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Flora MacDonald

In the county of Guysborough, on the shore of Country Harbor, there is a town-site laid out after the old-time style in a series of streets running at right angles and enclosing the regulation squares. A few of the streets were cleared and graded, a few partially graded, and the most of them have only a geographical possibility. We do not know whether the location has any name at present or not, but it has a history. Known to all Scotsmen at least is the name of Flora MacDonald, the heroic young maiden who guided Prince Charlie to a place of refuge and eventually saw him safe aboard the ship which carried him to France. In a short time Flora was pardoned by the House of Hanover, and was happily married. Thirty years after the '45 Rebellion, she and her husband took up land in North Carolina, and accompanied by a number of other emigrants, crossed the Atlantic and settled in the New World. Even at that time, the first mutterings of the War of Independence were in the air, and within a few months the "embattled world" fired the shot heard round the world at Lexington. Through the efforts of herself and her husband, a regiment named the "North Carolina Pencilers" was raised to aid the Royal cause. After fighting a number of battles the force was killed off, disbanded or taken prisoners, among the prisoners being the husband of the heroine. At length she managed to obtain his freedom and the two returned to

Scotland. After the war was over, largely through her influence the British Government made a grant of land and a townsite to the surviving members of the North Carolina Pencilers, together with food supplies, farming and lumbering instruments and free shipment to their new home. This new home was the townsite to which we referred in the beginning. Thither to Country Harbour came the ship and the settlers who manfully started to work at the task of rearing new homes in the wilderness. But the soil was unproductive and the climate was very different from what they had been used to, and so the settlement was rapidly deserted. Some returned to their old home, some crossed over to Britain, but the most of them scattered among the other settlements in Nova Scotia, and a few of them coming to Halifax. Flora and her husband had a hard time of it after their return to Bonnie Scotland, and tradition hath it that she was often heard to say, "I have done muckle for both the House of Stewart and the House of Hanover, and I have been mickle the gainer by either."

Such is the tradition, partly oral and partly written, which connects our provincial history with the life of the romantic maid who saved Bonnie Prince Charlie from his enemies.—Halifax Recorder.

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Sidewalk Sketches.

By H. L. RANN.

THE FARMER.



The farmer is the only member of the Ancient and Amalgamated Order of Cou-p o n Clippers who works at the trade for a ny length of time. He is the only citizen of this r e p u b l i c who doesn't have to enter the bankruptcy court every

\$14,000 in liabilities and assets consisting of a second-hand cash register and a Round Oak stove. The farmer lives longer than the editor, because his life is brightened by an occasional square meal. There are other differences, also. The farmer can stand on the four corners and express his opinion of the new Methodist minister with perfect impunity, but if the editor suggests that the aforesaid minister is a victim of mental paralysis, an outraged congregation will make his subscription list look like a scal sieve. The old-fashioned farmer who used to get up at 4 A.M. and guide the erring footsteps of a corn plow until dark, is now a painful reminiscence. Few farmers stay on the farm after they are fifty, preferring to move to town and loan money to the banks. They are thus able to look every man in the face, and invite him to seek a warm, moist climate in case an argument arises. The farmer used to vote the way his father did, but he is getting over it. He is also getting over the habit of throwing large rolls of currency into propositions that promise 100 per cent. dividends the first year. The cartoonist who portrays the farmer in chin whiskers and cowhide boots, ought to get off Main Street once a year and wise up. The new brand of farmer rides around in an automobile, smokes ten-cent cigars, and lives in a house that makes the ordinary town residence look like a portable corn crib. He is the real autocrat of this republic.

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Detective's Good Work.

Detectives Byrne and Tobin did more than ordinarily smart work in rounding up the females who had been stealing ladies' coats and other articles from hallways. These thefts extended over a period of 12 months and were so secretly performed that all attempts to get at the thieves were futile until Saturday last. The officers patiently waited and watched all this time. They had minute descriptions of the ladies' coats stolen, and saw a young woman wearing one which was very much like one of the missing articles. She was quietly followed to her home and politely asked where she had bought it from a woman. The person who originally owned the coat was shown it and it was then discovered that it had been stolen by the woman who wore it, from the owner's house on Springdale St. Matters affecting the theft of the coats were then gleaned from the culprit whose mother was visited and she was seen to be wearing a coat stolen from the hallway of a resident of the corner of Gower and Victoria Streets. The woman said her daughter had given her the coat. Warrants were then procured and the house of a friend of this woman was searched and there a coat stolen from a resident of Charlton Street, 4 months ago, was found and identified. Three coats were then found in the house of a friend of the guilty mother and daughter and all concerned then admitted to the systematic stealing of the apparel, and the prisoners were given their deserts in Court. Both detectives deserve credit for their painstaking attention to and clearing up the larcenies.

Men Working Rather Hard.

During the past few days men who reside off Barter's Hill and on the higher levels have been going to the woods and bringing to the city firewood which they haul out on catamarans. The men work hard in this respect but are compelled to do so as labor is scarce and they are not gifted with much cash. They are constituents of the Premier's and do not forget the fact that he recently drew \$12,000 to pay himself partly for the trip he had to Washington, London and the Hague, while money is being spent in a most prodigal manner for the wording of speeches and sops to political heeleders and Government parasites. Disgust is expressed on all sides at the wanton waste of public monies, and people do not wonder that they are groaning under taxation and cannot afford themselves, like the unfortunate men alluded to above, fuel or the bare necessities of life. These people, however, are only waiting the chance to hurl the present horde of grafters from power and give Mr. Morris his Waterloo in St. John's West at the next election.

Southern Shore Notes.

A young man named Byrne, of Briggs South, has entered a seminary in Canada to enter upon the novitiate in the Order of the Christian Bros.

Rev. Fr. Ravlins is doing excellent work at Cape Broyle and has erected many new school buildings in the diocese, he being deeply interested in education.

A resident of Renew's while cutting wood there recently gave himself a bad gash with the axe he used. But for Mr. Edstrom he might have bled to death. He rendered first aid and kept the life current from flowing too freely until Dr. Freebairn arrived.

Rev. Fr. Walsh, of Renew's, will soon make alterations and additions to his parochial residence, which will be a great improvement.

The brass band formed at Renew's has greatly improved under the tuition of Prof. Power, of St. John's, who is now there. The band discourses excellent music in a very capable manner.

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M.C.L.I. Debate.

Examination System Condemned. A large and enthusiastic gathering attended the M. C. L. I. debate last night, the subject being of exceptional interest. "Is the average child better equipped for life's duties by the competitive examination process by which it is educated?"

The Rev. M. Fenwick opened the debate for the affirmative and dwelt chiefly on the meaning of the words "average" and "competitive" claiming that education was good and necessary and tended to develop the best in man. Mr. Winsor followed showing that our present system had produced good men.

The third speaker on the affirmative was Mr. Davis who is to be congratulated on his maiden speech; he dwelt principally on the value of competition.

Mr. R. A. Squires, M. H. A., led off for the negative and made some telling points against our present examination system. The chief points being that:—The individuality of the scholar was lost, and that marks and school honours seemed to be the highest goal, that cramming was very much in evidence, that the average child was neglected, attention being centered on the brightest children, that the system generally did not produce men and women who were well equipped for life's duties.

Mr. W. White was the second speaker on the negative. He showed that the trend of public opinion abroad was setting strongly against the examination system. The Dean of St. Paul's stated at a meeting of head masters in London, January last, that boys were pursued by the "demon of examinations." He also quoted T. P. O'Connor, Count Leo Tolstol, Bernard Shaw, Dr. Montessori, etc., as being against the present system. The Montessori System as outlined in "World's Work" Magazine (Feb.) demonstrates great progress in educational ideas, the examination process being entirely eliminated, children are trained according to the senses, natural inclinations alone being the guide; so successful has this system become that last June the Government of Switzerland abolished the examination system and established the Montessori System in all the public schools; many other nations are sending teachers to train so as to take up the work.

Mr. George Roberts was the next speaker who spoke strongly against the present system. Children are compelled to learn a lot of subjects which are entirely useless to them when starting in life.

A large number of speakers took part in the general debate which was almost altogether against the present system. Several strongly condemned "home lessons" as a heavy mental burden on the child and a source of great worry and annoyance to the parents who in many cases have to teach the lessons so that the children may be examined in same next day.

Mr. S. Whiteway made a strong plea for training along the line of natural endowments, especially after the age of 14 years.

The debate was very largely one-sided and showed that public opinion as represented by the M. C. L. I. is not in favour of the present examination system.

Lenten Recital.

The Lenten Recital held last night under the auspices of the Daughters of the Empire, at the Methodist College Hall, was attended by a very large and appreciative audience. The following splendid programme was rendered and needless to say was thoroughly enjoyed by all present:—

- 1.—Organ Solo, Offertoire in D; Bapist—Mr. A. Mews.
- 2.—Solo, Ave Maria (Italian Luigi Luzzi)—Miss D'Alberti.
- 3.—Solo, "It is Enough" (from Elijah)—Mr. Ruggles.
- 4.—Vocal Duet, The Crucifix. Faure—The Misses Strang.
- 5.—Piano Solo, Rhapsodie Hongroise. Liszt—Miss Rogers.
- 6.—Reading, "The End of the Task." Bruno Lessing—Miss Flora Currie.
- 7.—Vocal Solo, "The Better Land." Cowen—Mrs. W. C. Job.
- 8.—Violin Solo, "Andante," Beethoven.—Miss S. Johnson.
- 9.—Solo, "Ave Maria," Gounod—Mrs. KING.

Violin Obligato—Miss Johnson; Piano—Miss Rogers; Organ—Mr. King. Misses D'Alberti and Rogers and Mrs. W. C. Job had to respond to encores. Miss Rogers is a daughter of Rev. Dr. Rogers, Pastor of Gower St. Church, and this was her first appearance on the concert platform and her manipulation of the piano displayed her ability as a musician. Mrs. Job and Miss D'Alberti as was to be expected acquitted themselves well, and Mr. Ruggles who also was encored beautifully sang, "Lord God of Abraham." Miss Johnson's violin solo and the vocal efforts of Mrs. King and the Misses Strang were deservedly applauded. Miss Currie's reading received great praise, and her ability as an elocutionist was fully demonstrated. Messrs. King and Mews contributed in no small degree to the success of the recital.

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A CLOSE CALL.—Last week while two young men were out shooting birds at Broad Cove, near Renew's, one of them had a narrow escape from losing his life. The gun his friend carried was accidentally discharged as he raised it to fire at a flock of ducks, and the charge cut the coat of his friend into shreds and broke several cakes of biscuit which he carried in his pocket into splinters.

Lot of old seals seen on the ice at Fichot Islands on the 4th. Several old bitch harps caught in nets here to-day; heavy ice a few miles off shore.

COLD ACROSS COUNTRY.—Last night the weather was cold across country, but fine, and the snow melted freely in yesterday's thaw.

Mr. J. P. Lamb, 10 Chapel Street, City, also won 2nd prize of \$5 in Stafford's Queen of Liniment Competition. (See advertisement.)

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