

DIARY.

JUNE, 1875.

- 1st—Embarked on board the Cunard steamship *Beta*, Captain Shaw, for Halifax, at St. Georges, Bermuda, 4 p.m.
- 4th—Arrived at Halifax, N.S., at midnight, after a moderate passage. Halifax Hotel.
- 19th—Afternoon train to Wolfville, at Haliburton's; visiting Cornwallis and the Gaspeaux Valley.
- 21st—Arrived Annapolis by rail 4:30 p.m. Grassies.
- 22nd—Drive to Bear River. Steamer *Empress* across the Bay of Fundy to St. John, N.B., 4 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Victoria Hotel.
- 24th—Steamer *David Weston*, St. John River to Fredericton, arriving 4 p.m. Barker House.
- 25th—Drive through the Nashwaak Valley, Gibson's Saw Mills. 3 p.m. train for St. John, arriving 6:30 p.m.
- 26th—7:30 a.m. Intercolonial for Point Du Chene, arriving 12:30 p.m.; steamer *Princess of Wales* to Summerside 5 p.m., arriving 8:30 p.m., crossed in row-boat to the Island Park Hotel.
- 28th—Drive to Bedeque, 7:15 p.m. train for Charlottetown, arriving 9:30 p.m., guests of Mr. David Stirling.

JULY.

- 1st—Steamer *St. Lawrence* for Pictou 5 a.m., arriving 10 a.m. Drive to West River. 2 p.m. Intercolonial for Halifax, arriving 8:15 p.m.
- 2nd—Halifax to St. Margaret's Bay and Chester by carriage 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Mulgrave House.
- 3rd—Across the Gold River along the margin of the beautiful Chester Basin, Oak Island. Captain Kidd's reputed Treasury, in view. Returned to Halifax 8:30 p.m.
- 13th—Embarked on board Allan steamship *Scandinavian*, Lieut. Smith, R.N.R., for Liverpool: fine day.
- 15th—Arrived St. Johns, Nfld., 10 a.m., sailed 2 p.m., encountering fractures of icebergs before arrival and after sailing.
- 22nd—Arrived off Queenstown 2 a.m., sighted Irish coast 4 p.m. previous day. Good passage all up, except on the 20th, when head wind, rain and sea.
- 23rd—Arrived Liverpool 2 a.m., unusually good view of the Welsh coast steaming up channel. Distance run Halifax to Liverpool, 2497. 1 p.m. express Lime Street to Euston, arriving 9:15 p.m. Langham Hotel, London.

AUGUST.

- 11th—"Flying Scotchman" Kings Cross to Waverley Station, Edinburgh, via Selby, York, Newcastle and Berwick, 10 a.m.—7:30 p.m. guests of Mr. William Hay, Rabbit Hall, Portobello: visiting Roslin, &c.
- 19th—Rail to Aberdeen, via Stirling, 1:30 p.m.—9 p.m. Palace Hotel.
- Pirie himself shewed us his paper establishment, the largest in the kingdom; McDonald, McDonald, Field & Co's. famous granite works: a tree planted by Bishop Elphinstone 1495 at King's College, transplanted two years since to make room for new building, looking well.

- 24th—11:20 a.m. train up Dee-side to Ballater, where Byron spent his youthful holidays. Invercauld Arms.
- 26th—Coach to and from Braemar. Annual Gathering of the Royal Highland Society at Mar Castle. The Queen, Princess Beatrice, Prince Leopold, Prince and Princess of Wales and Princes Albert Victor and George were present.
- 27th—Ascended Craignidarroch, good view.
- 28th—Having enjoyed all the walks and drives in the neighbourhood of Ballater, proceeded by coach to Braemar. Fife Arms.
- 29th—Attended Crathie Parish Church at noon. The Queen, Prince and Princess of Wales, and members of the Royal Family in residence at Balmoral and Abergeldie, present. Rev. Donald McLeod officiated, drawing a parallel between Samuel as a child and St. Paul as a matured man, both being loyal to God's call.
- 30th—Ascended Mount Morrone, exquisite view.
- 31st—Drive to Corrymoolzie and the Linn of Dee, passing Mar Lodge, one of the shooting boxes of the Earl of Fife, the highest placed residence above tide in the kingdom. Coach to Ballater 4 p.m., thence by rail to Aberdeen, arriving 8:40 p.m.

SEPTEMBER.

- 1st—1:25 p.m. train Aberdeen to Fraserburgh. Salus Cottage, Philorth, my mother's residence.
- 4th—Arrived by rail Peterhead 9:30 a.m. Laing's Hotel.
- 6th—Saw herring fleet of over 700 boats put to sea. The cholera in 1832 at Wick drove the fishermen South to the finest banks on the Scotch coast. The expansion of this industry has since then been marvellous.
- 7th—5:30 p.m. train for Aberdeen, "the Granite City," arriving 8:30 p.m.
- 8th—1 p.m. train for Inverness, arriving 6:30 p.m. Station Hotel.
- 9th—Steamer *Glenarry* down the Caledonian Canal 7 a.m. Landed at the Falls of Foyers, reached Banavie 3:30 p.m. Commodious omnibus to Corpach pier. Sailed 4 p.m. steamer *Mountaineer*. Landed Ballachulish 6 p.m. Ballachulish Hotel.
- 10th—Coach 7:45 a.m. Ballachulish to Tyndrum—splendid day for Pass of Glencoe—arrived 2 p.m. Train 5 p.m. for Callander, arriving 6:40 p.m.—bold scenery descending. Dreadnought Hotel.
- 11th—Through the Trossachs to Glasgow. Coach 9:30 a.m. to steamer *Rob Roy* on Loch Katrine. Coach Stronachlachter to Invernauld—Gen. Wolf once quartered there. Steamer *Prince Consort* on Loch Lomond. Rail 3:40 p.m. Balloch Pier by Dumbarton to Glasgow, arriving 5 p.m. Queen's Hotel.
- 13th—Train to and from Greenock.
- 15th—Train to and from Greenock; spent day with Rev. Peter Thomson.
- 16th—1:25 p.m. train to Ayr, drive to Auld Alloway Kirk, Burns' Cottage, Burns' Monument. 6:15 p.m. up train via Kilmaronock, arriving St. Enoch's 8:15 p.m.
- 17th—9:15 a.m. express to Edinburgh 12:45 p.m., thence to Galashiels, arriving 2:20 p.m. Abbots-