



ELECTRICCANADIAN.COM
AGRICULTURE & WILDLIFE
ARTICLES
BETH'S FAMILY TREE
BOOKS
BUSINESS
CHILDREN'S STORIES
CLANS & FAMILIES

CULTURE & LANGUAGE
DONNA'S PAGE
ELECTRICSCOTLAND.NET
FAMOUS SCOTS
FAMILY TREE
FORUMS
FOOD & DRINK
GAMES

GAZETTEER
GENEALOGY
HISTORIC PLACES
HISTORY
HUMOR
JOHN'S PAGE
KIDS
LIFESTYLE
MUSIC

NEWSLETTER
PICTURES
POETRY
POSTCARDS
RELIGION
ROBERT BURNS
SCOTS IRISH
SCOTS REGIMENTS
SERVICES

SHOPPING
SONGS
SPORT
SCOTS DIASPORA
TARTANS
TRAVEL
TRIVIA
VIDEOS
WHAT'S NEW

HELP TERMS OF USE CONTACT US

Electric Scotland's Weekly Newsletter for May 17th, 2024

Electric Scotland News

King Charles: First official portrait since coronation is unveiled, painted by Jonathan Yeo

The vast oil on canvas shows a larger-than-life King Charles in the uniform of the Welsh Guards and you can view this at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/entertainment-arts-68981200>

No human being is born into the wrong body

As we read in The Times that Moray Council is considering guidance for supporting so-called 'transgender' children that will prevent teachers from using the correct words to describe girls and boys, let me state from the outset that there is no such thing as a transgender child as defined by Queer Theory. No human being is or has ever been 'born in the wrong body'! An article by Dr Catherine McCall. which you can read at:

<https://thinkscotland.org/2024/05/no-human-being-is-born-into-the-wrong-body/>

Scottish News from this weeks newspapers

I am partly doing this to build an archive of modern news from and about Scotland and world news stories that can affect Scotland and as all the newsletters are archived and also indexed on search engines it becomes a good resource. I might also add that in a number of newspapers you will find many comments which can be just as interesting as the news story itself and of course you can also add your own comments if you wish which I do myself from time to time.

Here is what caught my eye this week...

Cameron has ushered in a quiet revolution at the Foreign Office

For the last two decades, the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) seemed to have been losing its way, with its influence waning on the global stage. Identifying the root causes of a very generalised decline is never straightforward, but a lack of spending on diplomatic efforts is both a symptom and a cause.

Read more at:

<https://conservativehome.com/2024/05/10/azeem-ibrahim-cameron-has-ushered-in-a-quiet-revolution-at-the-foreign-office>

Remembering the fishermen who never came home

A national day of remembrance is being held in coastal towns around the UK for those who were lost at sea while working in the fishing industry. In Scotland, the main service takes place in Eyemouth where one of the worst ever fishing disasters happened more than 140 years ago.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cx8qvv39y9wo>

Retirement? Forget it, new research shows we're better off working past 65
Working past 65 keeps your brain sharp because it continues to make it work better to solve problems, say researchers.

Read more at:

<https://www.sundaypost.com/fp/retirement-forget-it-new-research-shows-were-better-off-working-past-65gillians-story/>

Female officers say bullying still rife within sexist force
A female police officer bullied out of her job says her £430,000 award means little after losing the career she loved.

Read more at:

<https://www.sundaypost.com/fp/sexist-police-force/>

Kate Forbes vows action to get economy firing on all cylinders
The deputy first minister said Scotland is open for business.

Read more at:

<https://news.stv.tv/politics/kate-forbes-vows-action-to-get-economy-firing-on-all-cylinders>

Huge Brexit boost as Kemi Badenoch rips up 500 rules imposed by Brussels
Businesses will save £150 million a year once pointless EU form-filling demands are dropped.

Read more at:

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/1898687/Brexit-red-tape-Kemi-Badenoch>

Why is Canada having so many wildfires this season?
Thousands of people in western Canada are facing the wrath of wildfires this week amid severe drought.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-69011493>

Canadian writer and Nobel prize winner Alice Munro dies at 92
Canadian author Alice Munro, a 2013 Nobel Prize winner for literature, has died at the age of 92. Munro wrote short stories for more than 60 years, often focusing on life in rural Canada.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-69011945>

The woman who built up Edinburgh's army of street stitchers
Mary Morton goes out into the parks and streets of Edinburgh to repair the clothes of passers-by for free.

Read more at:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cq5nxy7ewldo>

Conrad Black: Political correctness and faddish zealotry had no more effective opponent than Rex Murphy
He became almost Churchillian in his erudite righteousness when facing what he considered to be unjust

Read more at:

<https://archive.is/cJMZw>

Rex Murphy: Hatred of Israel is the great moral disorder of our time
That the red-ignorant core of this iniquity is centred on those 'woke' campuses is much more a fading grief than a surprise

Read more at:

<https://archive.is/x14OX#selection-2075.0-2075.123>

Scottish Government plans to release prisoners early amid soaring numbers
The justice secretary said she has no choice but to act 'if we are to avoid an unprecedented crisis developing' as prisons reach a 'critical' point.

Read more at:

<https://news.stv.tv/politics/scottish-government-plans-to-release-prisoners-early-amid-soaring-numbers>

Electric Canadian

A Guide for every visitor to Niagara Falls
By F. H. Johnson (1852) (pdf)

You can read this at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/history/ontario/niagarafalls.pdf>

The Comprehensive History of the Dominion of Canada
With Art Engravings by Charles R. Tuttle in two volumes

Volume 1 can be read at: <http://www.electriccanadian.com/history/canada/comprehensivehis01tutt.pdf>

Volume 2 can be read at: <http://www.electriccanadian.com/history/canada/comprehensivehis02tutt.pdf>

O.A.C. Review

Added volume 46 to our collection which you can read at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/magazines/oacreviewvol46iss011.pdf>

The Canadian Annual Review of Public Affairs

Added the 1926-27 edition which you can read at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/history/annual/index.htm>

Royal Military College of Canada

Added the June 1933 review which you can read at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/forces/royalmilitarycollege.htm>

Thoughts on a Sunday Morning - the 12th day of May 2024 - Mother's & Manners

By the Rev. Nola Crewe

You can watch this at:

<http://www.electricscotland.org/forum/communities/rev-nola-crewe/26489-thoughts-on-a-sunday-morning-the-12th-day-of-may-2024-mother-s-manners>

The Sheila Watson Archives

John M. Kelly Library, University of St. Michael's College, University of Toronto (pdf)

You can read about them at:

<http://www.electriccanadian.com/lifestyle/sheilawatsonarch00ston.pdf>

Canadian Army Journal – Canadian Rangers Edition
2022 20.1 edition (pdf)

You can read this edition at:

http://www.electriccanadian.com/forces/R-GL-007-000-JD-017_CAJ_20.1_EN_Accessible.pdf

Electric Scotland

Daughters of Scotia

A fraternal order which celebrated the 125th Anniversary of its Grand Lodge this year. Membership is available to women who were born in Scotland, are of Scottish descent, or are interested in supporting Scottish culture.

You can get to this at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/america/daughtersofscotia.htm>

Accounts of the Lord High Treasurer of Scotland

Edited by Sir James Balfour Paul, FSAScot, Lord Lyon King of Arms, Volume 2 A.D. 1500 - 1504 (1900) (pdf)

Managed to get a copy of this volume with thanks to Google Books for making it available for download meaning only volume 6 is missing. You can read this at:

https://electricscotland.com/history/records/Accounts_of_the_Lord_High_Treasurer_of_2.pdf

Extracts from the Presbytery Book of Strathbogie

1631 to 1654 edited by John Stuart (1843) (pdf)

You can read this book at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/records/extractsfrompres00stuaufoft.pdf>

County Directory of Scotland

Including the portion of North Northumberland postally connected with Scotland edited by W. W. Halliburton, General Post Office, Edinburgh (1872) (pdf)

I noted lots of M'Intyre's in this directory so thought I'd make it available for everyone to read and you can get to this at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/records/countydirectoryo1872edin.pdf>

The Conversion of the Maoris

By the Rev. Donald MacDougall, B. D. (1899) (pdf)

You can read this book at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/nz/conversionofmao00macd.pdf>

HMS Duncan: Inside The Most Advanced Warship In The World

Added this video to the foot of our page on The Naval History of Great Britain page at:

https://electricscotland.com/history/scotreg/naval_history.htm

Sinclair Buchanan Ferguson

Scottish theologian

Added some background information about him and a few of his video's which you can get to at:

<https://electricScotland.com/bible/sinclair-buchanan-ferguson.htm>

Hawai'i

Added a new 4 part video on the life of Princess Ka'iulani of Hawai'i and also a link to an Hawai'i island owned by people of Scots descent.

You can get to this at:

<https://electricScotland.com/history/women/wh36.htm>

Handbook for Travellers in Scotland

Edited by Scott Moncrieff Penney, M.A., Advocate, Eighth edition, remodelled (1909) (pdf)

You can read this book at:

<https://electricScotland.com/travel/handbooktravel00john.pdf>

Story

FATHER ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, S.J.
St. Joseph's Church, Glasgow.

One of the best known Highlanders in Glasgow is Father Campbell, S.J., who was born at Ballachulish, Glencoe, in 1850. Leaving the Highlands when about twenty years of age he joined the Society of Jesus, in Flanders. He remained for two years in the ancient Abbey of Tronchiennes pursuing his classical studies, whence he was transferred to the Society's House of Studies at Manresa House, Roehampton, near London. After a residence of eighteen months in the last-mentioned house he was sent to Stonyhurst, where he went through the whole course of philosophy, including logic, mathematics, natural theology, and moral philosophy, together with chemistry, etc. After devoting three full years to these studies he was appointed one of the professors at St. Francis College, Liverpool, where he remained for four years. At the end of that period he was sent for his theological studies to St. Bueno's College, St. Asaphs, North Wales. He was ordained priest by the Right Rev. Edmund Knight, the then Bishop of Shrewsbury. In 1884 he was sent to the Cowcaddens, Glasgow, where he has laboured since. Ever since he came to Glasgow he has devoted his spare time to the furtherance of the interests of the Caledonian Catholic Association despite the fact that for the last sixteen years he has had the full charge of the large district of St. Joseph's. He conducts fortnightly religious services in Gaelic in St. Bride's, Cheapside Street, which are largely attended. Father Campbell is well known among all creeds and classes in Glasgow, and much beloved on account of his devotion to the Gaelic-speaking people. He from time to time takes runs to the Highlands and Western Isles on what he styles missionary excursions, and his services are much appreciated in the Hebrides.

Last summer he visited the Gaelic-speaking catholics of Canada, when his journey was of the nature of a "royal procession." He was received with open arms everywhere. He laboured abundantly, giving no less than nineteen missions. On leaving he was presented by the Canadian Gaelic-speaking clergy with a chalice, ciborium and cruets, to be used by him when giving missions in the Highlands.

On his return to Scotland a large meeting was held in the City Hall, Glasgow, where he was presented with a purse containing 250 sovereigns. He was also presented by the Caledonian Catholic Association, of which he is chaplain, with a purse of sovereigns. In his reply Father Campbell spoke of the genuine hospitality he enjoyed among his fellow Highlanders—"the sea-divided Gaels"—stating that one diocese he visited contained sixty Gaelic speaking priests and fifty Gaelic-speaking nuns. He also mentioned that the descendants of those who left this country some fifty or sixty years ago were contented and happy. They were their own landlords in most cases, and had no fear of factor or landlord—and had no rent to pay. They were contented and comfortable, having attained to the golden mean between poverty and riches—which might be described as a

competent portion of the good things of this life. There was no poverty to be seen, and one might travel for a year and not be asked for charity. It was delightful to hear the descendants of those who left Moidart or Barra speaking the rich Gaelic of these places. He even found the descendants of Irish parents who had no Gaelic, speaking rich idiomatic Scottish Gaelic, as they happened to be born in a Scottish Gaelic settlement.

We are sure many of our readers at home and abroad will wish saoghal fady do 'u t-Sagairt Mhor.

END

Weekend is almost here and hope it's a good one for you.

Alastair