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Livingstone Relic

The latest gift to Eorropaidh Church, Lewis, is the prayer book which Dr. Livingstone carried with him during long periods of isolation in the interior of Africa. This copy of the Book of Common Prayer has been inscribed as follows by the donor, Mrs. Livingstone Wilson, the only surviving member of Dr. Livingstone's family:

"This Prayer Book, which belonged to David Livingstone, African missionary-explorer, and which was used by him on his travels, is presented by special request and under and in terms of a separate deed, to the Church of St. Moluag, at Erropraidh, Butt of Lewis, by his daughter."

Boys Stop Express Train

Four Reading boys, of ages ranging from twelve to sixteen, were summoned at Wokingham for trespassing on the Great Western Railway at Sonning. It was stated that after the signalman had given the line clear to the Plymouth to Paddington express the distant signal was found at danger and the train pulled up. The defendants said one of them pulled the wire attached to the signal and it went up. They then went up the pole and tried to pull it down, but failed. The boys were fined \$2.50 each, the chairman saying he hoped the parents would thrash them.

Petroleum in Bolivia

Although petroleum has been known to exist in Bolivia for some time only recently have syndicates been formed to develop the deposits.

Of the French troops in Northern Africa in 1912 only one in 5,000 of those inoculated with anti-typhoid serum contracted the disease.

S. S. NORONIC, THE EMPRESS OF THE GREAT LAKES

Magnificent New Steamship Recently Placed in Commission by the Northern Navigation Company—The Last Word in Steamship Construction

The Northern Navigation Company's steamship Noronic, which went into commission a few days ago is easily the finest and best equipped ship on the Great Lakes. She was built by the Western Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Company at Port Arthur, Ont., and launched on June 2nd, 1913. She is not only a credit to her designer and builders but a source of pride to all Canadians who have seen her. Her length over all is 385 feet and she is 52 feet in the beam. She is built of steel and has a gross tonnage of 6905, which means that she is larger than many Atlantic liners. She has berth accommodation for 675 passengers, can carry 3500 tons of freight and show a speed of 19 miles an hour.

THE LAST WORD.

The Noronic represents the last word in modern steamship building, and has been truthfully described as a floating palace. All the comforts and luxuries of modern travel are provided on this Levathan of Canada's inland seas and a trip made on her is an experience never to be forgotten.

The enormous size of the Noronic cannot fail to impress a stranger, especially if he happens to be from Eastern Canada. There are six steel decks, which means that when lying at a wharf, she looms up almost as big on the horizon as an ordinary office building. Two of the decks are for freight and the other four include a promenade deck, an observation deck, a boat deck and a hurricane deck. The promenade deck runs six laps to the mile.

SUPERB ACCOMMODATION.

There are ten parlor state-rooms, with bath, 118 grand saloon rooms, 168 ordinary state-rooms and second class accommodation for 100 persons. Each state-room has hot and cold water and electric reading lamps in every berth, an individual radiator and a shaded window to the promenade deck.

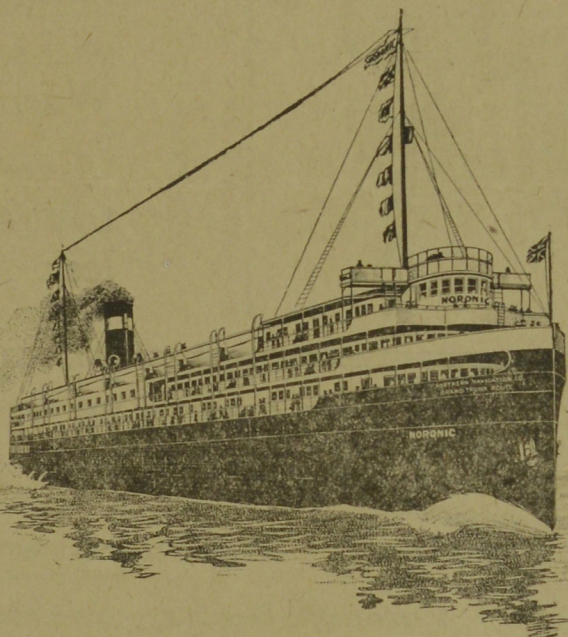
The parlor state-rooms are paneled from ceiling in beautifully toned quarter sawed oak, the ceiling, in English design relief of a dark grey color. The carpets and upholstery fabrics in these rooms are a quite unusual tone of red and taken in conjunction with the oak paneling and oak furniture, produce a tasteful combination and at the same time a strong, masculine effect.

LIGHTED BY ELECTRICITY.

There are four thousand electric lights upon the ship, many of those in the spacious corridors and lounging rooms being concealed or shaded with heavy translucent glass set in a bronze frame. This, while not reducing the strength of the light, makes it soft and restful.

The spacious dining hall and observation room are on the promenade deck, the dining-room being aft. It is in many respects the most delightful of all the pleasing spaces upon the ship. The ceiling is finished in very pale greens and whites, wedgewood in effect, the low relief being, while flat in effect, beautifully handled. A casual glance impresses one with the amount of study that has been given

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THE STEAMSHIP NORONIC.

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Electrical Inventions

With a device of his own invention an electrician, Senor Iglesias, at Madrid, Spain, lighted and extinguished at will fifteen electric bulbs placed at a distance of 600 yards. Scientists expect the discovery will reduce the cost of production of current for industrial purposes.

Alaska Railways

It is expected that the United States government will soon call for bids for steel in construction of the Alaskan Railroad, which will require 50,000 to 60,000 tons. There are inquiries in market for about 11,000 cars, some of which will probably be filled in the near future.

CRIME IN ENGLAND

What Statistics Show on the Matter of Hanging

If the death penalty is a deterrent of crime, murders would be anachronisms in England. For 600 years she meted out the death penalty for almost any crime. Men and women have been hanged for cutting down a tree, for draining a fishpond, for killing a bird. For burning coal in the limits of the City of London one man was hanged under Edward I. In Elizabeth's reign thirteen were hanged after one assize for consorting with gypsies. Fewer than one hundred years ago there were 222 capital crimes in England. Not until the horrible execution of Mary Jones in 1803 for shoplifting was the public conscience awakened to the terrible cruelty of the law, and the death penalty was abolished for this offence. In 1830 there was but one capital crime in England, murder; but three more were added when the present code was adopted in 1861.

One result of the savage code that existed in 1820 was that juries refused to convict. At one time it was a hanging matter to steal linen, but the Irish linen manufacturers brought Parliament to abolish the penalty because it was impossible to secure convictions against the thieves. The same reluctance to convict in capital cases remains now. For instance, in 1891 England secured convictions in 76 per cent. of its non-capital cases and in only 33 per cent. of capital cases. In the last ten years Holland, with no capital punishment, secured convictions in 28 out of 35 homicide cases; and Belgium had 101 convictions in 132 cases. In 1911 London convicted only six in 22 murder cases, and in the same year New York convicted only 13 out of 148.

"PLOUGHING BY WIFE"

A Farmer Whose Second Wife Was His Waterloo

Lafe Choate, a Missouri farmer, who a couple of years ago became famous or infamous when it was disclosed in the Divorce Court that he hitched his wife with a pair of mules and made her help to plough, has married again, and according to the newspapers at Liberty, Missouri, he has found a Tartar, or at least a wife who is not to be imposed upon. The second Mrs. Choate was not familiar with the "ploughing by wife" incident, but she was soon informed of it by her neighbors, and promptly put her foot down. Being a woman of 170 pounds, it did not take her long to persuade Lafe that she was of different calibre from his first wife, and was not to be driven or whipped like a horse. She intimated that if he did not behave he would himself be harnessed up with the mules and made to plough. According to the newspapers, which joyously record these and other interesting particulars, "Lafe got good instanter," and is now, a very ordinary henpecked husband.

Locomotives For Denmark

Great efforts are being made in Denmark to render the country independent of foreign locomotive builders, and in connection with this it is announced that the Danish State railway authorities have just placed a contract with the Frich Aktieselskab, of Aarhus, for the supply of several engines. The Danish demand is, however relatively so small, says Scientific American, that any home concern is likely to experience much difficulty in competing on equal terms with the huge locomotive building undertakings in Germany, England and the United States.

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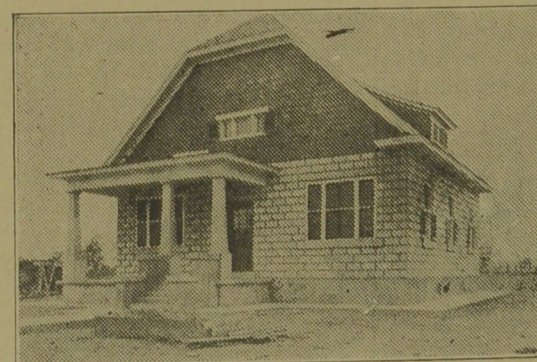
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