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WATTY WELCH'S SPEECH At the Kirk Meeting.

The kirk at Birlybrae was "rent asunder," divided, and altogether in a grievous state of uproar. 'Rent asunder" were the words used by Tam French, the shoemaker, when telling how, why, and when the war had begun. Miss Bella Banks said it was owing to the members of the church not being an "educated people," and John Geddes, of Bentlybrae, who was on the other side from Miss Bella Banks in church matters, said that the "kirk was fair spoiled wi' sae mony auld maids being about it." Davie Hope, the elder, considered it a sign of the unresting spirit of the "rising generation," and the outcome of

School Boards and other evils; and old

Denwoodie, of the Knowe farm house,

"nae doot o' that." And what was it all about? Simply a new precentor had to be chosen for Bir- orned with blue homespun stocking, lybrae kirk; a very simple matter considering how few names were on the leet mantleshelf as it was possible to have -only four. But like greater matters, them. He was in the enjoyment of rest the choosing of the precentor had got after labour, and was going over the mixed up with politics, so that it was speech that he meant to startle the "up not who "sang best," or who "led best," per ten" with in Birlybrae kirk the very so much as who was for the "Birlyb.ae next night. His wife, seeing that the man," and who was for a stranger. The speech might send off somewhere else Birlybrae man-Bill Carruthers, the Watty's best customers, was, while she

in Birlybrae kirk. votes they would have had no chance, tions. but being wise in their generation, they determined to go together for the best of said Watty, at last, the three. To debate the point required a large amount of tea-drinking among the ladies before it was settled, and be. ing settled required as much tea-drinking again to "talk over" the awful way Watty's in." that John Geddes, Thomas French and Peter Thomson had spoken of Mr Frank tioned, thought Mr Frank Pit's singing very like the mewing of a cat; at least he said that to Tam French and Peter Tamson when they were speaking of John Geddes' brother-in-iaw, Bill Car- crack wi' ye man. What are ye about ruthers', chances. And then John Geddes called Mr Pitt "Pusswow"-a name that very soon took the place of Mr He's gaun into the next Parliament."

kirk who wanted Bill Carruthers, And so the question wandered away, and tempers were lost and friendships broken up, and the minister was grieved. The minister, Mr Bently, never took a side on any matter. He had the "hehting the church" was the debate in be efu' meetin." Birlybrae he left the congregation to "Ay, an' what are ye to say?" asked settle the matter, and went on doing his sly Andrew duty, and losing no friends. He might be wise, or he might be foolish, in so say," said Mrs Welsh.

was a prudent courss. day, Mr Bently never referred to the hand -time to time. Sandy had a notion that style. certain things should be told to the minister, and Sandy considered that he him- mean?" broke in Mrs Welsh. self kent weel the way the minister be- "Our fathers were hunted like hares good to lecture through the 13th chapter on the mountains, their heads were placof the 1st Corinthians just at that time. ed above the gates, while mighty tyran-

them't." And Sandy was right. Mr Bently forefathers." Mr Bently to give them these lectures King."

again." had been a certain friendliness between nature. was about the only member in the church high; but ye hae the cart afore the who was for "naebody." So it was a horse, Watty this time." happening in the outside world, quite that for? Na, na; ye man gie a Bently started when Andrew said, look- hale kirk wi' ye."

ing keenly at him :-"Is the voting to be the morn, sir?" "Yes, Andrew," said Mr Bently, rath- day shirt very carefully.

er stiffly.

way :ture o' yours, sir, has set me thinkin' a' the folk to be sensible folk, an' no o't. I was wunnering if there is nae cast oot gin they dinna get their way." o't. I was wunnering if there is not word in the dina get their way."

wey o' bringing the congregation to vote according to their conscience. If you "I goed ower that speech, an' mair than we have been a week hit word just in veheard, to all Bellows in the smiddy. In the fall of '84, Randall Miller, of Mattland, N.S., was prostrated to his all wood and a yard wide?" Laith sides hae got some bitter speeches ing when Morrison steed up." ready, and words may be said that years "If he wad pe" Morrison the twa pun'

wey o' ganging on'. Noo, I'm ganging

dream of interfering,' said Mr Bently. she to Andrew. "Weel, sir, it is yer duty -- a word frae you wad gang a far road-

Mr Bently smiled, an said: --"Then try aspeech yourself, An lrew." same, I wod weel like to see the folk be

Andrew shook his head, and, after the abode of Watty Welsh, the tailor. Watty had stopped work, and was sitting before a large fire somking a pipe, shook his head and said that there was and muttering to himself. His measuring line still hung round his nock, his waistcoat was unbuttoned, his feet. adwere crossed and placed as near the postman-repsesented the lower orders, iconed Watty's collars, stopping every and the three strangers the "upper ten" now and again to listen and give her opinion (not at all favourable) of the If the "supper ten" had divided their wisdom of her lord and master's inten-

"Wheesht! woman. Ye're nae sense,

"Ay, but I hae a vote, an' I'll vote you oot. Wha is that at the door?" "You, Andrew," she said, as she opened it. "Come awa, pen. Oor

Watty Welsh in one moment had brought the blue stockinged feet on to Pitt, whose singing was high-class, and the floor with a spring-a real tailor's would certainly be a great attraction to spring. All he wanted was o listener. the church. Now, John Geddes, who For the wife of his bosom had been very was certainly the worst of the three men- scornful when Watty was in the most telling part of his composition.

"Come on, Andrew Johnstone; very man I want to see."

"Weel, Watty, I like fine to hae a the nou?"

"Oh, oor Watty's gifted the noo Frank Pitt among those in Birlybrae said Mrs Welsh, cooly, as she felt the heat of an iron.

Watty curled his lip, and said -"Folk sud speak whaun they're spoken to.

"Sae I think whiles," said his wife, "I was wishin' for ye, man, Andrew, good sense to know that politics had began Watty, "I am to speak for Bill best be left to the people. Even when [ Carruthers the morn's nicht, and there'll

"Ya'll better speer what he's no to

doing. It was his way, and it certainly Watty ignored his wife's remark, and began to say thoughtfully, as he emp-So when each man on the leet had his tied the dottle of his pipe into his left I can speak for every one that'll vote on

trial. He spoke in his usual well-bred, "Weel, I was thinkin' o' beginning wi kindly manner, and gave the list of sayın' a' I could for Bill, and ending wi' psalms exactly as he would have done if a wheen remarks beginning :- "Shall Donald Fraser, the old precentor, was we, the sons of Brace and Wallace, substill in his place. All the same, Mr mit to hand under the yoke of those who Bently had eyes, and saw with them, would fair imprison our consciences and and he had ears and heart what Sandy our liberties? We will not be slaves; Henderson, the beadle, told him from we will be free," Watty said, in fine

"What in a' the worl' does the body

"An' I said to mysel' a' the time, ny stretched out its attenuated arm over That's into you folk. Man, he did gie the land. We live in happier times, yet, we-we are the true sors of our noble

did speak well on charity for three Sun "Ye are richt there, Watty," said Andays, and each side thought the other drew, quietly, though his eyes were eide was meant. And Miss Bella Banks twinkling. "But, about Bruce and said 'it was beautisul. She would ask Wallace, 'a' Stewarts are no sib to the

"What's wrang wi' the speech !" asked Ever since Andrew Johnstone had Watty, sulkily, for his wife had greeted gone up to the manse to ask the minister | Andrew's remark with a "Hee hee!" to come and see wee Nanny Hope there that was really too much for poor human

the roadman and Mr Bently. Like the "It's ower grand, Watty. Man, ye c'ergyman, Andrew was on no side, and can speak fine when ye dinna fly ower

of relief to Mr Bently to call in one eve- 'Then I suppose I'm to haud my ning with some magazines and have a tongue?" said Watty, his anger rising. "crack" at Andrew's fireside over events "By nae means. What wad ye dae

away from Birlybrae. All at once Mr speech, Watty, and ye maun carry the

"I'd like tae see him dae't," remarked

"Nae doot o' that,' said Andrew, "an' Andrew looked keenly at the minister ye see ye hae't in yer pooer tae help again, and then said in his usual slow him. Noo, Watty, mak' a speech the morn's nicht : a cheery, nice ane. Say I maybe sudna speak o't, but you lec- a' ye can for Bill ; but end with askin'

could gie them a wee bit word just in ye heard, to auld Bellows in the smiddy, you style, sir it micht dae some guid. and he said it was the 'very thing,' an Ye see there'll be a braw turn oot, and he wad lead the cheering and the groan-

wull never men'. An' n's a senseless his brither cheated the man oot o', he micht groan as he liked.' said Mrs doon to Watty Weish's the nicht, an' I ll Weish. "If our Watty and and Belstop him if ye'll stop Morrison, the gro- lows wad hauld their tongue the morn's nicht Bill micht get in, but they'll speak, "I ! Andrew? No, no; I would never an' better speak an' spoil a thing," said

> "Never heed her," said the tailor. "What does she ken about it ?"

When the voting night came Birly. brae kirk was filled. Mr Bently won-"Na, na, I'm owre auld to begin,' said | dered to see the excitement. He was faces, but he sighed to think how bitter each side was against the other for such "It would be contrary to the Legis-lature if a buyer upon whom no penalty had been imposed could be made hable then things will go into their old dreaded. Watty Welsh's he knew would to punishment as an aider and abettor."

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"It would be contrary to the Legis-lature if a buyer upon whom no penalty had been imposed could be made hable to punishment as an aider and abettor." amuse, but at the same time carry many along by the way Watty would deliver the minister departed, he went down to it. He rose, and after the prayer came the singing of the Psalm-

"Behold how good a thing it is, And how becoming well, Together such as brethren are In unity to dwell."

Then Mr Bently looked round him. For the first time in his life at Birlybrae As he paused, his congregation looked. They might "cast out," but one and at respected Mr Bently.

"Friends, ' he said, "I have never, since I first came among you, interfored in any matter pertaining to the government of the church. You are clever business men, who can understand betgiven me other work. But tonight he has sent me with a message. I dare not be silent Let every one of you vote as you truly think in your heart, not because of any pressure that may be brought upon you And after the voting is over, let each be prepared to endure disappointment in a brave and nobe commanded it can be deserved."

Mr Bentley had a motion that he had made a very poor speech, and he sighed seat in front a female turn right round, it a' whaun I sat down," he explained afterwards. So Watty rose a second however bad, but will yie'd promptly to time, and Bellows and the smiddy lads the treatment. . cheered han to urge him on. "Bruce and Wallace, man," whispered Bellows. But it would not do. Watty sat down,

"Say something ye gowk. So Watty rose and said-

"Friends I has lost my English but need to sen' out for Jamieson's dictionpearance, a delightful and lasting perfune. It stimulates the roots, cleanses ary. A' I'll say is this—that I quite gae the scalp, and proves itself to be the in wi' what Mr Bentley says. An' I ken best and cheapest artical for toilet use. my side ; that lose or win, he'll shut his mooth, an' say na mair aboot it. For a' fule. Words gang slipping aff ane's all diseases of the Liver, Sae oor side gaun to wheesht."

Then Watty sat down, and Peggy Welsh led the cheering with her big cotton umbrella.

Mr Bently smiled, Mr Morrison and Dr Young, who had two splendid speeches editor's office. on Mr Pitt's ability to teach and other old and young, train a choir, and other matters, consulted. Then Mr Morrison prestidigitator. He can do anything prestidigitator. He can do anything change water into wine, on Mr Pitt's ability to teach music to said.

"Mr Chairman and friends-We are and wine into water. Take a twenty glad to see such a good spirit shown in dollar note out of a cat's mouth : take a Birlybrae kirk. We will not enter into ten out of a turnip ; take a fiver out of a the matter any more except to say that we, too, can stoop and conquer.

He spoke in the very genteel manner iter.

"You bet he can, and not half try." that he used towards his young lady "You bet he can, and not had try." Can he take a dollar out of an edicustomers. But Sandy Henderson all tor's pocket?"

"Course he can; a hundred of them, some words not too complimentary for that matter."

"Well, he's the man I'm looking for, about his good sense. However, the and if he will teach me how I can do it, voting was entered into and William he can have his ad in every column of Carruthers was declared duly elected. my newspaper, free, and I'll get out a No one could object now. Even Watty's supplement besides." side did not like to show their rejoicing too openly. There was a pause. Then Andrew Johnston rose, and in a few

Mrs Welsh, as she ironed Watty's Sun-blushing Bill followed Mr Bently down all who use it. Nerviline is an honest there was !

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Now human nature was in Peggy ldren, said she, "when you are naughty Welsh's heart, and she did not like to and cross your mamma does not want see Watty make such a fool of himself, you to be near her where she can see for Mr Morrison and his friends were laughing and rejoicing over Watty's Now Tommy, when do you think your failure. So she whispered over the seat mamma loves you best?" "When I'm asleep," replied Tommy, stoutly. "When I'm asleep,"

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and a buyer, the assent of each must be say half a mile wide, for instance, and For the first time in his life at Barlybrae he felt as if he had something to say that he must say, and yet would rather not. of them is in the sense of law an aider, abettor, counsellor, or procurer, but arrangement we are able to plow thirty arrangement we are he law.

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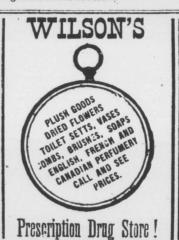
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