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Electric Scotland's Weekly Newsletter for March 19th, 2021

For the latest news from Scotland see our ScotNews feed at:

<https://electricscotland.com/scotnews.htm>

Electric Scotland News

Had an issue with accessing my web site to publish the newsletter so now have access again so now able to get this newsletter completed. Sorry for the delay.

In news it appears that Scotland's First Minister has been accused of misleading Parliament but this is a leak from the Committee investigating her which official report is not expected for several days.

Bit concerned about the US President as I'm seeing more reports coming out on how he seems to be stumbling over his words with the latest report saying he talked about President Harris instead of Vice-President.

Like two headlines in today's newspapers...

President Biden appears to be getting worse as he refers to Kamala Harris as president

and

Joe Biden falls while boarding Air Force One - US President stumbles on aeroplane stairs

And given the serious situation with China and Iran this is not the time the US needs a weak President.

Scottish News from this weeks newspapers

Note that this is a selection and more can be read in our ScotNews feed on our index page where we list news from the past 1-2 weeks. I am partly doing this to build an archive of modern news from and about Scotland and world news stories that can affect Scotland and as all the newsletters are archived and also indexed on Google and other search engines it becomes a good resource. I might also add that in a number of newspapers you will find many comments which can be just as interesting as the news story itself and of course you can also add your own comments if you wish which I do myself from time to time.

The SNP cares more about power than principles

The SNP government has form. It withheld documents from the judicial review, which resulted in the 'professional embarrassment' of its own senior counsel. It withheld documents despite a search warrant in the criminal case against Alex Salmond, which is, in itself, a crime. It has also withheld documents from the committee. There is a pattern of behaviour here, and it is one of obstruction, secrecy and contempt for the institution of this parliament.

Read more at:

<https://www.spectator.co.uk/article/the-snp-cares-more-about-power-than-principles>

Hate Crime Bill passed by Scottish Parliament

Opposition politicians warned this could lead to individuals facing criminal charges for expressing controversial opinions.

Read more at:

<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/politics/hate-crime-bill-passed-scottish-23688380>

Hope for Commonwealth trade bloc to rival EU as GDP set to surpass Europe's
INTERNATIONAL Trade Secretary Liz Truss has raised hopes that the Commonwealth could become a trade platform as well as an organisation of friendly nations and allies.

Read more at:

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/1409538/brexit-news-commonwealth-trade-deal-bloc-EU-liz-truss>

Top China General hints at likelihood of war with US as Beijing backs huge military boost
CHINA'S second highest ranking military official has hinted at the likelihood of war with the US, as Beijing calls for higher military spending in preparation for a conflict with Washington.

Read more at:

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/world/1409929/China-news-US-war-inevitable-Thucydides-Trap-Xu-Qiliang-xi-jinping-military-spending-ont>

Nicola Sturgeon's Glasgow constituency highest in Scotland for child poverty - Daily Record
Data showed 46 per cent of children in the First Minister's constituency are in families that are in poverty.

Read more at:

<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/scottish-news/nicola-sturgeons-glasgow-constituency-highest-15976960>

The SNP's foray into high finance has come at a big price
In a refreshing twist for Scotland's party of government, the latest potential scandal facing the SNP administration does not involve allegations of sexual misconduct, but rather high finance.

Read more at:

<https://www.spectator.co.uk/article/the-snp-s-foray-into-high-finance-has-come-at-a-big-price>

Watch Out: China Cannot Feed Itself
Consider U.S. farmers happy. They are exporting record volumes of products to China. Shipments of soybeans, corn and pork are bringing smiles back to the American heartland.

Read more at:

<https://www.newsweek.com/watch-out-china-cannot-feed-itself-opinion-1575948>

Over 1 million records from the collections of National Records of Scotland available online for the first time
Thousands of volumes of historical records from the collections of National Records of Scotland (NRS) are now available online for the first time, covering the years 1559 to 1900.

Read more at:

<https://www.historyscotland.com/history/scottish-history/over-1-million-records-from-the-collections-of-national-records-of-sco>

Freedom of speech trashed, while women go unprotected - not so much #SNPFail as #HolyroodFail
Last week Hardeep Singh of the Network of Sikh Organisations said: if enacted it [this Bill] will make Scotland one of the most hostile places for freedom of expression in Europe.

Read more at:

https://www.thinkscotland.org/todays-thinking/articles.html?read_full=14502

One of Scotland's first MSPs warns the harassment of women in politics has never been worse
With bleak irony, she says the fall-out from Scotland's controversial Hate Crime Bill and, in particular, the rancorous debate around the promotion of transgender rights and alleged threat to women's rights have inspired more hateful abuse than any other issue.

Read more at:

<https://www.sundaypost.com/fp/one-of-scotlands-first-msps-warns-the-harassment-of-women-in-politics-has-never-been-worse-and-urges-an-end-to-hateful-abuse>

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Toronto of Old

Collections and Recollections illustrative of the early settlement and social life of the Capital of Ontario by Henry Scadding, D.D., Canon of St. James', Toronto (1878) (pdf)

I note this book is often sited in many history books about Canada.

You can read this at: <http://www.electriccanadian.com/history/intellectual/torontoofold1878.pdf>

The Herds and Flocks of Ontario

Report of William Brown, Professor of Agriculture, Guelph (1883) (pdf)

You can read this at: <http://www.electriccanadian.com/transport/agriculture/reportofwilliambrown.pdf>

Thoughts on a Sunday morning - 14th March 2021

By the Rev. Nola Crewe

You can view this at:

<http://www.electricscotland.org/forum/communities/rev-nola-crewe/25984-thoughts-on-a-sunday-the-14th-day-of-march-2021>

Beautifying the Farm Home

By the Manitoba Agricultural College (1917) (pdf)

You can read this at: <http://www.electriccanadian.com/transport/agriculture/farmhome.pdf>

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Musings of a Tank Commander

Part 30 - Victory Tour, honest reflections and a crass decision which you can read at:

<https://electricscotland.com/history/scotreg/tank/index.htm>

Beth's Video Talk

March 17th, 2021 - How not to be a Scottish Newbie

You can view this at: <https://youtu.be/nBaW04K2kdU>

Scotland's Legal System now in disrepute

There has been revealed in Westminster very serious matters on the legal system in Scotland and then we also look at how the new hate crime bill is now interfering with free speech. And how the law in England has a "Dwelling Defence" meaning you can't be prosecuted for what you say in your own home. This is not included in the Scottish Bill meaning you can now be prosecuted for what you say in your own home.

You can read this at:

<https://electricscotland.com/independence/legal.htm>

MacKay family history beginning at Rogart North Eastern Highlands

Sent in to me in an email by Sandy MacKay

You can read this at: https://electricscotland.com/history/canada/fallbrook_mackay.htm

The Clan Buchanan Society International Newsletter

Got in the April 2021 issue which you can read at:

<https://electricscotland.com/familytree/newsletters/buchanan/index.htm>

And I did a special feature this week on Angling in Scotland with the following books...

An Angler's Rambles and Angling Songs

By Thomas Tod Stoddart (1867) (pdf)

You can read this at: <https://electricscotland.com/history/sport/angling/anglersramblesandsongs.pdf>

The Angler's Companion

On the Rivers and Lochs of Scotland by Thomas Tod Stoddart (1847) (pdf)

You can read this at: <https://electricScotland.com/history/sport/angling/anglerscompanion.pdf>

Angling in Scotland

Have created an index page to hold our Angling information.

You can read this at: <https://electricScotland.com/history/sport/angling/index.htm>

The Angler's Guide to the Rivers & Lochs of Scotland

By Robert Blakey (1854) (pdf)

You can read this at: <https://electricScotland.com/history/sport/anglersguidetorscotland.pdf>

Goodbye to Holly - Our wee chum

Poem by Stanley Bruce which you can read at:

<https://electricScotland.com/poetry/banff/GoodbyeToHolly-OurWeeChum.pdf>

Dialogus de Jure Regni apud Scotos

By George Buchanan

A very important book about Scotland which you can read at:

https://electricScotland.com/webclans/atoc/george_buchanan.htm

Story

Instead of a story this week I'd like to recommend that you visit the new "Legal": page where you will find some serious discussions on legal matter to do with Scotland. You can read this at:

<https://electricScotland.com/independence/legal.htm> where you can also watch the video I made to go with it.

On the page you'll find information on how Freedom of Speech is now illegal in Scotland and how you can now be prosecuted for what you say in your own home. Also in the David Davis revelations in Westminster draw concerns that the Scottish Parliament does not have sufficient powers and unlike England there is no separation between our Courts and the Parliament.

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And that's it for this week and hope you all have a great weekend.

Alastair
