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SCOTTISH SOCIETY NEWS.

SONS OF SCOTLAND.

DUNDEE CAMP, Parkdale, met on Thursday evening last, the Chief in the chair. One candidate was initiated. Good progress was reported in connection with the annual excursion to Brampton by the City Camps on Civic Holiday. It was stated that the band of the 48th Highlanders would be present.

The Sons of Scotland picnic, at Strawberry Island, on Tuesday last week, was a great success. Between Orillians and visitors there was a large crowd, and the fun was fast and furious. The sports indulged in resulted as follows: 100 yards race—1st, R. Calverley; 2nd, Chas. Clark. Members' race (100 yards)—1st, Thos. Thomson; 2nd, Dr. W. C. Gilchrist. Putting 16 lb. shot—1st, Jas. Allan; 2nd, Frank Doyle. Vaulting with pole—Archibald Allan and J. Loban equal. Running high jump—1st, Dr. Gilchrist; 2nd, Arch. Allan. Running hop, step and jump—1st, R. Calverley; 2nd, Thomas Thomson. Dancing Highland fling—1st, Miss Marshall.

The second annual gathering of the Sons of Scotland of Bruce and Huron will be held at Lucknow, under the auspices of Albany Camp, on Wednesday, Sept. 6, 1893. An interesting and attractive programme of athletics, sports, music and Highland dancing will be presented. The leading athletes, pipers and dancers of Great Britain, who have been attracted by the World's Fair games, are expected to be present. These with the Canadian leaders should present a field of competitors unequalled in the history of Scottish games in Canada for physical prowess and skill and whose contests will assume a national character. In addition to the interest that always attends a well conducted programme of Scottish games, arrangements are being made to secure the presence of the 48th Batt. Band of Pipers as a characteristic feature of the gathering.

An Old Landmark Gone.

We regret to chronicle the death of Donald MacDonald, Augustine, who died at Head of Tracadie, lot thirty-six. Mr. MacDonald was born at Grand Tracadie, in March, 1810, and was, consequently, in his eighty-fourth year. Deceased was descended from one of the most sterling families of Highlanders who emigrated to this country. He was kind, genial and unobtrusive, and hospitable to a fault. In his last moments he was fortified by the rites of the Catholic Church, of which he was a

consistent member. His remains were interred in the cemetery at St. Bonaventure's church, on July 6th, followed by a large number of people. Deceased leaves four sons and two daughters to mourn their irreparable loss.—COM.

Scottish Games.

A GREAT Scotch gathering and games will be held in Souris East Driving Park, Charlottetown, P.E.I., on the 16th inst., under the auspices of the Caledonian Club.

We are in receipt of an invitation to "The great Northern Caledonian Gathering" of the S.O.S. of Bruce and Huron, to be held at Lucknow, under the auspices of Albany Camp, on September 6th. A highly interesting and attractive programme of national Scottish sports is being prepared. The leading athletes, pipers and dancers of Great Britain, who have been attracted by the World's Fair games are expected to be present. These, with the Canadian leaders, should present a field of competitors unequalled in the history of Scottish games in Canada for physical prowess and skill. Posters and programmes with all details and railway arrangements are being issued. They will, doubtless, be supported loyally by their "brother Scots" in the locality, and we wish them all success in their venture.

We have also to hand a programme of the "Fourth Annual Highland Games" to be held under the auspices of West Elgin Caledonian Society, on August 22nd, at Dutton, Ontario. Competition is open to all. Judging from the length of the programme and the handsome prize list, they will, doubtless, have a big crowd. The assortment of games gives all an opportunity to try their skill. A grand Scottish concert will bring this eventful day to a close. The arrangements are complete and we wish our enterprising brethren every success.

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Mr. James Sinclair, who left Aylmer for Scotland a little over a year ago, is back in Aylmer on a visit. Mr. Sinclair's many friends will be pleased to see him, as during the many years that he had charge of Mr. C. Devlin's business he made hosts of warm friends.

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