

Unveiling
of Burns
Monument



Garfield Park
Chicago, Ill.

Saturday, August Twenty-Fifth
Nineteen Hundred and Six

Under the Auspices of the
Burns Memorial and Monument
Association of Illinois

Burns Memorial and Monument Association

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Mrs. R. Ballantine, 292 S. Irving av.
Mrs. I. MacArthur, 5666 Normal av.
Mrs. R. McWatt, 880 Ridgeway av.

Ladies' Auxiliary Clan Campbell
Mrs. Fairweather, 1489 W. Monroe
Mrs. M. Strong, 1223 W. Congress
Mrs. W. A. Barclay, 1220 Wilcox av.

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T. C. MacMillan, U. S. District Court,
Federal Bldg., City
R. W. Millar, 100 Washington st.

Caledonian Society of Chicago
A. M. Cameron, 2300 Jackson blvd.
John Buchanan, 7013 Pery av.
-Robert Wood, 937 N. Albany av.

Orkney & Shetland Society
Magnus Flaws, 358 Dearborn st.
-Robert Budge, 5727 Wentworth av.
J. D. Williamson, 5808 May st.

John O'Groats Knithness Assn.
-Alex Reid, 4051 Armour av.
-Jos. Ritchie, 4313 Cottage Grove av.
-William Ritchie, 7416 Michigan av.

Clan MacDuff O. S. C.
James P. Simpson, 698 S. Canal st.
Geo. Bain, 239 Austin av.
Robert Eadie, 527 S. 44th Court

Clan Campbell O. S. C.
R. Hutchison, 317 S. California av.
S. Hutchison, 1231 Congress st.
-D. J. McCamey, 1495 W. Taylor av.

South Chicago Caledonian Club
William Craig, 9120 Houston av.
R. S. Laidlaw, 9114 Ontario av.
Thos. Simison, 7616 Marquette av.

Englewood Scottish Club
D. B. Wallace, 7225 Harvard av.
-Jas. Booth, 7042 S. St. Lawrence av.
W. S. Anderson, 51st & Halsted st.

Scottish Highlanders of Chicago
Achd MacDonald, 398 Washburn av.
Ossian Cameron, 5610 Indiana av.
John W. MacLean, 224 Belden av.

Carlyle Club of Chicago
M. C. Hogge, 6028 Drexel blvd.
Maxwell Edgar, 4 Borden blk.
Dr. R. A. Sempill, State & Madison

The Highland Pipe Club
F. T. McLeod, 151 Wabash av.
John McBeath, Park Ridge, Ill.
Wm. Gunn, 6511 Union av.

Clan McKenzie, Braidwood, Ill.
Wm. Kilpatrick, Braidwood, Ill.
W. H. Steen, Braidwood, Ill.
John N. Steen, Braidwood, Ill.

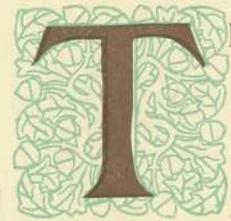


ROBERT CLARK, HON. PRESIDENT.



DR. W.A. BARCLAY, PRESIDENT.

Brief Description of the Monument



THE statue by W. Grant Stevenson, A. R. S. A., of Edinburgh, Scotland, which is of bronze, is ten and a half feet in height, and stands on a pedestal of Vermont granite, twelve and a half feet high. The name "Burns" appears in relief on the base of the pedestal, and underneath it, chiselled in the granite, the legend, "A man's a man for a' that." Bronze panels, illustrative of scenes from the works of the poet, adorn the four sides of the pedestal. On the front is a scene from "The Cottar's Saturday Night," with the quotation: "From scenes like these old Scotia's grandeur springs."

In the rear is a scene from "Tam o' Shanter"—the witch clutching at the grey mare's tail—with the motto:

"But pleasures are like poppies spread;
You seize the flow'r, its bloom is shed."

On one side is "Burns at the Plough" turning up the mouse's nest, with the sage maxim:

"The best laid schemes o' mice an' men
Gang aft a-gley."

On the other side is an ideal representation of "The Twa Dogs" with the adage:

"In fair virtue's heav'nly road
The cottage leaves the palace far behind."

The monument, as a whole, thus offers not only a feast of art but a treasure of wisdom, that will "point a moral and adorn a tale" for future generations, and be an enduring credit to the Scottish Americans of Chicago.



Burns Memorial and Monument Association

1 Dr. W. A. Barclay.
 2 Wm. Forrest.
 3 Alex Reid.
 4 D. J. McCamey.
 5 Geo. Bain.

6 Jos. Ritchie.
 7 D. B. Wallace
 8 Samuel Hutcheson.
 9 W. S. Anderson.
 10 Robert MacWatt.

11 Buchanan Currie.
 12 Magnus Flaws.
 13 James D. Carric.
 14 James Duncan.

15 Mrs. M. Strong.
 16 Mrs. R. MacWatt.
 17 Mrs. R. Ballantine.
 18 Mrs. W. A. Barclay.

19 Mrs. Fairweather
 20 Miss Helen F. Lonie.
 21 Wm. Gardner
 22 Fred T. McLeod.

23 Alex M. Cameron.
 24 James Booth.
 25 Robert Eadie.
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History of the Association

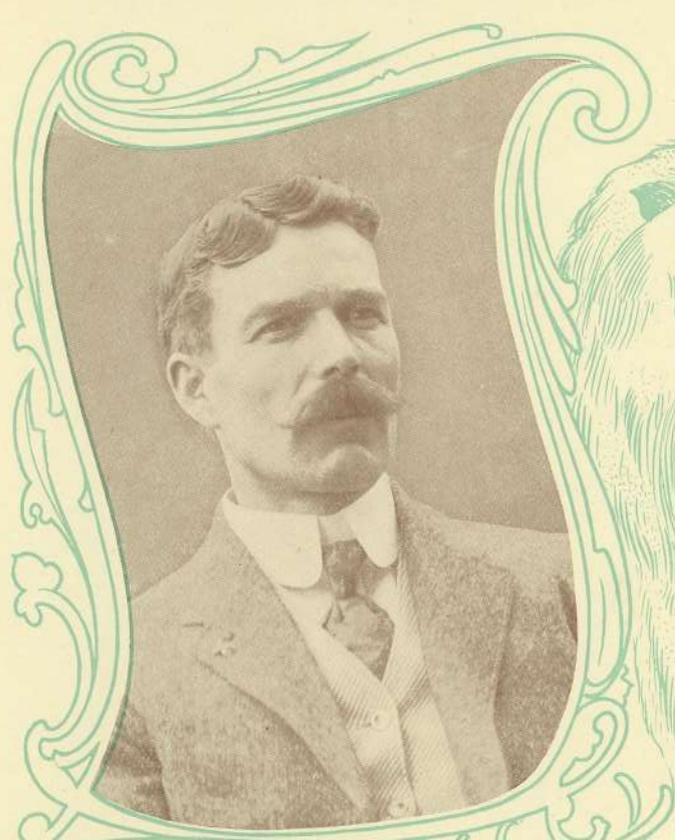


It had long been the cherished ambition of the patriotic Scottish Americans of Chicago to erect in one of the leading public parks a fitting monument to Robert Burns, the immortal Scottish bard, but not until October 25, 1888, were the first practical steps

taken for the realization of the project. On that date, at the call of the Caledonian Society, some sixty-three gentlemen, representing the various Scottish societies of Chicago, met at the Grand Pacific Hotel and organized the Burns Memorial and Monument Association. Mr. William Gardner called the meeting to order and explained the objects of the gathering, while the late Mr. Charles Gordon MacDonald acted as temporary secretary. The societies represented were the Illinois St. Andrew's Society, Caledonian Society, Clan MacDuff, Clan Campbell, Clan Ogilvy, Clan Gordon, Clan MacDonald, Orkney and Shetland Society, Highland Association of Illinois, Scottish Branch, British-American Association; Scotch Church Literary Society, and West End Scottish Society.

Mr. Robert Clark was elected President. Mr. C. Gordon MacDonald, Secretary, Mr. James Duncan, Assistant Secretary and Mr. William Gardner, Treasurer. All others present were made an Executive Committee, with power to add to their number. The presidents of all the Scottish societies in the city were made vice presidents as follows: Illinois St. Andrew's Society, Judge Egbert Jamieson; Caledonian Society, William Murdoch; Clan MacDuff, John Ramsay; Clan Campbell, James L. Campbell; Clan Gordon, A. G. Hodge; Clan Ogilvy, John Findlay; Clan MacDonald, Alexander McLachlan; Scotch Church Literary Society, Charles M. McFarlane; Highland Association of Illinois, A. G. Murray; Orkney and Shetland Society, Magnus Flaws; Scottish Branch, British-American Association, D. R. Goudie; South Chicago Caledonian Club, Robert Aitchison; West End Scottish Society, John Moffat; Highland Association of Chicago, J. S. MacDonald.

On November 22, 1888, the Burns Memorial and Monument Association was incorporated, under the laws of the State. The following were the incorpora-



JAMES D. CARRIE, 1ST. VICE PRES.



D.B. WALLACE, 2ND. VICE PRES.

tors: Messrs. Robert Clark, Thomas C. MacMillan, William Gardner, John Ramsay, A. C. Cameron, William Forrest, James Duncan, A. G. Hodge and C. Gordon MacDonald.

The first donation to the funds of the Association was a silver dollar from James Murray, on the eve of his departure for South Africa. This coin was marked with a St. Andrew's cross and ordered placed, with other mementoes, in the foundation when the proposed monument should be erected.

The leading means taken by the Association to raise money for the monument project during the first year of its existence were the issuance of subscription books, a grand demonstration in Central Music Hall on January 24, 1889, with an address on "Burns" by Governor Moonlight of Wyoming as the leading feature, and a picnic and games at Elliott's Park, Matteson, Ill., on August 10. Various Scottish societies, including the Scotch Church Literary Society, South Chicago Caledonian Club, Waverly Club, and Clan McKenzie of Braidwood, Ill., made handsome contributions during the early months of 1889, and on April 19 of that year Mr. Gardner reported that he had \$946.35 in the treasury, which sum had increased to \$1,000.60 by July 5. Con-

certs in Central Music Hall in December by the Balmoral Choir of Glasgow, Scotland, were other means taken to promote the Monument enterprise. The total profits of the Elliott's Park picnic amounted to \$278.44, of which \$75.00 was paid to the Caledonian Society, which had co-operated with the Monument Association on a percentage basis.

Matters progressed with varying activity and quiescence till June 23, 1891, when at a general meeting the officers and members of the executive committee tendered their resignations to take effect when their successors should be elected. At this time the Treasurer's report, as audited, showed that since the organization of the Association the total receipts had been \$4,497.59, and the total expenditures \$3,641.80, leaving a balance of \$855.79 in the treasury, of which \$372.65 represented donations and \$483.14 was derived from concerts, picnics, etc. The Treasurer's account, it is but fair to state, represented the gross receipts and expenditures for all entertainments, and in this connection the Auditing Committee, in its report, recommended that, in the event of any more entertainments being given, the committee having charge of same should report the net proceeds to the Treasurer, after having the same passed on by an auditing committee.



JAMES DUNCAN, HON. SECRETARY.

MAGNUS FLAWS, SECRETARY.

On September 29, 1891, a general meeting was held and the following were elected officers: President, Robert Clark; First Vice President, Thomas Watson; Second Vice President, Peter McEwan; Secretary, James Duncan; Assistant Secretary, A. G. Hodge; Treasurer, William Gardner; Directors, A. C. Cameron, William Forrest and R. Aitchison. It was reported that outstanding subscription books had been collected and \$110 added to the funds.

At a general meeting held on October 12, 1891, a series of important recommendations were adopted bearing upon the most practical methods of raising money for the Monument fund and other matters pertaining to the welfare of the movement. A large number of Scottish-American citizens, prominent in every walk of life, were made honorary vice presidents of the Association.

On March 29, 1892, on motion of James Duncan, it was resolved to invite plans and specifications for a monument not to exceed \$12,000 in cost, and the following were chosen as a committee on designs: William Gardner, John Asher, Hugh Shirlaw, William Forrest and A. C. Cameron. A sub-committee, consisting of A. M. Thomson, John Alston, John Keith, and two sculptors, was later appointed to assist the committee on designs.

In a notable competition participated in by famous sculptors for a design for the Chicago Burns monument the first prize of \$200.00 was awarded to W. Grant Stevenson, the well-known sculptor of Edinburgh, Scotland, whose design was accepted as the model for the statue to be erected at a later date in this city. A combination of circumstances, however, prevented the consummation of a contract with Mr. Stevenson till nearly twelve years later.

On February 7, 1893, Mr. Robert Clark resigned as President and Mr. D. R. Cameron was elected in his stead. During the remainder of the World's Fair year and the years of panic and depression that followed but little interest was evinced in the monument project, and though meetings were called from time to time at the office of the President it seemed impossible for quite a number of years to revive anything approaching enthusiasm for the monument.

Towards the close of the year 1901, however, the Association began to show signs of returning activity, and with the advent of 1902 an era of renewed energy and enthusiasm was inaugurated. The urgent pleas of Mr. Melville White for a renewal of interest in the monument



HELEN FAIRGRIEVE LONIE, ASSISTANT SEC'Y



WM. GARDNER, TREAS.

idea contributed no little to this happy change of sentiment and purpose.

On June 20, 1902, Mr. W. S. Bogle was elected First Vice President in place of Mr. Thomas Watson, deceased. On December 8 of the same year the Association adopted a constitution and by-laws. The Treasurer's report on this date showed the sum of \$927.08 in bank.

It was during this year that the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Caledonian Society, which later was given authority to assume the title of Ladies' Auxiliary of the Burns Memorial and Monument Association, entered as a strong factor into the work of the organization. Its important work for the monument is detailed elsewhere at length in this souvenir.

The annual election of officers, held on November 28, 1902, resulted in the choice of the following: President, D. R. Cameron; First Vice President, Magnus Flaws; Second Vice President, Peter McEwan; Secretary, James Duncan; Assistant Secretary, Donald A. Smith; Treasurer, William Gardner; Directors, William Forrest, James D. Carrie and J. W. McLean.

Early in 1903 the Association suffered a severe loss in the death of its esteemed Second Vice President, Mr. Peter McEwan, who had from the foundation of the

organization been one of the greatest enthusiasts for the monument cause. The vacancy was filled by the election of Mr. James Douglas, but the latter resigned within a month and Mr. James McKinlay took his place.

It was resolved to make another appeal to the Scottish nationality for funds to erect the monument, and on May 11, 1903, subscription books were again sent out.

At the annual meeting on November 23, 1903, it was intimated that Mr. D. R. Cameron, on account of the condition of his health, declined to be a candidate for re-election as President. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, John C. Hunter; First Vice President, Magnus Flaws; Second Vice President, J. W. McLean; Secretary, James Duncan; Assistant Secretary, D. A. Smith; Treasurer, William Gardner; Directors, D. R. Cameron, William Ritchie, Dr. R. A. Sempill and Mrs. R. Ballantine. The balance in the treasury to the credit of the Association was at this date \$935.55.

In January, 1904, the Ladies' Auxiliary, through its indefatigable head, Mrs. R. Ballantine, turned over to the Association the handsome sum of \$500.00, and the Treasurer's report on February 8 of the same year showed \$1,453.55 in the bank. Mrs. Ballantine, who had called upon Mr. W. Grant Stevenson, while on a visit to Scot-



JOHN HARPER, DIRECTOR

BUCHANAN CURRIE, DIRECTOR

JAMES P. SIMPSON, DIRECTOR

land during the previous summer, produced a letter from the latter, in the course of which he offered the Association very favorable terms should they be in a position to complete the contract for the monument. Mr. Stevenson's proposition was gladly accepted, and on May 12 the first installment of the money to pay for the statue was sent to the sculptor.

Messrs. J. C. Hunter, James Duncan, William Gardner, T. C. MacMillan and W. S. Bogle were at this time appointed a committee to consider and report on a suitable site for the monument, Mr. J. D. Carrie being later added to this committee.

The annual election of officers, held on November 21, 1904, resulted in the choice of the following: President, John C. Hunter; First Vice President, John Harper; Second Vice President, Dr. W. A. Barclay; Secretary, James Duncan; Assistant Secretary, James Phillips; Treasurer, William Gardner; Directors, Mrs. R. Ballantine, William Ritchie, Dr. R. A. Sempill and James D. Carrie. The Treasurer's report showed \$607.12 in the bank, after paying the sculptor his first installment.

During this year the Association lost by death another valued officer in the person of Mr. Donald A. Smith, Assistant Secretary. Death also claimed Mr. George

Tervet, an earnest worker for the monument cause, just as the year was closing.

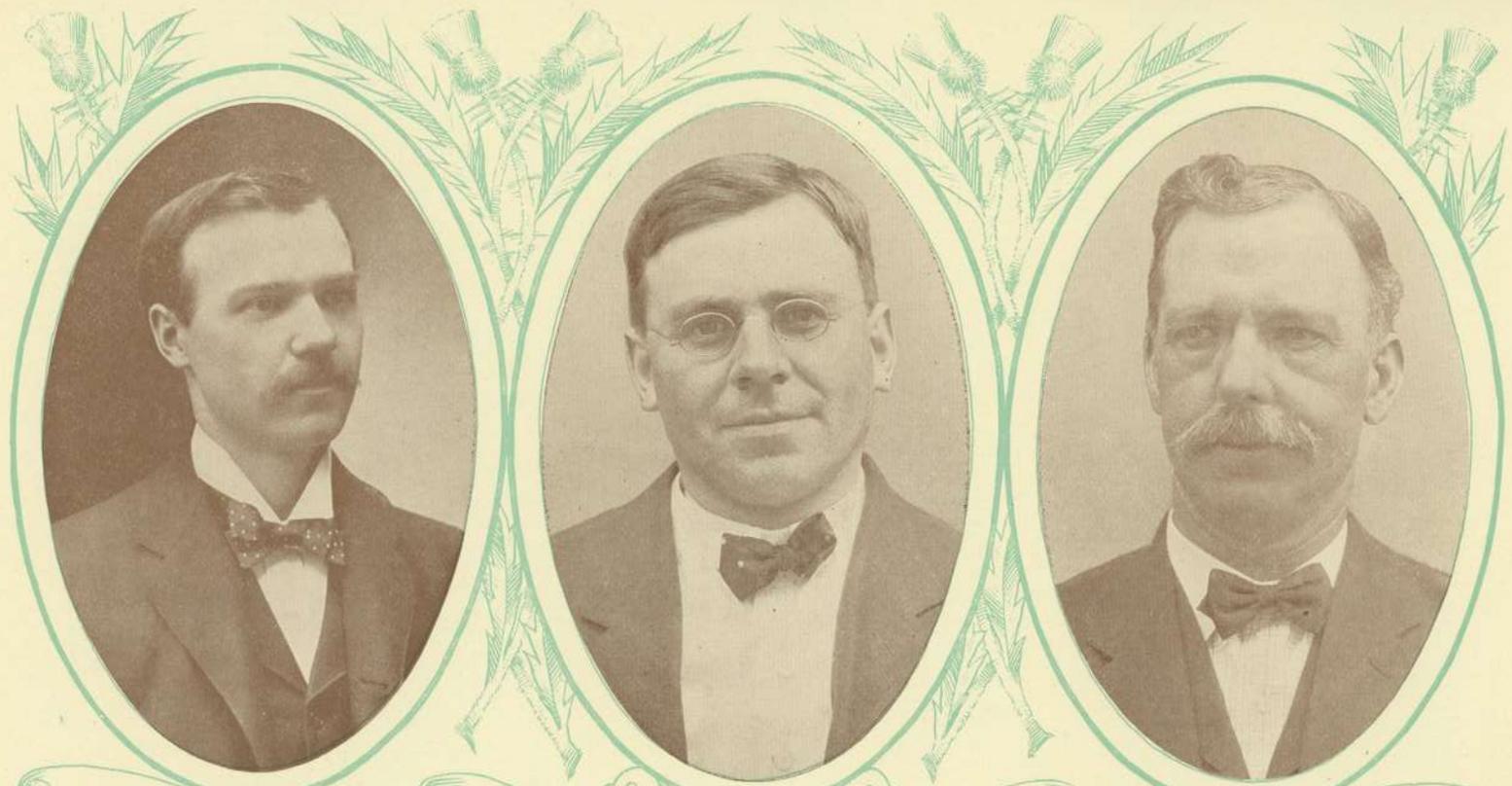
On March 13, 1905, the Ladies' Auxiliary handed a second check for \$500.00 to the Association, and a concert given in Association Hall on March 29, resulted in the sum of \$71.00 being added to the funds.

Mr. Stevenson notified the Association on May 8, 1905, that the statue and panels for the pedestal had been successfully cast, and on the same date Messrs. Samuel Hutcheson, John Buchanan and William Ritchie were appointed a Committee on Pedestal.

On October 9, 1905, delegates from the Ladies' Auxiliary of Clan Campbell were admitted to membership in the Association.

On November 17, 1905, Clans MacDuff and Campbell gave a grand ball at the Second Regiment Armory, which had been kindly furnished free of cost for the occasion by Col. James E. Stuart, and the proceeds amounting to \$219 were donated to the monument fund.

The annual election of officers took place on Monday evening, November 20, with the following result: President, Dr. W. A. Barclay; First Vice President, James D. Carrie; Second Vice President, D. B. Wallace; Secretary, Magnus Flaws; Assistant Secretary, Miss Helen



MAXWELL EDGAR

J.D. WILLIAMSON

WILLIAM RITCHIE

Committee on Entertainment of Guests

F. Lonie; Treasurer, William Gardner; Directors, Messrs. James P. Simpson, John Harper, Buchanan Currie and Mrs. Robert Ballantine. Mr. Robert Clark was, as on several previous occasions, elected Honorary President, and Mr. James Duncan, on account of long and faithful services to the Association, was, by unanimous vote, elected Honorary Secretary. The Treasurer's financial report showed \$1,275.87 to the Association's credit.

At the installation of officers on December 11, President Barclay and other officers pledged themselves to see that the monument should be erected in 1906, and so commenced the final and most eventful year of the Association's history. Success was made possible by the earnest and indefatigable work of the officers, backed by the harmonious and whole-hearted support of the delegates as a whole, and the splendid co-operation of the Scottish ladies of Chicago, under the direction of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

The following were the committees appointed by the Chair: Pedestal and Erection of Monument, Messrs. J. D. Carrie, Samuel Hutcheson, John Buchanan, William Ritchie and James Booth. Site, Messrs. Buchanan Currie, T. C. MacMillan, William Gardner, A. M. Cameron and J. D. Williamson. Transportation, Messrs. Magnus Flaws, R. W. Millar, James P. Simpson, D. J. McCamey, T. C. MacMillan, James Duncan and Dr. W. A. Barclay. The Site and Pedestal committees were later combined.

On February 17, 1906, the Treasurer reported \$1,458.48 in the bank. It was announced at this meeting that

the Anchor Line of steamships had offered to transport the monument from Glasgow to New York at a greatly reduced rate. John Buchanan, on account of pressure of other business, resigned from the Pedestal Committee, and John McBeath was appointed to fill his place.

The bazaar given by the Scottish ladies of Chicago, under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Burns Memorial and Monument Association, on March 3, netted the handsome sum of \$775. On March 12, the Englewood Scottish Club handed in a check for \$100 as the proceeds of a recent entertainment for the benefit of the monument fund. The contract for the construction and erection of the pedestal was, on April 9, awarded to Messrs. Welsh & Mitchell, a well known Scottish-American stone firm, for \$1,638. The final installment of the price for the monument having been paid, Mr. W. Grant Stevenson forwarded the statue and panels for the pedestal from Glasgow on April 14.

The Orkney and Shetland and Caithness societies, on April 23, made the welcome announcement that they would donate the proceeds of their Fourth of July picnic, as far as needed by the Association, to the monument fund. The following committee was appointed by the Chair to co-operate with the Union Scottish Picnic Committee: Messrs. Buchanan Currie, James D. Carrie, Maxwell Edgar, Robert Hutchison and James P. Simpson. The proceeds of the picnic placed about \$900 in the treasury of the Association.

A circular letter sent to the members of the various



JOHN C. HUNTER, PAST PRESIDENT.



D.R. CAMERON, PAST PRESIDENT.

Scottish societies and other patriotic Scots about this time resulted in netting about \$150 for the treasury.

The statue and panels arrived in Chicago early in May and were placed in the Sibley Warehouse on North Clark street, where they were later seen and approved by the members of the Municipal Art Commission. Dr. W. A. Barclay and Messrs. William Gardner, Buchanan Currie and James Duncan appeared before the West Park Board of Commissioners on May 11, and formally tendered the monument for erection in Garfield Park. Their offer was unanimously accepted, and next day a committee representing the Municipal Art Commission, West Park Board and Burns Memorial and Monument Association visited Garfield Park and agreed upon an eligible site in front of the Refectory Building in the north section of the park. The members of the Monument Association had up to this time been unanimously in favor of asking for a site at the Washington boulevard entrance to the park, but after a careful tour of the park, they gracefully acquiesced in the view expressed by Mr. Jens Jensen, the landscape architect for the park system, that the proper place for the statue of the Scottish bard was, not where only the automobiles and equipages of the rich whisked past, but "amid the trees and flowers which he loved," in the part of the park that was most frequented by the people.

The Monument Association at large feels deeply indebted to President B. A. Eckhart and Superintendent Jens Jensen of the West Park Board for the uniform

courtesy and consideration which were shown to its officers and committees throughout the entire negotiations in connection with the placing of the monument in Garfield Park. They would also record their cordial appreciation of the urbanity displayed by Messrs. Ralph Clarkson and Lorado Taft, the president and secretary of the Municipal Art Commission, in their dealings with the Association.

It is pleasing to chronicle that the Chicago Burns monument is essentially an expression of the deep-rooted regard of the rank and file of the Scottish people for their beloved bard, it being a fact that nearly all the money was subscribed in small sums by the working classes. Those who contributed \$100 or over were as follows: Robert Clark, \$250; Thomas Murdoch, \$100; John McLaren, \$100; D. R. Cameron, \$100; Mrs. McEwan, for the late Peter McEwan, \$100, and A. M. Thomson, \$100.

An unusually gratifying circumstance was the donation to the funds of the Association by the committee in charge of the banquet to James Dalrymple, the Glasgow traction expert, of a surplus of \$342.96 which it had on hand. Members of that committee deserving honorable mention for their work in this connection are: Maxwell Edgar, chairman; Orva G. Williams, treasurer; Alderman Thomas M. Hunter, John C. McPherson, James D. Carrie and Magnus Flaws.

A special word of acknowledgment is due the following public-spirited Scotsmen and other citizens for their gen-



Governor of Illinois



Mayor of Chicago

erous aid in furnishing material and services in connection with the erection of the monument: Hauling of statue and granite blocks for pedestal, George Bain; crushed stone for foundation, Dolese & Shepard; sand for foundation, Knickerbocker Company, per James McClintock; cement, George P. Longwell; setting of the monument, James Steven & Son; building of foundation, etc., George Thomson & Son Co.

It is interesting to note that William Forrest, one of the original incorporators, donated many years ago a violin of his own make, which realized a handsome sum for the monument fund.

Of the nine loyal Scots, previously referred to, who incorporated the Association nearly eighteen years ago, two were claimed by death in the early years of the Association's history—A. C. Cameron, one of the most active members of the first executive committee, and C. Gordon McDonald, the first secretary of the Association. In 1902 the Association suffered another serious loss by the death of its respected First Vice President, Thomas Watson.

In connection with the unveiling ceremony Dr. W. A. Barclay, Hon. T. C. MacMillan and Magnus Flaws were selected a committee to consider and report upon a suitable programme of exercises. Their recommendation that the following sub-committees be appointed to carry out the details connected with the unveiling ceremony, was unanimously adopted:

Speakers and Other Features: Dr. W. A. Barclay, Maxwell Edgar and Buchanan Currie.

Printing and Publication: Magnus Flaws, Robert Hutchison and Joseph Ritchie.

Parade of Scottish Societies: William Ritchie, James P. Simpson and Robert Budge.

Music: William Gardner, D. J. McCamey and James Booth.

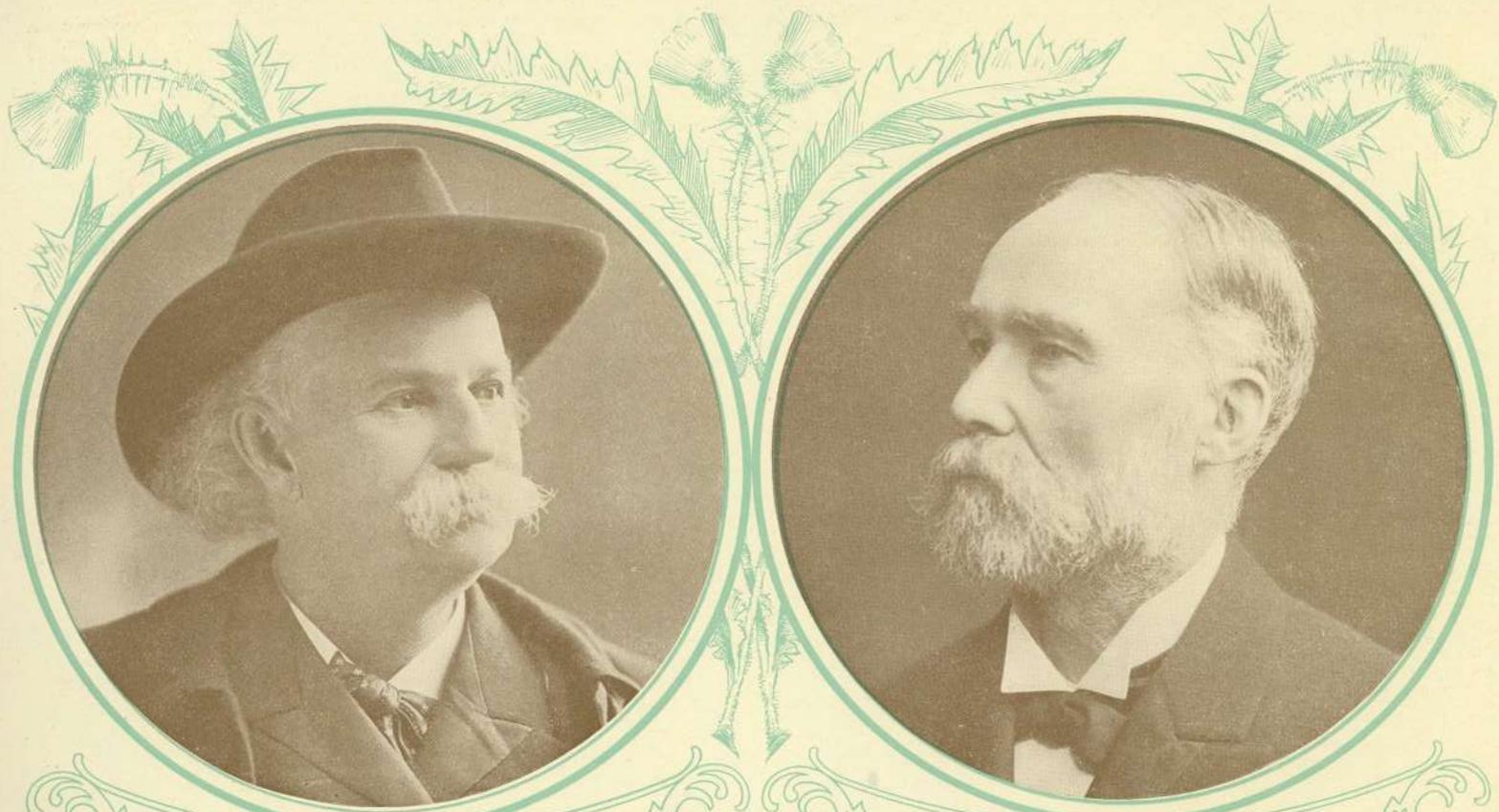
Banquet: T. C. MacMillan, J. D. Carrie and Buchanan Currie.

Stands and Accommodation of Public: Maxwell Edgar, George Bain and Robert Wood.

Entertainment of Guests: D. B. Wallace, J. D. Williamson, William Ritchie and Maxwell Edgar.

Later Mr. James P. Simpson was made chairman of the Parade Committee and, Mr. D. B. Wallace of the Banquet Committee, as Messrs. Ritchie and MacMillan were unable to serve. Messrs. James Booth, Samuel Hutchison and James D. Carrie were appointed a Committee on Badges.

In honor of the occasion, and in appreciation of the splendid work done for the monument cause by the Scottish-Americans of Chicago, the Association arranged a grand demonstration to be held on the evening of August 25, at the Second Regiment Armory, kindly furnished free of cost for the occasion by Col. James E. Stuart. The programme at this gathering included speeches by prominent Scotsmen and other citizens; vocal and instrumental music; a dainty luncheon, and a grand ball.



WALLACE BRUCE
ORATOR OF THE DAY

HON. GEO. W. ROSS
EX-PREMIER ONT.

History of Ladies' Auxiliary



IN June, 1902, the monument cause received a great impetus on the way to success by the accession to the movement of an enthusiastic band of the Scottish ladies of Chicago. On the initiative of Chief James D. Carrie, the Caledonian Society issued an invitation to Scottish ladies (by birth, descent or marriage) to meet at the Sherman House on June 25, at 7:30 p. m., with the object of forming a Ladies' Auxiliary. In response to the invitation a large number of ladies attended and Mrs. R. Ballantine called the meeting to order. Chief Carrie, at the request of Mrs. Ballantine, explained that the main object of the organization of such an auxiliary was to aid in securing funds for the proposed Burns monument, and assured the ladies that a committee from the Caledonian Society would be pleased to assist them in drafting a constitution and by-laws. The ladies then proceeded to organize the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Caledonian Society by electing the following officers: President, Mrs. Robert Ballantine; Vice President, Mrs. George Fraser; Secretary, Miss Margaret B. McCollum; Treasurer, Mrs. James Graham. Mrs. Ballantine, in the course of her address to the ladies, made it perfectly clear that the main object of the Auxiliary's work would be the furtherance of the Burns monument cause.

Several months later representatives of the Caledonian Ladies' Auxiliary conferred with the directors of the Burns Memorial and Monument Association, and from that time forward the two societies co-operated with the utmost harmony. On February 8, 1904, by unanimous vote, the ladies were authorized to assume the title of Ladies' Auxiliary of the Burns Memorial and Monument Association.

For the purpose of enlarging their sphere of work among the other Scottish societies of Chicago the Society appointed Mrs. George Fraser representative from the North Side, Mrs. Isa McArthur from the South Side, and Mrs. R. MacWatt from the West Side.

During the first year of their work the ladies, under Mrs. Ballantine's genial leadership, made and sold an elaborate autograph quilt, with over nine hundred well-known names on it, realizing some \$150 on the work. A second autograph quilt, with about six hundred names on it, realized \$125.

Aided by ladies representing the various Scottish societies, the Ladies' Auxiliary gave three remarkably successful bazaars, which resulted in netting nearly \$1,700 for the monument fund. The first bazaar resulted in realizing about \$360, the second, \$560, and the third, which took place on March 3, 1906, realized the record-breaking sum of \$775. By parlor socials, entertainments,

etc., the Auxiliary raised quite a considerable additional sum, which, together with the other proceeds, aggregated a total of considerably over \$2,000.

The Scottish societies represented by booths at the various bazaars were: Caledonian Society, Ladies' Auxiliary of Clan Campbell, Clan MacDuff, Orkney and Shetland Society, John O'Groats Caithness Association, Heather Club and Englewood Scottish Club. At the last bazaar Mrs. Ballantine, as manager, was ably aided as assistant manager by Mrs. Jane Hutchison. The financial part of the work was efficiently supervised by Mrs. J. Galbraith, Mrs. G. Fraser and others.

In September, 1904, the Ladies' Auxiliary sustained a severe loss by the death of its esteemed Secretary, Miss M. B. McCollum, whose faithful work for the monument cause will never be forgotten by her sorrowing associates. Mrs. Crawford, another valued worker, has also been removed from the scene of her activities by death.

The Auxiliary has a membership roll of 75, and the following are the present officers: President, Mrs. R. Ballantine; First Vice President, Mrs. Jane Hutchison; Second Vice President, Mrs. Thomas Devar; Secretary, Mrs. J. Galbraith; Treasurer, Mrs. George Fraser; Chaplain, Mrs. James Nisbet; Watcher, Mrs. Joseph Gould.

The officers and members of the Ladies' Auxiliary are under a deep debt of gratitude to Mr. Charles Paterson, principal of the Paterson Shorthand Institute, for furnishing them for two years with a pleasant meeting-

place, absolutely free of cost, as well as providing them gratuitously with a great deal of typewritten work.



MRS. ROBERT BALLANTINE
President Ladies' Auxiliary
Burns Memorial and Monument Association

Programme

1:15 o'clock sharp

Parade—Societies participating in parade will assemble at the above hour at Van Buren Opera House, West Madison Street and California Avenue. Procession headed by Capt. Tyrrell and squad on horseback and platoon of Park Police, Highland Pipe and Drum Band and then Societies in order as directed by Marshal and Parade Committee.

Societies on foot and in carriages will line up on Washington Boulevard east of California.

Garfield Park

2:30 P. M.

Call to Order and Introduction as Chairman of the Day of

Dr. W. A. Barclay

By D. B. Wallace, President Englewood Scottish Club.

Invocation

Rev. Jas. MacLagan, Pastor Scotch Church



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PAST SECRETARY



MRS. J. HUTCHISON, VICE PRES.

Choir—"Ye Banks and Braes"

Ye banks an' braes o' bonnie Doon,
How can ye bloom sae fresh and fair?
How can ye chant, ye little birds,
An' I sae weary, fu' o' care?
Thou'lt break my heart, thou warbling bird,
That wantons through the flow'ring thorn;
Thou minds me o' departed joys,
Departed, never to return.

Burns Memorial Choir, Clement B. Shaw, Conductor

Aft hae I rov'd by bonnie Doon,
To see the rose and woodbine twine;
And ilka bird sang o' its love,
And fondly sae did I o' mine.
Wi' lightsome heart I pu'd a rose,
Fu' sweet upon its thorny tree;
And my fause lover stole my rose,
But ah! he left the thorn wi' me.

Address

Dr. W. A. Barclay, *Chairman*
President Burns Memorial and Monument Association

Choir—"There was a Lad was Born in Kyle"

There was a lad was born in Kyle.
But whatna day, or, whatna style,
I doot it's scarcely worth our while
To be sae nice wi' Robin.—*Chorus.*

Our monarch's hin'most year but ane,
Was five and twenty days begun,
'Twas then a blast o' Janwar win',
Blew hansel in on Robin.—*Chorus.*

The gossip keekit in his loof,
Quo' she, wha lives will see the proof,
This waly boy will be nae coof;
I think we'll ca' him Robin.—*Chorus.*

He'll hae misfortunes great and sma',
But aye a heart aboon them a';
He'll be a credit to us a':
We'll a' be prood o' Robin.—*Chorus.*

CHORUS.

For Robin was a rovin' boy,
A rantin' rovin' rantin' rovin',
Robin was a rovin' boy,
A rantin' rovin' Robin.



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Unveiling of Statue Miss Barbara Evelyn Williamson

Tendering of Statue to State of Illinois Chairman

Acceptance of Statue Hon. Chas. S. Deneen, Governor of Illinois

Choir—"Bonnie Wee Thing"

Bonnie wee thing, canny wee thing,
Lovely wee thing wert thou mine.
I would wear thee in my bosom
Lest my wee thing I should tine.
Wistfully I look and languish,
In that bonnie face o' thine,
And my heart it stounds with anguish,
Lest my wee thing be na mine.

Wit and grace, and love, and beauty
In ae constellation shine;
To adore thee is my duty,
Goddess o' this soul o' mine!
Bonnie wee thing, cannie wee thing,
Lovely wee thing, wert thou mine,
I wad wear thee in my bosom,
Lest my jewel I should tine.

Address Hon. Edw. F. Dunne, Mayor of Chicago

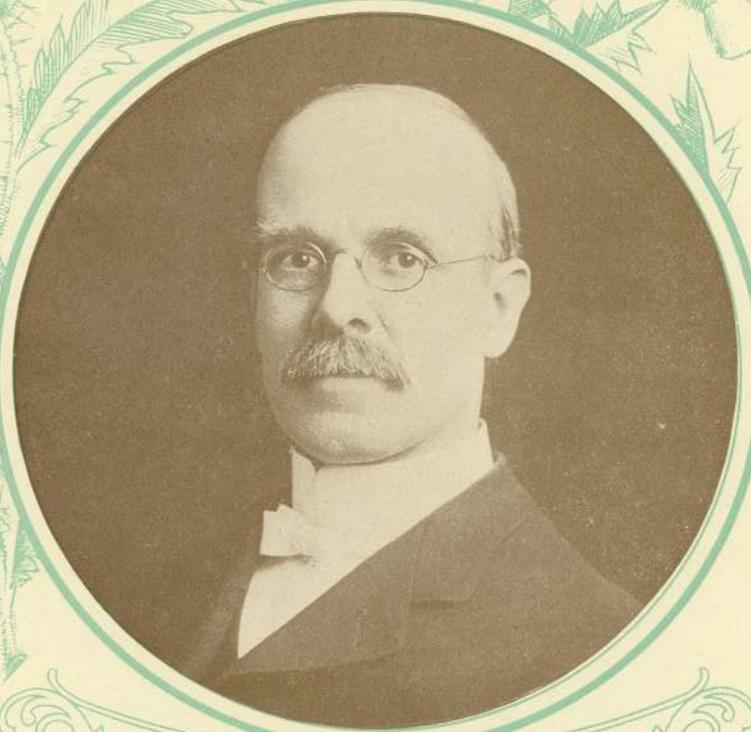
Selection Highland Pipe and Drum Band

Acceptance of Statue on behalf of West Park Board B. A. Eckhart
President Board of West Park Commissioners

Reading from Burns Mrs. Kate Campbell Saunders



MRS. KATE CAMPBELL SAUNDERS
ELOCUTIONIST



REV. JAMES MACLAGAN
PASTOR SCOTCH CHURCH

Choir—"My Love is Like a Red, Red Rose"

O my love is like a red, red rose
That's newly sprung in June,
My love, is like a melody
That's sweetly played in tune.
As fair art thou my bonnie lass,
So deep in love am I;
And I will love thee still, my dear,
Till a' the seas gang dry.

Till a' the seas gang dry, my dear,
And the rocks melt wi' the sun;
And I will love thee still, my dear,
While the sands o' life shall run.
But fare thee weel, my only love;
And fare thee weel a-while,
And I will come again, my love,
Tho' 'twere ten thousand mile.

Oration of Day and Original Poem

Hon. Wallace Bruce of New York

Choir—"Scots Wha Hae"

Scots, wha hae wi' Wallace bled,
Scots, wham Bruce has aften led,
Welcome to your gory bed,
Or to victorie!
Now's the day an' now's the hour,
See the front of battle lour,
See approach proud Edward's pow'r,
Chains and slaverie!

By oppression's woes an' pains,
By your sons in servile chains,
We will drain our dearest veins,
But they shall be free.
Lay the proud usurpers low!
Tyrants fall in ev'ry foe!
Liberty's in ev'ry blow!
Let us do or dee!

Wha would be a traitor knave?
Wha would fill a coward's grave?
Wha sae base as be a slave?
Let him turn an' flee!
Wha, for Scotland's king an' law,
Freedom's sword would strongly draw,
Freeman stand, an' freeman fa',
Let him on wi' me!



Union Picnic Committee

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Address

Col. Jas. Hamilton Lewis, Corporation Counsel of City of Chicago

“Auld Lang Syne”

Choir and Audience

Should auld acquaintance be forgot
An' never brocht tae min';
Should auld acquaintance be forgot
For auld lang syne.—*Chorus.*

CHORUS.

For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne,
We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.

We twa hae paidled in the burn
Frae morning sun till dine,
But seas between us braid hae roared
Since auld lang syne.—*Chorus.*

Then, here's a hand, my trusty frien'
An' gie's a hand o' thine;
An' we'll tak a richt guid-willie waught
For auld lang syne.—*Chorus.*

SKIBO CASTLE,
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Maxwell Edgar, Esq.,
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July 3rd, 1906.

Dear Sir,

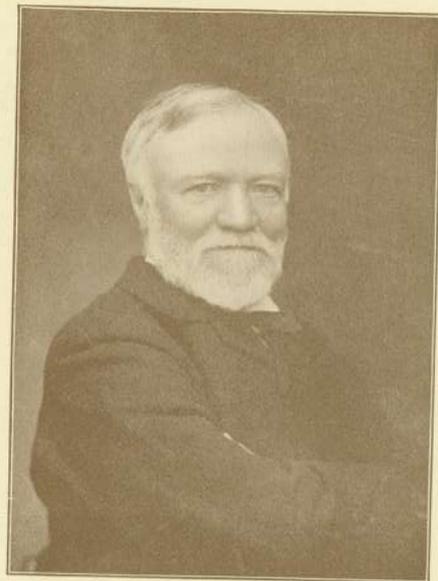
Your favor of June 19th received. It is a great disappointment that I cannot be with you during the ceremony of unveiling the statue to the Immortal Bard, that child of pure genius, the great Democrat who, proclaiming the "Royalty of Man, struck down Rank with one hand and the old hard Theology with the other, dispelling the false conceptions of a Heavenly Father who sent "ane to heaven and ten to hell a' for his glory" I feel that he also gave us the great rule of life, "Thine own reproach alone do fear".

In greater degree than any man who ever lived he became the embodiment of the national spirit of his country.

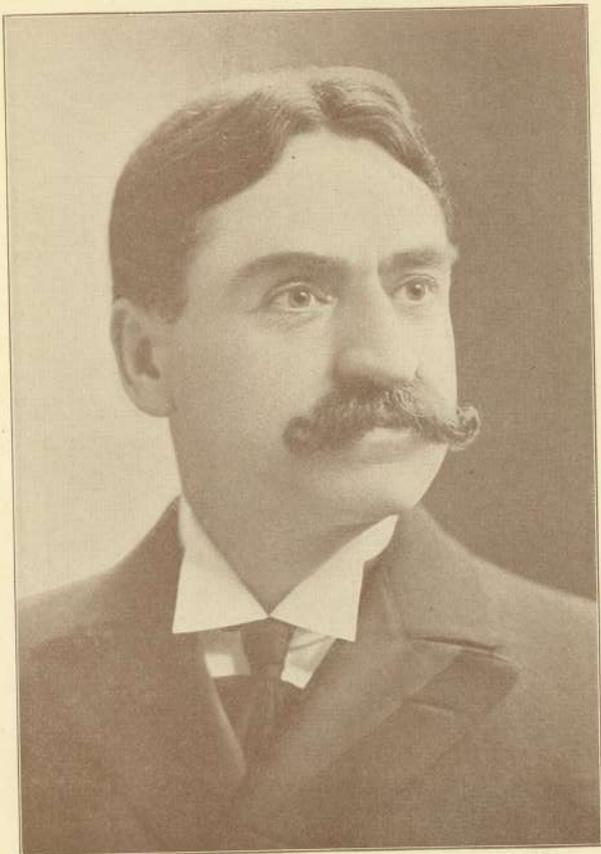
There cannot be too many statues erected to the memory of Burns.

Very truly yours,

Andrew Carnegie



ANDREW CARNEGIE



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President West Park Board



JENS JENSEN
Landscape Architect and Supt. of West Parks



Burns Memorial Choir

Second Regiment Armory

6:30 P. M.

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Selections by Burns Memorial Choir

Vocal Solos

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Miss Elizabeth M. Stewart
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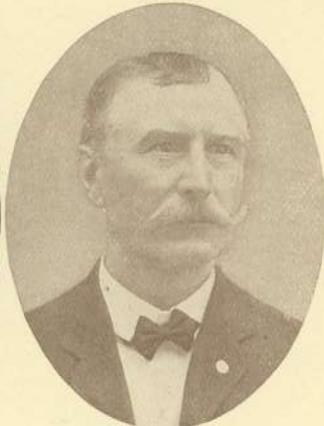
Mrs. Kate Campbell Saunders
Mr. A. McLarty

In the course of a recent letter to the President of the Association, regretting his inability to be present, the Hon. George W. Ross, ex-Premier of Ontario, said: "I am proud of my countrymen of Chicago, that they are remembering the land of the heather and its immortal bard"

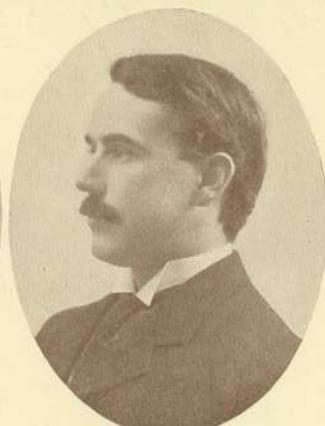
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WALLACE BRUCE, who so magnanimously tendered his services to the Burns Memorial and Monument Association as orator and poet of the day in connection with the unveiling ceremony, is a native of Hillsdale, N. Y. He has always been proud of his Scottish ancestry and is an absolute enthusiast on the subject of Robert Burns. A graduate of Yale University, he early distinguished himself as a scholarly writer and impressive public speaker, scoring his first successes amid his home surroundings in the Hudson Valley. Between 1871 and 1889, in addition to delivering orations and poems on public occasions, Mr. Bruce lectured in almost every town and city in New England, the Middle and Western States. He was appointed United States Consul to Edinburgh, Scotland, on July 1, 1889, from which post, after an honorable career, he retired on September 1, 1893.

No United States Consul, since Nathaniel Hawthorne at Liverpool, was so cordially welcomed as Wallace Bruce at Edinburgh. He was made poet laureate of Lodge Canongate Kilwinning, Edinburgh, as a successor to Robert Burns and James Hogg, the "Ettrick Shepherd," and was elected honorary corresponding member of the Scottish Society of Literature and Art to succeed John Greenleaf Whittier. Mr. Bruce wrote and recited

the poem for the unveiling of the Burns Monument at Ayr, "The Auld Brig's Welcome," when over forty thousand people were present, and the poem was pronounced the event of the day. He gave "The Immortal Memory of Robert Burns" at Ayr, Glasgow and Leith; responded to "Burns' Clubs All Round the World" at Edinburgh and Kilmarnock; gave an address at the unveiling of Symington's Monument at Lead Hills, a poem at Linlithgow at the Riding of the Marches, and an oration on the occasion of putting up the Scottish standard on the battlefield of Bannockburn. He also gave the dedicatory address at the unveiling of the Lincoln Monument in Edinburgh.

Wallace Bruce was honored with a farewell banquet by the Cap and Gown Society of Edinburgh, a letter of esteem from the Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce; was made honorary president of the Shakespeare Society of Edinburgh, and was tendered a complimentary farewell dinner by the citizens of Edinburgh.

Wallace Bruce is a poet of no mean order, and his published volumes of verse have attained a wide circulation. He was some years ago the winner of the "Kinneare Wreath."

Mr. Bruce will publish during the coming fall a new volume of verse, and Scottish-Americans will be pleased to learn that the poem specially composed for the unveiling of the Burns Monument in Chicago will be included in the work.



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