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BATTLE OF THE WARDS.

The special meeting of the City Council, held last evening, seems to have resolved itself into a battle of the wards. It was contended that one ward had more than its due share of representation upon the executive committees, and that another ward was bound to have better treatment in future, etc. The result seems not to have been elevating, either from the point of view of gentlemanly bearing and courtesy or the orderly and business-like conduct of affairs. We hope that the handling at the Council Board of personal charges and of such ugly words as "liar" will cease at once; for they are improving neither the reputation of the councillors, nor to the tone of debate. A majority of the citizens will, we feel sure, judge their councillors, not hastily nor harshly, not because they are of this or that occupation, or belong to this or that ward; simply and only on the record of their words and actions as representatives of the corporation will they be commended or condemned. It is possible that though they have begun badly, they will end well. We are glad to note that Councillor Taylor has obtained an opportunity to show his ability as Chairman of the Street Committee, and we shall be pleased if Councillor Wheeler should exhibit greater financial ability and better financial results than his predecessor. Nor shall we, in advance of his acts, condemn the Chairman of the Police Committee merely because he is in the liquor business. Mr. McDonald is, we know, a man of considerable ability, and we hope that his talents will be displayed in the promotion of law and order, in the prompt arrest and punishment of drunken men and corner loafers, the nuisances of our streets, in the abatement of civic disorder and crime. Perhaps his harmonious action with the Dominion Alliance and the Women's Christian Temperance Union may be too much to expect, though more curious phenomena have been exhibited. As a matter we hope for the best, and shall judge the men who have been honored and elected by the majorities in the various wards strictly according to their acts as councillors.

The disgrace of last evening seems to have proceeded from the Ward system. Let us let the resolution unanimously passed at the last public meeting of citizens be carried into effect without delay. There is no need of Wards to cause dis-

putes in the City Council and move the Councillors to call each other liars. Wards are, we suppose, essential in a large city. But this is a small city, and they are not needed here. If any additional meetings should be required to secure the desired reform at the next meeting of the Legislature at which laws can be passed, let them be held in good time.

A SMALL PIECE OF BUSINESS.

The summary dismissal of Mr. R. K. Brace from the office of Inspector of Gas for the city of Charlottetown, is one of those petty despicable acts of the Dominion Government for which honorable men have difficulty in finding a motive. Mr. Brace's predecessor, the late Mr. Joseph Knight, was appointed by the McKenzie Government, and held the office under the McDonald administration as long as he was able to do the work. But Mr. Brace has been pitched out of the position without notice. No charge was brought against him. In point of fact, his ability, care and honesty as inspector of gas were never questioned. But he was a Conservative—though not an obtrusive one—and some mean Liberal wanted the small amount of his salary. So "the string was pulled," a little scheme was concocted, under which it should appear that a saving would be made by devolving the duties of the office upon the inspector of weights and measures, and Mr. Brace was summarily ejected. We shall presently see some one else in receipt of the salary. It is not wonderful that Mr. Brace's friends—many of whom are Liberals—are indignant at the unusual and decidedly small action of the Government.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATIONS IN P. E. I.—We publish to-day an article written by Hon. Senator Macdonald for the February number of the Prince Edward Island Magazine on Scottish Associations in P. E. Island. It is full of personal interest for many of the EXAMINER'S readers, and the first of a series of contributions on the subject.

READ THE STORY.—We can promise all who are interested in a first-class love story that they will enjoy reading "Flora-bell's Lover." The first chapter appeared yesterday, introducing Squire Pemberton's two daughters and their half sister Flora-bell, whose position in the family is somewhat that of a dependant. Read today's instalment.

Agents Wanted.

Wanted—Agents and subscribers in the Maritime Provinces for the Montreal Star at special rate \$1.00 per annum. Circulation "Daily" 56,000 "Weekly" 111,000. Correspondent in South Africa. Wm. M. Campbell, agent, 114 St James Street, St. John, N. B. Feb. 23rd pd.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATIONS IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

By Hon. Senator Macdonald.

"Fie in Prince Edward's distant home,
Her sons remember whence they came,
And zealous for their Mither's fame,
From year to year;
Kindle the Caledonian flame
Wi' muckle cheer."
—J. LePage.

Between the years 1770 and 1775 a number of Highlanders immigrated to this Province and settled here under very favourable auspices.

They were led by Glenaladale the chief of their clan and joined at a latter period by his kinsman Keppoch, also chief of another branch. They brought with them their chaplain and physician, both men of high attainments. Many of them were related to these chiefs by ties of blood, or connected by marriage. They had among them representatives of the best blood of the Highlands of Scotland, and formed an ideal colony for the settlement of a new province.

At the opening of the nineteenth century they had increased in numbers, and spread over a wide section of the Province. The ties of blood and friendship helped to keep up that spirit of clanship which prevailed in the old land, and the customs and festivals which they had there were still followed in their new homes.

At Hogmanay or "Choolican," they drummed out the old year by beating on a dry hide around the house, and had to

"Sing at the doors for Hogmanay," or repeat an impromptu rhyme before admission in the first hour of the New Year. On Handsel Monday the servants received a Handsel from their employers but at Halloween they "Together did convene
To burn their nuts and pou their stocks
And hand their Halloween
Fu' blithe that night."

It was however on the festival of Scotland's patron saint that they held their chief gathering, when they recounted the doughty deeds of their forefathers in many a hard-fought field, or the wanderings of Prince Charlie among the hills and glens of Scotland, that they knew and remembered so well; or re-told again the story of the bloody massacre at Glenco in which so many of their relatives had so tragically perished.

It is unfortunate that we have no written record of the first public celebration of St. Andrew's Day here, but tradition tells us that at a very early period in the life of the colony it was the custom of the Highlanders to assemble for the celebration of this festival at the residence of the chief of Glenaladale. A bountiful repast awaited the arrival of the expected company, which comprised representatives of the principal families then in the province. Glenaladale, as the leading chief, presided, and Keppoch held a seat of honor. There were McEachens and McIntyres, McPhees and McIntoshes, Beatons, Morrisons and Grants, but Macdonalds were so numerous that they were addressed by the title of their family seat as "Garahilia," Gherinish, Bornish, Rhetland, Allisary, Tulloch or Keppoch as the case might be.

Some of the men had served valiantly in that company of the Royal Highland Regiment which Glenaladale had raised here, then recently disbanded, and as the martial spirit still prevailed them, the King's Wars were a subject of interest scarcely less absorbing than the latest letters from Scotland. It was long past midnight when all for whom beds could be found retired, and a huge field bed was improvised for the others until next morning when after breakfast and a "Deoch an dhorris," or stirrup cup to their next annual meeting, all left for their homes. But many were the calls or "celidhs" held on the way, for none should pass a friend's house without calling to relate all the news of the important event they had just participated in.

A few years later, as population centred at the seat of government, it became a more convenient place for these meetings, and the St. Andrew's Society was regularly constituted to celebrate the day in a suitable manner at Charlottetown. The early records can not now be found in existence, but we find the society in a flourishing state in 1824. William Johnstone, Attorney General, was then President Ewen Cameron and John Stewart of Mount Stewart, Vice Presidents; and Dr. MacKieson, Secretary. The annual dinner was held at Mrs. Bagnall's then the leading hostelry. Colonel Ready, Lieutenant Governor, S. G. W. Archibald, Chief Justice, Robert Hodgson (afterwards Sir Robert) then just elected member for the city, and Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald, parish priest, were guests

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THE SKATING CARNIVAL.

Large Attendance of Skaters—Some Very Pretty Costumes.

The carnival in Hillsborough rink last night was participated in by a great number of skaters in costume, and there was a fairly large attendance of spectators. The rink was very nicely decorated and lighted, and the scene on the ice was quite interesting.

There were some exceedingly pretty costumes to be seen, especially among the ladies; but very many of the costumes were of a grotesque character such as we have been accustomed to seeing at the carnivals that have been held in recent years.

The ice was not in the best condition owing to the soft weather; but the skaters all seemed to enjoy themselves, and the onlookers were evidently pleased.

We have not space today to single out any of the characters for special mention; but the following list of those in costume will give the reader an idea of who took part and the characters impersonated:

LADIES.

- Miss Rogers, An Old Lady of Long Age.
- Miss Rogers, Alberton, Sybil.
- Ethel Pope, Red Cross Nurse.
- Sarah Beers, Old Ireland.
- Hettie Rackham, The Latest Style.
- Jean McLeod, Annie Rackham, Annie McLeod, Three Directors of the Red Cross Society.
- Helen Mitchell, Lamp Shade.
- Hazel B Bremner, Bonnie Jean.
- Miss A C McLean, E Louise Bremner, Soldiers of the Queen.
- Winnifred Breen, Spanish Girl.
- Amie G Cook, The Shamrock.
- Mary McIntyre, Soldier of the Queen.
- Maud McIntyre, Pink of Perfection.
- Edith Weeks, Frost.
- Ethel McLean, Snowball.
- Margaret Gordon, Miss Kruger.
- Isabel McLean, Patriotic Girl.
- Mary Essory, Just One Girl.
- S Barrett, J Barrett, L Mellish, Annie Mooney, Three Yellow Kids.
- Mazie Bruce, Hay Maker.
- Essie McLean, Summer.
- Nora Waddell, Highland Lassie.
- Nettie Warren, Mrs Hayseed.
- Maggie McCoubrey, Diamond Dyes.
- Miss Cotten, Red Cross Nurse.
- Miss H Cotton, Aunt Jemima.
- Maud L Bremner, Batt.
- Mary Dean, Loyalty.
- Mary Jones, Gerald Dear.
- Annie Trotter, Ladysmith.
- Martha H Rattenbury, Summer.
- M Butler, Betsy Bobbet.
- Miss Brennan, Aunt Samantha.
- Lizzie Chappell, St. Patrick's Day.
- Ella B Pickard, Jersey Milk Maid.
- Blanche Smith, Union Jack.
- Mabel Smith, a Spanish Dancer.
- Vivian Hughes, Fowl Girl.
- Hilda Seljar, Harvest.
- Ella Hoar, Diamond Jubilee.
- Bertie Gillis, Red Cross Nurse.
- Amy Crabbe, Maid of all Colors.
- Ruby Rattray, Red, White and Blue.
- Pearl Hunter, Red, White and Blue.
- Bertie Anderson, Gipsy Boy.
- Ella Essory, Queen of the Roses.
- Mary Scott, Flower Girl.
- Miss McDonald, As you like it.
- Miss Smith, Kentucky Babe, a Study in Color.
- Bessie G. Cook, Red, White and Blue.
- Sarah Vanbuekirk, An Abegweit Hockey Girl.
- Sadie Euestie, Loyal Canadian Girl.
- Hattie Hudson, Summer.
- Adele Palmer, Mayflower.
- Helen Palmer, Spanish Girl.
- Jennie Scott, Chrysanthemum.
- Mary McDonald, Out of Date.
- Jean Hazard, Valentine.
- Ada M. Campbell, Bell of New York.
- Gipsy Norton, Gipsy Girl.
- Miriam Norton, Young Canada.
- Minnie Toombs, Flower Girl.
- Pearl Watson, Good Luck.
- Annie McIntyre, Sporting Duchess.
- Flo McKinnon, Old Timer.
- Alice M. Dougan, The Flower Girl.
- May McMillan, Summer Girl.
- Muriel Pickard, Little Pickaninny.
- Ella Large, Grace Darling.
- Annie Higgins, Rog Frill Belle.
- Louise Sharp, Aunt Jemima.
- Winnifred Perkins, Highland Lassie.
- Ella Gillis, Scotch Lassie.
- Louise Horne, Good Luck.
- Eva Tomlins, Lady of 1820.
- Mary McLeod, Knight.
- Miss Rosa Churchill, Miss Edith Hyndman, John C Hyndman, The Cake Greenway girls.
- Edith Dutcher, Looking Backward.
- Jean Hazard, Mrs Paul Kruger.
- Sophie Mason, French Peasant.
- Mrs B C Prowse, Good Luck.
- Jacqueline McDonald, Red, White and Blue.
- Vere Gordon, Midnight.
- Sadie Clarke, Starlight.
- Christina McLeod Jerry.
- Allie Gordon, Mrs Kruger.
- Lou Bethune, Klondike Belle.
- Louise Mellish, Volunteer for next Contingent.

GENTLEMEN.

- Cuthbert McIntyre, Highland Lassie.
- Tom Huggan, Two of a Kind.
- Russel Taylor,
- Robert Stewart, Cow Boy.
- W W Davison, O. & B Digna.
- Geo McLean, Honolulu Lady.
- E H Mitchell, The Warmest Baby in the Bunch.
- G Atken, Mr Fisherman and His Wife.
- C Robertson,
- R B McLean, Colored Jockey.
- Harry P. Wickwire, Matador.
- Jack Mitchell, Topsy.
- B McPherson, Transvaal Bell.
- M Stewart,
- Douglas Thornton, Good-Night.
- Lem Webster, Peasant Girl.
- John Dougan, Just Escaped from a Free Lunch.

A Host of Genuine Bargains Wonders For to-night Shoppers Listen!

Some of them are in our window—they are the cleanest of the lot. Some of them want to go to the WASH, but who is going to pay the WASHERWOMAN? The Carpenters are to blame in taking down the partitions. They brought down a lot of lime and dust that went clean over all our

WHITE GOODS DISPLAY

We will allow 25c on every dollars worth bought to-night. One lot we will allow 50c on the Dollar. One lot of soiled Blankets go at 25 per cent off. All Table Linens soiled on the double edge go at 25 per cent off. 23 Bed Covers white Grecian go at 25 per cent. 163 Pairs of Corsets go at 25c, 45c, 65c, and \$1.00. They were marked 25 per cent more. 50 White Lawn Aprons were 50c now 39c. 235 Pairs of odd sizes in Ladies' Kid Gloves, Black and Colored at 1/2 off. 18 Colored Sateen Bed Comforts at 25 per cent off. These goods will not be sold at the above prices after March 1st.

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- Roy Davidson,
- Victor Anderson, Tommy Atkins.
- Robert Coffin, Dandelion.
- Harry McDonald, Sailor Girl.
- Tom Wakefield, Soldier of the Queen.
- C A Maouel, Nili., Uncle Sam.
- Samuel Doyle, Sport.
- W McLean, Farmer Mike from Brighton Road.
- Jack McLeod, Topsy.
- Wilbert Large, Blue Bird.
- B Bremner, Capt. Corcoran.
- C A Meikle, U S Signal Service.
- G H Hooper, Coon Artist.
- Geo Williams, Boer Soldier.
- W Melvin Merchant, Uncle Sam's Presidential Candidate from Coon Town.
- Jack McBeth, Court Jester.
- Peter Martin, Laborer.
- James Williams, Just escaped from a Free Lunch.
- Charles Batt, General Botha.
- Daly Ryan, General Crooje.
- Willie Rattenbury, Uncle Sam.
- W C Scantlebury, Roaring Teasing Sport.
- James Murley, Boer black.
- A W Worth, Out on a Mash.
- Charles Stanley, Laborer.
- Louis McIntyre, I Want My Lulu.
- Charles Stewart, Jockey.
- Arthur Davey, Commercial Traveller.
- John Hobkirk, John Bull.
- J McLean, Barry O'Finn.
- E Chappell, John Bull.
- A Hyndman, Uncle Sam.
- J R Davies, Ballet Dancer.
- G F Morris, Sport from Mexico.

- Robert Crosby, Nili., Mars, God of War.
- Ernest McDonald, Japanese Samure.
- W G Hogg, Soldier of the Queen.
- Wallace McKee, Country Maiden.
- Louis Large, Union Jack.
- Guy Dallog, Little York Sport.
- Russel Smith, Baby Lou.
- Walter Davy, William Power, Millionaire.
- J T McGregor, W A McKie, Army and Navy of England.
- W T Harvie, the Absent-Minded Beggar.
- J Wright, Jubilee.
- Joe Large, Gaiety.
- Reggie Dingwell, British Tar.
- H Wonacott, Thomas Lipton.
- Fred Williams, Grandmother.
- Alexander McCormack, Jockey Costume.
- B T Logan, Gypsy.
- Jack Payne, C M Clarke, Soldiers of the Queen.
- George Webster, Fred Clarke, Will Collings, Jack Collings, Rustico Fishermen.
- Galbraith's Band furnished a choice programme of music. The managers of the rink are pleased with the large measure of success which attended the carnival.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the present session thereof, for an Act to incorporate a company to be called the Acadia Mortgage Corporation for the purpose of carrying on the business of a Loan Company with powers to loan money on real estate and on certain classes of debentures and stocks and with power to borrow money on debentures, to receive deposits, to issue debenture stock and with other powers granted to Loan Companies. Dated Halifax the 14th February, 1900. Alfred Whitman, Solicitor of Applicants. 18 Bedford Row, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

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