

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY
Annual Ball to be Given
December 12

Elaborate Preparations Will be
Made for a Repetition of the
Society's Former Success

St. Andrews society will this year have the same as in the past celebrate the annual day of the brave sons of old Scotland, but it will be some two weeks later than usual on account of the regular day of the society falling on Sunday. Such was the decision arrived at at the meeting held yesterday evening when officers of the society were elected for the ensuing year. Ever since the days of '98 the 12th of November in Dawson has been sacred to the cause of pleasure and a day eagerly anticipated by society for the joys that the evening would bring forth. The first celebration held in the city after the organization of the society here was a dinner given on St. Andrews day, 1898, at the Cafe Royal, which at that time was the most elaborate affair ever witnessed in Dawson. The following year the first ball was held in the old Savoy theatre, the grand march being led by Major Perry, then in command of the N. W. M. P. and now general superintendent of the entire force stationed at Regina. The dance proved a revelation to recent arrivals who had associated pleasure with nothing but moccasins and parkies. Many of the ladies wore elaborate costumes and there were more dress suits in evidence among the gentlemen than the city had ever before dreamed of. The next year another dance was given at the same place which proved of even more surpassing beauty than the one the year previous, and last year the society again added to its list of social triumphs the ball given in the A. B. hall.

The meeting held last evening was only preliminary and the arrangements for this season's celebration are yet to be made, but it is safe to say that the ball will be fully in keeping with the previous efforts of the society and nothing will be left undone to make it as memorable as the others. The A. B. hall will doubtless be the place where the dance will be held as no other room in the city is sufficiently large to accommodate the crowds who will desire to attend. Another meeting has been called for next Wednesday evening when the various committees will be named and active work on the celebration will be begun at once. The day set for the ball this year is on Friday, December 12.

Officers elected for the ensuing year consist of the following:

President, Dr. Alfred Thompson; vice president, J. F. Macdonald; secretary, J. P. McLennan; treasurer, Dr. J. A. MacArthur; chaplain, Col. MacGregor; pipers, R. G. Henderson and John Taylor. The executive committee elected was: D. C. MacKenzie, R. P. McLennan, William M. Kay, Jas. A. MacKinnon and Chas. Macdonald.

Henry D. Saylor

Seattle, Oct. 23.—Henry D. Saylor, United States consul at Dawson, arrived in the city yesterday morning from the north on the steamer Humboldt, and left at 1 o'clock for Washington, D.C., after lunching at the Hotel. His mission is to consult with the president and discuss matters concerning his post and report to the state department on business of importance which has been entrusted to him.

While at the capital he will file with the state department a valuable collection of data of the growing importance of the American and British Yukon, and the vast possibilities of the Yukon basin. He is much impressed with the wealth of the country where he represents the American government, and during the time he has been there he has worked hard for its advancement.

On state matters the consul had nothing to say. The utmost harmony prevails between the Canadians and Americans at Dawson and throughout the district, and to this condition has been every effort.

The position he occupies is the fourth in importance to the United States government, based on the volume of American trade under consular supervision. The business transacted, in an international way, since the opening of navigation this year, amounts in all to between \$11,000,000 and \$12,000,000. His chief duty connected with this business has been the supervision of gold shipments to the United States. He has also had charge of the shipment of goods from the British to the American Yukon, which has been growing rapidly, and the payment of sailors and crews of steamers entering from the Alaskan side.

It is understood that while in Washington Mr. Saylor will recommend some changes in the government of his office, and urge the department of state to sanction them. Mr. Saylor is one of the most popular consuls in the service. By the

Canadian miners he is much respected, and on several occasions he has had submitted to him matters in dispute between British subjects.

After transacting his business at Washington, with his wife and family, who accompany him, Mr. Saylor will go to his old home in Pennsylvania, where he will spend several weeks. He expects to arrive here on his return north in about two months. It is possible that when he returns he will leave Mrs. Saylor and their family in the east until the opening of navigation in the spring.

To Ignore Action

Berlin, Oct. 22.—Chancellor von Buelow did not attend today's session of the reichstag. The debate on the grain schedule of the new tariff bill was continued, but the speakers faced a row of empty seats in the ministerial tribune. Von Buelow has suggested that the cabinet show its entire indifference in the majority treatment by simply staying away, for the present, at least. Politicians of all parties are in a state of excitement over what the ministry will do, and all kinds of stories are in circulation. One that bears a semblance of authority is that Emperor William and Von Buelow considered the situation for two hours last night, and that his majesty agreed that the government was unable to recede from its position unless Conservative and Centrist parties first show a disposition to compromise, and that it was inexpedient to dissolve the reichstag. A variation of this account of the audience is that Emperor William expressed displeasure at the way the bill was managed and that Von Buelow showed a firm attitude.

All the Liberal newspapers demand that the government dissolve the reichstag, and the Socialists jeer at the proceedings in the reichstag as farcical, and point to the small influence which parliamentary decisions have on the government. The agrarian organs continue to attack the government's position, and some members of that party threaten to introduce amendments reducing the industrial duties. Altogether the situation is greatly confused, but the ministry seems determined to preserve its independence toward parliament and renounce the existing commercial treaties in December, preparatory to fresh negotiations for treaties.

Sure of Success

Skagway, Nov. 1.—Those arriving from Dawson, who are in position to gauge the interior sentiment, are unanimous in the expression of the confident belief that Gov. Ross will be elected to parliament by an overwhelming majority. They say that the sober business-sense of the community is beginning to find expression and it is almost unanimous for the governor. It is generally admitted by all classes that there will be many more chances for the Yukon to get that for which it has been asking with Gov. Ross in parliament than with Joe Clarke there.

Said a leading citizen of the Yukon yesterday: "Every day adds to the growing popularity of Gov. Ross and the weakening of many of those who have been supporting Clarke. As the days of the campaign go by, the people are realizing more and more that the election of Joe Clarke would be a case of simple suicide. The election of Gov. Ross is an absolute certainty."

Asks Payment in Gold

Washington, Oct. 22.—Some of the parties interested in the Plus arbitration are not satisfied with the amount of the award in their favor, and have appealed to the state department to endeavor to induce The Hague tribunal to reopen the case and amend the decision so as to make the judgment payable in gold. The original finding was in favor of the claimants for a lump sum of \$1,420,000, and the annual payment of \$43,050, payable in Mexican currency.

This currency just now is quoted at about 10 cents on the dollar as compared to American gold, so that to change the judgment as requested would involve an enormous increase in the total. After looking into the treaty by which the arbitration was arranged, Secretary Hay has found that it was expressly stipulated that the tribunal should fix not only the amount but the kind of currency in which the award should be paid, and he has consequently informed the claimants that he cannot grant their request.

Mysterious Shooting

Pittsburg, Oct. 23.—Dr. Ellis Duncan, superintendent of the city hospital of Louisville, last night shot and probably fatally wounded Bruce Head, a laborer on the Wabash tunnel, near Crafston. Later Duncan surrendered to the police, but would give no reason for the shooting. It is supposed the attempt at murder was made to adjust some wrong done in Louisville, where both men are from. It is said Duncan approached Head, and making some inaudible remark to him, pulled a revolver and fired, the ball striking Head in the breast.

Expected to Live

New York, Oct. 23.—Mrs. Annie Kingsley, a stab wound in whose heart was sewed up with six stitches at Bellevue hospital, is progressing satisfactorily and is expected to recover. Her husband, who is held by the police, has been remanded to await the outcome of the remarkable surgical operation.

Auditorium—"Under Two Flags"

The French Girl From Pumkit

Dames Huckins and Sassafras were sampling a brew of some tea that Capt. Zenas Larcom had brought home from far Ceylon, and between their sips, they talked of this and that. In the run of their conversation Mrs. Huckins informed her friend she was thinking of buying a set of dining room furniture. Thereupon Arabella began to buzz like the busy bee that is said to improve each shining hour.

"Cassandry," she started in, "I never h'ar any one speakin' uv house furnishin', without thinkin' uv Zebedee Bates en his wife, Marie. Yes, th' ones that cut sech a swathe in Humpsville-th' Bates up on th' hill."

"I reckon you ain't h'ard th' story fur it happenin' when you were livin' in Squash Holler. You know that wuz afore th' keers run thar; en, uv course, Humpsville en th' Hill warn't in sech close touch ez they now air. News didn't travil then ez it does in these days uv 'lectricity, telephons, bisickels en gossip."

"Zebedee, at that time, wuz an old bach'lor en hed lived at th' Grubster house fur a number uv y'ars. En though a number uv our marridged gals hed, from time t' time set, thar caps fur him en his forthin, twen't any use, fur they couldn't, somehow er nuther, roge Zebedee. Zebedee wuz deuced pertekler, en none uv th' gals in Humpsville seemed t' fit his ideas uv a Mrs. Bates."

"Waal, things went along that way fur y'ars. Th' gals all th' time chasin' en Zebedee dodgin' en gettin' richer en richer. Richer? Yes, fur though he didn't hev any more larnin' in than a cow, everythin' he tuk holt uv larned int' guid-all, save his nose, an' that wuz th' color uv a billed beet. It got so that every one kem t' th' conclusion he'd die without issue, fur he wuz waal on a fifty-tew. En arter that heart-breakin' Pink Hagley, th' sirlin uv Squab cove, tried her hand on him en failed, all th' gals uv Humpsville en Squash Holler gev Zebedee up ez a bad case en put him down fur a woman-hater."

"Howsever, like th' quacks say 'when you've got it, price-a case is seldom so fur gone ez t' be hope-liss. En so it proved in th' case uv Zebedee Bates, when a suttin French gal from a place called Pumkit, in Novy Scooshy, kem on a visit, t' a married sister uv hers that lived here."

"This Pumkit gal hed lived a y'ar et ewt in Boston, en hed larn't a thing er so, which, anyway, kem nateral seel' en she wuz French, en quicker than chain lightnin' t' ketch on. Thar's no use in talkin' other-wise, fur she wuz good lookin' with her rosy, olive complexion, p'arly teeth, en big snappin' black eyes. En sway, in 'vraque q' uppon sooty son all sweet carves, with nary an angl. All th' boys called her a reg'lar daisy. Bob Swabbers, th' ex-seadog, said she wuz ez trim en taut a craft ez ever went in stays, er showed heels in a singl-reef breeze."

"In fact, she wuz one uv those winnin' that ketch peepil's eye on th' street, fur she'd a springy style uv walk, which kem from practicin' bar-footed over th' rocky ruds uv Pumkit. En, tew, she hed a ketchy way uv holdin' her skirts, ez if she wuz wadin' long th' Pumkit shore, lookin' fur crabs en lobsters."

"Although Marie, fur that was her name, wuzn't bardin' with school-larnin', you bet, like all th' French, she could talk t' beat th' band. En she hed a way uv rollin' them snappin' eyes uv hers, en uv showin' her white teeth, which med a pussin fer git her accint. Cassandry, Bob Swabbers med no mistake in sayin' that Marie wuz a trim craft; fur she wuz all uv that, en taut a littil bit more, if I'm any judge."

"Waal, she h'ard uv Zebedee Bates en his peg, fact'ry en money, er Zebedee h'ard uv her good looks, I don't know which. Anyway, they got acquainted, en then snappin' eyes, white teeth, carves, etectry, fixed old Zebedee all right. Moreover, she told him uv her father's estates down thar t' Pumkit, uv the oldtime man-or-house th' family lived in, uv thar descent from a blue-blooded family uv France, en Lord knows wut not. En Zebedee, he gulpt it all, ez old Joe Lufkins would bolt fat pork, harf a pound t' a swaller."

"Uv course, if he'd known anythin' outside uv peg makin', he'd known that all th' castles en man-or-houses uv Pumkit hed been destr'yed in th' flood, en none hed been rebilt. Also, that th' only blue-blooded peepil down thar way wer' th' Injin descendants uv th' Micmac kings."

"But no; though Zebedee could make money, en wuz known fur and n'ar ez th' 'Peg King,' outside uv th' best kind uv wood fur makin' pegs, he wuz 'bout ez green ez vardigrease. The snappin' eyes, p'arly teeth, carves, man-or-house, blue blood, etectry, keffummxit him. Bless you, th' just thing Humpsville knew, th' Duchess uv Pumkit hed gals, old Zebedee fur better er fur worse."

"Arter takin' a honeymoon trip uv a month er so, they kem back t' Humpsville. Then Zebedee bought an elegant house up on th' hill, in th' swell part uv our town, intendin' t' go housekeepin' ez soon ez 'twuz furnisht."

"Uv course, money wuz no object t' Zebedee, fur he hed bar's uv it, en more in sight. Tharfore, th' house wuz t' be furnisht t' beat th' band."

"Zebedee hev'n' been a bach'lor, en

for un'mint than use, a music box that wuz easy t' play, en six cuckoo clocks. She also bought Paris plaster staters uv Venus, Apollor, Mercury en other uv them old-time carriketters; en, tew, busts uv Washintun, Napolyin, Heenan, Mor-sey en sech great men. Bric-bat, bless you, kem by th' cartload; en she hed it on all th' mantil pieces, brackets, tablis en pianny, ez if twuz a knick-knack shop. Re'lly, when she gut through with furnishin' that house 'twuz a reg'lar odd en end establishmint uv curyosities, compared t' which Zachary Baker's junk shop wuzn't knee high t' a grasshopper."

"Th' most larf'bil thing connectid with that housefurnishin' wuz ez regurds a suttin one uv th' picters. 'Twuz a geynin paintin uv tew cows by one Leightin (not our Amos Leightin, fur he's only a whitewasher). Thar wuz no doubt, ez t' th' picter's bein' a good one, fur Nate Hardy, who's an ortorry on sech things, pronounced it was, clars, because one uv th' cows wuz th' dead spit uv Lem Briggs' spotted heifer, 'Daisy'; en t'other lookt ez if she might be a good milkor. Re'lly, that paintin might hev gone a long way t'wards excusin' t'other daubs, if Marie hedn't tagged th' cost on it, in big figgers, so that vis'ters might know wut she paid fur it. But, know larf'bil 'nuff, th' tag wuzn't exactly th' joke. No, th' joke came in, th' follerin' spring, when Marie wuz house-cleanin' en gut an idea in to her head th' paintin wuz losin' its gloss, en t' renew which, she gev it a good coat uv shellac. Th' shellac didn't agree with th' cows, en, inside uv tew weeks, that Leightin picter hed more cracks in it than th' ice down on Squan crick-did, when 'Squash' Allin tell through one Sunday afternoon, when he wuz cuttin' semiquivers afore M'ria Nickils, Sal Blazer en some more uv th' gals."

"Now, that wuz partly th' way Mrs. Zebedee Bates furnisht that house. Partly, fur t' tellyou all I'd hev t' hev a cat'log, that's wut I would."

"But, Cassandry, things hev changed since then, fur Marie's now a different kind uv pussin t' wut she wuz when she fust marrid Zebedee. En she now hev ez neatly furnisht a house ez you'll find in Humpsville. This is how it kem about."

"Twarn't much more than a y'ar arter marriage, when the Duchess uv Pumkit concluded that somethin' wuz still needid in that house, en that th' somethin' wuz her lack uv sohil larnin'. So she hired a clever woman from Boston t' teach her music en et'ket. Now Marie kin hold her end up with th' best in our town. En that's how th' yaller-plushis, Paris-plaster staters en busts, chromos, bric-bats, etectry, found thar way t' Enos Cutler's secondhand shop."

"Marie's case, Cassandry, goes t' prove that wut's in a pussin will out if it gits a chance, no matter if they come from Pumkit or Podunk; en wut ain't thar won't, no matter evin if they're born in th' lap uv lux'ry."

with a gold spoon in thar mouth. Marie wuz born with a desire fur better things, en's aimin' fur en reachin' that end ev'ry day. Zebedee wuz born int' the peg biziniss, hez remained in it, en will peg out in it, without hev'n' pegged higher than th' fust hole in th' game uv knaulidge. Cassandry, Zebedee gut th' best uv th' bargain, by long odds, fur he's now got a wife any man might be proud uv; en Marie, although she gut a harf int'rist in a peg fact'ry, hed t' take wut kem with it—en that wuz old Zebedee Bates, en his over-ripe beak."

"You're right, Arabella, t'day thar ain't a fly on th' Duchess uv Pumkit, en her ketchin' an int'rist in th' peg fact'ry wuz suttinly a good joke on th' sirlin uv Squab Cove en t'other gals that went fashin' fur Zebedee, but didn't use th' right kind uv bait," said Cassandry, as the incorrigible Mrs. Sassafras concluded her narrative.

M. A. TIRRELL

To Teach Abstinence

Portland, Me., Oct. 22.—Much time was devoted to the two important resolutions by the National Women's Christian Temperance Union convention today. Both were adopted. The first was in effect:

"That we stand committed to the principle and practice of compulsory scientific temperance instruction for all pupils in all public schools of this country. We urge our organization everywhere to work for the good, well graded text books on this subject and to oppose books that fail to teach total abstinence as revealed by modern science."

The second was:

"That we respectfully differ from the statement of President Eliot of Harvard University that the attempt to teach total abstinence in the public schools has been an injury to the teachings of science, inasmuch as ideas concerning the effect of alcohol were taught which could not be proved, and remind the public that the teachings on this subject in our public schools have the approval of men of acknowledged eminence in science and has never been proved false. We believe that its removal from our schools would be a national calamity which we pledge ourselves to do everything in our power to avert."

Invitations to hold the next national convention at St. Louis were received.

British Bye-Election

London, Oct. 22.—The following result is announced of the bye-election to fill the seat in the house of commons for Davenport, rendered vacant by the death of E. J. C. Morton, Liberal: Mr. Locke, Unionist, 3,785; Mr. Brassey, Radical, 3,757.

President Dead

Berne, Switzerland, Oct. 22.—Former President Haver died today, as the result of a paralytic stroke. He had been at the head of the finance department during the recent years.

To Oust Stock Raisers.
Washington, Oct. 22.—Col. John S. Mosby, special agent of the interior department, called upon the president today and laid before him the result of his investigation of the illegal occupation of public lands in Colorado and other western states by stock raisers. Col. Mosby told the president that millions of acres of public land that ought rightfully to be open to the homestead settler were occupied by stock raisers. After concluding the investigation it is making the interior department will oust such stock raisers as are not occupying the lands lawfully.

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NOTICE!

A number of voters are under the impression that if their names are on the Old Municipal List used last winter, that it is not necessary to apply to the enumerators to have their names placed on the Federal List. To secure a vote at the coming election a voter must apply in person or instruct an agent who is in a position to make a statutory declaration as to his qualifications. All supporters of Hon. James Hamilton Ross who are unable to spare the time to look after the matter are requested to send in their names or telephone to the secretary of the Town Committee before the 15th inst.

H. G. WILSON,
Chairman.

A. I. MacFARLANE,
Secretary.

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