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MBER.**

**STATISTICS FOR
1928.**

"DRUNKS."

statistics for Scotland, published yesterday in blue ink, would appear to prove that the number of persons becoming more sober in

relating to those proceeded with for drunkenness and breach of the peace, with the one exception of the total was 41,320, last year of 41,478 was the lowest

number of persons prosecuted in the criminal courts in 1928, the lowest since 1925, when it was 115,138.

total shows a reduction of figures for the previous year, still larger reduction on

again a steady fall in the number of persons under 16 years of age prosecuted for last year being 8,639 in 1927 and 8,752 in

of those convicted in 1928, 21 years of age increased to 1,131, but this latter figure is that for 1926, when the

H SENTENCES.

of men, all men, were sentenced to death and two were sentenced on the third count to one of penal servitude.

of persons sentenced to penal servitude rose from 30 to 45, above the average of 35 for the years 1923 to 1928.

to mental institutions, of whom 11 were females.

ing and theft account for 140 persons so sentenced. In reformatory schools for 128, as against 115 in 1927, females are shown since 1927 in reformatory schools in 1928.

OFFENDERS.

school admissions were, in 1928, 196, and girls, 70, as against 238 and 103 respectively

children and 187 young persons sent to places of detention under the Children's Act, 1908, of 14 in all on the previous year.

persons dealt with in

OUR CIVIC CHIEFS

AS "PENPOINT" SEES THEM.

Provost DONALDSON, Kilsyth.



THE adage that a prophet has no honour in his own country is certainly not fulfilled in regard to Provost William Donaldson, of Kilsyth, for he has had all the honours that his native parish can bestow upon him.

While not a native of the burgh of which he is the much-respected Provost, he is certainly a native of the parish, having been born in the near-hand village of Banton, famed for having a patois distinctly its own, although only a bare two miles from Kilsyth.

Of Provost Donaldson it can be truly said he has filled the chief civic chair with honour to himself and dignity to the position. Twice his colleagues on the Council have shown their confidence in him by according him highest honours.

He had earlier in his 22 years' service in the Town Council been honoured with a Bailieship.

HANDSOME IN FEATURE.

Handsome in feature and comely in form, he is all the world a Provost. Though a busy business man, being head of the well known firm of Hamilton Bros., aerated water manufacturers and bottlers, to which he gives close personal attention.

**STRONG MAN'S
FEAT.**

**ACTION IN COURT
FOLLOWS.**

CASE DISMISSED

In the Court of Session yesterday counsel appeared before Lord Pitman in an action in which John Watson, miner, Anderson's Land, Eskdail Street, Dalkeith, sued William Gordon, contractor, Sixth Street, Newtongrange, for £250 damages in respect of personal injuries.

It was stated by counsel for the defender that the pursuer had intimated that he did not intend to go on with the action, and he moved that it should be dismissed with expenses.

Lord Pitman agreed to the proposal made by counsel.

It was stated by the pursuer that on December 15 last he and the defender met at a football match at Newtongrange.

The defender is a very strong and powerful man, his weight being about 17 stones, and to demonstrate his strength, it was averred, seized the pursuer in his arms, lifted him bodily from the ground, and then let him drop.

ROLLED DOWN BANK.

The pursuer fell heavily, rolled down a sloping embankment, and sustained severe injuries to his head and back.

The defender denied that the pursuer was injured through any fault on his part.

The pursuer consented to being lifted by the defender and willingly participated in the demonstration.

The defender did not leave go until his back touched the ground, and both parties slipped down the embankment. The pursuer picked himself up and made no complaint at the time.

**THE BEST AIR
SQUADRON.**

**GLASGOW TO HAVE
NEW 'DROME.**

With the Secretary of State for the Air Council as his guarantor, Sir Hugh Trenchard, the Air Marshal, was able last night to inform Glasgow Auxiliary Air Squadron that "at last we shall be able to find a new aerodrome for you."

The intimation was greeted with prolonged applause.

Sir Hugh was speaking at a meeting

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number convicted shows
n 8036 to 7542.

HAT SEE NOT."

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Psychical Research, at
scientists conducted a
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a, has renewed public
ualism.

eks past the *Sunday*
d important articles on
d to-morrow Sir Arthur
e most notable spiritual-
ry, contributes a special
he replies trenchantly
"Eyes That See Not"
t everyone should read.

MARKETS.

Friday.—The market is
tending lower. Supplies
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Provost Donaldson has spared neither
time nor talents in his devotion to
public duties.

He has taken his full share of
County Council work, serving on im-
portant committees. To the Stirling-
shire Education Authority he gave a
triennial term of service, and also
served on the old School Board of
Kilsyth before it merged into the
School Management Committee. He
found the pressure of other duties
prevented him continuing to devote
attention to educational affairs.

IN THE VOLUNTEERS.

With a long period of office in the
Parish Council, his colleagues have
on three occasions called on him to
be their chairman. He is also a
Justice of the Peace for the County,
and a member of the Licensing Court
for the burghs of Grangemouth and
Kilsyth. He had the honour of being
the first representative from his side
of the county to be appointed chair-
man of the District Board of Control.

During the war, Mr. Donaldson (he
was not Provost then) served with
the Volunteers, and retired with the
rank of lieutenant. His only son
joined the 7th Argylls and rose to
similar rank.

It is for his work on the Town
Council that the Provost of the
"Auld Grey Toon" is best known.
During his term of office as head of
the municipality a further housing
scheme has been completed, and
arrangements are well on the way
for further developments, while the
amenity of the town in other ways
has been decidedly improved. A
brother of the "Mystic tie," he acted
for some time as Substitute Master of
Lodge Kilsyth St. John, No. 39.

BOWLING PROWESS.

A thorough sportsman, he likes to
see a good football match, and is a
doughty opponent for the best on the
bowling green. Many a time he has
skipped his rink to victory, and he
has three County Cup medals to bear
proof of his prowess with the
"woods." His club twice accorded
him the honour of president, and it
was indeed a signal honour that for
the first time in the long history of
the club they marked the end of his
term of office with a presentation.

In politics a staunch Unionist, he
has filled the office of President of
the local Association for a long time.

FRAUD ON COAL COMPANY.

CUMNOCK CHECKWEIGHMAN SENT TO PRISON.

Sentence of 30 days' imprisonment
was passed in Ayr Sheriff Court yester-
day on Alexander Brown, checkweigh-
man, 60 Connel Park, New Cumnock,
employed by New Cumnock Collieries,
Ltd.

The charge was that he conceived a
fraudulent scheme for inducing the com-
pany to pay to his son, William Brown,
miner, sums of money to which he was
not entitled, and falsified the coal book
showing that his son had dug quantities
of coal other than the correct amounts,
and defrauded the company of 18s 11d.

in the City Chambers, over which Lord
Provost Kelly presided, and which had
been called for the presentation of the
Esher Trophy to the Squadron.

Sir Hugh explained that the merit of
the performance was enhanced from the
fact that the points were allocated on
the basis of all-round excellence, an
indication that the unit was thoroughly
efficient.

EQUAL OF REGULARS.

Some people considered they were mad
when, a few years ago, the Auxiliary Air
Force was started, and so general had
been the progress that very shortly the
Force would be the equal of the Regular
Squadrons.

Through the generosity of the Duke of
Hamilton, whose son was in the squad-
ron, a bombing range had been provided,
which would enable them to become even
more efficient.

Speaking on behalf of the Secretary of
State for the Air Council, he thought
that at last they should find a new aero-
drome for the squadron.

From the service point of view, the
more aerodromes they had the better, as
accidents were thus prevented, but that
was not meant to discourage Glasgow,
which had a squadron who had won the
Esher Trophy, from having a municipal
drome as well. (Applause.)

He then presented the trophy to
Squadron-Leader Fullarton, who, step-
ping back three paces, saluted smartly.

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