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SCOTLAND FOREVER

THEY came from untamable highlands,
From glens where their fathers were
free,
From misty and mountainous islands
Set fast in the throat of the sea;
They fought for the honor of Britain;
They died in defence of the right;
Their deeds are in history written
In letters of light.

They fell where the Ganges is flowing;
They lie 'neath the Russian Riehan;
Their dust o'er the desert is blowing,
In the whirlwinds of far Kordofan;
The sons of Glen Orchy and Rannoch
Sleep sound by the slow-moving Scheldt,
And the bones of the Loch Fannich
Are white on the loch.

But the Lews and Lochmaben and Gairloch
Still march to the battle array,
And the fighters from many a fair loch,
Like their fathers, leap forth to the fray.

Red flame tears the darkness asunder
Where the curtain of battle is drawn,
Where the clannish through death-crowd
And thunder
Go over at dawn.

In the strength of the hills and the heather,
With the salt of the sea in their blood,
They sweep from the trenches together
With the force of an onrushing flood;
Like the billows that beat upon Moidart
When gales from the Hebrides blow,
Like a storm on the mountains of Knochtart
They burst on the foe.

A SURPRISE PARTY

FIVE-AND-THIRTY wounded Tommies coming to tea and one coming to his death, but he doesn't know it," moaned Emily, and waved a knife round her head.

"I saw what had happened. All this bun-baking and cake-making had been too much for my poor wife. She had been living in the oven for over a week. 'You're overdone. Lie down and try to get a little nap before they come,' I said soothingly. 'Everything's ready. 'Will he die without a sound, or will he gurgle?' said Emily, and brought the knife within an inch of my nose.

"No one is going to die at our tea party, dear," I said, and ducked.

"Not after swallowing that?" shrieked Emily, and lunged at me with the knife again.

"I got it firmly by the handle this time, and I recognized Emily's special cake-knife, an instrument wrought to perfection by long years of service, sharp as a razor down both sides, with a flexible tip that silted round a basin and scooped up the last morsels of candied-peel.

But the flexible tip was gone. I understood Emily's distraught condition. You can replace a diamond tiara; money won't buy a twenty-year-old cake-knife. "Try and bear it, dear," I said.

Emily pointed to the table weighted down with Madieras and rocks and almonds and sultanas and gingers. "It's inside one of them," she said.

For the moment I failed to grasp her meaning. She explained, "I've made six dozen. The knife was all right when I started; a little bent, nothing more. It was when I was mixing the last that I noticed the tip was missing."

It was a difficult position. There was no time to submit the cakes to the X rays, the advance party was streaming through the gate.

"Dear fellows! I wonder which one it will be," said Emily and clung round my neck.

I put her on one side. "I'll manage it; leave it to me," I said, and went forward and welcomed our guests. My mind was working clearly and rapidly, as it always does in a crisis. When I had got them seated round the tea table, "My dear friends," I said, "this isn't a Christmas party, but my wife couldn't help indulging in a little Christmas fun. She's just whispered to me that she's put a surprise in one of the cakes. I know her. It won't be an ordinary sort of surprise. I would advise you all to keep a sharp look out. There's a pound" (it was worth a pound to save a hero's throat from being cut) "for the man who finds anything in his cake which hasn't any business to be there."

Within five minutes two pibbés, a tin-tack, a chunk of wood and a black-beetle were on the tablecloth.

"Do you know that flutter's cost me five pounds, and there wasn't a sign of your infernal knife after all?" I said to Emily when they'd gone.

"I've just found it under the kitchen-table," said Emily. "I am thankful."

Keep Minard's Linniment in the house.

REMINISCENCES OF ADMIRAL OWEN

The following clipping from an old newspaper, preserved by Mr. Vernon Nicholson, Ottawa, step-son of Admiral Owen, will be of interest to many of our readers:

We copy the following interesting document from the "Naval and Military Gazette." It shows how a meritorious, brave, and distinguished Officer is overlooked, when he emigrates to the Colonies. The late Vice-Admiral Owen's services, should have entitled any application he made to the Admiralty, to prompt consideration and response; whether he was in England or in one of her Colonies.

THE LATE VICE-ADMIRAL WILLIAM FITZWILLIAM OWEN

Amongst the papers of this much neglected veteran the original was found of the annexed Instructions, showing how highly Nelson, Britain's Naval Hero, estimated the "character" of the deceased. Had such a document been in the possession of many we could name, it would have been published far and wide. But this proud testimonial from Nelson was allowed to remain in the desk of the veteran Owen, who, for all his services, never received any honourable distinction.

At the age of 80 he got the Good-Service Pension, but every application he made to the Admiralty to get his grandsons into the Navy or for the employment of his relatives met with a cold official refusal. Where is the impartiality that in these days is so much talked about?

By Horatio, Lord Viscount Nelson, K.C.B., Duke of Bront in Sicily, Knight of the Order of St. Ferdinand, and Merit of the Imperial Order of the Crescent.

Vice-Admiral of the Blue, and Commander-in-Chief of a Squadron of His Majesty's ships and vessels employed upon a Particular Service, &c., &c.

"Whereas, I think it necessary for His Majesty's Service that an attempt should be made to bring the enemy's flotilla in Boulogne harbour, and repelling entire confidence in your bravery and zeal,

"You are therefore hereby required and directed to take under your command His Majesty's hired cutter, the King George, whose Commander has my directions to follow your orders. And whereas the greatest secrecy is necessary towards the success of this service, it is my positive directions that you hold no communication with the shore by any ship or vessel.

"Whenever the wind comes between the W. N. W. and North, and blowing so fresh as to force all the enemy's vessels from the road of Boulogne into the harbour, you are to sail from the anchorage, and directing the cutter to keep upon your approach within four leagues of the French Coast and at a distance of six or seven miles from you, to carry all the sail the Nancy can bear, and run into the harbour of Boulogne, and set her on fire, taking care that you enter the harbour half-an-hour or three quarters of an hour before high water, in order that the Nancy may drift up the harbour with the flood.

"And on your approaching the French coast, finding that the wind blows into the harbour, you are to hoist the Admiral's ensigning flag, red with cross, at your main-top-gallant-mast-head; and you are not to approach the coast unless you are pretty certain that the wind does blow into the harbour.

"And as this most honorable and very important service is entrusted from your own character and courage, I trust that I shall not be disappointed in the execution of it."

"Given on board the Amazon, under Dundergess, 2nd October, 1801.

(signed) "NELSON and BRONTE."

To Lieutenant William Fitzwilliam Owen, Commanding the vessel Nancy. By command of the Vice-Admiral.

(signed) "THOS. WALLIS."

INDORSATION—Lord Nelson has authorized W. F. O. to say he is ready at any minute to bear testimony to the readiness and propriety with which Mr. Owen came forward to carry these orders into effect.

Amazon, Downs, 2nd October, 1801.

MEMORANDUM.—It is my direction that no officer whatever senior to Lieutenant Owen, Commanding the Nancy, do call upon him for his orders they being of a secret nature.

(signed) "NELSON and BRONTE."

To the Captains and Commanders of His Majesty's ships and vessels.

"Would you consider Jassery an opiumist?" "I'm sure he's one." "Quite positive, eh?" "Yes. I've seen him follow a golf crank to the links, hoping he would get a chance to talk business with him."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

MILITARY SERVICE ACT, 1917

The Military Service bill was signed by His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire, Governor-General of the Dominion, in Toronto, on Tuesday, Aug. 2, and on the following day received a formal assent in the Senate at Ottawa by Mr. Justice Duff, as Deputy Governor. The measure became law immediately, with the clause operative except those calling the classes to report. The work of locating examination tribunals, which will number nearly 1,000, is almost completed and the necessary proclamations will be issued soon.

Sir Wilfred Laurier, as leader of the Opposition, will name one-half of the members of the Selective Board, which will appoint one member of each of the local exemption tribunals. The second members of such tribunals in each case will be named by the county court judge. Following are the six classes under the act, in the order which they are subject to call:

UNMARRIED MEN FIRST

Class 1—Those who have attained age of twenty years and were born not earlier than the year 1883, and are unmarried or are widowers, but have no children.

Class 2—Those who were born not earlier than the year 1883, and are married or are widowers and have a child or children.

Class 3—Those who were born in the years 1876 to 1882, both inclusive, and are unmarried or are widowers who have no children.

Class 4—Those who were born in the years 1876 to 1882, both inclusive, and are married or are widowers who have a child or children.

Class 5—Those who were born in the years 1872 to 1875, both inclusive, and are married or are widowers who have no children.

Class 6—Those who were born in the years 1872 to 1875, both inclusive, and are married or are widowers who have a child or children.

It is expected that the first class, which should provide all the 100,000 men authorized to be conscripted, will be called out as soon as the preliminaries have been arranged.

RECRUITING IN NEW BRUNSWICK

The official report of the result of recruiting in the Province of New Brunswick, for home and overseas service, for the week ending Sept. 1, is as follows:

St. John County— 4
62nd O. S. Draft 4
8th Field Ambulance Depot 4
Canadian Engineers 1

For the C. E. F. or Imperial Army from the United States— 5
Week ending July 28 5
Week ending Aug. 4 9
Week ending Aug. 11 7
Week ending Aug. 18 5
Week ending Aug. 25 13
Week ending Sept. 1 27

Kings County— 14
No 2 Forestry Company 14

York County— 9
236th Battalion 9
No 2 Forestry Battalion 1

Northumberland County— 10
No 2 Forestry Company 10

Carleton County— 4
No 2 Forestry Company 4

Westmorland County— 4
C. A. S. C. 1
No 2 Forestry Company 2

Charlotte County— 1
No 2 Forestry Company 1

Albert County— 0
Madawaska County 0
Victoria County 0
Queens and Sunbury 0
Restigouche County 0
Kent County 0
Gloucester County 0

Of the ten recruits shown for York county for the week nine were secured in the United States. Thus only 42 recruits were secured in the Province during the week.

"That fellow is a four flush!" Maybe, replied Broncho Bob. "But don't believe he could ever inspire me with the sense of hope or confidence that I ever can get out of a four flush, before the draw."—Washington Star.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY CASUALTIES

In the recently published lists of casualties occurring in the Canadian overseas troops in France and Flanders appear the names of the following men from Charlotte County, New Brunswick:—

Reported missing: Chas. Fisher, Rolling Dam.

Wounded: E. E. Eldridge, Beaver Harbor. J. G. Walker, Moore's Mills. Sapper S. T. Dugan, St. Andrews. E. A. Bradford, Black's Harbor. G. E. Raymond, Castalia, Grand Manan. Benjamin Thibaut, Milltown. H. Jesson, Milltown. J. H. Dick, Moore's Mills. J. G. Walker, Moore's Mills. Sapper S. T. Dugan, St. Andrews. W. H. McQuoid, St. Andrews. H. A. McGrattan, St. George. Lieut. D. J. Sullivan, St. Stephen.

Killed in action: S. J. Matthews, Clamcook.

Died of wounds: J. E. Williams, St. Andrews. W. E. Anthony, Wilson's Beach.

THE RED CROSS SOCIETY

The Red Cross Society has received a gift of \$61, a sum of money that will go a long way towards purchasing materials from which hospital supplies for our wounded soldiers can be made, but this sum of money is appreciated far above its purchasing power. Seven little girls, who were spending the summer in town, had the kindly thought that they also could help relieve the suffering of the soldiers lying in the Red Cross Hospitals overseas, so they held a cabaret on the lawn of Chestnut Hill, and, dressed in the uniform of Red Cross nurses, managed the entertainment most efficiently and successfully, thereby raising \$61. Last Saturday morning this little band of nurses appeared at the door of the Treasurer of the Red Cross Society Mrs. Fred Andrews, and presented their well-earned profits. The names of the Society's little benefactors are Grace Jones, Florence Jones, Carroll Jones, and Catherine Smith, from St. Louis; Harriet-Cox and Barbara Cox, from Short Hills N. J.; and Anna Cowan, of Montreal, and to every one of them the Society extends its most hearty thanks.

The Golf Club Competition fees throughout the summer have been set aside for presentation to the local Red Cross Society, at the suggestion of Mr. F. C. Parker, and the total of \$197 was given by him to the President of the Society, Mrs. Harold Stickney, early this week. Of this Golf Club money \$88 was obtained from special competitions for prizes, organized for the benefit of the Society the week ending Sept. 1, and the balance of \$109 was given by Mrs. Harold Stickney, early this week. Of this Golf Club money \$88 was obtained from special competitions for prizes, organized for the benefit of the Society the week ending Sept. 1, and the balance of \$109 was given by Mrs. Harold Stickney, early this week.

On Thursday evening, Aug. 30, the people of North Head, and the surrounding villages, were delightfully entertained by a trip through Belgium, before the war and at the present time," by Mrs. E. A. Smith of St. John. Mrs. Smith came to the island at the request of the Red Cross workers, of North Head, and the proceeds of the lecture, amounting to \$123.86, were kindly donated to the Red Cross workers for the benefit of the Grand Manan boys serving overseas.

On Friday afternoon the members of the Red Cross, accompanied by Mrs. Smith and her friend, Mrs. Fraser, enjoyed a bookboard ride to Grand Harbor, returning to Bancroft Point for supper.

During the preparation of the meal, the ladies, seated on the cliffs with the warm afternoon sun shining on the water and lighting up the shores of Ingersoll Island across the passage, enjoyed a heart-to-heart talk with Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Fraser on the work that had been done in St. John by the various organizations and the need of greater effort in the future also various plans were discussed for raising funds to carry on the work.

After partaking of a bountiful repast and singing the National Anthem, there was a hurried scramble for wraps and seats and soon we were on our way homeward. As we drove up along the shore of the harbor with the lingering glow of a beautiful sunset on the West and a full moon already making a golden path across the water, we all seemed to realize that there could not be found any more beautiful or peaceful spot than our island home.

One who was there.

CROP CONDITIONS IN DOMINION

Ottawa, Sept. 5.—The Census and Statistics Office has issued a special report on crop conditions as follows:

In Prince Edward Island the hay crop was heavier than anticipated. Pests have reduced wheat fifty per cent. below average. Other grains are full crop. Potatoes, except for a few blighted areas, should yield above average. Full crop of roots, vegetables and corn.

In Nova Scotia all crops made excellent growth. Lower yields. Hay crop, but hay being stored in good condition. Flax ripening nicely. Hemp fair growth; considerable rust.

In New Brunswick, August weather too wet and warm for best crop yield. Wheat and oats below average; potatoes going down with late blight; crop prospects about sixty per cent. of average yield. Roots promise well. Very heavy hay crop. Pastures good.

Quebec—Rimouski district: abundant yield of hay, grain, and potatoes have fine appearance; plums good; apples small and a month late. Lennoxville district: Considerable hay cut, and much grain ripe, but in bad shape through excessive rainfall. Cape Rouge district: Hay crop the heaviest in years, but not yet all in and quality not good, owing to too much rain. All grain much below normal from some cause. Corn and potatoes poor; apples only half a crop.

CUSTOMS RETURNS OF THE PORT OF ST. ANDREWS

Customs Returns of the Port of St. Andrews for the month of August are as follows:—

Value of Goods Imported, \$56,040.20
Duty collected, 5041.42
Exports, Domestic goods, 47,047.80
Exports, Foreign goods, 691.50

THE CANADIAN AVIATION FUND

Mr. G. W. Babbitt, Manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, St. Andrews, acknowledges receipt of the following contribution to the above Fund:—

Sept. 6th, Mrs. A. K. Gifford, St. Andrews, \$5.00

THE ALGONQUIN HOTEL

The following guests registered at the Algonquin Hotel during the week ending September 4:

Montreal: Col. Ballantyne, M. F. Cahill, F. G. Walker, A. L. Wallbridge, H. G. Hunter, H. W. Sainsbury, F. H. and Mrs. Wilson and family, W. B. Snell, A. B. Calder, Ronald Davidson, W. Mackenzie, and Robert Houston, Mrs. G. W. Farrell and children. Halifax: Col. M. Gillin, Capt. S. Dwyer, J. M. Murphy, Mrs. Chas. Legal, St. John: H. and Mrs. Hayward, Miss E. O. Skinner, H. A. Farris, I. Sydney and party, C. A. and Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. G. A. FitzRandolph, C. W. and Mrs. Hatfield, T. H. and Mrs. Quirk, A. A. and Mrs. McIntyre, P. and Mrs. McIntyre, Toronto: Playfair and Mrs. McMurrich, Miss K. McMurrich, J. M. and Mrs. McLeod, J. L. Englehart, Moncton: Dr. and Mrs. White, Miss White, Miss Webster, Miss McCully, Hamilton: J. N. and Mrs. Dalby, Mrs. F. H. Douglas, St. Stephen: Mrs. Frank Todd, Mrs. N. Mark Mills, Miss G. Young, St. Andrews: A. K. and Mrs. Grimmer, New York: A. S. and Mrs. Larker, De Forest, and Mrs. Grant, V. J. MacIntosh, Miss A. Mitchell, Mrs. T. Foster, Miss V. Foster, Miss M. Melbie, E. and Mrs. Athana, Miss Haldeman, Boston: Miss E. Porter, Grandville and Mrs. Ross, Miss Daly, Mr. Mrs. Le Royer, Harold Farnsworth, R. P. Harrison, R. H. Grant, H. Dale, Miss R. L. Dexter, Philadelphia: Mrs. John Groom, Miss C. T. Creswell, Miss H. D. Drayton, E. K. and Mrs. Price, Dr. Christie Brinson, Mrs. T. P. Hunter, G. W. Eaves, Cleveland, Ohio: Albert Wacout, Pittsburg: David S. Hayes, Rochester, N. Y.: J. S. Andrews, Utica: Miss Doolittle, Hartford: Miss G. Robinson, Providence: E. P. and Mrs. Merriman, Miss E. Sharp, the Misses B. and E. Merriman, Denver: J. F. and Mrs. Harris and party, Brookline: E. F. and Mrs. Leland, Oliver Leland, Fall River: Mrs. Leeds Burchard and daughter, E. Brayton, R. Osborn, L. Burchard Worcester: E. E. and Mrs. Lothrop, Marlboro: S. P. and Mrs. Howe, E. W. Johnson, Hudson: H. F. Andrews, the Misses Andrews, Portland: Miss Buckman, Eastport: Miss C. B. Andrews, Mrs. F. Harvey, W. K. Colwell, W. and Mrs. Shea, Machias: W. L. Powers, Baring: E. and Mrs. Chase, Calais: Miss B. Woodcock, Dr. and Mrs. Bunker, Woodland: E. and Mrs. Matheson, Ellsworth: Mrs. A. P. Wawell, Augusta: Mrs. J. F. Hill.

NEWS OF THE SEA

—Boston, Aug. 30.—The Cunard line steamship Yolanda of 5,865 tons gross, was torpedoed and sunk off the English coast recently, according to private advices reaching this city last night. The Yolanda, formerly the Des of Orlé, was built at Port Glasgow in 1913.

—London, Aug. 30.—The American schooner Laura C. Anderson was sunk by bombs from a submarine on Thursday. All the members of the crew were picked up and landed at an English port.

The Laura C. Anderson was a four-master of 980 tons gross. She was built in 1901 at Bath, Maine, and was owned in Philadelphia.

—Paris, August 30.—Out of the 920 ships which entered and the 1,013 which cleared from French ports during the week ending August 26th, three ships of more than 1,000 tons and one vessel of less than 1,000 tons were sunk by submarines or mines. Four vessels were attacked unsuccessfully by submarines in the same period.

—A Pacific Port, Aug. 31.—Twelve sailing vessels and steamships are considered overdue at this port by shipping men. The list includes the Wairuna, 2,350 tons, ninety-one days out of a New Zealand port, and the motor schooner Laura Whalen, 1,046 tons, sixty-five days out of a Pacific port.

—Seward, Alaska, September 1.—Chief Officer K. M. Matsudo and thirty-one survivors of the Japanese freight steamship Kotobiki Maru, which was wrecked July 27 in Alaskan waters, have been landed here by the steamship Santa Ana. The survivors fear that Capt. Haruhito Shioga and sixteen other members of the crew have perished, as nothing has been heard of them since they put out from the wreck in a small boat.

—Twenty-one Norwegian ships, with an aggregate tonnage of more than 41,000 were lost in August. Twenty-three seamen were killed and five are missing.

—New York, Sept. 4.—It was announced today that the British steamship Rounse, registering 3,755 tons gross and owned by Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd., had been sunk. No details of the sinking have been received by the vessel's New York agents. She plied between United States and British ports.

The Rounse was built in Glasgow in 1907, and was 368 feet long. On Feb. 2 she was torpedoed and beached, just after leaving Scotland for New York.

—London, Sept. 5.—British merchant ships sunk by mine or submarine in the past week numbered twenty of more than 1,000 tons and three under 1,000 tons, according to the official announcement tonight. British merchant vessels sunk the previous week by mine or submarine number eighteen over 1,000 tons and five under 1,000 tons.

KENNEDY'S HOTEL

The following guests registered at Kennedy's Hotel during the week ending September 5:

Montreal: A. G. Miller, J. Macfarlane, L. J. Ringley, Mrs. J. C. Cameron, Miss E. Monk, Mrs. D. Cameron, Miss M. Cameron, Miss D. A. Lower, H. G. Hunter, Miss M. Quillen, E. J. Ames, J. Rodger, Toronto: M. H. Brown, A. M. Piper, Woodstock: W. S. Sutton, Sussex: W. P. Erb, Halifax: W. G. Smith, Fredericton: H. E. MacLaughlin, Grand Manan: C. J. Foster, Beville: J. E. R. Slason, Beville St. Que: J. Dick, Miss H. Dick, St. Andrews: Mrs. Gifford, St. John: N. Chamberlain, E. T. Roberts, F. B. Bonnell, F. K. Reynolds, J. R. Bell, H. P. Mrs. and Miss Hayward, H. P. Ullock, S. E. Mowill, J. T. and Mrs. Shaw, F. L. and Mrs. Best, Mrs. C. Vanwart, D. W. Newcombe, J. E. Beattie, Mrs. W. C. Lord, J. F. Brittain, and wife and son, Mrs. A. Haley, J. Lynch, J. Keefe, Messrs. J. E. S. and L. Gilbert, H. P. Sworlow, W. J. and Mrs. Seely and child R. A. McLean, wife and child, G. G. and Mrs. Murdoch, R. E. and Mrs. Elkin, W. M. Loady, E. F. McCuskey, J. Doherty, M. L. Delany, C. J. Forestell, J. C. Earle, St. Stephen: Miss L. E. Moore, W. McGregor, J. M. and Mrs. Scovil, Miss H. Scovil, Milltown: H. and Mrs. McAllister, Perth, N. J.: Mrs. R. A. Clark and daughter, Mrs. H. Trimble, New York: C. H. Ross and son, Miss A. McIntee, S. Richardson, J. Jennings, F. Soukces, Boston: Mrs. F. N. Daker, G. A. and Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. W. B. Gilbert, J. E. and Mrs. Sunningham, Portland: Mrs. G. and Mrs. Pierce, Portland: Mrs. D. Jebby, Hous. City: Miss E. V. Walls, Machias: W. L. Powers, Eastport: W. A. Wament, L. L. Kirwin, Mrs. G. H. Hayes, Miss A. G. Bibber, H. B. Grady, Miss M. Cassidy, Miss and Master Murphy, M. Fiecy and party, Mrs. M. McDermuth.