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BALLATER was badly hit by flooding on the 30th December. Almost 500 properties in the Ballater area were flooded to some extent, with further flooding since. The impact of this is immense.

In the 42 households that make up the congregation at St Kentigern's, Ballater, 29 have been affected by the flooding, 20 directly with water entering part of their homes or businesses, the others because they are now hosting family or friends in their homes, or have close family affected by the flooding whom they are helping. In the St Thomas' congregation, more households and business have been affected in Aboyne and Tarland, with some of our

congregational members having to be evacuated from sheltered housing and nursing homes, as well as others who have had homes flooded.

This is representative of the community as a whole. In Ballater, over 20 businesses and community facilities have been damaged. In Aboyne, the supermarket, post office, sheltered housing and care home have been affected, alongside other properties.

During the past two weeks, a song has been echoing in my head '*the wise man built his house upon the rock... the rain came down and the flood came up...*'. The communities I am proud to serve have shown that they are truly wise, built upon firm foundations. Despite the devastation and destruction, the sadness, and the shock, the people here have worked together to serve all. In their love, support, and understanding; in their practicality and sheer grit; in their consideration for others – they have demonstrated what it means to be community. The council, the voluntary organisations, the emergency services, the multitude of volunteers have all been working together with this community. *(Rev Vittoria Hancock)*



ELLON We never know what a day will hold, and neither do we know what the coming year will bring. Who could have foreseen at the end of last year the floods that were so soon to bring such devastation and trauma to the people of Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire? It was astonishing to see pictures of roads that had become rivers, such as Canal Road in Inverurie, to watch Abergeldie Castle teetering on the edge of collapse as sixty feet of land was swept away by the raging river, and then to see footage of a whole section of the A93 between Ballater and Braemar simply disappear, taken out by the swollen torrent of the River Dee. Then came the flooding in Ellon itself, as the river rose to heights unseen in living memory, and over 100 people were evacuated in the early hours from their homes. We give thanks to all those who were involved in the rescue operation, many of whom had travelled a good distance to help, as residents were assisted to safety in the early hours of the morning. Many thanks also go to the Academy for opening their doors to those in need of shelter, and for the Buchan Hotel who gave rooms to those with nowhere to stay.



Whilst we would wish such suffering on no-one, and hope that such flooding will not return, it is always at times like these that the strength of community spirit is seen in places like Ellon, Inverurie, Kintore, the Dee Valley, Aberdeen, and all those places that were affected. It is with thanks that we acknowledge those who have shown such love and support for those worst affected.

"Members of the churches in Ellon joined in with the Flood Response Team and have been visiting the homes of the flooded to help them with the clear up and take round home bakes and any necessary items.

Whilst it was terrible for those 18 homes that were flooded, the general effect on Ellon, because of the geography of the town, which is mostly built at a higher level than the river, was as a whole was much less than places such as Ballater, especially as shops and businesses, schools and medical services remained above the level of the river (some, only just, such as Aldi, which had water lapping at the doors). So in terms of impact on the community as a whole, I don't think it was huge in terms of disruption, but it certainly served to draw people together to help those who were affected."

Our prayers are now with those whose homes and businesses have been worst affected that they might soon be restored.

(Rev Andrew Tucker)

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Bob in Brief



RESSURECTION FAITH AMIDST AND AFTER THE FLOODS

I write this for you in the weeks following the awful flooding that came to Upper Deeside, to the middle and low River Don as well as the Ythan in January.

In all of that mess and turbulence when nature showed its bare teeth through the unstoppable overflow of three principal rivers, as well as some of their tributary sources, I saw real examples of Christian ministry and outreach. It was truly humbling. Impressive also was the stoic 'well, we've just got to get on with it' attitude that I personally encountered in every flooded home I visited.

This year Easter arrives early, really early. It will hardly seem that winter is past before Easter is here. I don't want to stretch metaphors too far but, upon reflecting on all that I saw in the floods, what came through to me was a resurrection faith of people who looked forward to the light. The alternative of remaining locked in a moribund self-pity might have been an all too ready temptation.

But no, that temptation never gained traction. People of faith looked forward amidst January's turbulent swirls. And I commend that attitude to each of you.

An Easter faith, a resurrection faith, is not cowed by the present but looks forward into the rising sun in the true knowledge that The Son has Risen.

In a curious way I was given strength in my own faith through what I saw in January. In the resurrection faith that I encountered amongst those struggling, yet coping, amidst the floods, my faith in the Lord who overcomes all has become ever more real.

It is my privilege now to be able to share that testimony with you. My blessings, as ever yours, +Bob

PRE-LENT RETREAT (St Devenick's Bielside)

Some 50 members of the Diocese gathered for the day to prepare for Lent through a retreat led by Paul Watson and John Walker.

We heard of the obstructions that hinder us from hearing God's voice. God does not demand our attention. We need to still ourselves and listen for the voice that is a little louder than a thought and then be prepared for the unexpected and to surrender control.

We learnt how to dwell on a (small) passage of scripture, to consider each phrase, to explore its meaning and then to listen for its import for today. (Psalm 19, Ephesians 3.14-16)

We prayed, sang, enjoyed the tea, coffee, cake and, at lunch, excellent soups so generously provided, and left enriched.

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INVERURIE

It seemed to have been raining for ever – but was in fact continually for 8 days and intermittently for a few weeks prior – then the River Don could take no more and during the night of 7 January burst its banks around the Port Elphinstone area of Inverurie. A section of the railings around the old Churchyard, was crushed by the force of the water but to be fair that section of road is flooded so often the flood warning signs are left in place throughout the year.

In freezing temperatures fire, police and ambulance services rescued families from 93 homes in total. It will probably be up to 12 months before some of the most devastated homes can be re-occupied. They had to take available blankets, sleeping bags any medication and were transported to Inverurie Academy for the night.

From there emergency accommodation was found but it has proved to be a problem to find more semi-permanent homes within this area. There are varying degrees of damage to the homes but the most wreaked have had the inner walls removed and been left with de-humidifiers in order to speed up the drying out process. Josh Nikelson, the minister at Kemnay Parish Church invited members of Samaritan's Purse to help in the ensuing days; two members came from USA and 5 from the UK branch.

"Let my heart be broken with the things that break the heart of God."

Bob Pierce, founder of the organisation, wrote these now-famous words in his Bible after visiting suffering children on the Korean island of Kojedo. This impassioned prayer is what guided him as he founded and led the ministry of Samaritan's Purse in 1970.

His mission for this organization was "to meet emergency needs in crisis areas through existing evangelical mission agencies and national churches. Their experience was invaluable as amongst other things they knocked on doors to reach out to those affected; they also offered information of outreach agencies that could be of assistance. They stayed for about 10 days and then handed over the reins to the local ministers who had been accompanying them during their stay.

George Petrie and Fiona Cooper, (Inverurie Food Bank) were instrumental in setting up a drop in centre at the British Legion. The local shops, supermarkets and community were incredibly generous in donating the necessary goods, the main necessity being cleaning materials; there have also been fund raising events throughout the town to help those in financial difficulties. At time of writing the Legion is still open for two hours a day for those who wish to come in and talk about how they feel and the effect this has had on them and their families.

It was, and still is for some a dreadful time for those affected but it has shown how a community can come together to help those so very much in need.

*Mary-Clare Watkins
St Mary's Inverurie*



The Diocesan Posada Project

On the 5th November I spent some time making up three parcels containing the knitted Nativity Set for Posada. I remember praying an anxious prayer for the project. Was I being too ambitious? Would people get the point? Would it just be another nuisance 'thing to do' for Churches in the already busy season of advent?

I envisaged many of the possible pitfalls. I never could have dreamed at that stage how many positive outcomes the project would have. It's as if having these



knitted 'strangers' appear in our midst, like mystery worshippers, made us all stand back and look at ourselves, and our Church Christmases, anew.

The effect for me, and for many others, was to make us realize how much of what we do 'in there' (i.e. in Church) over Christmas is removed from all those people 'out there'; especially the children in our communities. The result was that, as well as attending a number of Messy Church, Christingle and Carol Services, the dolls also visited a number of primary Schools, playgroups and other community groups (including a crafting club, a ski competition and a yoga class!) We took our Christmas story out of our Church buildings and made it incarnational in our communities.

For some Churches in the Diocese, this was the first foray into children's and community work that they have made for a while. My earnest prayer is that Posada will not be a stand-alone event for them, but the beginning of a continued relationship between our Schools, community groups and Churches.



Somehow, despite starting with heavy snow in Braemar and ending with torrential rain and flooding in Aberdeen, the project stayed (just about!) on track. The travel journals, which you can read on the Diocesan CFY website (aoyouthandchildren.org.uk) testify to the dolls acquiring personalities along the way, as fast as they were losing bits of costume, and the occasional limb, (and the sheep, which never did turn up!)

Naturally people are asking me if the project will be repeated next year. My answer is: not on a diocesan level. However, it would be wonderful to see Churches reproducing Posada in their local context, ideally involving children and families from the local Schools and community groups with whom they have now made, or improved, contact. It has shown itself to be such a simple and effective outreach; an easy bridge between what's 'in there' and those 'out there' at Christmas.

(Henna Cundill)

Diocesan Youth Lock-in

On Friday 15th January we had our first Diocesan lock-in. 12 young people from St Devenick's, Ellon and Inverurie camped out in St Devenick's church and hall for the evening, and what a lot of fun we had!

We started with some ice-breaker games before playing underground church (a wonderful game if you're unfamiliar with it that creates a persecuted church environment, where those given 'Christian' identities try to form a church without being halted by the 'secret police' players). For over an hour our youth were running around the hall and church grounds trying to succeed in their noble goal whilst the secret police players tried desperately to stop them. For only the 2nd time in my 4 years and numerous attempts at it, I witnessed an incredible effort by the Christians who did indeed form a church in our last round.

We then stopped for some snacks before turning our attention to our brothers and sisters throughout the world who really are being persecuted for their faith. We spent time lifting them up in prayer, using various 'prayer stations' to aid us in how and what to pray for them, including a make-shift refugee shelter and a detailed map showing where in the world Christians are persecuted and what that looks like for them. With the proceeds for the lock-in we were also able to donate £60 to Open Doors Iraq and Syria appeal.

For the rest of the evening we just had fun together with hot chocolate, snacks, and games before settling down with a DVD on to 'sleep.' On Saturday morning we were rejuvenated by bacon rolls and came together for the morning devotion before having a time of prayer with the aid of a labyrinth, then it was time to pack up to head home.

As a leader it was wonderful to see everyone make new friends and all join in the fun. St Devenick's had a wonderful time hosting and we look forward to visiting another church to do it all again sometime soon (our youth were already asking before the night was out when it was happening again, I'd call that a successful lock-in).

(Donna Kriel)



Around the Diocese.....



Rev Neil Brice coloured his hair purple for Advent to try to raise £500 for St Magnus Church, Lerwick. To date he has raised in excess of £2000 !! Well done Neil !!!



Rev John Tsukada, at his Ordination in St Ninian's, King Street, Aberdeen.

(top) Bishop Andrew, Bishop of Tokyo, receives a Crozier from Bishop Bob as a gift from our Diocese.

(bottom) John with his family.



Mrs Nancy Robertson, pictured with her husband Goldie, at her presentation on her retiral after 50 years as organist at St Matthew and St George, Oldmeldrum. Also pictured, Mrs Sue Kinsey, representing the Vestry.



Bishop Bob preaching at the 225th Annual Convention of The Episcopal Church of South Carolina.



The Confirmation at the Church of St Margaret of Scotland, Gallowgate on St Andrew's Day. Fr. Emsley (Dean and Rector), Frederic Sebastian Bayer, Lana Jane Montgomery and Michael Kevin Montgomery and +Bob.



News about People

Thank you to Canon Patrick and Mrs Winifred Jones

from +Bob

Patrick and Winifred Jones will have moved to their new home in Dorset by the time you read this, after over thirty years of service in this diocese.

Patrick was formerly Rector of the Upper Deeside churches of Aboyne, Ballater and Braemar. In retirement he also served as Priest in Charge of St Luke's, Cuminstown where Winifred was also organist.

Their service has been much appreciated and we wish them every blessing as they settle into the new home.

VISIT OF MP TO DIOCESAN OFFICE

Kirsty Blackman, Member of Parliament for Aberdeen North, visited the Aberdeen and Orkney Diocesan Offices on Friday January 15th. As part of the visit she spent time in the Diocesan Archive where Archivist Stuart Donald displayed a number of the Diocese's historic acquisitions.



The visit then extended through St Clement's Church and on to Angels Nursery and to a Mother and Toddler Group all on the same site as the Diocesan Office.

Quite apart from the goodwill nature of this visit Bishop Bob was able to share his concern with her for the plight of refugees and the need for UK to welcome more than the government's present target number. He also voiced his serious worry about the Danish Government's strategy to remove monies from refugees if they have more than £1000 assets in hand.

DEAN OF ABERDEEN AND ORKNEY IS MADE AMERICAN CANON



The Very Reverend Dr Emsley Nimmo was made a Honorary Canon of Christ Church Cathedral, Hartford, Connecticut.

Our own Diocesan Cathedral in Aberdeen and the one in Hartford each has a honorary canon from the other's diocese in a reciprocal arrangement between the twinned dioceses that goes back many years.

This took place on 18th February in Hartford when the new Dean of Christ Church was installed. The Provost of Aberdeen Cathedral, The Very Reverend Isaac Poobalan was also present and read a message of goodwill from Bishop Bob.

LANDMARKS

Rev Canon Tom Miller (Stromness) - 25 years as Priest
June MacCormack - 30 years as Deaconess

On December 5th, for the first time we held a Christingle service at St Colman's, Burravoe, Shetland. Previous to this we had a Messy Church where the children each made a Christingle with candles and red tape provided by the Children's Society.

We explained the meaning of all the things which made up the Christingle - the orange represents the world, the red ribbon indicates the love and blood of Christ, the dried fruits and sweets are symbols of God's creation and for many people they represent the four seasons.

The lit candle represents Jesus, the light of the world, who brings hope to people living in darkness.

The service itself was very successful and much appreciated by the congregation as this was something new to most of them. Let's hope this is the first of more to come in the years ahead.

We were pleased to send the collection to the Children's Society for the work that they do with children and families in need.

Ruth Underwood



A Note from the Editor

Welcome to the Easter edition. The team hope that you will find something that is both interesting and helpful. Should it be that you miss reference to some significant event or anniversary or even share the "complaint" that I fielded that there was too much from Deeside, then please prompt your congregation to nominate a Correspondent. A note to Avril in the diocesan office will prompt a reaction from the editorial team. We can visit or write the words or even find a photograph. Please play a part in keeping this journal relevant to all parts of the diocese.

All items for the Summer edition of Northern Light to be with the Diocesan Office by
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Alastair Haggart Bursary Award



The Alastair Haggart Bursary for 2016 has been awarded to the Rev Canon Lisa Eunson, Rector of St Ternan's Banchory and Christ Church Kincardine O'Neil for training in 'transition ministry,' that is, leading a congregation through an interregnum or other times of change.

Given in honour of Bishop Haggart, Principal of the Edinburgh Theological College (1971-75) and Primus (1977-1985), its intention is to aid someone in full-time ministry to enhance their own development and also be of benefit to the wider church. The members of the Bursary Committee commended Canon Eunson for her sabbatical plan, which 'chimes not only with your own vocation but the missional needs of the Diocese and wider province.'

Lisa said that she thought she was simply applying for some financial assistance for the two residential workshops given by the Interim Ministry Network she will attend in the USA this year, plus field-work back home in the Diocese. 'What I had not anticipated was the deep sense of joy and encouragement the words of the committee would confer. I am particularly delighted that Bishop Haggart's own vision was for the SEC to be a learning church. To have a small place in that huge legacy is a real honour. It is also truly humbling to have been given the space and encouragement to follow the urgings of vocation by the mid-Deeside congregations and our Bishop. It is in every sense of the word a blessing.'

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS

Maundy Thursday 24 March

Chrism Mass and renewal of Ordination vows at the Cathedral 11.30am

Good Friday 25 March

Three hours devotional service in the Cathedral 12 noon to 3.00pm

Easter Day 27 March

Saturday 26 March

Aberdeen Passion: A light undimmed 2.30 and 7.30pm
Aberdeen Exhibition and Conference Centre, Bridge of Don, Aberdeen AB23 8BL

Saturday 23 April

JUMP! Aberdeen Children Ministry Conference
9.30am to 5.00pm
Oldmachar Church, Ashwood Park, Bridge of Don AB22 8PR (booking required)

9 to 11 June

General Synod, Edinburgh

An Update From The It Officer...



Diocesan Website

This year I am spending time planning the development of the diocesan website that is due to take place during the 2016-17 financial year. As a result, I will be consulting with people around the Diocese to determine what our needs are now, and what these needs are likely to be in the months and years ahead. I'll be in touch with clergy, churches, individuals and diocesan office holders during the coming months, but it would be good to hear from people about how they would like to see the website develop. What is on the current website that you would like to keep? What would you like to see on the website that is not there now?

Diocesan Social Media

Our use of Facebook grew by an incredible 92% in 2015, and along with Twitter, it is now a major part of our communications strategy. These social media sites are a tool for mission and evangelism that help us to reach people beyond our church walls, using the same resources that people already use as part of their everyday lives.

We've begun to notice that the posts people respond most to are about the news and happenings in our churches and in the community around us, whether locally, nationally or even internationally. Our prompt reactions to these stories is appreciated by those within the Diocese and beyond. I encourage our clergy and churches to let me know directly (via email to itofficer@aberdeen.anglican.org, with pictures if possible) to what is happening in their local community both inside and outside the church walls, so we can publish updates and prayer requests as appropriate.

Congregational Support

I'll be again visiting congregations with the purpose of finding out about, supporting and encouraging communications initiatives, and also to spend time engaging with congregations. If you would like me to plan a visit to your church, please let me know.

This year, I noted with concern that around one third of our churches did not display Christmas service information. It is important that websites are kept up to date with information to help any potential visitors and newcomers to the area. I continue to be available to support congregations on an 'as needed' basis, so please get in touch if there is anything I can assist with.

After the postponement of last Autumn's Diocesan Communications day due to the date not being suitable for the majority of people, it has been decided to offer a series of more local workshops around the Diocese. These will bring together people from smaller groups of churches to engage together for an afternoon or an evening. I'll be in touch with further details when I have them.

What is the office of Dean?



The office of Dean in the Scottish Episcopal Church arose from the 4th Canon of the Code of Canons agreed by the Bishops at Edinburgh in 1727.

The Bishop of the Diocese was required to appoint a Dean whose duty was to superintend the election of a Bishop during a vacancy. Slowly over time the Deans were given more duties. According to Dr David Bertie's *Fasti* the first Dean in Aberdeen post Revolution Settlement 1690 was William Smith who in 1774 was succeeded by John Skinner 'Tullochgorum', the father of Bishop John Skinner.

Scottish Deans are peculiar animals because they are not like English Deans of Cathedral, but hold a Diocesan position in Scotland somewhat equivalent to an English Archdeacon. Recently I was in London and was introduced to the Archdeacon of London as the Dean of Aberdeen and Orkney and Archdeacon of Shetland!

'What a fabulous romantic title!' he exclaimed. This was all a bit of fun meted out by the Sea Cadet Corps Chaplain. In actual fact the last Archdeacon of Shetland was John Gauden who was incumbent at Tingwall in Shetland and died in 1688 when the Second Episcopate was coming to an end in the Church of Scotland.

In the Cathedral the Dean always sits in the stall of St Machar, at the most easterly end of the Southern Canon Stalls diagonally opposite the Bishop. As well as being a member of Cathedral Chapter, the Dean in this Diocese chairs the Diocesan Boundaries Committee and the Diocesan Buildings Committee as well as being a member of other committees *ex officio*. The Dean has to be consulted, along with the Bishop, if any sale, exchange or disposal of holy vessels, ecclesiastical ornaments is intended in a church. It is also the duty of the Dean to inspect congregational registers, inventories and records. In the event of an Episcopal vacancy the Dean administers the Diocese in accordance with the direction of the Primus.

As well as being Dean I am Rector of St Margaret's Gallowgate and in addition am also Chaplain to a diverse group of organisations like the Sea Cadets, the Royal Naval Association, HM Theatre, St Machar Academy and North East Scotland College.

However, St Margaret's with its particular liturgical diet and occasional offices keeps one very busy. The fact that I am the only city incumbent at present living literally above 'the shop', gives one a high profile in the local community and thus makes one very accessible. Having been here for twenty-six years has a Benedictine feel of stability about it- if you stay long in a place you do get to know more people and more people get to know you. The Dominican model of 'flitting' around- 'mobility', does not create the same settled feeling!

In addition to this there is the Church garden here which does well in competitions. We do try to create an oasis in the City Centre which is all part of our outreach. When I am not busy with all this there is academic pursuit going on in the background. I have just finished another chapter on 'why Episcopalians pray for the dead', for a historical work soon to be published. In 2014, I wrote a chapter entitled, Liturgy: The Sacramental Soul of Jacobitism, a contribution to a published work entitled: Living with Jacobitism 1690-1788.

In the near future there is another essay to be written for a work being sponsored by Glasgow University. All this is pursuit into our core beliefs.

When I am not doing all that there is time to do Pilgrimage, and that is where one really gets time to reflect. Last year was the Northern Isles and down through Buchan and Formartine to Aberdeen. This year is the Outer Hebrides, down through Skye and on to Lismore in the Firth of Lorne, sometime in May and before the midges get a grip!

OUR CHURCH

This, the Church of God, is a building
for people like you and me,
Where we can be rid of our inhibitions
and we can be confident and free.

Most of us don't want to play the organ
if asked to preach we'd die of fright
But we all have our gifts and talents
and we shouldn't keep them out of sight.

Some of us are practical minded
and some of us prefer more artistic things,
We should do what we can do
and feel the happiness our gifts bring.

We should encourage one another
to do whatever we can,
So that our church will be vibrant and lively
so we work out together God's plan.

by Diane Edge

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A HAVEN

Have you felt the need to get away from the phone for a while? To rest, to have time to think, to read, to pray? Many people feel the need but haven't the inclination or cash for a proper retreat.

St Margaret of Scotland House might be just the answer. Somewhere to spend the day in peace and quiet, have a meal prepared for you or have someone to talk to.

Many local buses in Aberdeen pass close by so it is easily accessible. Available for both clergy and lay people.

Contact Sister Columba S.S.M. on 01224 491389 or
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The Medieval Font at Stromness



The waterfront at Stromness; inset St Mary the Virgin Episcopal



The medieval font

Orkney and Shetland are said by archaeologists to be the most interesting part of the British Isles and the history as described in the *Orkneyinga Saga*, written by an unknown Icelandic author, tells the history of the Earls of Orkney from about 900 AD. The old Masonic Hall at Stromness, in which was held St Mary's Mission was eventually purchased by the Vestry and converted into a church in 1887, a picture of the exterior is shown in the heading to this article. One of the most valuable item of the furnishings is a medieval font which has an interesting story. The font bowl was originally in a chapel on the estate which became the property of Lawrence Dundas, Earl of Zetland, but was ejected as it had carved on the side, the coat of arms of a Roman Catholic family; and the ecclesiastical reformers of the period decided it was surplus to requirements. The font bowl was thrown into a nearby loch. The date of the 'disposal' is not certain as it could have been after the Reformation of 1560. There is also a school of thought that it might have been thrown into the loch after the 1689 Presbyterian Settlement, both theories having some merit in consideration of the respective histories. Eventually, the font snagged the lines of local fishermen and was recovered.

In 1887-1888 the Vestry of St Mary's was refurbishing the

premises when the 1st Marquis of Zetland was approaching the Orkney Islands in his yacht. He decided to disembark at Stromness and on hearing of the activity of the Masonic Hall conversion to Church purposes, decided to gift the font to St Mary's as it was the nearest catholic church to the find, in effect giving it back to the church from whence it came! James Brown Craven mentions the gift in his History of the Church of Orkney but says that the coat of arms on the font has never been identified as being from a Roman Catholic family. The coat of arms as shown in the sketch does not conform to any known to the Edinburgh. One source explained that such carving was often done by an itinerant craftsman who might have made a mistake. It is very close to the Craigie family's device and that might supply the answer.

In any case the font was duly installed on a new matching pillar and provides an interesting link with the past. James Brown Craven was the first modern Archdeacon of Orkney, awarded the dignity at the inauguration of the Chapter of the Cathedral Church of the United Diocese of Aberdeen & Orkney in 1912 for his very fine historical work on the Episcopal Church in Orkney.

Lawrence Dundas, 1st Marquess of Zetland

Lawrence Dundas (1844-1929), a Conservative politician and statesman, was elevated to the Peerage in 1873 when he was created Earl of Zetland. He was sworn of the Privy Council in 1889 and in 1892 was created Earl of Ronaldsay, in the County of Orkney and Zetland, and Marquess of Zetland. His caricature (right) appeared in *Vanity Fair* in 1886, the caption reading, 'a gentleman'.



The offending arms



Register of the Lyon Court in



Stuart Donald