

Burns Anniversary
Fittingly Honored

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time that a friend overhrew his schemes and induced him to go to Edinburgh, promising him he would find there every advantage for his poetic ambitions. He assured him he would meet with success in Edinburgh, so, under the patronage of the noblest of men, the Earl of Glencairn, Burns moved to Edinburgh. He found himself in a new world and wretched in being divorced from Jean Armour, whom he dearly loved. At this time he renewed his acquaintance with Mary Campbell—Highland Mary.
In Edinburgh Burns shone simply because he was nature's prince, and on Armour releasing him from obligations to Jean, he settled in Kilmarnock, with friends. It was in Kilmarnock that 600 copies of poems in the Scottish dialect were published which netted him £20; but "the ear of the world was taken as it were by storm, a great original genius was Scotland's now." Yet he was not happy. Mary Campbell, to whom his thoughts turned in his separation from Jean Armour, died suddenly at Greenock, and he found himself very much alone. Edinburgh again drew him to her stately courts and literary halls, and here he gained the admiration of the literary circles of Scotland's cultured city. A second edition of his work was published and he realized something like £400.

On March 13, 1788, he bargained for the farm of Ellisland in Dumfries, and in June he took up his abode there.

On August 5 of same year he and Jean Armour were declared husband and wife by the church. He did not find the life of a farmer suitable to him so he sought the position of Exciseman. It was in this sphere he got in touch with the peculiarities of the drink business, hence his two poems—"Willie Brewed a Peck o' Maut," and "The Whistle." He did good work as Exciseman and his appointment to Supervisor after one year at £200 was contemplated. It was at this time he composed "Tam O'Shanter" and this pretty tale annexed to Alloway Kirk is certainly the most popular of his works. Straitened circumstances overtook him, Ellisland was eating up his earnings. He failed to get the supervisorship. Accordingly, he left Dumfries in 1791. Probably due to disappointment, it was at this stage of his career that his moral course was downward. In Dumfries he found well-to-do loafers. They proved a bad influence, and yet it was here that many of his poems and songs were inspired. Ill health began to show together with pecuniary difficulties. Debts were not being paid and in distress he began to borrow. In a desire to regain his health he went to Brown on the Solway for sea-bathing. It proved useless, he knew the end was at hand and he looked death calmly in the face. He was not a man without a high conception of God, on the contrary, he valued sincere religion as indicated in "The Cottar's Saturday Night," and his contempt for the spurious is splendidly portrayed in "Holy Willie's Prayer." Religion to him was a sacred verity, and even in the midst of apparent waywardness the impressions made on him in boyhood's days around the family altar never ceased to, at least in part, mould his later thoughts. With him we, too, believe that there may be much religion in "honest doubt and that," while in the common moralities of life we may look in vain for things either religious or sacred. He lived in advance of his days. To him life was more than the guinea attainment of honesty was the highest attainment of life, for he knew that "an honest man was the noblest work of God."

In July, 1796, he returned to Dumfries. It was with difficulty that he walked up the small brae leading to his house, and great gloom overspread the town—they realized the great poet was really dying, in his humble cottage.
As the final hour dawned when death came to claim Scotland's bard, the family gathered round, his bonnie Jean in an adjoining room, he muttered against the legal agents whose letter embittered his parting hour, and the morn of July 21, 1796, told the world that the "weary soul had passed into the undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveller returns."
His foibles and failures are apparent to all. What he resisted is known only to him and to his God. Thus would he have us judge him, and in his own immortal words, I close:
"Thou gently scorn your brother man,
Still gentler sister woman;
Though they may gang a kennin' wrang
To step aside is human.
Who made the heart, 'tis He alone
Decidedly can try us;
He knows each chord—its various tones,
Each spring—its various bias,
Then at the balance let's be mute,
We never can adjust it;
What's done we partly may compete
But know not what's resisted."

REDBANK
Red Bank, Jan. 27—Miss Bernetta (ring has returned home after a pleasant visit with friends in Monckton and Blackville.
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Dunn are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a girl at their home.
Miss Edith Johnston of Halcomb, is attending school here.
The Misses Greta Whyte, Marcella and Annie Burns spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Maudie Parks.
Miss Millie and Frances Arseneau are visiting on Mrs. Andrew Hickey on Sunday last.
The school has reopened here under the management of Misses H. Mountain and K. Young.
Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Harris are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl.
Miss Mary Nolan, Sunny Corner, was a visitor here last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Chapman, Cassilis, were visiting friends here Sunday.
Mrs. Walter Matchett and Mrs. H. Matchett, Sunny Corner, were calling on relatives here on Thursday.

LYTTLETON
Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Somers on the arrival of a young son.
We had a very enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm Johnston on Monday evening.
Miss Ethel Holmes is visiting relatives in Redbank now.
Miss Mary Wray has gone to her home in Waverton, after spending a few weeks with Mrs. Wm. Mutch.
Mrs. Harvey Nowlen is spending the winter with Mrs. George Foran.
Mrs. Allan Whitney was calling on friends in Whitehaven one day last week.
Miss Katie Somers is spending a few days with her cousin, Miss Nina Holmes.
Miss Pernice Taylor is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. John Somers.
Mrs. Richard Parker spent the afternoon with Mrs. William Holmes.

Mrs. Richards Leaves
Miramichi Hospital

Resigns As Superintendent After Three Successful Years—Will Take Post-Graduate Course

Mrs. Mable D. Richards, who for the past three years has been the efficient Superintendent at the Miramichi Hospital has tendered her resignation, to take effect on February 1st.

Mrs. Richards, who is a graduate of the Rhode Island Training School for nurses, was for a number of years Matron of Victoria Hospital, Fredericton, and also conducted a private Hospital in that city for some time, before coming to Newcastle to accept the position of Superintendent of the Miramichi Hospital. During her stay here, she has been most courteous and efficient in her duties and conducted that institution on the same high level that it was the intention of the founder that it should be conducted and her loss will be keenly felt, not only by the members of the Hospital Staff but by the public, who have had occasion to need the care of that institution, as will Newcastle Women's Institute, of which, Mrs. Richards was a valued member.

Mrs. Richards leaves shortly for the United States, where she will take a three months post-graduate course, and at the completion of which, she will again open her private hospital in Fredericton.

OBITUARY

MRS. HERMAN HENDERSON

The very sad death occurred on Sunday night, Jan. 27th, of Mrs. Herman Henderson, of the Bridge, Newcastle. She had been sick about a week with influenza, and was getting better when complications set in which resulted in her death. Deceased was, before her marriage, Jessie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William McTavish, of North Esk Boom, and was twenty three years of age, and had only been married about ten months. It is hardly two months since she lost her brother Roy, of influenza and pneumonia. Much sympathy is felt for her young husband, who is also ill with influenza, also her sorrowing mother and father in the loss of their two dear children in so short a time. She also leaves to mourn, two sisters and two brothers, Greta, Sallie, Major and Russell, all at home. The deceased was of a kind and loving disposition and a general favorite with all who knew her, and leaves a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn her early death.
The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon at one o'clock, and was very largely attended. Services were conducted at the house by Rev. J. F. McCurdy. Her remains were laid to rest in the Whitehaven Presbyterian cemetery, beside her brother. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the stricken family in the loss of their loved ones.
Our Father up in Heaven called
The one whose love he'd given,
Tho' here on earth the body lies
Her soul is safe in Heaven.

Notice Of Plebiscite

Pursuant to Resolution of the Town Council, a Plebiscite will be taken on Tuesday, Feb. 11th 1919, to decide whether the Ratepayers of the Town of Newcastle are in favor of the Town Council making application to the Provincial Legislature for authority to issue bonds to the amount of \$5,000 for the purpose of developing a water-power on the Sevoigie river to supply the Town of Newcastle with Electric Power.
All ratepayers whose taxes are paid on or before Friday, Feb. 7th are qualified to vote.
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