

# ATHENA MAN SAW BIG HORSE SALE AT AYR

A. B. McEwen, Sojourning in Scotland, Tells of Auction of Famous Clydesdale, "Baron O'Buchlyvie."

A. B. McEwen, former mayor of Athena and prominent hardware dealer of that town is visiting in Scotland and has sent the following interesting communication from Ayr: Ayr, Dec. 16, 1911.

Thinking that this clipping might be of interest to your many readers, especially those interested in Clydesdales, I herewith send it to you. I saw the horse sold myself and will say that he is a perfect picture. I never saw such a fine head and neck on a horse, in fact he is faultless all over. He is booked ahead for 3 years at two hundred dollars, one hundred down.

This is the native horse of Scotland and the supply is never equal to the demand. This is the hunting season and I had the pleasure of being out with them one day and one run but got no brush. We have been all over Scotland and Ireland and are leaving here immediately after the New Year for England, France and Germany. Will be back about the first of February.

Mr. Dan McKenzie joins me in wishing you a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

From Your Friend,  
A. B. McEWEN,  
Of Athena.

The famous horse sale as reported by the newspaper of Ayr was as follows:

No sale has created so much interest in agricultural circles in Ayrshire and Scotland generally than that of "Baron O' Buchlyvie," the famous Clydesdale stallion, which was exposed at auction yesterday in the Horse Repository of Messrs James Craig (Limited), the well-known Ayr auctioneers. The protracted litigation which recently terminated in the House of Lords added zest to the proceedings, and hundreds were drawn by curiosity to the scene of the sale.

So great was the crush in the Repository that it was intimated that the sale would take place outside, but to this course the joint owners, Mr. Kilpatrick, Craigie Mains, and Mr. Dunlop Dunure Mains, demurred. One result of this announcement was that many lost their places, and were unable to gain admission to the building on their return. The "Baron" all he was creating, walked about the ring, the cynosure of all eyes. He seemed to carry his 12 years lightly, and those best able to judge described him as fit and well. Speculation has been rife for weeks past as to the figure he would fetch, and many and varied have been the estimates.

About one o'clock, the time appointed for the sale, Mr. Craig, who occupied the rostrum in person, intimated that he had received word from the G. and S. W. Railway Company that a contingent of Englishmen were on the way to see the horse sold, and asking that the sale might be delayed a little. Mr. Craig stated that he would delay for ten minutes, but no longer. Within that short space of time many more people found their way to the Repository, and by the time the sale commenced the "Baron" had little space.

A brief space elapsed during the time Mr. Craig read over the conditions of the sale, which bore, inter alia, that the joint owners reserved the right to purchase the "Baron" which would be sold without any warranty and could not be rejected by the purchasers. It was seen at the outset that the joint owners meant business. Mr. Dunlop occupied a prominent place at Mr. Craig's right hand, and Mr. Kirkpatrick was close beside the auctioneer on the left.

The sale lasted just twenty minutes but the memory of that brief space, and the tense excitement of it, will be long remembered. Mr. Craig said he was not particular where they started—he would take either £5000 or £10,000 for a start. Mr. Rennie, Paisley, promptly responded with a bid of £3000, which nonplused the bidders of the "Baron." Hundred pound bids were called for by the auctioneer, and these were promptly forthcoming. Mr. Dunlop and Mr. Kirkpatrick being among the bidders. Mr. Rennie was in at about £5000, and therefore ceased.

A stranger in the gallery—a clean shaven man wearing a light cap, and whose identity was unknown to almost all present—now made his presence felt, and at length the sale resolved itself into a duel between Mr. Kilpatrick and him. £5000 was soon reached and £7000, and at each of these stages Mr. Kilpatrick was the bidder. At £8000, the expectant crowd, following the

broke into loud cheering, causing the "Baron" to show his displeasure in a manner which was not appreciated by those in his neighborhood. At £8800 Mr. Kilpatrick was still hanging on, and many thought the youthful stranger was crying off when his next bid was £50, but they prophesied too soon.

£9000 was the next call by the joint-owner, and the stranger came again. Mr. Kilpatrick and

Promptly Levelled the Amount and another outburst greeted the calling of the £9000. "Hundreds" were again the order of the day, and immediately the first bid was made, someone relieved the tension by shouting "Hauf-croon bids noo." At £9200 the stranger in the gallery was still in the running, and the end came shortly afterwards at £9500, Mr. Kilpatrick being the runner-up.

All eyes now turned to the stranger who seemed the least excited of the vast throng. Immediately afterwards Mr. Craig announced that the animal had been bought on behalf of Mr. William Dunlop, Dunure Mains. There was a wild scene of excitement, hats and sticks being waved by many agriculturists.

So ended a most remarkable sale. As to the value of the horse, opinions differ. Many good judges say the amount is far beyond his value; others again argue that the "Baron" has many years of usefulness in front of him. One thing is certain, the animal has gained for himself imperishable fame, for he has eclipsed the previous record of £3500 paid for a Clydesdale, by £6000.

The horse was purchased in 1903 as a three-year-old for £750. A dispute arose two years ago, Mr. Dunlop, Dunure Mains, Ayr, asserting he had bought up the interest of Mr. Kilpatrick, Craigie Mains, Kilmarnock. This was disputed by Mr. Kilpatrick, and the case went through the Court of Session, and ultimately reached the House of Lords, which decided that the animal was their joint property.

## DANCING MASTER OF HELEN TAFT DEFENDS GRIZLY BEAR

Thinks New Dances Are Decent If Features Are Not Exaggerated

Washington—Egan Warwig, dancing master to Washington's "400," who is teaching Miss Helen Taft, Postmaster General Hitchcock, John Barrett and other members of the dancing "fifty" the "Boston dip," the grizzly bear and turkey trot dances, rushed out in defense of these dances.

"While the exaggerated forms of the 'Boston dip,' 'the grizzly bear,' and 'turkey trot,' might possibly be offensive to some eyes," said Mr. Warwig, "they can be made harmless and entertaining amusements. They are built up on the basic principle of the classic waltz and can be made both graceful and modest."

## POLICE CHIEF TELLS WHY GIRLS LEAVE HOME

Desire for "Good Time" Fatal to Many 15-Year-Old Maidens.

Kansas City, Mo.—The desire for a good time is the cause of girls leaving home more often than anything else, according to Chief of Police Griffin, of this city, whose annual report shows that 180 girls and women reported as missing to the police department here in 1911 have not been accounted for.

"Fifteen seems to be the most popular age for the girls to run away," Chief Griffin said. "Four fifths are between 14 and 19. Many of them were employees of department stores."

The large number of young girls who run away do so because they are not getting enough entertainment. Girls like excitement. In the department stores they meet people who show them a little better time than they get working in the store, and living at home with mother. When the man drops them in a strange town without money or friends, they sink morally until finally they are ashamed to return home."

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## FOREST GROVE WORKMAN TRIES TO KILL HIMSELF

Forest Grove, Or.—Harry Martin, aged 38, shot himself in the stomach with a gun and will probably die. He has been acting strangely of late and his mother, Mr. D. D. Martin, has been keeping watch over him. The attempted suicide happened in a barn near his home. He has two sisters, one living here. He is a harnessmaker, having worked in Seattle, Portland and Forest Grove.

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# AT THE PICTURE SHOWS AT THE OREGON THEATRE

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Friday's change is one worth seeing. 1. "The Inner Mind." Selig. Prof. Locksley, the famous hypnotic detective, unravels a mystery through his knowledge of the "Inner Mind." The logical outcome is kept secret until the end. The situations are thrilling and intense.

2. "The Daughter of the Clown." C. G. P. C. A clown and his daughter have an altercation as to whether or not she shall accept an invitation to dine. In the midst of it all the daughter is killed by a passing motor car and the remainder of the story hangs on a memory of his child and the resemblance of a dairy maid.

3. "The Snake Bite." Lubin. This live story like that of Adam and Eve, has a serpent in it.

4. "An Innocent Burglar." Vitagraph. Through forgetfulness, a man is accused of burglarizing himself. He gets into all sorts of trouble.

## LOST A PIN IN EGYPT; FINDS IT IN NEW YORK

Young Man Here to Study Hotel Business Beholds Ornament in His Escort's Tie.

New York—Driving in Berlin one day ten years ago the Grand Duke of Schleswig-Holstein sped toward a child. The youngster, standing in the street, laughed at the speeding horse. Death seemed unavoidable, but Gunther K. Licks, son of the owner of the Continental Hotel, dashed from the pavement and shoved the child out of the way. Licks was struck by the horse and bruised severely.

The duke was so impressed that he took the young man's name and requested him to call. When Licks did so he received a costly scarfpin, on which was his initials and the words "for gallantry."

In 1906 Licks and his father visited Egypt. In Cairo the pin was stolen. A reward was offered in vain. After waiting in Cairo for more than a month Licks and his father returned to Berlin. A few weeks ago the elder man sent the younger to New York to study the hotel business under the father's old acquaintance, William C. Muehlenheim of the Astor.

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## ALBANY MAN, JOBLESS, PUTS BULLET INTO BODY

Albany, Or.—T. A. Hansen, assistant foreman of Hose Company No. 2, and an ex-employee of the city waterworks department, shot himself through the breast with a 38 caliber revolver and is now dying in St. Mary's hospital. The deed was committed at his home on Lyon street where Hansen has lived since last midsummer, when he was married. A wife and step child will be left here and it is said he has children by a former marriage in Iowa.

Despondency because of lack of employment is alleged as the cause, although Hansen was seen about town last night, seemingly in good spirits. He is not a drinking man and has many friends among his associates here. He came to Albany about two years ago.

## DESPONDENT TIMBER DEALER HANGS SELF

Portland, Ore.—Despondent over ill health and a recent business venture which is said to have been unprofitable, Peter McAlphine committed suicide by hanging himself with a heavy cord from a gas pipe in the cellar of his home.

## "Polly of the Circus."

Miss Ida St. Leon in the role of Polly, the little circus girl in Margaret Mayo's remarkable domestic comedy-drama, under the direction of Frederick Thompson, which comes to the Oregon theatre Sunday, January 14th, is the first really grown up part that Ida St. Leon has played. At that, it is not so very much grown up; the little equestrienne is supposed to be eighteen years old and that is Miss St. Leon's age to a month. "Polly of the Circus," besides being one of the largest productions ever made by Mr. Thompson, is intricate and difficult to handle; for the circus scene of the last act it is necessary to so arrange a network of ropes that the tent can be erected and cleared away in an almost incredibly brief time. One scene is that of an actual ring performance with fifty people and a dozen animals all in action. The next scene is that of a vacant lot; to preclude any possibility of impatience on the part of the audience, it is necessary to make a complete change in less than fifty seconds.

The company which supports Miss St. Leon is one of unusual strength. It numbers a great many members of the original "Polly of the Circus" cast and others chosen for their respective parts by Mr. Thompson.

Japan's National School System. San Francisco.—Japan has so far imitated the methods of the west that we now hear complaints from her educationists that the minds of the children are being ruined by over-cramming with a knowledge that is useless to them. President Narisse of the Woman's University of Tokio voices this grievance when she says the youth of the day think of nothing but examinations and have become indifferent to the broad culture that is an actual preparation for the duties of life. To cram the mind with the ill-assorted facts of a wide range of subjects is not education. The possession of the facts is of no value, while the method of acquiring them is positively hurtful to the mental faculties. The children of today says President Narisse, are acquiring their education at the cost of their personality, and at the price of their powers of assimilation, reflection, observation and imagination. She is reminded of the remark of the French humorist: "You say that you have never been to school and yet you are such an idiot."

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"Where did you get that pin?" he asked.

"When I was in Cairo last year," replied the sub-manager, "a beggar sold it to me for a trifle."

The pin was handed over for inspection. There were Licks's initials and "for gallantry" engraved on the back. Mr. Licks told his story and the other man gave him the pin on payment of the small sum he had given to the Cairo beggar. The overjoyed Berliner assured a reporter that he considered the recovery of his pin "the most remarkable incident he had ever heard of."

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