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1897
JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

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Provost GIBB, before the opening ceremony,
said:—We have assembled here to-day to celebrate
the sixtieth anniversary of our Sovereign's reign.
An event never occurred before to our know-
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been the longest reign, so also has it been the most
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Attention to the gifts to the poor granted by the Managers and distributed by the parish, and the gifts of frozen mutton—a colonial gift to the poor of the nation—Mr. P. Johnstone distributed £10 amongst other than those on the roll, which Bailie, presently in Shetland, had caused to be sent, along with another gift of £1 each to persons specially named.

REJOICINGS AT PHILORTH.

A large bag was hoisted on the Mansion House, and flags were also shown elsewhere on the grounds. A general holiday was observed, and games and sight-seeing were enjoyed all day. Lord and Lady Saltoun, although absent, gave instructions through Mr. Morris, so that the whole of the employees on the estate were entertained to luncheon at the Home. Mr. Donald, overseer, presided. The Queen gave the health of Her Majesty the Queen. The next toast was the health of Lord Saltoun, wishing them long life, health and happiness. Mr. Leithhead, forester, proposed the Master of Saltoun. Mr. Hay, clerk, proposed the other members of the family.

The next stage of enjoyment was the bonfire. The company assembled on the Corbiehill, and at 10.30 p.m. Mrs. Donald set fire to a huge pile which blazed with terrific fury for several hours. The proceedings ended with singing "God save the Queen."

REJOICINGS AT ROSEHEARTY.

As is well-known, Roseheartly went in for a fountain and fountain in granite for the Square, as a mark of marking the year of the Record of Queen Victoria. The fountain is now up, and really handsome edifice it is. It was commenced on Tuesday. Proceedings on Jubilee day by an assembly of the children of the burgh mustered to the number of 600 or 700 Links, where refreshments were liberally served. Thereafter a procession was formed, and the flute band of the burgh and a piper, the m marched through the principal streets. There were no formal decorations, but banners carried by many of the children while pretty bouquets of flowers were displayed, particularly by children from Peathill and district. The procession had a picturesque appearance, and attracted a huge crowd of interested sight-seers. At three o'clock, the processionists arrived at the fountain, and were formed up inside of a large arch which flanked them round the site of the fountain—the formal opening of which had been arranged to take place. Newtown and

Links where games, races, etc., were held. Dancing was indulged in to music supplied by Messrs Mackenzie. The proceedings which had been completely successful terminated about six o'clock.

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Mr. Barclay in declaring the fountain opened, said—That the auspicious circumstances under which they had that day gathered together were quite unique. They were met to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of the Queen, and were doing so by entertaining all the young people of the parish. They were, however, to have a permanent memorial in the form of the fountain which they now saw playing before them. Some ten years ago another fountain was opened by Mr. Dingwall Fordyce of Brucklay, which enabled that fountain to be opened that day. Although he and Mrs. Dingwall Fordyce were in London, he (Mr. Barclay) knew that they

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after singing the National Anthem and giving three ringing cheers, the company separated. In the evening, between ten and eleven o'clock, a huge bonfire was lit amidst manifestations of delight and excitement. The day will long be remembered by old and young in the two fishing villages.

LONMAY.

The children attending the St Combs and Lonmay Schools were given a pic-nic on the links, while the Blackhills School children went to the policies at Cortes. The bonfire erected on the Observatory Hill at Cairness was lit by Mr. Henderson, Auchmore, the oldest inhabitant in the parish.

RATHEN.

The parish held a holiday. The bonfire on Trefir Hill in the evening was a great success. The poor received a gift in money through the kindness of Lord Saltoun.

STRICHEN.

The village was beautifully decorated with flags and evergreens. The trades etc., assembled in the Market Square at eleven o'clock, and headed by the band, marched through the village. A squad of the volunteers fired a *feu-dé-joie*. In the afternoon the children marched to Strichen House, where they had a pic-nic. A dancing floor was erected in the Market Green, and dancing was engaged in during the afternoon.

NEW PITSLIGO.

Throughout the village there was a good display of bunting. The children of the village assembled in the Parish Hall at 12.45, and the National Anthem was sung by the whole company. The procession was led by the band of the Oddfellows. They went up the Church Brae to the field where the children's pic-nic was held. The number of children was 532. In the evening a concert and dance under the auspices of the Oddfellow's Society, was held in the Public Hall—Rev. A. Craib in the chair. The bonfire was lit at 10.30 p. m. By Mrs. Hendry, Pitsligo Arms Hotel, the inmates of the local poorhouse were supplied with a parcel of tea and sugar to help their enjoyment of the event.

PETERHEAD.

The day was celebrated with every demonstration of loyalty. There was hardly a house but displayed some outward token of rejoicing, while an immense programme occupying almost the entire day was carried out with signal success. The programme included a horse parade, the placing of an ornamental table in the new Victoria Hall Academy, and the laying of a memorial stone with Masonic honours by Provincial Grand Master William Boyd. A procession of fifteen hundred children, a cycle parade, a dinner to the Public Board's employes, tea to the poor, a bonfire in the bay, and fireworks.

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In addition to the gifts to the poor granted by the Managers and distributed by the parish, and the gifts of frozen mutton—a colonial gift to the poor of the nation—M. P. Johnstone distributed £10 amongst other than those on the roll, which Bailie, presently in Shetland, had caused to be sent, along with another gift of £1 each to persons specially named.

REJOICINGS AT PHILORTH.

A large flag was hoisted on the Mansion House, and flags were also shown elsewhere on the grounds. A general holiday was observed, and games and sight-seeing were enjoyed all day. Lord and Lady Saltoun, although they gave instructions through Mr Morris, that the whole of the employees on the estate were entertained to luncheon at the Home Mr Donald, overseer, presided. The toast gave the health of Her Majesty the Queen. The next toast was the health of Lord Saltoun, wishing them long life, health and happiness. Mr Leithhead, forester, proposed a toast to the Master of Saltoun. Mr Hay, clerk, proposed the other members of the family.

The next stage of enjoyment was the bonfire. The company assembled on the Corbiehill, and at 10.30 p.m. Mrs Donald set fire to a huge pile which blazed with terrific fury for several hours. The proceedings closed with singing "God save the Queen."

REJOICINGS AT ROSEHEARTY.

It is well-known, Roseheartly went in for a cross and fountain in granite for the Square as a mark of the year of the Record of Queen Victoria. The fountain is now up, and really handsome edifice it is. It was commenced on Tuesday. Proceedings on Jubilee day by an assembly of the children of the parish who mustered to the number of 600 or 700 Links, where refreshments were liberally served. Thereafter a procession was formed, and the fife band of the burgh and a piper, the piper marched through the principal streets. There were no formal decorations, but banners were carried by many of the children while pretty garlands of flowers were displayed, particularly by children from Peathill and district. The procession had a picturesque appearance, and attracted a huge crowd of interested sight-seers. At three o'clock, the processionists arrived at the square, and were formed up inside of a large arch which flanked them round the site of the fountain—the formal opening of which had been arranged to take place. Newtown and

Dancing was indulged in to music supplied by Messrs Mackenzie. The proceedings which had been completely successful terminated about six o'clock.

Many flags were shown throughout the day. The Bank buildings were decorated with creditable taste.

REJOICINGS AT ABERDOUR.

On Sunday in the Established and Free Churches jubilee sermons were preached by the pastors Rev. C. Birnie, and Rev. Wm. Dymock. The national anthem was sung in the Parish Church and at the close of the service here, a collection was made for a jubilee flagon to complete the communion service which bears an inscription for the event. The other permanent token of the jubilee was the erection of a concrete fountain and three watering troughs at the north end of High Street, opposite the gate of the Parish Church where the streets are in the form of the letter V. The fountain is in the centre; in form it is hexagonal, the pedestal being 8 feet by 2 feet. Two feet up are three watering troughs fed by a jet from a lion's mouth where is also a drinking cup. On the south side is a brass plate on which is engraved "V.R.I. 1837, 1897." Within this is a tapering pillar 4 feet up with a moulding above while another tapering pillar rests. On the top there is a basin 3 feet in diameter and one foot in depth. In the centre is a jet from which issues streams of water in the form of the Prince of Wales feather. The side of the troughs are 7 feet long, 15 inches wide and one foot deep. The whole is 12 feet high. Mr John Philip, builder, was the designer and Mr Hugh Fraser carried out the erection. The plumber and plaster work were done by Messrs Stewart and Gerrie, Fraserburgh. On Tuesday at 2 p.m. the children of the schools of Aberdour, Auchmedden, and Glasslaw, met in the Parish Hall, Mr Barclay, Aberdour House, presiding. The National Anthem was sung, after which the teachers and others handed jubilee medals to each, and then formed them into marching order. They were joined by the volunteers, commanded by Sergt. Instructor Watt—also the Juvenile Friendly Society, led by a flute and drum band seated in a conveyance specially prepared.

The procession marched through the village street, stopped at the fountain, when Mr H. Fraser, proposed that Mr Barclay, Aberdour House, take the chair. Mr Barclay then asked Miss May Arnot Barclay to turn on the water to the fountain and watering troughs, a ceremony which was gracefully performed, after which the volunteers fired a royal salute.

Mr Barclay in declaring the fountain opened, said—That the auspicious circumstances under which they had that day gathered together were quite unique. They were met to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of the Queen, and were doing so by entertaining all the young people of the parish. They were, however, to have a permanent memorial in the form of the fountain which they now saw playing before them. Some ten years ago another fountain was opened by Mr Dingwall Fordyce of Brucklay, which enabled that fountain to be opened that day. Although he and Mrs Dingwall Fordyce were in London, he (Mr Barclay) knew that they

after singing the National Anthem and giving three ringing cheers, the company separated. In the evening, between ten and eleven o'clock, a huge bonfire was lit amidst manifestations of delight and excitement. The day will long be remembered by old and young in the two fishing villages.

LONMAY.

The children attending the St Combs and Lonmay Schools were given a pic-nic on the links, while the Blackhill School children went to the policies at Cortes. The bonfire erected on the Observatory Hill at Cairness was lit by Mr Henderson, Auchmore, the oldest inhabitant in the parish.

RATHEN.

The parish held a holiday. The bonfire on Trefir Hill in the evening was a great success. The poor received a gift in money through the kindness of Lord Saltoun.

STRICHEN.

The village was beautifully decorated with flags and evergreens. The trades etc., assembled in the Market Square at eleven o'clock, and headed by the band, marched through the village. A squad of the volunteers fired a *feu-de-joie*. In the afternoon the children marched to Strichen House, where they had a pic-nic. A dancing floor was erected in the Market Green, and dancing was engaged in during the afternoon.

NEW PITSLIGO.

Throughout the village there was a good display of bunting. The children of the village assembled in the Parish Hall at 12.45, and the National Anthem was sung by the whole company. The procession was led by the band of the Oddfellows. They went up the Church Brae to the field where the children's pic-nic was held. The number of children was 532. In the evening a concert and dance under the auspices of the Oddfellows' Society, was held in the Public Hall—Rev. A. Craib in the chair. The bonfire was lit at 10.30 p.m. By Mrs Hendry, Pitsligo Arms Hotel, the inmates of the local poorhouse were supplied with a parcel of tea and sugar to help their enjoyment of the event.

PETERHEAD.

The day was celebrated with every demonstration of loyalty. There was hardly a house but displayed some outward token of rejoicing, while an immense programme occupying almost the entire day was carried out with signal success. The programme included a horse parade, the placing of an ornamental table in the new Victoria Hall Academy, and the laying of a memorial stone with Masonic honours by Provincial Grand Master William Boyd. A procession of fifteen hundred children, a cycle parade, a dinner to the Public Board's employees, tea to the poor, a bonfire in the bay, and fireworks.

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