours, fruits and flowers.
And wines tho' I be thirsty,
Lose a' their charms and weaken powers
Compared wi' those of Christy."

FIRST LENDING-OUT LIBRARY

In 1716 he scored a big succes with the canto he added to King James's "Christ's Kirk in the Green." It was brilliantly witty and a clear proof of his undeniable genius.

Seventeen hundred and twenty-six was a very important year in his life.

Owing to his success he was able to leave his two-roomed house in the Canongate, and proposed to stay in the Luckenbooths opposite Saint Giles.

It was in that year he realised his ambition to set up in business as a bookseller and in May 1726 he started Edinburgh's first lending-out library, a penny a night being charged for the loan of books. In that year also, the second edition of The Gentle Shepherd was published, the first edition having appeared in the previous year.

It was this poem that brought him fame in England, and he deserved praise, because Patie and Peggy were real rustics not the ridiculous ideal creations of the English pastoral

There is a wealth of humanity in it, a rich vein of humour as in the advice Patie gives Roger on how to bring Jenny back to him—

"Dear Roger, when your jo put on
her gloom
Do ye sae too and never fash your
thumb,
Seem to forsake her, soon she'll
change her mood;
Gae woo anither and she'll gang
clean wood"

Vilma Bankley has mastered the English language so well that she was able to make her first personal appearance in an American film theatre this month.

When Miss Banky came to America about two years ago from Budapest she knew German and French, but only about fifty words of English,

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JUST A LOOK through Holman's Gift shop will help solve the Christmas gift problem. There's so many nice things and everyone of them so suitable. Just wander through Holman's, Grafton St. 3447

PERSONALS

Miss Dorothy Gordon has arrived home from Halifax Ladies' College for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Weston Rollings of the hotel, Rustico, who has been spending a few days in this city has returned to his home.

Miss Isidora Gallant of the City Hospital who has been in attendance with her sister, Miss Gertrude Gallant, R. N., while undergoing an operation at the Deaconess Hospital, Brookline, Mass., has returned home. While in Boston, Miss Gallant was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John S Noonan, Roxbury. Miss Gallant reports her sister doing nicely

SEQUESTED CHILDHOOD.

It was the Captain's son Robert, who succeeding his father as overseer of the mines, married an English girl, Alice Bower, who became the mother of our poet. But alas for the vicissitudes of human life, when the poet was but twelve months old his father died, and his mother, finding it not good to be alone, married a neighbouring proprietor named Crichton. With this changed relationship, Ramsay lived under his mother's roof tree until his fifteenth year, when he set out for Edina to seek his fortune, with what result we all know. But these fifteen years, the most impressionable in a man's life, were no mean factors in forming the poet's mind and character, and notwithstanding sundry opinions that unhappiness in his mother's home drove the best poet forth, there is considerable ground for the assumption that Ramsay's life in the uplands of Lanarkshire was, in the main, happy, although, of course, sequestered.

What influence the rolling, domed-shaped hills—the "buirdly chiels," as Dr. Brown called them—had on his nature, is seen in his poetry.

Nowhere is the air more invigorating than at Leadhills: and there are surprises in store, for a walk up the Elvan or down the Mennoch Pass may begin in rain and end in glorious glints of sunhine, which bring out in beautiful colourings the little glens where the brackens abound. All this and more the observant eyes of Allan Ramsay saw and stored up in that boyhood of his amid glens of upper Clydesdale, and it is because he has given them back to us as only a "makar" can, that, to use his own words—

"While on burn banks the yellow gowan grows.
Or wandering lambs run bleating ewes.
His fame shall last."—A. E.

SEEN IN LONDON SOCIETY

The Princess Beatrice at a wedding wearing deep violet with a chinchilla collar and barrel muff—At a reception, Lady Landsdown wearing pale gray with violets in her hat—In a theatre audience, Mrs Godfrey Tearle, wife of the actor, wearing a lovely ivory brocade cloak trimmed with white fox—Miss Myrtle Atherly, a bride, wearing an old English gown of white and silver brocade, with very wide sleeves trimmed with diamente.

CORAL RETURNS TO FAVOR

Coral is returning to favor. Last year the smart English women wore jade—jade earrings necklaces, cigarette holders—This autumn everything favors coral. Long necklaces of small pieces of branch coral of the type grand-mothers loved to wear are in all the leading shops, as well as coral cameo brooches, plaques, coral rings and coral bracelets.

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Crepe de Chine scarfs in plain colors and pastel shades, extra good weight and quality, 20 inches wide, 50 inches long, Special $1.49

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Plain Silk Knit Night Gown, good heavy weight, Pastel Shades. Flesh, Maize, Orchid, Nile, etc. All sizes Regular $3.50. Special $2.49

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A big shipment just received in time for Christmas many pretty designs in handles of Amber, Silver, solution and other compositions, Black, Red, Green, Blue, Purple, Brown ..... $2.50 to $12.00

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Another big Shipment of handbags, one of a kind all the latest novelties plain and bright shades in combination. $2.50 to $8.00

SILK UNDERVESTS

See our $1.25 Silk knit undervests, a real gift, Gift boxes free, Peach, Pink, White, Mauve, Bloomers to match $1.95

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Table and two chairs finished in red enamel, pretty design on tables

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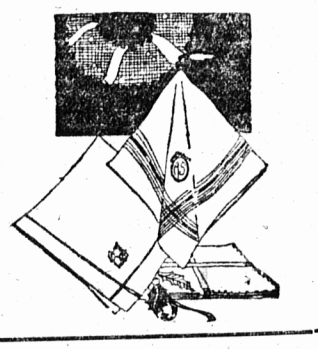

FRENCH NOVELTY KID GLOVES, $2.95

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Children's Knit suits, Scarf, Sweater Overalls, Cap, Mittens, sold in suits or separately good weight all wool, scarlet, Brown, Fawn, White ..... 50c to $5.00

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Every child wants one of these comfortable coats, real good weight, combination colors, Fawn, Blue, Grey, Sand, Castor, Red Sizes 6 to 12 years. Special $2.49

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THE TURPIN TRADITION.

—Two hundred years ago Richard Turpin was hanged from the golowls-tree at York Castle, a thief and murderer, and when he was buried there were but one or two to mourn him.

Today a whole town is agitated because in the making of a new road it will be necessary to disturb his grave.

What has happened in the interval? There are other citizens buried in this same graveyard which the new road in York will cross, but no one rises up to protest against the sanctity of their last sleeping place. Only Dick Turpin has friends. Yet the chivalrous deeds which cling about his name have been proved to be mostly legendary; even the famous ride from London to York was never ridden by Turpin.

For this odd trick of posterity the novelist Harrison Ainsworth is doubtless responsible. When he made Richard Turpin of London and York hero of his book "Rookwood," he was doing more than he knew; he was building a tradition. The real Richard Turpin, thief highwayman, and his gallant mare Bess, figures of romance both, live on.

FLORIDA'S BUILDING LESSON.

—Examination of the wrecks left by the Florida hurricane gives reassurance. Most of the ruined buildings should not have been built as they were. Old-fashioned frame houses survived the gale, but bungalows put up by inefficient carpenters, in the boom period fell down because they were not properly braced. Houses of concrete block collapsed because they were not bound well or because their parapet walls, rising three feet above the roof and, crashing in, made an opening through which the whirlwind used its mighty lever.

It is an evidence of the worth of modern high-class construction that only one skyscraper in Miami was damaged beyond easy repair. This was a bank of seventeen stories with a frontage of only fifty feet. Its broad side, 200 feet high and 150 feet wide, faced the hurricane and even the steel frame could not resist the pressure. Southern Florida still lives and has learned.

DINE IN DARKNESS.

With so much stress laid on the virtues of artificial sunlight, special interest attached to the announcement, made by a prominent London doctor, that we do not sufficiently consider the health value of darkness.

The authority in question states that in his opinion many of the ills that have their origin in digestive troubles are traceable to the too lavish use of light at meals. Brilliant lighting, he asserts, is harmful in dining-rooms, restaurants, and other places where meals are partaken.

Our digestive process, on the perfect working of which human health and happiness so largely depend, are interferred with by the extra stimulant provided by garish lighting.

The demands made on the senses by such factors as bright lights and arresting sounds meant that blood is drawn from the stomach to the brain and muscles, and the assimilation of food naturally suffers.

According to this authority, the best light for meal times is that given by shaded candles. But we should all be better in health and in temper, the physician states, if we ate our meals in semi-darkness.

JAPANESE COINS.

Out of date coins in circulation in Japan number 24 different kinds, and this multiplicity of coinage is giving rise to trouble. The Department of Finance has now started to call these coins in and a bonus is to be paid to anyone depositing with the Bank of Japan old 50, 20 and 10 sen coins.

It is hoped to withdraw this coinage to the extent of 57,900,000 during the next four years, whereafter they will officially go out of circulation.

SCARCITY OF FEMININE DOUBLES.

It seems to have escaped comment that, although we have numerous instances of male doubles, it very rarely happens that two women are found alike.

Noise disturbs Ricardo Cortez while he is acting before the camera. After a day's work in the studio where several pictures are in the making he says he finds it "heavenly" to get back to the quiet of his room.

In old Mexico she has a heritage of mansion and hacienda, and is much the prevailing fashion. But the princess entered the pictures and became the pauper in many leads, notably in "What Price Glory."

"The hardest thing to bear," says Dolores Del Rio ruefully, "is being assured that I have never been miscast in rags."