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A Drap or Twa O' Scotch,

by William G. MacKay, Esquire

In the law one often hears that character is what a person is, whereas reputation is just what others think of the individual. Needless to say, Scottish character enjoys a most honorable reputation, and for good reason. Those qualities of character of which we are so proud are well known to all of you. They are, and I hope they will always be the greatest treasure of the Scot. The Scot has traveled to the far corners of the world, and quite naturally, has intermarried where ever he has gone. This brings up the point in mind. When you drop a pebble into a pool, the ripples run to the far shore. Are the sturdy Scottish characteristics strong enough to manifest themselves wherever the strain may be found? This is an interesting point for discussion to say the least.



When in St. Augustine, Florida, a few years ago I visited the old Castle of San Marco, now Ft. Marion, and was shown the dungeon where Osceola, the famed Seminole war chief, was imprisoned. In the walls are the niches that he dug with his fingers, so that he could climb up above the door and see the sunlight. The guide told of the great courage of the chief and the disgraceful conduct of the whites who captured him by breaking their word after coming to them under a flag of truce.

It was not until later that I was amazed to learn that As-se-he-ho-lar, or Osceola, known as the "rising sun" by his people, was the great-grandson of a Scottish trader named James McQueen. When the whites attempted to coerce the Seminoles and deprive them of their lives and property, Oeceola fought honorably and with the greatest of courage for his people. According to accounts, which

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A Message from Our President

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St. Andrew's Society
of San Francisco

Dear Members and Society Friends:

A Happy New Year to each and every one! We ended 2010 and started 2011 with a great Hogmanay celebration at the firehouse. Thanks go to Elly Sturm, James Beatty and John Allison for organizing the program and meal. Some fifty plus people were crammed into the meeting room. We had many guests and family members join as well. Gene McCracken gave the Address to the Haggis, Jack Cunningham played his parlor pipes, and Tristan Buckley played guitar. We had a sing-along too.



This past weekend I had the opportunity to represent the Society as the Caledonian Club's Installation of Officers in San Ramon. It was a much more formal affair than ours. First VP/president-elect John Allison and his bride Theresa were also there.

Unfortunately the weekend was marred for me as my Mini Cooper got broken into Friday evening. I was in Sacramento for military duty and brought my kilt, dress sporran, medals, cufflinks and more to go to the Installation in. All were stolen! So, the watch word is be careful where you park and what you leave visible in the car. Oddly, my kit was in a camouflaged military bag!

This is my last letter to you as president. My tenure comes to an end at the Installation. It has been an interesting and challenging two years and perhaps time for a little reflection. When I embarked on the role of president I made clear I wanted to focus our efforts on supporting five primary and tangible Scottish subjects in our Bay Area: John Muir, Robert Louis Stevenson, William Keith, John McLaren and the sailing vessel Balclutha. These subjects were to provide the society an opportunity to get the name out and be of value to the community. John Allison has worked hard with the Robert Louis Stevenson efforts. Roger Weed keeps the John Muir House on our radar, and James Beatty has taken the lead with John McLaren.

The difficulty is making any impact is funding. Not only has the Society's investments taken a hit by the economy, but our constant need to pay for parking services for meetings at the firehouse impacts our ability to assist projects in the community. On average we put out \$8,000 a year on the valet parking for ten meetings and our Hogmanay celebration. These are

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BURNS Supper 2011

❖ SATURDAY, JANUARY 29th ❖

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St. Andrew's Society of SF & Related Calendar of Events for 2011

JANUARY

SAT, 22 JAN, Robert Burns Supper, at the Family, San Francisco.
—Point of Contact: James Beatty.





COCK-A-LEEKIE SOUP

This soup has a great tradition in Scotland and probably considered the national soup of Scotland, although it is more like a stew than a soup. Cock-A-Leekie is believed to have originated in Edinburgh and the Lothian's. This traditional soup is served at Burn's Night. This is also a very popular soup in the North of England.

- 2-3 lb. boiling chicken
- 5 cups water
- 6 leeks, chopped
- 2 onions, chopped
- 2 oz. rice
- Bay leaf
- Sprig of thyme
- 1 Tbsp. chopped parsley
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 4-6 prunes, soaked overnight, halved and stoned.

Place chicken, bay leaf, thyme, parsley, salt and pepper in a large saucepan and cover with water. Bring to the boil and then lower the heat and simmer very gently for 2 hours, skimming with a slotted spoon from time to time

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2nd VPs WATCH-LIST

DO NOT FORGET! THERE IS STILL TIME! You can still get your reservations if you act QUICKLY to attend our Spectacular Burns Supper! No other organization in the Bay Area offers such an Elegant, Traditional Celebration of Rabbie Burns Birthday (252nd) in such richly flavored offerings of Food, Music, and Verse, than Your Own Saint Andrews Society of San Francisco!! We offer Top of the Line Entertainment, Ritual, and Fellowship. Yes we are a bit pricey, but we're Worth It!! This is an opportunity to provide yourself, your guests, and/or your 'Favorite Other' within the midst of Fellow Scots, A Quality Memory of a Lifetime. We hope to greet you there!

- REMEMBER! BURNS SUPPER 22nd January 2011 (need reservations by 17th Jan!!)
- For Reservations call: James Beatty, Chairman (510) 459-9395
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- (\$90.00 per person- Make payable to SASSF)
- Send Payments to:
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WHAT A HOGMANAY we experienced at the Firehouse on New Years Eve this past 31st!! To the delight of 60 plus attendees we munched on every kind of delicacy (and a few indelicacies) from Gerry Sample's Scottish Eggs to John Allison's contribution of Haggis (properly presented and called by James Robertson, and read over by Gene McCracken) and various other Scottish fare. There were some wonderful hot dishes, relished snacks, and mouth-watering desserts. Of course we must give credit to those generous souls who kept our spirits high with their contributions of wine, champagne, single malt, and rehabilitative 'n.a'. ciders. Thank you, one and all.

We not only wined & dine ourselves,, but we also listened through the infectious merry din with the musical renderings of our society's piper, Jack Cunningham on the borders', and the swarthy songs and 12-stringcounter points of 'newly-becoming-member', Tristan Buckley. It was also nice to meet his cheery and terribly helpful, newly-wed wife, Donna. And let us not forget to remember the grandly gathered choir that was put on notice to perform the 'Twelve Days of Christmas' that nearly spawned and Epiphany of 'A Coming of the Last Days.'

Yes, it was but 'a trifle' insane, but thoroughly Merry! And speaking of merry, it was wonderful to chat with our own 1st Lady and Society

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Bard, Mary Gilbert. She was in excellent humor and a good sport in tolerating 'ours.'

I want to thank our 'Ritual of the Midnight Team' that in shadowy amber light brought in the New Year (2011), and who with appropriate Scottish dialectics crossed the 'threshold' (darkly & traditionally) to the mystic, fading ring of the 'Great Firehouse' bell. Thank you Bill Allan, David McCrossan, and Jim Marsh. What a team!!! And would you believe that enough shards of good, black, dusty coal were made available for all the 'willing' and 'naive' hands to douse themselves thoroughly. This resulted in enough innocuous graffiti to challenge the best restorative efforts of our most gifted 'in-house' choreographers.

With renewed energy that can only come from a rousing rendition of 'Auld Lang Syne' within the confined midst of celebrating Scots, we gingerly broke our tiered ranks and ventured out into that 'not-so-old,' regular world, and made our respective journeys home. We ALL had a Great Time.

Mark your calendar for next year: same place, same time!! THANKS! THANKS! THANKS! THANKS!

OUT with the OLD.....and.....IN with the NEW.....or so it goes.....Isn't this what New Years are for? Sometimes Yes, and sometimes No. What I can address is how significant the volunteered gifts of our selected, talented and selfless members has been to the longevity and functioning of our society over these past 148 years. We sometimes fail to

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*(COCK-A-LEEKIE SOUP
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when necessary. Add leeks, onions and rice and more water if necessary to cover the chicken and continue to simmer, uncovered, for another 1 hour or until the chicken and vegetables are tender. The prunes should be added about 30 minutes before the end of cooking time.

To serve, remove the chicken and discard the giblets and bay leaf. Skim the broth and adjust seasoning if necessary. The chicken can be carved and some of the meat returned to the soup and reheated before" serving or eaten separately as a main course.

The prunes were originally added to sweeten the broth if the leeks were old and bitter. Nowadays they are added by choice.

Serves approx 4-6



BURNS and HAGGIS: A few items of interest.

January is the month we celebrate Robert Burns' birth and partake in a wee bit of Haggis. The Scottish Homecoming folks noted that there were some 1,255 registered Burns' Suppers last year worldwide (many more not "registered" I am sure). They were held from Ben Nevis to Vietnam. The breakdown was 569 suppers in England, 364 in Scotland, 118 in the USA, 54 in Canada and 41 in Australia. The Morrison Supermarket chain in Britain reported that they sold more Haggis in their English stores than in Scotland! For those so inclined, below is a wee challenge of your Burns knowledge from the Scottish Tourist board.

DO YOU KNOW?

1. From first to last, how many days did Burns spend in Edinburgh?
2. Which of Burns' characters was a crooner?
3. Of whom did the poet write this (part of) epitaph:
"If there's another world,
he lives in bliss;
If there is none, he made
the best of this"?
4. Who was Burns' schoolmaster?

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Wade Hughan
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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER CHAT

To All, a very Happy New Year, as we enter the eleventh year of the twenty-first century. Somehow, the launch into it, with the completion of the first ten-year period, seems to portend the promise of a clean slate of renewal and fresh opportunities, holding out reinvigorating possibilities. Whether or not this is merely illusional, and local and global circumstances notwithstanding, each one of us, right now, has a start at something new in life.

It matters not if you subscribe or do not, to making New Year's resolutions; as hackneyed as this phrase became last century, it is still true that "today is the first day of the rest of your life," and this first month of the second decade into our third millennium A.D. is the closest we'll ever get to seizing the chance to make progressive changes--be they small or great--that will affect oneself and others for the duration of this journey we call Life.

Change is seldom easy, but it need not always be life-disruptive; indeed, the less so, the better! And even a small alteration in one's lifestyle or demeanor around others can be massively rewarding. Not just for that one person. We are all familiar with, and desirous of, benevolence. This concept of a particular behavior toward others is denoted as "wishing to do good, being actively friendly and charitable," and is synonymous with kindness, warm-heartedness, compassion, beneficence, good will, unselfishness, helpfulness, generosity, magnanimity, openhandedness, thoughtfulness and considerateness.

I would suggest there are, even among our SASSF membership and most certainly amid the general population in our particular environments, men and women who, due to loneliness, illness or a lack of "getting out," would appreciate a regular dose of friendliness, thoughtfulness, and unselfish generosity. While life in California for the average middle-class citizen is busy at best and often stressfully overwhelming, everyone of us has a bit of time and resources to spare. I can, as an individual taking a small step of change, resolve to call one person in my circle of acquaintances, family, colleagues and St. Andrews friends who might be sick or lonely or just "down," each and every day to express some human interest and concern. Additionally, I can write a card with a personal message to someone homebound. As we all know, a gesture as little as a smile and cheerful "Hello" in passing a stranger on the sidewalk usually garners a friendly response. And there is no dearth of charitably-oriented churches whose coffers are never too full for another dollar. The need for benevolence from every personal and societal perspective knows no bounds.

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THE FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

Member Passing

Russ Wallace asked Tom Kasinger to research a society member, Floyd Jack, who resided in Nevada for a number of years. Russ 'felt' he had died, but we did not know for sure. As it turned out Floyd had died in Las Vegas on June 3, 2009. We missed it. I have noticed, and not to my liking that members of the society who have died are not always discovered in a timely manner and then mentioned in the newsletter - a Flowers of the Forest item. Perhaps a committee might come out this situation that is willing to keep an active eye on folks and track members' health issues better? It would be a suitable thing to insert their names and a wee biography of members who have passed away. .

Respectfully aye,

Fred Rutledge

SAINT ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF SAN FRANCISCO

2011 SLATE OF OFFICER CANDIDATES

John Allison: President
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funds that should be used to carry out our Society's mission. We meet in a place without parking and it causes us to sacrifice funds for meeting attendance. So far community participation losses and we only have a few hundred dollars here and there to support community work.

Furthermore, we have to maintain the firehouse. Is owning the firehouse overwhelming us? It is a situation each member should ponder. I invited members to form a firehouse committee to address these issues and look at better utilization of the firehouse as well, but folks did not come forward. If keeping the firehouse is the will of the membership, than looking at better ways to get a bang for the buck should be discussed. Some tough issues await resolution. The mission of the society must come first. It is why we exist. But our mission has taken a backseat to the firehouse. The Caledonian Club leadership once asked us to consider joining forces and sharing a facility. That may still be an option. Our portfolio is larger than most community organizations, but it is tightly guarded. Should it be untouchable or should meaningful amounts be taken now and again for special projects each year? I had hopes we could be of greater value to community activities with our portfolio, but the few hundred dollars cast here and there makes us look a little petty at times. A greater contribution now and again might actually draw funds into the organization. If folks see us doing meaningful work they might be more inclined to contribute. Something to ponder.

Many thanks go to those who stepped up to help make the two years a success. A major challenge has been keeping our Society focused on its mission: Scholarships, support of Scottish cultural activities and so on as mentioned. The two years started with opening the organization up to women and I believe we have seen the Society become a much better place for it. John Allison put together a year of great programs for our meetings and meals too! James Beatty has followed suit. Russ Wallace has kept a great eye on the treasury and Tom Kasinger has managed to keep track of the minutes from trustee and member meetings too.

We have some familiar faces on the 2011 roster and a few new ones as well. There will be more opportunities come next fall for those interested in stepping up and serving the society.

This month's business meeting will be shortened in order to get down to meeting is the Installation of Officers. I encourage you to wear your kilts! Please note, Past-President Gerry Sample has promised to provide his traditional installation poem (more like a roast) to "bless" each person stepping into an office. That alone is worth the effort to attend. Thank you Gerry!

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Our next big event is coming up on Saturday, 22 January. The 252nd Annual Robert Burns Supper will be at the Family again this year. James Beatty is master of ceremonies. Haggis and other Burns traditions will be honored and consumed! Please support this event with your attendance and bring guests along!

This month's article was actually written by my grandfather some 80 years ago. I submit it for your enjoyment.

Again, a big Thank You goes out to all who served the society these past two years, and a special thanks to the officers and volunteers for your support. With that said, please wear your kilts to the January meeting!

Yours aye,

Fred Rutledge



(DO YOU KNOW?)

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5. What have the following songs in common:

“Of a’ the Airts.”

“Last May a Braw Wooer.”

“Ye Banks and Braes.”

“Mary Morrison.” ?

6. Where was it that “Willie Brew’d a Peck o’ Maut, and Rob and Allan cam’ to see”?

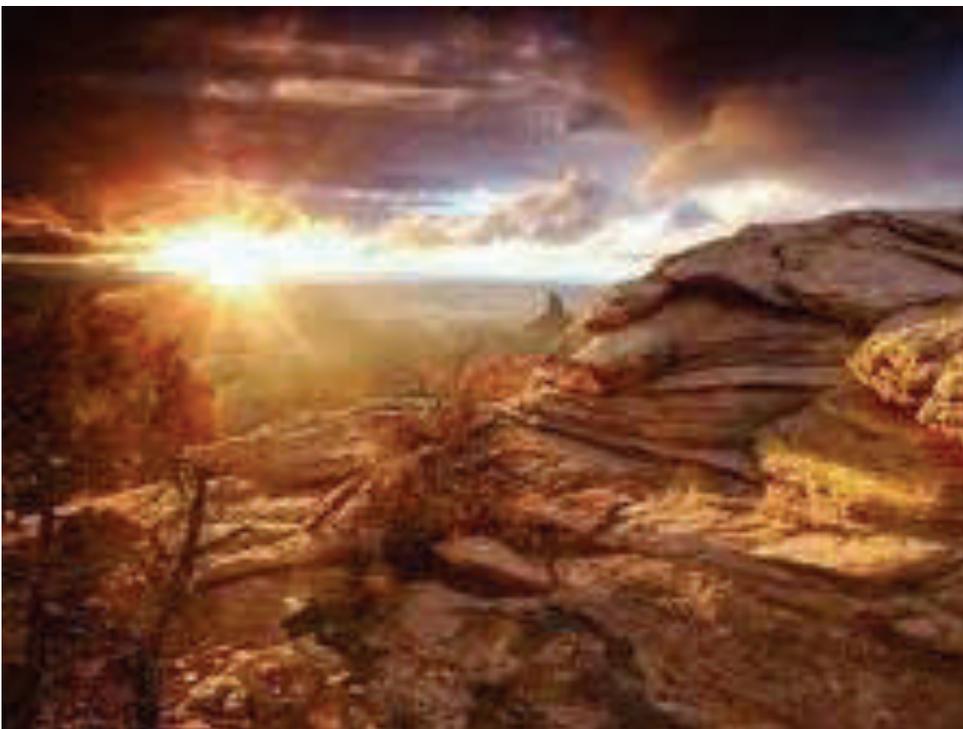
7. Who were a) The Fair Burnet, b) the Lovely Davies, and c) the Fairest Maid on Devon Banks?

8. What was the “Big Ha-Bible”?

9. Who was the noble lady who admitted that Burns was the only man whose conversation ever fairly carried her off her feet?

10. In which poem do the following lines occur? “Ah, gentle dames! It gars me greet to think how many counsels sweet, How many lengthened safe advices. The husband frae the wife despises!”?

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Surely You Knew!

1. 352 days (almost a year) spread over seven separate occasions between 1786 and 1791.
2. Tam o' Shanter. "Tam skelpit on through dub and mire Despising wind and rain and fire; Whiles holding fast his guid blue bonnet; Whiles crooning o'er some auld Scots sonnet."
3. William Muir of Tarbolton Mill (Willie's Mill in Death and Dr. Hornbook).
4. John Murdoch (1747-1824).
5. All were his very own. As Henley put it, "as far as we know, in them he expressed himself and none besides."
6. Moffat, Dumfriesshire.

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We, as a Society, do reach out to others, particularly in the area of Academe, with scholarships for graduate studies, and with donations to other prestigious organizations, assuring our high standing with them. We were, in fact, founded as a benevolent society, an organization historically dedicated to helping the less fortunate, and we of the St. Andrew's Society of San Francisco continue to hold this value of benevolence as dear and important. Just as we reach out from time to time to Scots and descendants of Scots in need and to churches whose Scottish Presbyterian values sustain the homeless and hungry on a regular basis, let's collectively and individually take every opportunity to start this new year with an extension of benevolence toward the widower who will never stop missing his beloved wife, the daughter whose wonderful father is now gone from her life, the longtime, giving member whose health has now compromised his ability to be as active as before, the older teacher who gives so much to her young charges that her own health is challenged, the young teacher who might be struggling to make ends meet--all of whom are brothers and sisters in our own group. There is no lack of opportunity to help.

At the Burns Supper on January 22, on the first floor of "The Family," in the room to the right, there will be a visual display depicting a variety of ways in which the SASSF has benevolently reached out to help. Please take a few minutes that evening, prior to dining upstairs, to view this. You will also notice a marked receptacle into which you may add any monetary contribution to help us in building a Benevolence Fund. My personal contribution to this has been and continues to be, each \$10 receipt for every "Mixed Bag" jazz and pop CD (by The Well Tempered Voices, a vocal ensemble in which I sing).

May this year be one of good health, peace of mind, rewarding productivity, kindness and joy to everyone of us!

Yours Aye,

Elisabeth (Elly) Sturm



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appreciate the expenditures of time, energy, imagination, enthusiasm, and problem resolution that have been provided to us in the various offices over these many years. Some really Outstanding individuals are not that easily replaced. As I have often noted, certain talented souls only walk by once. The rest of us just attempt to fill in the gaps for 'The Good of the Order.' I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of our society, to 'genuinely' thank this 'out-going' class of 'retiring servants. 'These particularly 'Talented Gentlemen' have served us well and honorably and deserve our respect and appreciation.



There may be considerable number of our membership who are not fully acquainted with the professional efforts of these gentlemen with respect to what their many years of service in various positions of responsibility have actually been. Regardless, lets extend our gratitude now! Fred Rutledge - President Tom Kasinger - Secretary Treasurer - Russ Wallace Trustee - Tom McLaughlin Trustee - Bruce Reeves.

When you should find them at any one of our on-going functions, feel free to extend a much deserved, "Thank you for your years of service, and for so many jobs 'Well Done.'"** And let us not forget the congenial a gracious services over the years of Trustee James Robertson. While his own heart is failing and he is in a most tentative struggle to live, lets hold him in our prayers, and offer him our gratitude while his time with us permits!

ON A SIMILAR NOTE, make yourself known to 'New Members.' You will be as pleasantly surprised as I at how enthusiastic and talented they are (and great fun!). This next generation of contributing leaders and stimulating acquaintances are in need of your friendliness and experience as much as you are in the assurance, that an emerging 'new generation' of our historic society will be securely vested incapable hands.

For immediate info. contact James Beatty, 2nd VP, at (510) 459-9395 or resonance.ej@gmail.com.

Yours aye,

James S. Beatty

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7. Answer: a) Elizabeth Burnett, daughter of Lord Monboddo, "a young lady of exquisite beauty and grace," who died at age 25. Burns had first met her on his first visit to Edinburgh; b) Deborah Davies, daughter of Dr. Davies of Tenby, Pembroke shire. She inspired the song "Bonnie Wee Thing"; c) Miss Margaret Chalmers, the supposed heroine of one of the poet's last songs.

8. So called from its original use in the noble's hall, wherein the whole household assembled for religious services.

9. The Duchess of Gordon.

10. Tam o' Shanter.

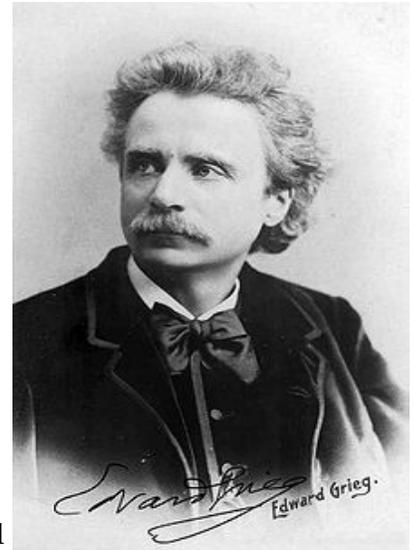
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bring to mind the wild shouts that sounded above the din of battle, in the glens of Scotland, the voice of Osceola was always heard above the others, urging his warriors on with his famous war cry "Yo-ho-e-hee" that echoed through the Florida swamps.

This interesting data prompted me to look about for other subjects, and there are many. Particularly since the advent of the radio, many of us have become familiar with the beautiful music of the Peer Gynt suites, Sigurd Jorsalfar, and Solvejg's Song, as well as many of the lyrics of Edvard Grieg. It may sound paradoxical to say that Norway owes its greatest composer to the outcome of a battle fought in the 18th Century in Scotland, but such is the case. It was in April, 1746, that the fate of the Pretender, Charles Edward Stuart, was decided at Culloden. In those troublesome times many Scots left their native land to seek homes elsewhere.



Among these was a merchant, Alexander Grieg, of Aberdeen, who settled in Bergen, Norway. He was a member of the Scotch Reformed Church, and so strong in his adherence that he made an annual trip home to Scotland to partake of communion. Edvard Grieg, the foremost Norwegian composer, who is becoming more and more popular as time goes on, was the grandson of Alexander Grieg of Aberdeen.



Equally strange is the fact that Emanuel Kant, one of the greatest philosophers of all time, the author of the Critique of Pure Reason, was of Scottish blood. Stuckenberg writes "But while there is no trace of family genius, we have in Kant the union of the blood of the two nations which are most distinguished for their metaphysical speculations, the Scotch and the German. His father, John Cant, a saddler in humble circumstances, was the son of Scotch parents who immigrated to Prussia."

And Kant himself wrote "That my grandfather, who resided in the Prusso-Lithuanian town of Tilsit, was of Scottish descent, that he was one of many emigrants, who for some reason or other left their country in great crowds at the end of the last century, and of whom a considerable part stopped by the way of Sweden, whilst others

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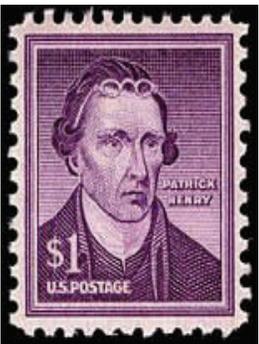
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spread themselves in Prussia, particularly about Memel and Tilsit (as is proved by the family names such as Douglas, Simpson, Hamilton, etc., still found in Prussia) – of this I was perfectly aware.”

Another striking figure is Patrick Gordon, also called Peter Ivanovich Gordon, a famous Russian general, descended from a Scottish family of Auchleuchries. He was a soldier and adventurer, who fought against the Swedes, the Poles, the Turks, and the Tartars. He was made a General in spite of his denunciations of the Orthodox Church, to which he was a heretic. On the breaking out of the Revolution in 1669, Gordon with his troops decided events in favor of Tsar Peter I, against the Tsaritsa Sophia. During the remainder of his life he was in high favor with the Tsar, who raised him to the rank of general-in-chief. When Gordon died in 1699, the Tsar was with him, and with his own hands closed his eyes.

In American history two great figures compel our attention. The first is Alexander Hamilton, the son of James Hamilton, of the Hamiltons of Grange, in Ayrshire. Alexander was born on the island of Nevis, in the Leeward group (Caribbean), in 1757. His mother was Rachel Faucette, the daughter of a French Huguenot emigrant. Beginning as a store clerk at St. Croix, he became a soldier in the Revolution, a legislator and author. Hamilton worked with Washington. He became Secretary of the Treasury and proved to be a financial genius. He was a strong Federalist, believing in a powerful central government. He was very ambitious and was one of the most brilliant leaders in the founding of our government.

The second is Patrick Henry, the son of Colonel John Henry, a native of Aberdeen, who came to Virginia in quest of fortune, some time prior to 1730, and married a daughter of the Winstons of Hanover County. Henry was a distinguished lawyer and legislator, serving five times as Governor of Virginia. He was a wonderful orator.



Jefferson said, “Patrick Henry is the greatest orator that ever lived.” Unlike Hamilton, Patrick Henry was always a man of the people, and was bitterly opposed to the idea of strong central government, because he believed that it would rob the people of the freedom they had won by the Revolution. He fought desperately to prevent the Virginia Assembly from ratifying the Constitution, and when this was done, he withdrew from political life.

The several men that have been mentioned illustrate plainly a number of traits of Scottish character. When we consider the pride of

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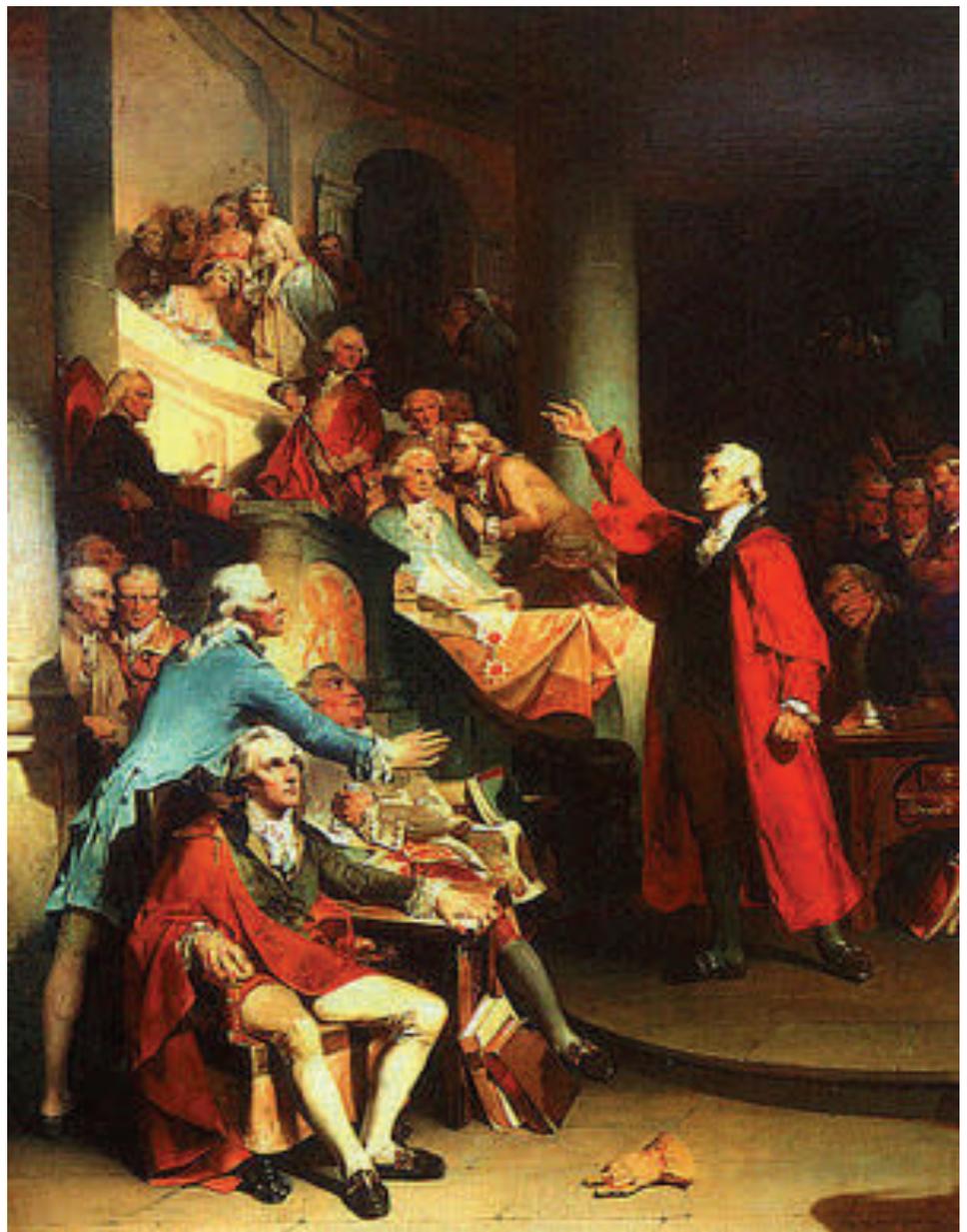
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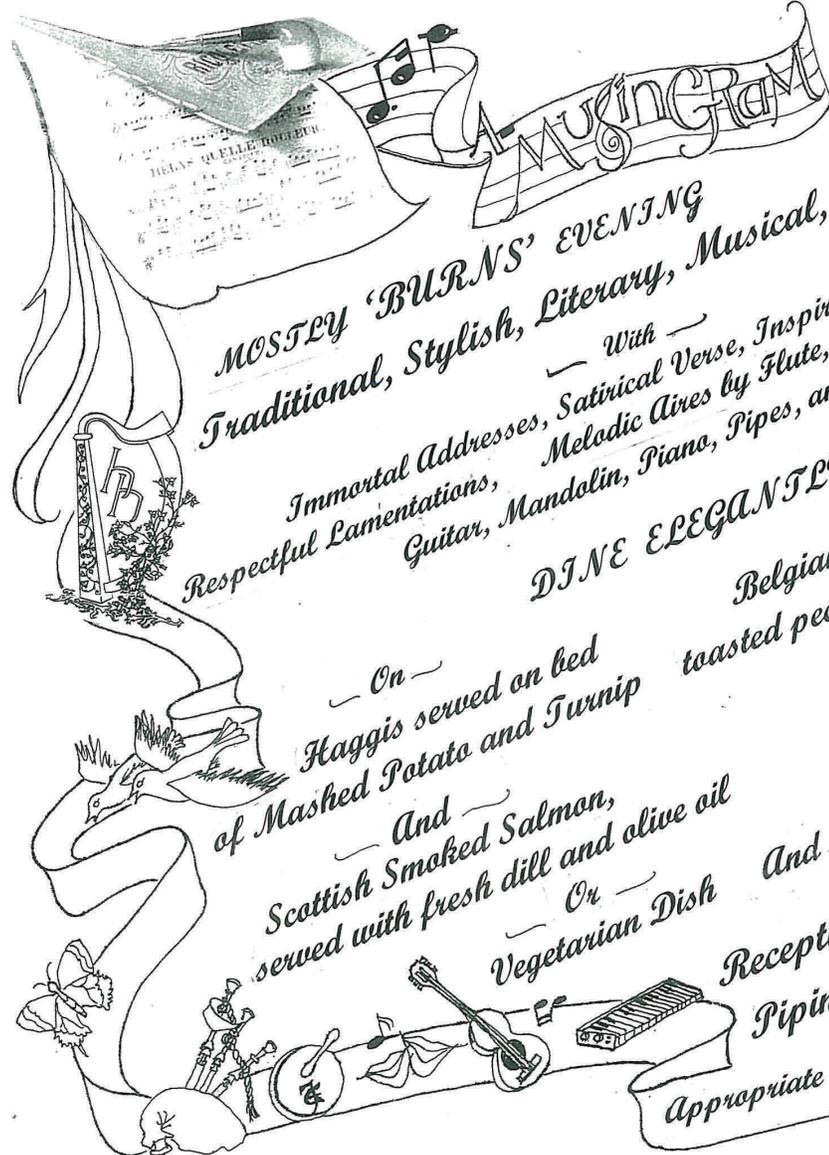
Oceola, the kindness and music of Grieg, the seriousness and thoughtfulness of Kant, the courage and the love of adventure in Gordon, the ambition and practicality of Hamilton, and the deep love of liberty in Henry, we wonder if it was because a drop or two of Scottish blood flowed in their veins.

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Patrick Henry's Fiery Speech Against the Stamp Act

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 — Or —
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— On —
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 — And —
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- 3rd Choice of Entree: Vegetarian Dish.....No. ()
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Above: In front of Mosque on the Citadel.



Left: In front of one of the Sphinx; a must photo for all visitors.

Right: At the Temple of Amun, Karnak (Nighttime). I was wearing a Gallabya; a traditional garb for men.

