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MOIR of Otterburne  
and Abergeldie

MOIR-SCROGGIE ARMS  
at Stoneywood Works

MOIR of Stoneywood

MOIR of Leckie

MOIR of Scotstown

MOIR of Hilton

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# MEMOIR GENEALOGY



AND COLLATERAL LINES

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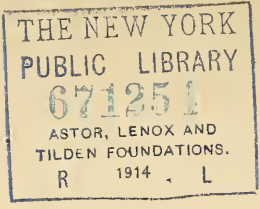
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## To My Father

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In loving memory of him, who did not live to see the full completion of a task which has taken much time and study. Whose whole heart was in this work, of which he was the originator, whose counsels assisted in gathering together a vast amount of information concerning his own branch of the family.

This volume is respectfully dedicated by

THE AUTHOR.

## Introductory

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In compiling this work, it has been our desire to bring together scattered facts, relating to the Moirs, especially those of a historical nature, and have them registered in some form to produce a book of reference with vital records of the different families wherever found.

It is on account of the valuable assistance we have received from the different branches recorded, that we are able to issue this work. Genealogical data, however, does not appeal to every family, with the result that several branches are not given, as we have been unable to obtain the desired information.

The Moir family is undoubtedly one of the oldest of Scottish families, and they certainly were of a hardy and generally prosperous race as their early records prove. They have carried with them from generation to generation the traditions and high moral tone of their hardy ancestors.

The family formerly were in many lines of trade or professions, some of these vocations are continued in the same families to this day. Many are tillers of the soil, and have in many cases, extended or enlarged their estate, or the younger members of the family have bought other estates to "grow up" on—a good thrifty sign—which is general among nearly every branch we have recorded. Into whatever branch of industry they have entered, it has always been to encourage and maintain an honorable standard—that which is wholesome and pure in life.

At first it was intended to enter in connection with this work, a full account of the different religious bodies with which the families were connected; but so many families have failed to reply to this part of the family record, that it would not be fair to put this into print. It is quite safe to say that a vast majority of the Moirs are Presbyterian, while the Episcopalians are a good second.

Aside from the different Moir families of Aberdeenshire, which have been so fully and admirably set forth by Mr. Andrew J. Mitchell-Gill, in his book "The Houses of Moir and Byres,"

and which are herein transcribed with the kind permission of the author, and to which we have added the registers of other localities in that county—we have endeavored to show a full account of the Doune and Thornhill families in Perthshire, and the Leckie Moirs in Stirlingshire—all of the same branch. The official records of these localities, (which are not in very good condition, there being many omissions), dates back to 1623 only, and it is a lamentable fact, that of all the progeny, that were born in these places, there are now very few of our name in the neighborhood, many having gone to other localities, mostly to foreign shores, where they have generally expanded, and now have places of their own. Even the Moirs of Leckie have gone from the estate at Gargunnoch, the Graham-Moirs having sold it, and the last owner removes to Edinburgh, and even drops the name of Moir.

Many of the localities from which other families of Moirs originated we have not traced to their origin, but we have been glad to receive the record as shown, and hope these will be written out in full in some later edition.

We have also endeavored to put on record several of the individuals of the family, with a world-wide reputation, among whom are DAVID MACBETH MOIR, M. D., the Scottish poet and literary man, whose poetry is of the first order, and whose wholesome comic story of "**Mansie Wauch**," has made much hearty laughter. The principal facts of the poet were sent by his daughter, the wife of the late Rev. Professor Milligan, D. D., now of Edinburgh.

The two brothers, FRÉDERICK LEWIS MAITLAND MOIR and JOHN WILLIAM MOIR, who made their mark as pioneers in the wilds of Central Africa, and who actively assisted in bringing to an end the slavery which existed there, even at a great self-sacrifice, are also chronicled.

Of the poets of our clan of Aberdeenshire, George Moir, Esq., is one of the most prolific and prominent, with a long and eventful career, and John Moir "the blind poet of the Feugh," has written some fine poetry, the Twenty-third Psalm in broad Scots being a good specimen. The Rev. John Moir, M. A., and William R. Moir, Esq., have also written many and valuable additions to poetical literature.

There are many of our name who have been and are prominent individuals, who are shining lights among men; magistrates,



judges, mayors, clergymen, lawyers, leaders in their various professions or branch of industry in which they may be engaged, as is herein shown.

The illustrations used in this work will serve to give some idea of the people and locations. We have inserted views of the various universities of Scotland, because there have been a more than ordinary share of graduates of our patronymic from these institutions.

The writer has been ten years at work on this genealogy (in his spare time) and a considerable portion of the collections that follow were made when he first began this work, and information concerning the additions to families and the departures since, have not been as fully recorded. One needs hardly offer an apology for knowing and therefore registering more of the facts which concern his own immediate family; if, as to some other branches of the family the record is proportionately much more complete, thanks are due the correspondents who have taken pains to make it so. He who has done what he could would be glad to continue the work farther and perfect it, as there may be found many omissions and inaccuracies.

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In case of any errors or omissions or additional information, in the event of a supplementary edition being printed, they should be noted and sent to the author at the address here given, and they will be placed in their proper position.

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## ORIGIN OF THE MOIR COAT OF ARMS

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It is asserted that Kenneth Moir was one of the brave soldiers who accompanied Lord James Douglas, or "The Good Sir James" into Spain with the heart of King Robert the Bruce, about the year 1330, and when they landed, they engaged with Alonzo XI. of Spain, to fight on the Christian side against the pagan Moors. Lord Douglas was killed in attempting to rescue Sir William St. Clair of Roslyn; but in the charge, and before this happened, Kenneth Moir slew three Moors and cut off their heads, when one of the Scottish host exclaimed "One Scottish Christian Moir can kill three pagan Moors." It is believed that this incident is the cause of the origin of the coat-of-arms of the Moirs wherein are depicted three Moors heads with the blood dripping from the neck.

Similar arms are matriculated in the arms of the Morrisons of Preston Grange in Midlothian.

The name Moir means **renowned, famous, a mighty one.**

## ARMORIAL BEARINGS

Of the Family of MOIR in Scotland

From the "LYON REGISTER"

Registered  
1692-78

I. Dr. William Moir of Scotstowne, bears argent three negroes' heads. Coupe, proper, with a ribband or scarf about ye brow knit behind, of the first; above ye shield ane helmet befitting his degree, mantled gules, doubled, argent. Next is placed on ane torse for his crest a mort head upon two leg bones saltyre ways, proper. The motto in the escroll—"Non sibi sed cunctis."—(Not for self, but for all).

Same date

II. John Moir of Stoneywood; argent, three mouritannian heads, couped, and distilling gutt de sang, proper. Crest a mouritannian head couped as ye former. Motto—"Major opima ferat."—(Let the worthiest carry off the prize).

1792

III. James Moir of Invernethie, Esquire, paternally descended from the family at Stoneywood; argent, three Moors' heads couped, each wreathed with laurel, and distilling three drops of blood, all proper, in chief, a dexter hand pointing with the forefinger towards the base of the last crest, an eye proper. Motto—"Deus dedit."—(God gave). Matriculated, 27 Jan. 1792.

1672-78

IV. Master William Moir of Hilton, Advocate, bears or, three men's heads couped, distilling drops of blood proper, wreathed about with bay leaves, vert. Crest, a dexter arm issuing from the shoulder out of a cloud, and holding a branch of laurel, slipped, all proper. Motto—"Virtute non aliter."—(By virtue, not otherwise).

1672-78

V. Thomas Moir of Otterburne, whose grandfather was a second son of ye familie of Abergeldie; argent, three negroes' heads, couped, proper, within a bordure, counter-indented, sable and or. Crest, a negroe's head, as the former. Motto—"Mediocriter."—(With moderation).

VI. The Leckie Moirs matriculated arms in 1796 as follows:—(First and fourth quarters) Argent, three mouritannian heads couped and distilling three drops of blood proper, banded of the first, a pearl in each ear of the second, in the centre, a mullet, gules, for Moir; (Second quarter) Argent, a

head crowned proper, in a chief sable three escallops, or,— for Graham; (First and fourth quarters of third quarter) Argent, a galley, sails furled, oars in action, sable. This quarter is for Stewart and Campbell.

For crest, a falcon proper, armed or belted, or, perched on a heron lying on its back proper, beaked and membered gules. Motto—"Ne Oublie."—(Not forgotten).

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## THE MOIR ARMS

### At Stoneywood Works

This is a large casting on fine metal, built into the solid masonry of a wall, near the office building of Stoneywood Works at Bucksburn, Aberdeenshire.

It contains the Stoneywood arms in conjunction with the arms of Scrogie. This coat-of-arms must have originated with James Moir II. of Stoneywood, as he married July 10, 1683; Mary, daughter of Right Rev. William Scrogie, Bishop of Argyll. (See marriage contract):—

Parted her pale, two coats; first, three mouritanian heads, coupéd, distilling gutt de sang, proper. Second, azure, a chevron, or, between two scroggs (starved branches), in chief, and a man's heart in base, argent. Above the shield a helmet befitting his degree, mantled gules. Crest, a mouritanian head, coupéd, distilling gutt de sang, proper; and the motto "Major Opima Ferat."



# THE SURNAME OF MOIR OR MORE

I

BY ANDREW J. MITCHELL-GILL  
From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"



By the evidence of ancient charters, the orthography of this name seems to have been so various as to occasion some difficulty in distinguishing the different families who bore it, as we find individuals of the same family promiscuously designed by the name of Moir, More, Moor, Moore, Mure, Muir, sometimes contracted to Mr and even Moreson, Morrison and Mureson. The name has a double origin, from **Maure** or Saracen, borne by foreign families in most of the continental countries of Europe, varied in accordance with the peculiar idiom of the country, and in Scotland from the Gaelic etymology **Mohr**, big or great, allusive to remarkable size of person.

\*Of the five entries of arms in the Lyon Register, to families of the name of **Moir** or **More** in Scotland, all are connected with Aberdeenshire, and bear the three Moors' or Saracens' heads.

The name of **Morison** in Scotland bears azure three Saracens' heads, conjoined in one neck proper, the faces looking to the chief, dexter and sinister sides of the shield.

The family and surname of **Mure** or **Muir** is much mixed up, and often confused with that of **More** or **Moir**. The principal family of the surname of **Muir** seems to have been the Muirs of Rowallan, in Ayrshire, who bear, argent, on the fesse azure, three stars, or; quite different bearings from the name of **Moir** or **More**, yet there are not wanting instances where two or more families, having the same surname, and tracing to a common ancestor, bear quite distinct arms.

One, if not the most ancient, family of the surname of **More**, was that of **Polkellie**, in the County of Renfrew. **Gilchrist More** was one of the Barons who swore fealty to **Edward I** in 1296. The heiress of **Polkellie**, **Janet More**, in the time of **David II** married **Sir Adam Muir** of Rowallan.

The late **Mr. James Skene** of Rubislaw, in a valuable and most interesting manuscript history by him of the "**Moirs of Stoneywood**" family, kindly lent me by his son, **Mr. Wm. F. Skene**, says: "**Sir Gilchrist More** was a descendant of the Irish **O'Mores**, and that the connection appears from the grant made by **Sir Gilchrist Muir** of Rowallan (who was knighted at the **Battle of Largs**), of his lands of

\*There is a sixth entry in the Lyon Register of **Moir**—the Arms of the **Moirs of Leckie**, Stirlingshire, given herein.

Polkellie to his Irish kinsman, Ronald More, who had come over to assist in a contest with the Cumings, and that the O'Mores of Ireland bore as crest the Moire's head or 'Bluidy Held,' in allusion to the family name." He also says: "Several families, possessing property in the western counties of Scotland, branched off at different times from that of Rowallan and Polkellie, most of whom adopted the name of **Mure**, although **More** was the original orthography used in Ireland and Great Britain."

The Moires, marquises of Drohega, in Ireland, have a Moor's head, out of a coronet, for crest, and their arms have a resemblance in the charges, although not in the tinctures, to those of the family of Muir of Rowallan.

But we will now confine ourselves to the history of the Moirs or Mores in Aberdeenshire. "The introduction of the name into that country may with great probability be assigned to the circumstance of the extensive possessions acquired there by Sir Reginald More, the Chamberlain in David II's reign; and it is remarkable that while the families in the western countries have almost all adopted the name of **Mure** or **Muir**, those in Aberdeenshire have as uniformly retained the original orthography of **More** or **Moir**." In the older records, however, I often find the surname of the Aberdeenshire Moirs spelt also More, and Moire, Moore, and so forth, and in a very few instances, Muire and Mure.

Skene's MS.

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## ORIGIN OF MOIR

### II

BY HON. JAMES MOIR

Ex-Mayor of Scranton, Pa.

"I have often wondered as to where the name originated. Many claim that the construction of the name denotes French origin; but my impression is that it is of Norse origin, and the French of this surname are Norman-French. The Gaelic name **More**—or more properly spelled in Gaelic, **Mhor**—which means big, large, is a different cognomen."

# ORIGIN OF THE SURNAME

## III

(From "Concerning Some Scottish Surnames")

BY PROF. COSMO INNES

(Author of Innes' Genealogy)

(Written in 1857—Printed, Edinburgh, 1860)

When names are seeking, people are naturally called by the name of the place where they have been born or live, so that you cannot wonder that, in our own dear country, we have many **Hills** and **Glens**, **Craigs**, **Woods** and **Forrests**. **Mountain** is a more English form of **Hill**. We have the hills too near and like them too well to give them grand-sounding names.

The **Moor** has given names to families in all the three kingdoms. With us (in Scotland), they have enjoyed the usual license of spelling, but the origin and sense of the word is the same, whether it is spelt as the good Sir Thomas **More** used it, or like the wish anacreon **Moore**, or our antique **Muir**. I have observed that in all its shapes, the name connects itself with literature. One of our best Greek scholars of the eighteenth century was Professor **Moor** of Glasgow. Our foremost Grecian now (1857) is Sir William **Mure** of Caldwell, the accomplished historian of Greek literature—accomplished in a way so rare among Scotch gentlemen. (He died in the spring of 1860.) The author of "Zeluco" and his more illustrious son (Sir John **Moore**) added an "e" to the name "for a difference," and some such cause has produced the various reading **Moir**, still distinguished for the strong propensity to literature.

# THE MOIRS OF ABERDEENSHIRE

BY ANDREW J. MITCHELL-GILL

Author of *Houses of Moir and Byres* (1885)

It will be seen that the surname of Moir or More can fairly rank as one of the oldest in the County of Aberdeen, even without entering into the debateable question of Ranald or Reginald More, Chamberlain of Scotland, being pregenitor of the Moirs, as well as the Muirs, who, as will be seen, had large grants in Aberdeenshire in 1328.

As land-owners, however—with the exception of Patrick More de Belhelvie, in 1647—few of them appear before the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, and previous to that period, the heads of most of the different families (doubtless all originally of the same stock) seem to have been mostly substantial burgesses of Bon Accord.

Of the gallant and brave Moirs of Stoneywood, there were only four generations—John Moir of Kermuck, afterwards of Stoneywood, **the founder**—keen, honest and shrewd, as became his good Burgess ancestry. He was succeeded by his son, James II of Stoneywood, a learned and gallant gentleman, for fifteen years M. P. for his county; whose picture, attributed to Scougall, is in the Tonley Collection. His son was James Moir III. of Stoneywood, the brave and staunch supporter of the Prince, who, along with Lord Lewis Gordon and his kinsman Moir of Lonmay, was among the most important of Charles Stuart's supporters in Aberdeenshire. He was succeeded by his equally good and brave son, James Moir IV, and last of Stoneywood, the tried friend of his unfortunate Prince. With this worthy son of worthy sires ended the male line of the gallant Stoneywoods, whose representatives through the female line are the Skenes of Rubislaw. Lands and houses pass away, and the place which knew them shall know them no more.

Of the "broad acres" owned by the name of Moir in Aberdeenshire, only two families of the surname hold estates in the county, viz.—Moir-Byres of Tonley, whose lands (over 5000 acres) came to them through the Byres family; and the old family of Moir of Scotstown, who have owned that property for at least eight generations, and who were much connected with the University and Old Town of Aberdeen. Its present representative (1885), William Moir, is a lieutenant in the 18th Hussars, and will, I hope, uphold the "auld hoose," and add to, instead of diminish, the family inheritance.

Moir of Invernettie had aspired to "founding a family," and registered arms on that account, but his line became extinct before the parent stem of Stoneywood, and Invernettie reverted to that family.

Of the loyal Moirs of Lonmay, the son of the Prince's brave supporter sold the estate and bought New Grange in Forfarshire, which was, however, soon parted with.

William Moir, M. P., of Hilton, although also wishful to "found a house," and between 1672-8 registering arms, endures only for a few years, and in 1682 there is another laird, and even the name of his estate is changed.



Moir of Barnes, out of a family of four sons and nine daughters, appears at his decease to have left only eight daughters, his co-heiresses, whose husbands, no doubt, carefully and quickly divided his estate of the Abergeldie Moirs. I have no particulars excepting of their cadet "Moir of Otterburne," of whose house there were five lairds; but in 1765, their estates were sold.

Of the Tonley Moirs, we have first, Andrew Moir of Overhill, who is able to give his large family, by two wives, each a comfortable "set-out" in the world. His eldest son, likewise Andrew Moir, follows a country life, and devotes himself to agriculture. No doubt, his wife, the Laird of Thornton's daughter, brings with her a suitable dowry. He is thus able to place his sons comfortably in the world, and to give each of his four daughters such a tocher as will not decrease their attractiveness in the eyes of a fond husband. The eldest son of the last couple, the Rev. Andrew Moir, was for nearly thirty years the minister of Ellon. By his well-born wife, Jean Forbes, of the family of Waterton, he had, with other issue—the Rev. George Moir, his heir, who was for fifty-five years the much-loved and respected minister of Peterhead; his wife, Martha Byres, whom he married in 1766, was the daughter of Patrick Byres of Tonley, the "Jacobite Laird." Two of this fine couple's sons married their cousins, who were sisters; but John Moir, the younger brother, married the elder sister, Catherine Byres, whose descendants, as shown in the sequel, now hold Tonley. While Janet Byres, the younger sister, married the elder brother, James Moir, M. D., and their son, Patrick Moir-Crane, is the present head of this branch of the Moir family, and heir-presumptive to Tonley (1885).

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## THE MOIRS AND MORES IN SCOTLAND

(Abridged from article on "Our Ancestors")

BY DAVID F. MORE

Written in 1900

The **Moirs** and **Mores** have lived very long in Scotland, and are scattered into almost every corner of it. There have been several ancient and honorable families bearing the name, five of whom have registered arms, but none of them have endured in full vigor until the present time. All these honorable families resided in Aberdeenshire, on the extreme eastern side of the country; yet on my return trip, I met a fellow-passenger spelling his name the same way we do, who resides in Islay, a large island off the western shore, and who said that his ancestors had resided there for more than four hundred years.

One great difficulty in determining relationship is the multiplicity of ways of spelling the name. For instance, Sir John **Moore**, who died in the Peninsular War, was born in Glasgow, and was lineal descendant from **Mure** of Rowallan, whose name is always spelled **Mure**, while the name of the daughter of Adam, who was first granted the

estate of Rowallan by King Robert II, was Elizabeth **More**. Many of them spell the name **Muir**, and a great many of our own relatives now in Scotland, spell their name **Moir**.

There are two derivations of the name given by historians. First from **Maure**, meaning Saracen, and second from **Mhor**, Gaelic, for big, or great, and having reference usually to largeness of body, although sometimes to positions to prominence, as, for instance, the Duke of Argyle, although a Campbell, is always called **MacCallum More**.

All the coats of arms of the five registered families of Aberdeen bear on their shields three Moor or negro heads. The same is true of a number of families of our name in England. Just what it means, no writer at this day attempts positively to state. Some say that the Moirs might have been of Moorish descent; some that it was only a play upon the word Moor; others, and perhaps the nearest the truth, that the original progenitor procured renown in fighting against the Moors, in the conflict which finally drove them out of Europe in 732 A. D.

Historians of Aberdeenshire believe that all the prominent Mores of their shire were descended from one progenitor, but whether it was from Sir Adam More, who lived in 1338, or from Reginald or Ronald More, Chamberlain of Scotland, or from some other prominent man, they cannot tell.

Besides Mure of Rowallan, there were: Moir of Stoneywood, Moir of Scotstown, Moir of Hilton, and Moir of Braca, of whom it is said that he was so wealthy that his purse stood upon one end. We called in Edinburgh on a descendant of this Moir, one Mary Moir, and found her to be a single lady, ninety-three years of age, hale and hearty, bright and active, in full possession of all her powers of mind and body. This family, like so many other prominent ones, only lasted through four generations, when it became extinct through lack of male issue.

We found our family name in many prominent positions in Glasgow, London, and other cities we visited.

I think we should give due credit to a country that produces such a quality of people. Bonnie Scotland is worthy all the love and honor her sons or their offspring can bestow upon her. It might be said of her, as the Psalmist said of the beloved city, Jerusalem: "Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth," and it is true of her, as of Jerusalem, "God is known in her palaces for a refuge." The country may not be salubrious, nor all the people saints, but there is a general average of both, above that of any land or people I have seen.

# THE FAMILY OF MOIR AND MORE, SCOTLAND

Abridged from article by HENRY PATON, Historian, Edinburgh

There can be no doubt that the surnames Moir, More, Moor, Moore, Muir and Mure are but variations of one and the same patronymic. The form in which it first appeared in Scotland, and in which it persists for about two centuries, is **More**. Even those from whom the most considerable families of Muir, such as the Muirs of Rowallan, of Caldwell, and others, are almost invariably written "More," in the early Scottish registers and charters, save that in Latin writs the name sometimes occurs in the Latinized form of *Mora*.

From a considerable search made on the subject, my belief is that the name of More first came from England. In **Domesday Book**, which contains the result of a survey of England made by William the Conqueror in 1086, mention is made of the existence in that country of several places of the name of More, particularly in the Counties of Devon, Worcester, Hereford and Norfolk.

There is also in the early land registers of England, and in many parts of that country, persons of the name of More mentioned, even as far back as the reign of Henry II, which began in 1216, and some of them held knightly rank, as Sir Henry de la More. This style, "de la More," is at first universal, but latterly, towards the reign of Queen Elizabeth, comes down to plain More, and later to Moir and Muir. It was in the form "de la More" or "Mora" that the name came to Scotland. In 1213, one Adam de la Mora was sent by King John of England to the King of Scotland with a gift of girfalcons. It looks as if he, and perhaps some others of his name, had then settled in Scotland, for by the end of that century, when Edward I. was dealing with the Scots, about the succession of the Scottish Crown, there were a considerable number of "De la Mores," including an Adam de la More, in Ayrshire and Lanarkshire. A century later, when the Laird of Rowallan gets a confirmation charter from King Robert the Third, he is designated Sir Adam More, Knight; but it is in the same year (1391) that the first transmutation of the name takes place into "Mure," in a charter of pension granted to the King's uncle Andrew Mure, he being a brother of Elizabeth More of Rowallan. After this date, the common spelling of the name is Muir or Mure.

The first, and perhaps the most eminent, of the Mores in Scotland—and he was the first who attained to eminence—was Reginald de la More. He became a favorite with King Robert Bruce, who employed him in embassies, and gave him a number of very considerable estates in various parts of Scotland, one being that of Abercorn, in Linlithgow; another being the Thanage of Formartyn, which included a greater part of Aberdeenshire. He was made Chamberlain of Scotland in 1329, and held that office until his death, in 1341. One of his sons was Sir William More of Abercorn, and another was Gilchrist More, the ancestor of the Mures of Caldwell, in Renfrewshire.

The only connection which the royal family of Scotland had with the Mores was the marriage of Elizabeth More of Rowallan to Robert, the High Steward of Scotland, who afterwards became King, as Robert II, on the death of David II, without issue.

The word "More," which occurs after such personages as Angus Mor, Fergus Mor, Loarn More, MacCullum More, is not at all a surname, for surnames did not exist in Scotland in their day. In all these and innumerable other cases, it is merely a distinctive appellation, "More" being simply the Gaelic adjective, meaning great or big, or the Scotch word "muckle." The aspirated form, "mhoir," is the feminine gender. So in the case of Ben More, Loch More, Glenmore, Strathmore, and so forth, what is denoted is merely the great mountain, lake, glen, and strath.

There is no "Clan Mhoir." This is just another instance of the use of the adjective. The "Clan Mhic Gille Mhoir," of which Dr. Brown refers in his history of the Highlands, is explained by Sir Robert Gordon, the contemporary writer, whom he is quoting, to be merely a sept or branch of the Clan MacLeod.

As to the family of Moir or More in the northern counties of Scotland, it is possible they may have come from the lowlands. It is also quite possible, however, that they may have been of Highland origin, and assumed the name of Moir or More from the Gaelic adjective just referred to. Surnames were much later of being adopted in the Highlands than in the Lowlands, and they were by no means general even in the sixteenth century. But this possibility I merely suggest.

## MOIR AND MORE IN SCOTLAND

BY HENRY PATON, ESQ.

Concerning the origin of the forbears of the MORE FAMILY of America, descended from MOIRS of Rothiemurchus, Elginshire

In the early part of the sixteenth century, there were persons of the name of More in Strathavon and Strathdee, 1527. (See Fraser's *Chiefs of Grant III*, pp. 68, 70.) In 1622 and 1632, there were Moirs in the service of the Laird of Grant, one of whom, William Moir, was his chamberlain on the estate of Mulben, which lies about half way between Keith and the lower Craigellachie, in Strathspey (Ib. I., p. 274.) But later, the family seems to have greatly spread through Strathspey, into the parishes of Moray and Banff, and also Aberdeenshire, for in 1745, there were the Moirs of Stoneywood in the parish of Newhills, and Invernettie near Peterhead. James Moir of Stoneywood took part in the rebellion of 1745, having the command of the Aberdeen battalion of the forces raised by Lord Lewis Gordon to assist Prince Charlie.

The Forres registers show that some of the family of More were resident there in or before 1690, as in that year (16th February)

Agnes, the lawful daughter of John More and Margaret More, in Mondole, was baptised.

In Aberlour Parish, in Strathspey, they appear to have been numerous, as when the register opens in 1708, the name is of frequent occurrence, the Christian names of the males being most commonly John, David, William, Alexander, sometimes George, James, Peter; and of the females, Christian, Margaret, Jean and Elizabeth. In the Parish of Alvie, which comprises part of the district between Grantown and Kingussie, the name Gregor More occurs in 1719, on 17th December, of which year a son, William, was baptised to Gregor More, in Invermarkie, and his wife, Janet Fraser. And in some of the surrounding parishes, the registers of which were glanced at for the purpose, it is evident that the name was in considerable force.





PRINCE CHARLES EDWARD STUART  
Scoto-English Seal  
GEORGE JAMESON, Artist

KING CHARLES I  
LORD LEWIS GORDON



# HISTORY OF THE MORES

BY CHARLES CHURCH MORE

President of JOHN MORE ASSOCIATION of New York

(Written March 1, 1905)

In regard to the past history in record of the name **More**, I have given an extended investigation, and my belief is that the original name of the family was **More**. And I trace it by record, history, tradition and oral history brought down in Burton's History of Scotland, and Irish history back to and before the Christian era in the chieftains and kings of the Milanese colony who settled in County Antrim, Ireland, coming from Egypt, being a colony from Asia Minor who settled there, and being so aggressive and prosperous to cause jealousy of the Egyptians, they drove them out. It is said the chief married a daughter of Pharaoh, and evidently they were an aggressive and a race of ability, as manifested.

Owing to political difficulties (after these people settled and gave the name to Scotland), many of the **Mores** changed their names to **Moir**, **Muir**, and some, who went to Germany, to **Mohr**. I think they all trace back to the dominant rulers of that migration. And the same descent in Scotland ruling to about the twelfth century in name **More**, as Lorn and Fergus **More** were the first rules of that name in Scotland, and their descendants to the twelfth century, where it passed from the name **More** to the maternal side and came to the throne by Robert Bruce, who was the rightful heir, although Edward I of England, as overlord, gave it to John Baliol, second daughter's descent; "Bruce," first daughter's; and Comyn, third. It is very interesting to follow the landmarks and all that leads up to the tracings away back in the misty past. Yet I find tracings all along the way that leads me to believe in the "Stone of Destiny," which is held so sacred by the Scots and English now with such confidence. It was the one on which Jacob's head rested when he saw the vision, and kept sacred by his descendants, and links this family with its history.

Who knows they were not his descendants, which tradition gives them a right to claim? And Queen Victoria, who had access to all the records in the kingdom that were taken by Edward I to London, when he overran Scotland in the twelfth century. Queen Victoria traces back in the maternal line to Robert Bruce, and in the same line back to King David of Jerusalem.

In 1900, I visited James **Moir** of Balinan, near Grant's Town, a lineal descendant of a brother of John **More**, a man then eighty-three years old, and knew all about the family, and John's whereabouts in America. I asked him which was the family name. He said **More** was the name, and original one, and way to spell it. When a boy, the teacher at school told him he must spell it **Moir**, and he had always done so, and his children also.

I claim that **More** is the correct way of spelling it, and it has come down to us without a break, so far as I can trace, notwith-



standing the vagaries through which different branches have been willing to digress and mix it in way of spelling. We have no trouble tracing so far as the public records show in Scotland. Before those, we have to follow the line by tradition and oral evidence, as it appears in whatever form. I failed to find when there were not men by the name **More** in my research. Mr. Randall, in charge of Holyrood Palace at Edinburgh, and a historian, confirmed me in my views when I visited him in 1900. I know the Scotch notion is that **More** means "muckle or big." It was the men bearing that name who left their impress distinctly, centuries ago, that you will find all over Scotland as More this and More that, which, if you eliminate and substitute Big, would mean nothing.

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## THE MOIRS AND MORES IN AMERICA

There were undoubtedly a great many of the name of More who previous to the Revolutionary War of 1776, emigrated to America as there are a great many of that name in that war, and we will try to briefly describe the result of some of our searches through the official records, a great many of which are obtained from "The New England Historic and Genealogical Register," which, however, covers all the early records of the whole country.

- N. E. H. and G. Register, vol. 44, p. 71 There was a "More" killed in King Philip's War in 1676. He lived in Mansfield, Mass.
- N. E. H. and G. Reg., vol. 50, p. 223 Mary Palmer, b. June 28, 1713, m. William More, June 4, 1729. Children: Allen More, b. Jan. 17, 1730; Andrew More, b. Jan. 6, 1735; James More, b. Mar. 21, 1738, d. Feb. 14, 1739; Abeline More, Elizabeth More, Content More, William More, Mary More.
- N. E. H. and G. Reg., vol. 32, p. 157 Edmund Moers, Jr., lived at Newbury, Mass., paying taxes on an estate there.
- N. E. H. and G. Reg., vol. 33, p. 207 Rebecca More, admitted to full communion in the First Church of Charlestown, Mass., Feb. 8, 1740.
- N. E. H. and G. Reg., vol. 33, p. 346 and p. 348 William, Archelaus, Elizabeth, Samuel and Sarah, children of John More, baptised Dec. 24, 1727, at Durham, New Hampshire, by Rev. Hugh Adams.
- do., vol. 34, p. 163. Mrs. More struck by a great stream of fire (lightning), July 15, 1665. She was wounded and badly hurt.
- do., vol. 34, p. 271 Enoch More paid taxes in Charlestown in 1688.
- do., vol. 34, p. 298 Mr. Thomas More's vessel cast away at Cape Cod in ye storm, four persons perished, and much wealth lost, Feb. 14, 1668.
- do., vol. 35, p. 73 T. J. More was allotted four acres of land on Neponset River, in Dorchester, Mass., in 1637.
- do., vol. 36, p. 395 William More, impanelled as a juror, Sept. 10, 1686, at Exeter, New Hampshire.
- do., vol. 37, p. 168 The wife of John More died Jan. 26, 1661, at Braintree, Mass.

- James, ye sone of Enoch and Rebeckah More, was baptised Apr. 4, 1681, in the First Church at Charlestown, Mass. N.E. H. and G. Reg., vol. 26, p. 252
- Thomas Moire, baptised May 29, 1694, at Batiscan (Canada).\*
- April 25, 1778, a ship (brig) from White Haven, Captaln More, captured by the Americans. (It would appear as if this brig were a fishing vessel; it was afterwards given freedom). Diary of Dr. Ezra Green, ship surgeon continental "War Ranger." do., vol. 29, p. 21
- John More, 1669, signed a contract with twenty-two others for a new minister, Mr. Emerson of Mendon, Mass. do., vol. 30, p. 399
- William More owned land on the south side of York River, Malne, Aug. 25, 1679. do., vol. 31, p. 184.
- John More paid taxes in Billerica, Mass., 1688. do., vol. 31, p. 305
- Andrew Moir, baker, and James Moir, carpenter and joiner, came from Westminster, England, ship "Mermaid," to Maryland, Feb. 28, 1774. do., vol. 63, p. 27
- From the Port of London, on the ship "Reward," Dec. 25, 1773, Jane Moir, "lady," to visit her friends. (There is a lady of this name who is married, according to London parish registers, in 1781.) do., vol. 62, p. 247

## PASSENGERS ON THE MAYFLOWER

### Arriving at Plymouth, Mass., 1620

Richard More and his brother Jasper More, brought by Elder Brewster, both as servants, in the Mayflower, 1620. Jasper died the first winter from the severity of the season and exposure.

At the division of cattle in 1627, when the name of every man, woman and child is given, Richard was still with Elder Brewster; but by Gov. Bradford's history, p. 451, we are taught that he married, and in 1651 had four or five children alive, as if he had lost one or more. It is vain to regret that the Governor did not mention the names of the children or the mother. Perhaps he removed to one of the newer settlements, for Winsor's "Duxbury" tells that he sold his lands in 1637, and I am convinced, after long search, that he is the Richard More, by Deane in History of Scituate, as the four other passengers of this baptismal name were then all adults.—(From the Genealogical Dictionary of New England, vol. 3, p. 229.)

\*From Dictionaire Genealogique des Francais Canadieno, publ. 1871, vol. 28, p. 159.

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Feb. 17, 1634, from London in sailing vessel "Hopewell," Alexander More, age 24.

- p. 75 Thomas More, 33, sailed from London for the Barbadoes, May 2, 1635.
- p. 260 John More, age 36, arrived in Virginia in the "Bona Nova," in 1620.
- p. 260 Elizabeth More arrived in Virginia in the "Abigail," in 1622.
- p. 120 George More, age 25, arrived in Virginia, in the "Globe," Aug. 7, 1635.
- p. 85 Henry More, age 19, arrived Bermudas in the "Truelove," June 10, 1635.
- p. 136 Henrie More, arrived in Virginia, in the "Constance," Oct. 24, 1635.
- p. 65 Isaac More, age 13, arrived New England, in the "Increase," Apr. 15, 1635.
- p. 257 James More, buried in Virginia, in 1624.
- p. 38 and 39 John More, 28, and John More, 30, arrived at the Barbadoes, Jan. 6, 1634.
- p. 43 John More, 24, (S. Planter), embarked for New England, Mar. 22, 1634.
- p. 62 John More, 41, left London for New England in barque "Suzan and Ellen," Apr. 14, 1635.
- p. 150 Hugh Moir passed from west of England to New England, Apr. 12, 1632.
- p. 468 Peter More buried May 4, 1679, at St. George, Barbadoes.
- p. 93 Richard More, 20, (S. Blessing), for New England from London, June 17, 1635.
- p. 37 Robert More, 19, (S. Bonaventure), Jan. 2, 1634, passed to Virginia from London.
- p. 183 Robert More, "living" in Elizabeth City, Virginia, Feb. 16, 1623.
- p. 250 Robert More (50), in the "Providence," 1622, mustered at Elizabeth City, Va.
- p. 173 Sara More, "living" at Chaplain's Choice, Va., Feb. 16, 1623.
- p. 71 Suzan More (S. Ann and Elizabeth) left London for the Barbadoes.
- p. 102 Thomas More, 18 (S. Transport), from London for Virginia, July 4, 1635.
- p. 132 Thomas More, 18, (S. Dorst), from London for Bermudas, Sept. 30, 1635.
- p. 137 Thomas More, 26, (S. Constance), from London for Virginia, Oct. 24, 1635.
- p. 115 William More, 16 (S. Primrose), from London for Virginia, July 27, 1635.
- p. 189 William More killed at "colledg" with four others, dead Feb. 16, 1623.
- p. 36 Edward Moir, 19 (S. Bonaventure), from London for Virginia, Jan. 2, 1634.
- p. 228 Thomas de la Moir mustered into service, 1624, from Virginia.

- Enoch More, mate of ship "Success," aged 43, in 1685 married Rebecca Converse, Dec. 19, 1675 (died Jan. 3, 1732, age 83), had issue: 1, Enoch, b. 1678; 2, James, b. 1681; 3, Rebecca, b. 1683; 4, Susanna, b. 1684; 5, Ruth, b. 1687; 6 and 7, James and William, b. 1688, both died same year. From Charlestown, Mass., Genealogies and estates, p. 684
- John More of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, married Hannah Sias, Mar. 15, 1720. N. E. H. and G. Reg., vol. 23, p. 179
- Thomas More and Abigail Banfield of Portsmouth, N. H., Dec. 8, 1715. vol. 23, p. 272
- Rebecca, Elizabeth, Francis and Sarai More were baptised at Charlestown, Mass., in 1680.
- John More and Susanna Willard of Lancaster, married Mar. 19, 1724. vol. 17, p. 72
- John More and Dorothy Stickney, married at Bradford, Mass., May 17, 1758. vol. 18, p. 282
- There is an article on the Mores of Ireland, beginning in the fifteenth century, mentioning the O'Sullivan Mores, McCarthy Mores. vol. 19, p. 289
- John More of Braintree, Mass., was given a grant of land in Nipmug, near Boston, Mass. vol. 21, p. 380
- There was a Robert Moir in Major Cutts' company at the Louisburg (Cape Breton) Expedition, in 1745. vol. 22, p. 117
- Samuel More owned land in Portsmouth, N. H., in 1699. vol. 51, p. 44.
- Abigail More, wife of Simon, buried at Long Island, July 21, 1758. vol. 53, p. 175
- Ruth Stanley More, daughter of Deacon Isaac and Ruth More, was born in Norwalk, Conn., Jan. 5, 1657. vol. 53, p. 87
- By the will of John More of Kittery, Maine, probated Apr. 2, 1736, mentions wife Sarah; sons, Robert, Jonadah, John, Edward, Robert 2d, Ebenezer; and daughters Elizabeth, Abigail and Mary. vol. 54, p. 387 (Maine wills, p. 376)
- Hannah More, daughter of Jonathan, bap. May 21, 1710, in Waltham, Mass. vol. 54, p. 223
- William More married Ann Goodwin, Jan. 16, 1723, in Berwick, Me. vol. 55, p. 311
- James Moir of Boston, Mass., a "Scottish Man," married Feb. 6, 1657, Mary Booth, was one of the founders of the Scottish Charitable Society, now famous; he may have been one of the outcasts of the Civil War sold here, that had wealth or heart enough to form a family. Genealogical Dictionary of New England
- John More of Roxbury, Mass., freeman, July 3, 1632, by the church records, he is "old John More of 99 years, 27 days (Oct., 1679)." do.
- Jonathan More of Boston, younger son of William and Ann More, was a temporary resident there, for by the will of his mother, June 16, 1656, shortly before her execution for the preposterous crime of witchcraft, speaks of him and his brothers, John and Joseph, as if all were in England, and in the codicil of June 19, 1656, acknowledged "the more than ordinary affection and pains of this one, in the time of my mistress," as he had arrived to attend to the result of the execrable fanaticism. She was probably the richest person hanged for witchcraft, and the prejudice long slumbered. do.

(There is an additional list of over a hundred names of persons bearing the name of More, who seem to have settled in the United States, principally in New England, previous to 1750.)

N. E. H. & G.  
Register, vol.  
39, p. 380.

Extracts from Governor Hutchinson's (of the Massachusetts Colony) original papers, and may furnish some light in respect to the prisoners sent to the colonies and sold for slaves, no doubt by order of the English government, as a sort of banishment for their rebellion. It is probable that some of them were sent to the Barbadoes, as all their names do not appear in the governor's list.

"The Scots, whom God delivered into your hands at Dunbarre, and whereof sundry were sent hither, we have been desirous (as we could) to make their yoke easy. Such as were sick of disease have not wanted for chirurgery. They have not been sold for slaves for perpetual servitude, but for six, seven, or eight years, as we do our own, and he that bought many of them buildeth houses for them, for every four an house, layeth some acres of ground thereto, which he giveth them as their own, requiring three days a week to work for him, and four days for themselves, and promiseth as soon as they can repay him the money he laid out for them, he will set them at liberty."

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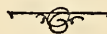
## THE EARLY AMERICAN MORES

BY REV. GEORGE MOOAR

Author of the MOORS-MOOR Genealogy

Early immigrants to Massachusetts of the name of Moor, Moore, Mooers, Moors, Moir and More were not few. Such was Thomas of Salem, 1636; Francis of Cambridge, 1638; John of Sudbury, 1640; Edward of Newbury, 1648; and Abraham of Andover, probably 1680. It has been thought by some that there were relationship with the Scotch-Irish families of this name that came to New Hampshire in 1718.

The spelling in names is, no doubt, a rather precarious ground on which to draw genealogical conclusions. For often, among descendants known to be of the same family origin, there is much variation in writing the name. As the spelling adopted is found in use almost wholly within the line here traced, and is distinctive, the occurrence of the same spelling, in the stories of Mr. Hall Caine, at least piques curiosity. Once, so far away as San Francisco, the compiler found a native of the Western Isles that lie off the coast of Scotland, who signed his name Moar. But the curiosity even of an amateur must put itself within limits, and we have left to others this line of research, which stretches backward beyond the sea that brought our ancestors hither.



# AMERICAN SOLDIERS

## In the Revolutionary War

The following list of soldiers of the Revolutionary War of Independence in America, 1775-1783, are copied from the official records of soldiers and sailors contained in the archives, and are all from one state, the state of Massachusetts. As will be readily seen, many of the persons named are from England, a few of them may have originated in Scotland. Sometimes the same persons' names are spelled in more than one way, according as the recording officer saw fit to record them.

The original record contains a complete list of soldiers and sailors, and describes fully the records of events, how long in the service, with date of same, of each individual, so far as known. The volume was printed in 1903.

Lieut.-Col. More	Private John More
Capt. Abner More	Private John More
First Lieut. Abijah More	Private John More
Private Appolos More	Private John More
Private Asahel More	Private John More
Private Bartholomew More	Sailor John More
Seræant Benjamin More	Private John More
Private Benjamin More	Private Jonathan More
Private Cambridge More	Private Jonathan More
Private Charles More	Private Jonathan More
Private Comfort More	Private Jonathan More
Private Daniel More	Private Jonathan More
Private Daniel More	Second Lieut. Joseph More
Private David More	Sergeant Joseph More
Private Ebenezer More	Private Joseph More
Private Edmund More	Drummer Joshua More
Private Edward More	Captain Joshua More
Private Elias More	Private Josiah More
Private Elijah More	Private Josiah More
Private Elijah More	Private Josiah More
Private Elijah More	Private Josiah More
Private Elkins More	Second Lieut. Josiah More
Private Ezra More	Private Josiah More
Private Frances More	Private King More
Private Gideon More	Private Kirley More
Private Henry More	Private Lawson More
Private Isaac More	Private Luke More
Private James More	Private Mark More
Private James More	Private Moses More
Private James More	Private Nathan More
Private James More	Private Obadiah More
Private John More	Private Perez More
Private John More	Private Reuben More
Private John More	Private Reuben More

Captain Reuben More  
 Private Richard More  
 Private Samuel More  
 Private Samuel More  
 Private Samuel More  
 Private Silas More  
 Private Simon More  
 Private Thomas More  
 Private Thomas More  
 Ensign Thomas More  
 Private Thomas More  
 Private Thomas More  
 Private Thomas More  
 Private Thomas More

Private Timothy More  
 Corporal Timothy More  
 Private Willard More  
 Major Willard More  
 Private William More  
 Corporal William More  
 Private William More  
 Second Lieut. William More  
 Private William More  
 Captain William More  
 Captain William More  
 Private William More  
 Private Zebulon More

There was an Abel Moir and a George Moir soldiers in "King Philip's War" of 1675-1678, in New England. The latter is entered as from Newbury, Mass. (Pages 446 and 450, "Lists of Soldiers in King Philip's War.")

Mr. David F. More, one of the authors of the "More Family History," in a letter referring to the list of ninety-two Mores who are mentioned in the Revolutionary War records of Massachusetts, says:

"Where in the world are decendants of these ninety-two Mores? Some of them, I presume, lost their lives for their country, some probably never married, but it would seem that enough of them must have survived to have had an extensive progeny. I ask, where are their descendants? Well, they are probably scattered all over the northern half of our country. I have been through New England considerably, but I never saw in directories or on signs but a few Mores. Their patriotic and enterprising offspring probably helped to people more western states, and their name—very many of them—may have changed to Moore, and these are numerous all over our country."

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## MOIRS AND MORES, NAMES AND ESTATES

Mentioned in Ancient Charters

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### ROBERT I. TITLES OF CHARTERS

(Reigned 1314-1328)

**Carta** to Ade More, undated and unreadable.

**Carta** to William de Mora, of the lands of Kilmarnock, Bondingtoun, Hertfehaw, and so forth, in vice com. Ayr.

**Carta** to Malcolm, Earl of Lennox, of the half of the lands of Lekkie, nearest Buchaum, in Stirlingshire.

**Carta** to Reginald More, of the lands of Templestoun and Sheills, given to him by Rudolphus Lindsay, dudum magister hospitalis S. John Jerosolomitum.

## DAVID II. TITLES OF CHARTERS

(Reigned 1329-1370)

- Carta** to Robert, Great Stuart of Scotland, of the lands of Kintyre, with the advocacy of the Kirks thereof in fee; and to John Stewart, his son, gotten betwixt him and Elizabeth More, daughter of Adam More, Knight, and failzeing of John, to Walter, his second brother.
- Carta** to Robert Bodefield, by Sir William More, of all his lands in Dumfries, and fourtie acres in Traquair.
- Carta** Con. given by William More of Abercorne, to David Meldrum, of the half of the lands of West Byres, within the barony of Abercorn.
- Carta** Alexandri More, de terris de Kynchubr.
- Carta** confirmationis Davidi de Melgdrum, medietatis terre de Westbins, in baronia de Abercorn, data illi per Willielmum More de Abercorn; apud Melros. 28 Oct. a. r. 34.
- Carta** confirmationis donationis quam. Willielmus More, Miles fecit in perpetuum elemosinand altari Sancte Marie Virginus in ecclesia, parochiali de Edynburgh, terre de Raylstoun in vic de Edynburgh; 18 Septem. a. r. 34.
- Carta** to Willilam More of the Barony of Abercorn, by the resignation of John Graham, in vice com. Edinburgh.
- Carta** of excambion betwixt Alexander Livingstoun of that Ilk, and Ade More, Knight.
- Carta** to Stevin More of the lands of Tullicultrie in vic. de Clackmanan,
- Carta** given by William More of Abercorn to William Touris and Helenor Bruce, Countess of Carrick, of the lands of Dalry, in vic de Edinburgh.
- Carta** to Rannald More, Chamberlin, of the lands of Formarteine, Akintoir, Aboyn, Meikle Morfy, Douny and Caverays, which was Isabel Baliol's, heir to Thomas Baliol.

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There is a missing charter by David II, King of Scotland, to Ranald More, Chamberlain of Scotland, of the lands of Fermartyn, Akintor and Obeyne. (Rob. Index of Charters, p. 17.)

After the Chamberlainship of Ranald More, two of the sisters of King David had the Thanage of Fermartyn.

In the Chamberlain's rolls of accounts for 1342, a payment of £6, 12s. 6d. occurs to Thomas, son of Isaac, until otherwise provided for. (Exchequer Rolls I. p. 510.)

Also in the accounts of Reginald More, Thane of Fermartyn and Chamberlain of Scotland, in 1332, there is a payment of £10 from the prepositi of the Burgh of Fyvie, Aberdeenshire. (Exchequer Rolls I. p. 459.)



## ROBERT II. TITLES OF CHARTERS

(Reigned 1370-1390)

- Charta** to Murthac, son of Malcolm, of the half lands of Leckie, lyand near Buchanan, vic de Stirling, resigned by Malcolm, his father.
- Charta** to said Murthac, son of Malcolm, of two fourth parts of the land called Racheon and Akrenmoneyth in the Lennox, with the office of ferjeandry in the shire of Dumbretane, on the resignation of Malcolm his father.
- Carta** confirming a grant by William More of Abercorne to Adam Forester, Burgess of Edinburgh, of the Mains of Corstorsine, vic de Edinburgh.
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## ROBERT III. TITLES OF CHARTERS

(Reigned 1390-1406)

- Carta** to Gilchrist More, of the lands of Kintumer, in the Barony of Stanehouse, in vice com. Lanerk.
- Carta** to Gilchrist More, of the Barony of Stanehouse, in vice com. Lanerk.
- Carta** to Adam More of Rowallan, and ——— Danielstoun, his spouse, of the lands of Polnekill Grey, Dumblay, Clunche, Clony, Herber, Darlache Balgram, in the Barony of Cuningham, vic Air; the lands of Ayntslare, by resignation of Janet Danielstoun, in vice com. Lanerk.
- Carta** to Adam More of Rowalane, of the lands of Rowalane, in the Barony of Cuninghame and Shire of Ayr, on the resignation of said Adam.



ROBERT, DUKE OF ALBANY, REGENT OF SCOTLAND  
CHARTERS (TITLES ONLY)  
(Regent 1406-1419)

**Carta.** Confirmation of a charter by John de Dolas of Estir Leky, to Murdoch de Leky, of the lands of Estir Leky, in the Shire of Stirling. The original charter is dated at Leky, 10 Feb, 1406-7. Witnesses, Duncan, Earl of Levenax; John Gourlay and Alexander Post, Burgesses of Stirling; Patrick Lindsay; and John Napier, Donimo de Kilmehew. The charter is dated in the first year of the Regency.

**Carta.** Confirmation of a grant by the said John de Dolas to the said Murdoch de Leky, of the foresaid lands of Estir Leky, dated the second year of the Regency.

John Mure was a witness to a charter under the regency of Robert, the Duke of Albany.



# Moir and More Graduates



Of the Universities in Scotland

# MOIR AND MORE GRADUATES

WITH HONOURS AND DEGREES

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## UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW

(Kindly furnished by PROF. GEORGE MILLIGAN of Glasgow University)

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### MOIR

1. MOIR, ALEXANDER ROBERT.  
Born at Lockerbie, 28th July, 1872. Son of Peter Moir, Draper. Graduated M. B., Ch. B. 1900. Address, Craig Dhu, Kelty, Fife.
2. MOIR, GEORGE  
Matriculated in February, 1685.
3. MOIR, HUGH WALKER  
Born at Glasgow, 10th October, 1885. Son of Francis Moir, Grocer. Graduated M. B., Ch. B. 1906. Address, 24 Hayburn Crescent, Partick, Glasgow. Brother of No. 17?
4. MOIR, JAMES  
Matriculated in 1675.
5. MOIR, JAMES  
Born at Welton, near Blairgowrie, 16th January, 1841. Son of Alexander Moir, Farmer. Admitted Notary Public, 1865; Law Agent, 1875; Member of the Faculty of Procurators in Glasgow, 1875. Senior partner of the firm of Moir, Forbes & Guy, Writers in Glasgow, Professor of Conveyancing in Glasgow University since 1889. Received the Honorary Degree of LL.D. from the University of Edinburgh, 1901. Address, 9 University Gardens, Glasgow.
6. MOIR, JAMES  
From Tullibody, Clackmannanshire. Born circa 1852. Son of Peter Moir, Farmer. Graduated M. B., C. M. 1875. Address, Ponsonby Road, Auckland, New Zealand. Brother of No. 18; father of No. 16.
7. MOIR, JAMES CAMPBELL  
Born at Dumbarton, 19th January, 1882. Son of John Moir, Joiner. Graduated M. A. 1903. Address, 7 Latta Street, Dumbarton.
8. MOIR, JAMES M'MURCHY  
Born at Cairneyhill, Fife, 17th October, 1889. Son of No. 13; brother of No. 15. Graduated M. A. 1908. Insurance Clerk, 7 Kelvinside Terrace, West, Glasgow.
9. MOIR, JOHN  
Matriculated in 1790. Born at Falkirk. Second son of John Moir, Joiner.

10. **MOIR, JOHN**  
Matriculated in 1810. Eldest son of John Moir, Artificer, Paisley. Died while a Theological Student of the Secession Church.
11. **MOIR, JOHN**  
Matriculated in 1815. Eldest son of John Moir, Artificer, Alva.
12. **MOIR, JOHN**  
Matriculated in 1831. Eldest son of David Moir, Merchant in Perth.
13. **MOIR, JOHN**  
Born at Glasgow circa 1848. Son of John Moir, Spirit Merchant. Graduated M. A. 1870, B. D. 1874. U. P Minister at Cairneyhill, Fife, 1876-95. Died there 4th July, 1895. Father of Nos. 8 and 15. It is a curious coincidence that a John More (see No. 23) should have been Minister of the same congregation.
14. **MOIR, JOHN**  
Born in Strathblane Parish, 3rd August, 1853. Son of John Moir, Farmer. Graduated M. B. 30th April, 1877. Died at Wester Ledriegreen, Strathblane, 17th July of the same year.
15. **MOIR, MARGARET BARR**  
Born at Cairneyhill, Fife, 7th July, 1883. Daughter of No. 13; sister of No. 8. Graduated M. A. 1907, B. Sc. 1909. Address, 7 Kelvinside Terrace, West, Glasgow.
16. **MOIR, PETER**  
Born at Glasgow, 1st January, 1877, Son of No. 6; nephew of No. 18. Graduated M. B., Ch. B. 1900. Address, Ponsonby Road, Auckland, New Zealand.
17. **MOIR, ROBERT WALKER**  
Born at Airdrie, 29th May, 1868. Son of Francis Moir, Merchant. Graduated M. B., C. M. 1891. Address, Aberchirder, Banffshire. Brother of No. 3?
18. **MOIR, THOMAS**  
Registrar and Assistant Clerk of Senate of the University of Glasgow, 1863-86. Died at Davieland, Thornliebank, near Glasgow, 10th April, 1886, aged 49. Brother of No. 6; uncle of No. 16.
19. **MOIR, WILLIAM BROWN**  
Born at Maybole, Ayrshire, circa 1857. Son of Rev. James Moir. Graduated M. B., C. M. 1879, M. D. 1881. Address, 53 Bothwell Street, Glasgow.

## MORE

20. **MORE, GAVIN**  
Matriculated in 1731. Son of John More of Cairnhill, Monkland Parish, Lanarkshire.
21. **MORE, JAMES**  
Matriculated in 1771. Eldest son of John More, Glasgow.
22. **MORE, JAMES WILLIAM**  
Born at Dunoon, 16th February, 1882. Son of George More, Teacher, deceased. Graduated M. A. 1903. Licentiate of the United Free Church. Address, Heathcote, Dunoon.

## 23. MORE, JOHN

Matriculated in 1805. Eldest son of William More, Farmer in Drymen Parish, Stirlingshire. Secession and U. P. Minister at Cairneyhill, Fife, 1814-68. Died there, 2d January, 1868, aged 79. Father of No. 24. It is a curious coincidence that a John Moir (see No. 13) should have been Minister of the same Congregation.

## 24. MORE, JOHN

Matriculated in 1844. Third son of No. 23. U. P. Minister at Alloa, 1853-60. Died at Algiers, 10th November, 1860, aged 30.

## 25. MORE, MARGARET BATTISON

Born in Glasgow, 16th July, 1884. Daughter of William More, Iron Founders' Assistant. Graduated M. A. 1906. Teacher, 9 West Princes Street, Glasgow.

## 26. MORE, RICHARD

Born at Johnstone, Renfrewshire, circa 1848. Son of Alexander More, Clothier. Graduated M. B., C. M. 1882. Address, West Kilbride, Ayrshire.

N. B.—The foregoing list of Moirs and Mores is complete, so far as Graduates of this University are concerned. It does not include all Non-graduate Students, as there are no properly arranged and readily accessible notes regarding them, especially for the period after 1842.

W. INNES ADDISON, Registrar.

University of Glasgow, 13th December, 1911.

## UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN

## MOIR, MOORE, MUIR AND MURE GRADUATES

(Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE of Aberdeen)

The following list of Moir, Moor and Mure are extracted from the Roll of Alumni in Arts of the University of King's College of Aberdeen — 1596-1860 — edited by Peter John Anderson, M. A., LL. B., Librarian to the University of Aberdeen.

1677. Alexander Moor, Aberdonensis, A. M. Litt. 1687.  
 1731-35. Alexander Moir, Aberdonensis, 1st, Bursar, A. M.  
 1735-39. Alexander Moir, major, Aberdonensis.  
 1735-39. Alexander Moir, minor, Banfiensensis, A. M., M. D., 1763,  
 1813-17. Alexander Moir, Angusianus, bajan, semi.  
 1837-41. Alexander Forbes Moir, Strathdon, Aberdeenshire, Bajan  
 semi, tertian, magistrand.  
 1679-83. Gulielmus Moir, Aberdonensis, A. M.  
 1679-83. Andrea Moore, Buchanensis, accessit, 1682, A. M.  
 1720-24. Andrea Moir, Buchansensis, bursar, tertian, magistrand.  
 1749-53. Andrea Moir, Perthensis, accessit 1750, bursar, tertian.

- 1822-26 Andrea Moir, Aberdonensis, bajan, semi, tertian, magistrand, Hutton prize; M. D. 1840; lecturer on anatomy, 1839 to 1844.
- 1730-34. Georgius Moir, Aberdonensis, accessit 1731, A. M.
- 1828-32. Georgius Moir, Aberdonensis, bajan, semi.
- 1647-51. Jacobus Mure, Aberdonensis (bajan Mearischall College), accessit, 1649, A. M. (Morus).
- 1697-1701. Jacobus Moor.
- 1715-19. Jacobus Moir, A. M.
- 1727-31. Jacobus Moir, Banfensis, bajan, semi, tertian, magistrand.
- 1845-49. Jacobus Moir (St. Nicholas Parish of Town of Aberdeen), A. M.
- 1805-09. Joannes Moir, Aberdonensis, A. M.
- 1828-32. Georgius Moir, Aberdonensis, bajan, semi.
- 1844-48. John Moir, Fintray, Aberdonensis, bajan, semi, tertian, magistrand, A. M. Marischall College.
- 1809-1813. Robertus Moir, Rossiensis (bajan, semi, Marischall College), accessit 1811. A. M.
- 1679-83. Guliemus Moir, Angusiensis, semi.
- 1723-27. Guliemus Moir, Aberdonensis, A. M.
- 1849-53. Guliemus Moir, Chapel of Larioch, A. M., M. B. 1859.
- 1823-27. Alexander Muir, Angusensis, bajan.
- 1826-30. Georgius Muir, Aberdonensis, bajan, semi, tertian.
- 1849-53. Robert Muir, Ayr, A. M.

## MOIRS AND MORES IN EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY

WITH HONORS AND DEGREES  
THE NAME OF "MOIR"

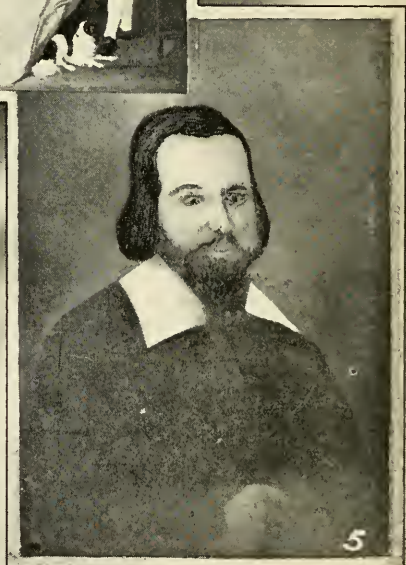
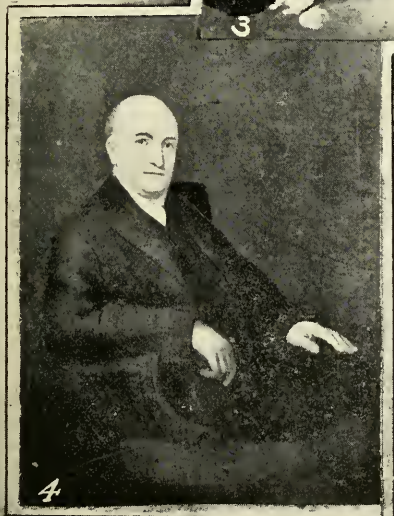
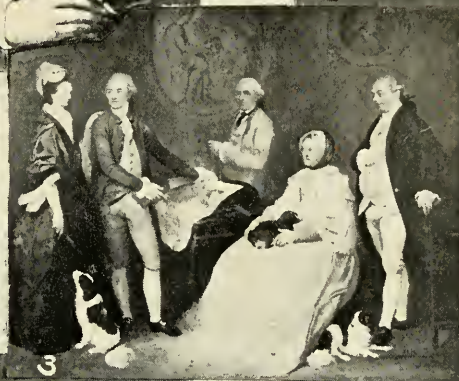
Name	Graduated in the year	Qualification
Robert Moir .....	1658	M. A.
John Innes Allan Moir .....	1828	M. D.
William Moir .....	1834	M. D.
Robert Moir .....	1853	M. D.
Robert Moir .....	1859	M. D.
David Moir .....	1865	M. A.
John Wilson Moir .....	{ 1866 1868	M. B., C. M. & in M. D.
Byres Moir .....	{ 1876 1891	M. B., C. M. & in M. D.
David Macbeth Moir .....	{ 1885 1899	M. B., C. M. & in M. D.
Henry Liddell Moir .....	1887	M. A.
James Moir .....	1857	M. D.

NOTE.—M. A., stands for Master of Arts.

M. D., stands for Doctor of Medicine.

M. B., C. M., stands for Bachelor of Medicine and Master in Surgery.

M. B., Ch. B., stands for Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery.



JAMES MOIR II., of Stoneywood, 15 years M. P. for Aberdeenshire. (Scougal, Painter)  
 PATRICK MOIR, Secretary to Lord Minto, Died 1810. (Henry Raeburn, Painter)  
 JANET (MOIR) BYRES, PATRICK BYRES, ISABELLA BYRES, JAMES BYRES, WILLIAM MOIR  
 REV. GEORGE MOIR, D. D., 55 years Minister at Peterhead (Painted by John Moir, his Son)  
 WILLIAM MOIR, Sixth Principal of Aberdeen University, 1649-1661  
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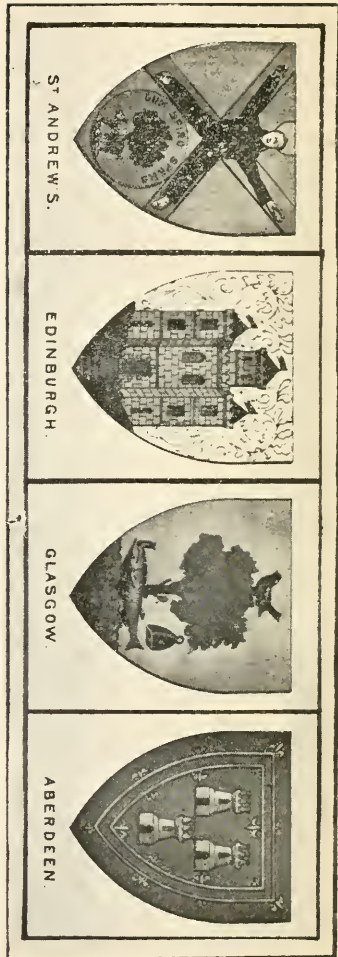
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## THE NAME OF "MORE"

Name	Graduated in the year	Qualification
Launcelot Paxton More.....	1891	M. B., C. M.
Paxton St. Clair More.....	1891	M. B., C. M.
Francis Watson More.....	{ 1897 1905	M. B., Ch. B. & in M. D.
John William More.....	1900	M. A.
Hugh James More.....	{ 1901 1906 1910	M. A. & in. M. B., Ch. B. & in M. D.

## MOIRS IN ST. ANDREW'S UNIVERSITY

Graduates since 1747 of the surname of MOIR

David Moir.....	Entered	1835
David Moir.....	Entered	1865
David Macbeth Moir*.....	Entered	1877 and died in India
George Moir.....	Entered	1850
Henry Paterson Moir.....	Entered	1880
James R. Moir.....	Entered	1868
John Moir.....	Entered	1883
Patrick Moir.....	Entered	1783
William S. Moir.....	Entered	1883
William Young Moir.....	Entered	1847

(More does not occur)

\*This is a grandson of "Delta, the Scottish Poet."

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# MOIRS

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(From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES")

(We hope these registers will be useful in assisting families descended from Moirs in tracing their pedigree. Throughout all of these registers, the original spelling is used. Sometimes the same word may be spelled differently.)

## From Registers of St. Nicholas, Aberdeen, 1570-1700

1570. Feb. 4. JAMES KAY and MARGARET MOIR married.
1571. Feb. 17. EYEGANE ALEXANDER and JANETT MOIR married.
1575. Aug. 14. ROBERT BOYD and JANETT MOIR married.  
1 Archibald, 14 Aug., 1575.
1574. June 20. WALTER MOIR and CHRICHTON PATERSON married.
1575. Dec. 4. RICHARD MOIR and NANS FRESAR have a daughter Nans baptised.
1578. March 3. JOHN GROITT and MARGARET MOIR married.
1587. July 25. JOHN MOIR and MARGARET PAIP married.
1579. Nov. 8. WILLIAM CARMYSHELL and MARGARET MOIR have Alexander baptised.
1581. Jan. 11. THOMAS COWPER and KATHRIN MOIR have a dau. baptised.
1583. Sept. 15. WILLIAM MOIR and CHRISTIAN MORESON have baptised Alexander.
1607. Dec. 27. PATRICK FERGUSON and KATHERINE MOIR married.
1588. May 17. ALEXANDER MOIR and ELSPET CHEIN have Patrick baptised.  
PATRICK or PETER MOIR and ELPET ARMAND have:  
1, Margaret, 24 Nov., 1632; 2, Alexander, 8 Jan., 1635; 3, John, 7 Apr., 1637; 4, William, 18 July, 1641; Thomas Boyes, etc.; 5, a son (blank), 17th July, 1644.
1604. Feb. 21. WALTER MOIR, a dau. baptised, name blank.
1609. Feb. 7. ALEXANDER MOIR and AGNES WILSON married.
1612. April 21. JOHN MOIR and MARGARET ANDERSON married.
- ARTHOR MOIR and CHRISTIAN WRICHT:  
1, Elspet, 18 Sept., 1608, Alexander Moir, etc.; 2, Nicoll, 4 Apr., 1613; 3, George, 6 Aug., 1615.
1607. July 5. ALEXANDER MOIR and MARIORIE MARNO married. 1, Thomas, 15 Mar., 1610; 2, a son, 11 Aug., 1611; 3, Thomas, 16 July, 1613; 4, a son, 23 Feb., 1616.
1613. November. PETER MOIR and ELSPET CROSER married. 1, Peter, 30 Sept., 1616; 2, Agnes, 26 Dec., 1618; 3, Mariorie, 1 Dec., 1628; 4, Janet, twin with last, Mr. Jas. Moir, etc.; 5, Elspet, 1 April, 1630; 6, Christian, 23 Oct., 1632; 7, Margaret, twin with last.
1618. GEORGE ANGUS and KATHERINE MOIR married.

1620. Sept. 11. ANDREW GRAY and MARGARET MOIR had **Margaret**.
1622. Feb. 21. ALEXANDER STEINSON and MARGARET MOIR had a daughter.  
WILLIAM MOIR and ISSOBELL MEASSONE:  
1, **Samuel**, 15 July, 1624; 2 **Alexander**, 24 March, 1629;  
3, **Patrick**, 7 Sept., 1631; 4, **Issobell**, 28 Nov., 1635; 5, **James**,  
14 Mar., 1639.  
WILLIAM MOIR and ELSPET MEASSONE had **Susanna**,  
3, Nov., 1637.
1628. MR. WILLIAM MOIR and JEAN FORBES m. 10 Aug., de- Kennedy's  
signed 1639, etc., baillie (was elected to the Town Council Annals, p. 223  
of Aberdeen 1595-6, or at least a Mr. William Moir was).  
Principal of Marischall College, and his widow **Jean Forbes**  
is alive and polled in 1696. 1, **Agnes**, 27 May, 1629; 2, **Jean**,  
29 June, 1630; 3, **Andrew**, 2 Sept., 1631; 4, **John**, 16 Nov. Poll-book, vol.  
1632; 5, **Jean**, 17 June, 1634; 6, **Patrick**, 10 Mar., 1638; II, p. 624  
7, **Issobel**, 3 Dec., 1639; 8, **Elizabeth**, 13 Oct., 1648; **John**  
**More**, a godfather.
1629. May 9. JO. GRAY and MARGARET MOIR had **William**.
1629. June 14. JOHN ROBERTSON and MARGARET MOIR mar-  
ried.
1630. Jan. 3. JOHN KNOWLLY and MARGARET MOIR had  
**Janct**. (A family named Knowles owned the property of  
Logierieve, in Parish of Udney, in the end of the 16th cen-  
tury.)
1633. JOHN MOIR and CHRISTIAN KINNAIRD married.  
ROBERT GRAY and AGNES MOIR:  
1, **Robert**, 23 July, 1630; 2, **Agnes**, 1 Nov., 1631; 3, **Mar-**  
**arct**. 30 Mar., 1633; 4, **Jean**, 30 Apr., 1635.
1633. 3d Jan. THOMAS MOIR and JEAN LAMB married 3d. Jan.  
1, **Walter**, 14 Nov., 1633, Mr. Walter Moir a godfather;  
2, **Patrick**, 30 April, 1635; 3, **Elspet**, 8 Feb., 1638; 4, **John**,  
21 Oct., 1640; 5, **Jean**, 6 Apr., 1643.
1634. 2d Dec. MR. JOHN MOIR and MARIONE EDIE married.  
(She had probably been an Aedie of Newark.)
1636. June 11. MR. WILLIAM MOIR and ELSPET FORBES had  
**Alexander**.
1639. Aug. 11. GILBERT MOIR and MARGARET FERGUSON  
had **Jean**.
1638. June 19. ROBERT CRUIKSHANK and MARGARET MOIR  
married.
1645. April 11. UMQUHILL GILBERT MOIR and JANET CLARK  
had **I Hector** bap.
1637. Nov. 21. GEORGE MOIR and ISSOBELL RICKART married:  
1, **Christina**, 1 Sept., 1639; **Patrick Moir**, a godfather; 2,  
**William**, 1st April, 1641; **Mr. Wm. Moir**, etc.; 3, **Agnes**, 18  
Jan., 1652, **John More**, etc., godfathers.
1640. Nov. 30. GEORGE DEWGETH (DUGUID) and GRISELL  
MOIR had **John**.
1641. Dec. 21. ANDREW MOIR and ANNAS LUMSDEN married.  
ADAM MOIR and CHRISTIAN FORBES.  
1, **William**, 8 Apr., 1642, **Wm. Moir**, **Bailzie**, and **Patrick**

Moir, godfathers; 2, **John**, 26 Apr., 1649; 3, **Margaret**, 1st July, 1651, Robert Moir, etc.

ANDREW MORE and BARBARA BOYES:

1 **Elspet**, 29 Oct., 1654, Alexander More, etc.; 2, **George**, 11 Sept., 1656, George Boyes, etc.

1641. July 27. **JAMES ROB** and **JANET MOIR** married. 1, **James**, 24 April, 1642.

1643. Feb. 9. **JAMES MOIR** and **CHRISTIAN SELBIE** married.

1644. June 18. **JOHN MOIR** and **AGNES SPINOLA** married.

1647. Feb. 9. **JOHN MOIR** and **MARGARET PURB** married. **JOHN MORE** and **ISSOBELL FINDLAY**. 1, **John**, 31 Oct., 1648.

**ROBERT MORE** and **MARGARET PRESSIE (PRESLEY)**. 1, **Janet**. John More a godfather.

1648. Nov. 21. **JOHN MORE** and **JANET JOHNSTOUNE** married. 1, **Alexander**, 24 Sept., 1649, Alexander More, a godfather.

**PATRICK GELLIE** of Balgerso and **MARGARET MORE**:

1, **William**, 24 Sept., 1648, Wm. More, elder, and Jr., etc., godfathers; 2, **Alexander**, 11 Aug., 1650, Alexander Jaffrey, Provost, John Jaffrey, Baillie; 3, **Robert**, 18th May, 1652; 4, **Paull**, 15 Jan., 1654; 5, **James**, 8 Nov., 1655; 6, **Issobell**, 12 Oct., 1660.

(The Gellies, who were considerable merchants at Aberdeen, owned, for some generations, the estate of Blackford, in Aberdeenshire, and seemed to have several times intermarried with the Moirs and Byres families. Alexander Gellie (appears with his wife and family as alive 1695-6) of Blackford, 1672-8, bears argent an ark in the waters proper, surmounted of a dove azure, bearing in her beak an olive branch vert. 1670, Apr. 15, Patrick Gellie (appears in same record, designed "late baillie"). heir of Patrick Gellie, merchant burges of Aberdeen, his father, in the lands of Balgerso, Parish of Foveran.)

**ALEXANDER MORE**, Baxter, and **JANET RUNSIEMAN**.

1, **Bessie**, 25 Apr., 1650; 2, **Janet**, 13 Oct., 1653, Patrick More, Baillie, etc.; 3, **Alexander**, 24 April, 1656.

1652. **MR. JOHN CAMPBELL** married **JEAN MOIR**, dau. of **Mr. Wm. Moir**, Principal, and **Jean Forbes**, 14 June:

1, **William**, 20 Mar., 1654, Mr. Wm. Moir, Principal, Patrick Moir, Baillie; 2, **Elizabeth**, 20 May, 1658, Wm. Moir, Principal and Wm. Moir, godfathers; 3, **James**, 30 Dec., 1659; 4, **John**, 12 June, 1662; 5, **Robert**, 28 June, 1663; 6, **Janet**, 19 Aug., 1665; 7, **Patrick**, 14 Jan., 1667; 8, **Margaret**, 16 Mar., 1668; 9, **George**, 16 Aug., 1669; 10, **Margaret**, 21 Sept., 1670; 11, **Anna**, 11 July, 1674.

1654. Oct. 1. **WILLIAM SMITH** and **EDRINE MORE**, in Oldtown Parish, dau. **Janet**.

1654. Dec. 31. **GILBERT DAVIDSON** and **MARGT. MORE** have **Matthew** bap., Dr. Wm. More, etc., godfathers.

1655. Mar. 27. **JOHN MORE** and **AGNES MORE**, Oldtown. **Barbara**, baptised.

1655. **ALEXANDER BURNETT**, designed "Polls," and **AGNES MOIR** m. June 26:

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Poll-book, vol. II, p. 626

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1, **Margaret**, 20 Aug., 1657, Alexander Burnett, late Baillie, Patrick Moir, etc., godfathers; 2, **Thomas**, 16 Jan., 1659; 3, **Gells**, 19 Feb., 1661, Robt. Burnett of Colpnay, etc.; 4, **Agnes**, 15 March, 1663, John Jaffrey, late Provost, etc.; 5, **Alexander**, 2 Feb., 1665; 6, **Marjorie**, 14 Aug., 1669; 7, **Robert**, 7 Mar., 1672; 8, **John**, 24 Apr., 1673; 9, **John**, 15. Aug., 1674; 10, **David**, 14 Mar., 1676; 11, **George**, 21 Aug., 1677, George Skene of Fintray, Provost, Mr. Geo. Peacock, etc., godfathers; 12, **Andrew**, 8 Jan., 1679, Wm. Cuming of Auchry, etc., godfathers; 13, **Patrick**, 7 Nov., 1680, Patrick Moire and Patrick Gellie, etc.

(These Burnetts were cadets of the Leys family, and Alexander Burnett, b. 1665, was first of the Burnetts of Kirkhill, now represented by the Bannermans of Elsieck.)

**1657.** **WILLIAM MOIR** and **ISSOBELL GILLANDERS**, married June 15.

**JOHN BRANNES** (Brands) and **JANET MOIR**:

1, **Agnes**, 29 Mar., 1655, Robt. and Geo. More, godfathers; 2, **Margaret**, 22 Dec., 1658, John Moir, etc.; 3, **Johne**, 12 June, 1662.

**THOMAS MITCHELL** and **MARJORIE MOIR**:

1, **Marjorie**, 12 July, 1665, Mr. Wm. Moir Principal, Dr. Wm. Moir and John More, godfathers; 2, **Alexander**, 28 Oct., 1656; 3, **Janet**, 24 Dec., 1657; 4, **Thomas**, 16 Jan., 1659; 5, **John**, 15 July, 1662; 6, **Andrew**, 20 Sept., 1663; 7, **William**, 13 Sept., 1664.

(Thomas Mitchell, a baillie in Aberdeen, whose son Thomas, b. 1659, was sometime Provost of Aberdeen, and first of the Mitchells of Thanistone.)

**1655.** Nov. 6. **PATRICK MOIR** and **ISSOBELL KEINE**, Oldtown, dau. Christian bap.

**JOHN MOIR** and **MARGARET CRUIKSHANK** (perhaps a dau. of Robert Cruikshank of Banchory, Provost of Aberdeen, 1693-8):

1, **George**, 5 Dec., 1661; 2, **Jean**, 9 Dec., 1662; 3, **Margaret**, 1st Jan., 1665; 4, **John**, 8 Nov., 1666; 5, **Alexander**, 12 May, 1668; 6, **Margt.**, 16 Feb., 1671; 7, **James**, 11 June, 1673; 8, **William**.

**1663.** **GEORGE MOIRSONE**, Litster, and **MARIONE MOIR**, married August 4:

1, **George**, 12 May, 1663; 2, **Robert**, 28 April, 1665; 3, **John**, 27 Aug., 1667.

**1663.** June 16. **JAMES BROWN** and **JEAN MOIR**, married.

**GEORGE MOIR** and **MARGARET SMELLIE** married 14 July, 1663:

1, **James**, 5 July, 1676, James Moir, in Ferriehill, Jas. Carnegie, etc.; 2, **Issobell**, 17 May, 1664.

**1664.** May 31. **JOHN MOIR** and **JANET BARNET**, married.

**1668.** April 16. **WALTER STEWART**, Merchant, Banff (Provost 1692-95) and **JANET MOIR** married.

**JOHN MOIR** and **BESSIE COLLISON** married 4 July, 1667.

1, **Margaret**, 26 Oct., 1668; 2, **John**, 3 Nov., 1670, **John Moir** of Stainie wood, John Moire of Barnes, John Moir, son of



- Baillie Patrick Moir, etc., godfathers; 3, **Alexander**, 21 Sept., 1672; 4, **William**, 15 Nov., 1673; 5, **Jean**, 9 Mar., 1675; 6, **George**, 17 Mar. 1677; 7, **Thomas**, 27 Oct., 1678.
- 1669.** ROBERT MOIR Litster and MARIE PATON married Apr. 22.
- 1668.** Dec. 12. JAMES SCHAND, Cordiner, and JEAN MOIR
- 1668.** Dec. 12. JAMES SCHAND, Cordiner, and JEAN MOIR married.  
1, **Jean**, 8 Jan., 1670; 2, **James**, 8 April, 1672; 3, **Thomas**, 30 April, 1673; 4, **Robert**, 5 Apr., 1674; 5, **Janet**, 23 April, 1676; 6, **Elizabeth**, 8 Dec., 1678.
- 1659.** June 2. ANDREW MOIR and JEAN MACKIE married:  
1, **Marjorie**, 16 Mar., 1660, **Alexander Moir**, elder and jr., godfathers; 2, **Wm.**, 29, June, 1667, Dr. Wm. Moir, Wm. Brannes, etc., godfathers; 3, **Elizabeth**, 8 Dec., 1678.
- 1670.** July 30. ANDREW MOIR and HELLENE KER married:  
1, **Alexr.**, 8 Sept., 1671, Alexander Alexander, Baillie, Alexander Burnett "Buchans," etc.; 2, **Anna**, 3 Sept., 1672, Wm. Ker, Jr., etc.
- 1671.** April 27, ALEXANDER HARDIE and BESSIE MOIR, married:  
1, **John**, 2 Sept., 1672, John Moir of Wattertoun, John Anderson, etc.; 2, **Jean**, 25 Dec., 1673; 3, **James**, 10 Oct., 1675; 4, **Jean**, 1 Dec., 1677.
- 1674.** Aug. 13. ROBERT WEIR and ISSOBELL MOIR married.  
1, **John**, 1 Aug., 1675; 2, **Issobell**, 4 Mar., 1677, Dr. Wm. Moir, Patrick Moir, etc.; 3, **Patrick**, 10 Nov., 1678, Patrick Moire, Baillie, Patk. Sibbald, Patk. Sandilands, Patk. Gellie, godfathers; 4, **Margaret**, 23 Nov., 1679, David Aedie, Baillie, etc.; 5, **Robert**, 20 Mar., 1681, Robert Patrie of Portlethan, etc.; 6, **Anna**, 26 Sept., 1689; 7, **Wm.**, 4 Aug., 1682; 8, **Walter**, 26 Aug., 1683, Walter Stewart, Provost of Banff, etc.; 9, **Jean**, 1 Jan., 1688, John Moire, Baillie, etc.; 10, **Wm.**, 5th May, 1689, Dr. Wm. Moir, Wm. Souper, Wm. Black, etc.
- 1679.** DONALD RIACH, weaver, and CHRISTIAN MOIR, m. 18 Dec. 1, **Issobell**, 19 Dec., 1680; 2, **Christian**, 18 Dec., 1681; 3, **Janet**, 22 June, 1684; 4, **Margaret**, 20 Sept., 1685; 5, **Christian**, 10 Apr., 1692, Alex. Strachan of Clerkseat, etc.; 6, **Patrick**, 17 Mar., 1695, Patrick Gelly, etc.
- 1680.** June 20. WILLIAM MOIR and JEAN CLERK married.
- 1680.** ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL and JEAN MOIR married 23 Nov. 1, **Issobell**, 29 Jan. 1682, Patk. Moir, Baillie, Dr. Wm. Moir, etc.
- 1681.** Aug. 30. ROBERT MOIR and ELSPET MOIR married.  
JOHN MOIR, merchant-burgess of Aberdeen, designed 1684, "late treasurer," 1687 Baillie, deceased 1699, married JEAN CAMPBELL, 29 April, 1683.  
1, **Patk.**, 23 Dec., 1683, Mr. Patk. Sandilands of Cotton, Dr. Patk. Chalmers, etc.; 2, **John**, 7 Dec., 1684, John Leslie of Colpnay, John Souper, etc.; 3, **Jean**, 4 Apr., 1686, Wm. More, Geo. Leslie, Provost, Gilbert Black, Baillie, etc.; 4, **Wm.**, 8 Nov., 1687, Dr. Wm. More, Wm. Souper; 5, **Issobell**, 10 Oct., 1688, Sir Thomas Burnet, etc.; 6, **Elspet**, 25 June, 1690, Andrew Fraser, Sheriff-Depute, etc.; 7, **Margaret**, 2

Sept., 1691; 8, **John**, 13 Nov., 1692, Mr. John Campell, jr., writer to the ma. signet, John Johnston of Newplace, etc.; 9, **Gilbert**, 15 Dec., 1603, Gilbert Moir, eldest lawful son to the late Wm. Moir, Dr. in Physick; 10, **Patrick**, 12 Oct., 1695, Mr. Patk. Chalmers, Dr. in Medicine, etc.; 11, **James**, 24 Mar., 1698, Mr. James Moir, regent; 12, **Issobell** (posthumous child), 22 Dec., 1699, Thos. Mitchell, Lord Provost, presenter of child in place of deceased father.

**1684.** Dec. 18. **JOHN BLACK**, smyth, and **JANET MOIR** married.

**1683.** **WILLIAM MOIR**, messenger, and **CHRISTIAN RAY**, married 14 June.

1, **Katherine**, 29 June, 1684, John Moir, theasurer, John Moir, merchand, Geo. Keith, etc., godfather; 2, **John**, 2 May, 1686, John More, theasurer, John More in Gellen or Ellon, Mr. John Moir, Stainiewood's brother, John More, merchand, John More, student, etc.

**1683.** Oct. 16. **GEORGE MOIR**, miller, and **CHRISTIAN CRAIG-HEID**, married.

**1698.** May 30. **ALEXANDER MOIR** and **JEAN BURNETT** married.

Alexander Moir, younger, and Janet Currie

1, **Andrew**, 23 April, 1657; 2, **Janet**, 13 May, 1658; 3, **Elspet**, 12 May, 1660; 4, **Alexander**, 29 June, 1662; 5, **Margaret**, 23 July 1663; 6, **John**, 11 Mar., 1666, John Moir of Barnes and John Moir, Jr., godfathers; 7, **Agnes**, 26 Nov., 1668; 8, **Issobel**, 6 Oct., 1672; 9, **Alexander**, 19 Oct., 1673; 10, **James**, 7 Feb., 1675; 11, **Margaret**, 2 July, 1676; 12, **Issobell**, 24, Feb., 1678, Alexr. Burnett "Buchans," Patk. Strinach, etc., godfathers.

**WILLIAM MOIR** and **MARGARET BURNETT**. 1, **Andrew**, 9 June, 1657.

**ANDREW MOIR** and **JANET CURRIE**. 1, **Marjorie**, 10 June, 1670.

**JOHN MORE** and **MARGARET PATERSON**. 1, **Janet**, 26 Oct., 1660, Alex., Robt. and John More, godfathers; 2, **Margaret**, 15 Feb., 1663; 3, **John**, 3 Sept., 1665; 4, **Robert**, 2 Jan., 1668, Patk. Moire late Bailie, John Moire of Barnes, and John Moire, Jr.

**ALEXANDER MOIR** or **MURE** and **ELSPET COOK**. 1, **Bessie**, 13 Jan., 1661; 2, **Issobell**, 31, July, 1662; 3, **Barbara**, 2 Dec., 1664, John Souper, etc.; 4, **Margaret**, 3 Feb., 1667; 5, **Matthew**, 23 April, 1669.

**JAMES BROWN** and **JEAN MOIR**. 1, **Bessie**, 6 Feb., 1666; 2 **John**, 25 Sept., 1668.

**ALEXANDER MOIR** and **JANET** or **JEAN GELLIE**. 1, **Jean**, 2 June, 1691, Patk. Gellie, etc.; 2, **Thomas**, 19 April 1684.

**JOHN MOIRE** and **AGNES MOIRE**. 1, **Jean**, 22 Nov., 1673.

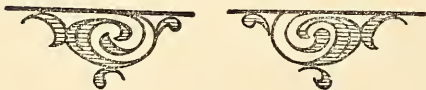
**JOHN MURRAY** and **ISSOBELL MOIRE**. 1, **Jean**, 19 Apr., 1674, James Moire, Alexander Alexander, etc.; 2, **Alexander**, 20 Oct., 1676, Alexr. Moire, etc.

**PATRICK MOIR** and **JANET TORTREE**. 1, **James**, 27 Ap., 1674.

- GEORGE MOIR and JANET JAFFREY. 1, Issobell, 3 Sept., 1676, John Moire; 2, Issobel, 3 Sept., 1676, Patrick Moire, late Baillie, etc.; 3, John, 4 May, 1678; 4, Robert, 14 Mar., 1680; 5, George, 23 April, 1681.
- PATRICK WALKER and ISSOBELL MOIR. 1, Alexander, 16 Feb., 1675; 2, George, 23 Dec., 1679.
- ADAM SMITH and ELSPET MOIR. 1, Patk., 16 May, 1675, Patk. Moire, Patk. Gellie, etc.
- ANDREW YOUNG and JANET MOIR. 1, William, 10 Mar., 1676; 2, Christian, 3 Aug., 1678; 3, George, 9 Feb., 1680; 4, Nathaniell, 7 Feb., 1682.
- WILLIAM MOIR, merchant, and MARIORIE, dau. of late James WALKER, merchant, married. 1, James, 30 Mar., 1686.
- WILLIAM MOIR, elder, merchant, and MARGARET, dau. of Gilbert BLACK, late Baillie, married 16 June, 1705.
- JOHN MOIR, merchant, and MARGARET MOIR, dau. of the late Baillie John Moir, married 14 Feb., 1717.
- GEORGE SIMSON, merchant, and JEAN, dau. of Gilbert MOIR, Cooper, m. 21 Mar., 1719.
- ALEXANDER MOIR and JEAN SELBIE. 1, Wm., 28 April, 1678; 2, Jean, 21 Aug., 1681, Thos. Mitchell, lister, John Moire, etc.
- GEORGE LARGG and MARGARET MOIR. 1, Margaret, 8 Mar., 1679, George Moire, a godfather.
- JAMES SMITH and BESSIE MOIRE. 1, Elspet, 20 July 1679, John Moire, surgeon, etc.; 2, Christian, 25 Oct., 1681; 3, Agnes, 6 Oct., 1682; 4, George, 7 Oct., 1683; 5, Margaret, 27 Feb., 1686.
- JAMES ROBERTSON and MARY MOIRE. 1, Janet, 9 May, 1680, Thos. Mitchell, late Baillie, Walter Robertson, etc.; 2, Margaret, 15 Sept., 1683, Mr. Geo. Seaton, etc.; 3, Issobell, 26 Nov., 1685.
- WILLIAM MOIR and JANET BEIDIE. 1, Jean, 30 Sept., 1681, John Moire, Dr. Jas. Leslie, Alexander King, and John Anderson; 2, Christian, 13 Mar., 1687, John More, merchant, etc.
- JOHN THOMPSON and MARIORE MORES had: 1, Thomas, 6 Nov., 1681.
- WILLIAM WELCH and ISSOBELL MOIR had: 1, James, 19 Feb., 1684.
- ALEXANDER ABERDEEN and MARGARET MOIR. (This A. Aberdeen was dead in 1696, when his widow was polled with children, John and Issobell. He was probably progenitor of the Aberdeens of Cairnbulg.) 1, Issobell, 2 Aug., 1685, Sir. Geo. Skene of Fintray, John Moir Treasurer, John Ross, etc.; 2, a dau., 15 Sept., 1688, John Moir, present Baillie, and Robert Weir, merchant.
1687. Aug. 21. Mr. THOMAS JAFFRAY of Dilspro and ISSOBELL MOIR married. (This Jaffrey was a great Quaker family, long connected with the town, and owned for several generations the estate of Kingswells.) 1, Marie, 21 Aug., 1687, Sir George Skene of Fintray, John More, Baillie, Dr. Wm.

- Moir and Gilbert Black, late Baillie; 2, **John**, 10 Mar., 1689, John Moir, late Baillie, John Jaffrey, son to the deceast David Jaffray, merchant, etc.; 3, **John**, 25 May, 1690, John Sandilands, present Bailie, Capt. John Campbell of Moy, etc.; 4, **Margaret**, 13 Oct., 1691, Wm. Farquharson of Invercauld, Mr. Geo. Chalmer, Rector of Foord, etc.
- WILLIAM CHESSER**, "fermer," and **HELEN MOIR**. 1, **John**, 4 Mar., 1693; 2, **William**, 10 Feb., 1695; 3, **James**, 11 Apr., 1697, Jas. Syper; 4, **Margaret**, 19 April, 1702.
- MR. ALEXANDER MOIR**, "writer" and "messenger," also designed "merchant," and **ANNA GORDON**: 1, **John**, 4 June, 1693, John Moir, late Baillie, John Moir, Town's Councillor, and John Moir, skipper, etc.; 2, **Alexander**, 24 July 1694, Mr. Alexander Moir, Regent in Marischall collection, Alexander Orem; 4, **Wm.**, June 26, 1698, Wm. Moir, merchant german to Stoneywood, Mr. Wm. Moir, messenger. Wm. Bisset, late Dean of Guild, and Mr. Wm. Gordon, son to the Earl of Aberden, etc.; 5, a son, Sept., 1699.
- ALEXANDER MOIR**, "burger and wright," and **MARJORIE WEBSTER**. 1, **Janet**, 18 Mar., 1694, Wm. Moir Messenger; 2, **Issobell**, 12 April, 1696, Wm. Moir Burges; 3, **Margaret**, 28 Dec., 1697.
- ALEXANDER MOIR**, "horsehyer," and **ISSOBELL MATHE-SON**: 1, **Jean**, 9 Sept., 1689, Robt. Gordon, etc.; 2, **Mary**, 4 Feb., 1691; 3, **Mathew**, 21 Dec., 1692, Mathew McKaill, elder and jr., etc.; 4, **Isobell**, 24 Mar., 1695; 5, **John**, 5 Mar., 1699.
- JAMES GORDON**, brother german to the laird of Badenscoth, and **MARGARET MOIR**; 1, **Mary**, 11 May, 1690, Adam Gor Inverbucket, and John Moir, late Baillie, etc.; 2, (**Blank**) 6, Mar., 1691; 3, **Anne**, 25 Oct., 1691, Alexander Gordon, late Lord Provost, Adam Gordon of Inverbrie, etc.; 4, **Helen**, 16 Feb., 1693, Mr. Geo. Moir, Regent, etc.; 5, **Jean**, 1 Feb., 1694, John Moir, late Baillie.
- GEORGE FERGUSON** and **ELSPET MOIR**. 1, **Janet**, 9 Nov., 1690, Patk. Gellie, etc.
- JOHN STRACHAN**, merchant, and **MARGARET MOIR**. 1, **Alexander**, 19 May, 1691, Alex. Strachan of Clerkseat, late Dean of Gild; 2, **James**, 3 July, 1692; 3, **Wm.**, Oct. 8, 1693; 4, **Issobell**, 16 Dec., 1694; 5, **Ann**, 9 Mar., 1697; 6, **Elizabeth**, 27 Dec., 1698.
- JAMES MOIR**, Regent in Marischal Coll., and **MARJORIE BURNETT**, probably dau. of Alexr. Burnett and Agnes Moir. 1, **Agnes**, 16 Apr., 1693, Alexr. Moir, Regent, etc.; 2, **Janet**, 2 Oct., 1694, Mr. Thos. Burnett, advocate, and John Burnet, designed "Poles"; 3, **Jean**, 23 Aug., 1695; 4, **Janet** 12 Jan., 1698; 5, **Rachel**, 11 Nov., 1699, Patk. Gellie, late Baillie, Mr. Alexr. Moir, Regent, etc.; 6, **Alexr.**, 14 Jan., 1701, Mr. Alexr. Moir, regent, and Alexr. Moir of Scots-toun, etc.; , 7, **James**, 31 July, 1702, Jas. Moir of Stoneywood, Jas., son to the late Baillie John Moir, etc.; 8, **James**, Apr. 8, 1703, Mr. Adam Burnet, minister, and Dr. in Phisick, Thos. Burnet of Kirkhill, advt. in Edinburgh, and John

- Burnet, merchant, "designed Poles"; 9, **Jean**, 19 Mar., 1705, Jas. Moir of Stoneywood, and Wm. Moir, merchant.
- WILLIAM FETTES, burges and tailour, and ANNA MOIR. 1, **John**, 12 July, 1694, John Moir, tailor, etc.; 2, **Anna**, 1st Sept., 1695, John Lesley of Colpnay, etc.; 3, **Margaret**, 29 Aug., 1699, James Davidson of Tillymorgan, etc.; 4, **James**, 6 Aug., 1700.
- GILBERT MOIR, burges and Cooper, and MARGARET BARCLAY. 1, **Margaret**, 5 May, 1695, Wm. Moir, merchant, Mr. George Leslie; 2, **Anna**, 28 May, 1699, Alex. Aberdeen, etc.
- GILBERT MOIR and MARGARET MOIR. 1, **Jean**, 7 Mar., 1697.
- CAPT. JOHN ANDERSON, merchant and skipper, and JANET MOIR. 1, **John**, 16 Nov., 1698.
- THOMAS OREM, Merchant, present master of the Gild Hospital, and AGNES MOIR. 1, **Margaret**, 17 Aug., 1701, Mr. Thos. Orem of Glasgow, Alexr. Orem, present Bailie; 2, **William**, 2 May, 1703; 3, **John**, 12 Nov., 1705.
- CAPT. JAMES GORDON of Barnes, and MARGARET MOIR (probably dau. of John Moir of Barnes and Mary Cochrane.) 1, **Margaret**, 12 October, 1701, Adam Gordon of Inverbrie, advt., and William Gordon of Old Govell, and Patk. Gordon, merchant; 2, **Issobell**, 23 Oct., 1702, Mr. Alex. Gordon, factor in Campheir, and William Gordon of Kintore; 3, **Christian**, 27 April, 1704; 4, **Margaret**, 7 Oct., 1705.



## EXTRACTS FROM ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, ABERDEEN, RECORDS

(Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE of Aberdeen)

The following notes and extracts are from the registers in the possession of the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Aberdeen. These commence 8th April, 1775, and have been searched to the end of 1910. There are thirteen volumes in all; these were kindly extracted by Mr. R. Murdoch Lawrence, at Aberdeen.

**1798.** ALEXANDER MOIR, laborer, and CHRISTIAN ROBB, Gilcomston, had:

1. Alexander, baptised 16th May, 1798.
2. William, baptised 2d May, 1800.
3. Isabel, baptised 25th July, 1802.
4. James, baptised 17th March, 1805.

Christian Robb died of an inward complaint, aged 53, and was buried 26th January, 1819.

**1800.** GEORGE MOIR, vintner, and ——— STRATTON, Aberdeen, had:

1. George, baptised 15th April, 1800.
2. Robert, baptised 26th May, 1801.

George Moir, vintner, died of gravelish complaint, in great distress from some stoppage of the bladder; buried 27th May, 1813.

**1812.** JEAN MOIR, daughter of widow MOIR, died of consumption, aged 44, and her mother and she were buried together, Oct. 22, 1812. Widow Moir in Carmelite Lane died of decline some years past seventy, 19th October, 1812.

**1814.** ANN MOIR, from Fraserburg, died of consumption, aged 50, buried 8th July, 1814.

**1819.** Mrs. MARGARET CUMINE, widow of the late GEORGE MOIR, ESQ., of Scotstown, died at Belmont Street, aged 75; buried 23d Jan., 1819.

**1819.** Miss KATHERINE MOIR, daughter of the late William Moir, Esq., of Lonmay, aged 84, buried 22d February, 1819.

**1819.** GEORGE BYRES, weaver, and ELIZABETH MOIR, Windmill Brae, had

1. Robert, baptised 12th March, 1819.
2. Jean, baptised by Rev. William Skinner, 26th April, 1821. She died of scarlet fever, aged 6½, buried 2d November, 1827.
3. William, baptised by Rev. William Browning in the chapel, 24th August, 1825.
4. Alexander, baptised by the Rev. William Skinner, 30th May, 1827.

**1820.** MRS. MARY MOIR, widow of the late Major Ramsay of Invernettie, died at Union Street, aged 70½, of mental malady; buried 10th November, 1820.

- 1822.** ALEXANDER MOIR, weaver, Gilcomston, and BRIDGET KELLEY had
1. Helen, baptised by Rev. William Browning in the chapel, 22nd October, 1822.
- 1824.** ALEXANDER MOIR, ESQ., of Scotstown, late sherriff of the County, residing at Scotstown, aged 63, died of appoplexy, buried 26th June, 1824.
- 1826.** SIR MICHAEL BRUCE, Esq., of Scotstown, was godfather, and LADY FORBES, of Castle Forbes, was godmother to Walter Frederick (died December, 1827), son of Honorable Walter Forbes, Esq., of Brux, by his wife Horatia Shaw, baptised by Rev. William Browning in the chapel, 24th September, 1826.
- 1836.** CHARLES GORROD of this parish, labourer, and ANNE MOIR, daughter of the late Robert Moir, dyer in Aberdeen, were married by Bishop William Skinner, 10th November, 1836, before witnesses—David Stephen, P. Moir, and John Walker.
- Anne Moir, wife of Charles Gorrod, Plaster, Huntly, died of paralysis, aged 56; buried 6th January, 1842.
- 1840.** JAMES MOIR, M. D., and William Skinner, advocate, in Aberdeen, were witnesses to the marriage of Henry Hill of Kensington, Middlesex, and Elizabeth Thompson of Old Machar, daughter of the late James Thompson, Esq., marriage performed by Bishop William Skinner, 27th October, 1840.
- 1841.** JANE MOIR, daughter of WILLIAM MOIR, ESQ., late of Ceylon, died at Chanonry House, Old Aberdeen, of affection of the heart; buried 1st July, 1841.
- 1841.** FREDERICK MORE, student of Medicine, died of consumption at Union Street, aged 18; buried 17th August, 1841.
- 1841.** ROBERT MOIR, wine merchant, Adelphi Court, and JUDITH ELIZABETH LUCINDA WATTS had
1. George William Watts Moir, baptised by Rev. William Skinner, 27th October, 1841.
- 1842.** CAROLINE MORE, daughter of the late Gilbert More, Esq., died of consumption at Crown Street, aged 20½; buried 15th March, 1842.
- 1843.** ANDREW MENNIE, dyer, 106 George Street, and ANN MOIR had
1. Helen, born 4th May, baptised by Rev. William Walker in chapel, 14th May, 1843.
- 1843.** ANDREW CASTELL and JEAN MOIR had
1. Andrew, born at 69 Virginia Street, baptised by Rev. William Walker in chapel, 29th October, 1843.
  2. George, born at 69 Virginia Street, baptised by Rev. William Bruce in chapel, 25th January, 1846.
  3. James, born at 48 Frederick Street, baptised by Rev. Charles Wagstaff in chapel, 23d July, 1843; died there, buried 23d July, 1848.
- Andrew Castell was an engineer 1843-1846, and an overseer afterwards.
- 1845.** CHARLES MOIR, Esq., son of the late William Moir, Esq., died at Union Street of protracted decline, at the age of 16; buried 24th March, 1845.

1848. ANN ISABELLA MOIR, daughter of the deceased William Moir, Esq., of Park, died at 28 Bon-Accord Terrace, aged 25, of exhaustion and nervous excitement; buried 15th February, 1848.
1849. CHRISTIAN MOIR, 9 Blackfriars Street, aged 63, was buried 16th June, 1849.
1850. JEAN MOIR, widow of the late William M. Shaw, 135 King Street, died of goitre and decline, aged 72, 24th February, and was buried 1st March, 1850.
1850. JOSEPH DUNDAS, Esquire of Carronhall, and Fingask of the Parish of Larbert, in the County of Stirling, and MARGARET ISABELLA MOIR of Old Machar, daughter of George Charles Moir, Esq., of Denmore, was married in Denmore House, by Bishop William Skinner, 27th November, 1850, before witnesses—James M. Haggart, C. S. Cumming Bruce, Emmaline Forbes, Isabella Moir, and Christina Frances Forbes.
- The above Emmaline Forbes was the daughter of Henry Forbes, Esq., of Balgownie. Married Rev. John Gabriel Ryde, 29th April, 1851, and her marriage by Bishop William Skinner was witnessed, among others, by Isabella Moir.
1851. CHARLES GEORGE MOIR, ESQ., of Denmore, died there, aged 80, of a paralytic attack, buried 15th January, 1851.
1851. MAJOR HENRY KNIGHT ERSKINE, of Pittodrie, of the Chapel of Garioch and of the Parish of Oyne, and MARY ANN MOIR, elder daughter of the deceased George Charles Moir of Denmore, in the Parish of Old Machar, were married in the house of Scotstown, by Bishop William Skinner of Aberdeen, 11th June, 1851, before witnesses—J. Hepburn, Isabella Moir, George C. Bruce, and Georgina M. A. Forbes.
1853. GAVIN GREIG, gardiner, Parkhill, and MARY MOIR had  
1. Robert Moir, baptised by Rev. John Gabriel Ryde, 8th April, 1853.
- [A son Gavin was born at New Machar, 10th February, 1856. Graduated Master of Arts at Aberdeen University, 1876. Appointed Headmaster of Whitehill Public School, New Deer, Aberdeenshire, 1879. He is a Fellow of the Educational Institute of Scotland, and a Justice of the Peace of Aberdeenshire. See biographical sketch in the Buchan Field Club's work, issued in 1909, entitled "Twenty-one Years' Research in Buchan," pp. 94-95.]
1859. ALEXANDER MOIR, farm servant, Longacre, Aberdeen, and ELIZABETH SINGER had  
1. Allan, born 29th January, baptised 18th March, 1859, by Rev. George Sutherland.
1864. WELLWOOD MAXWELL of Sefton, near Liverpool, and ISABELLA MOIR of Old Machar were married in church, by Thomas George Suther, Bishop of Aberdeen, 14th April, 1864, before witnesses—Margaret Mary Leith and William Maxwell, Jr.
1864. DAVID MOIR, JUNIOR, of the Parish of Dundee, and ISABELLA SINCLAIR, of the Parish of Old Machar, were married by Thomas George Suther, Bishop of Aberdeen, 27th



September, 1864, before witnesses—Thomas Baxter and Margaret Baxter.

- 1874.** GEORGE MOIR, labourer, 100 Spittal, and HELEN CRAIG, 10 Shiprow, were married by Rev. F. Kitchen, 12th January, 1874, before witnesses—William Duff and Charles Craig.
- 1885.** GEORGE MOIR, journeyman iron moulder, 16 Kintore Place, and JANET STEPHEN FORBES, had
1. **William Robertson**, baptised by Rev. James Myers Danson, 28th June, 1885.
  2. **Jessie**, born at 4 Kingsland Place, baptised by Rev. James Myers Danson, 26th December, 1886.
- 1890.** MANSFIELD FORBES MOIR and JESSIE HENDERSON STEWART were married at 41 Ashvale Place, by Rev. James Myers Danson, 13th January, 1890, before witnesses—William James Nicholson and Williamina Ballantyne.
- 1890.** ALEXANDER BOYNE, KEITH, and AGNES MAITLAND MOIR, also of Keith, were married at 62 Hamilton Place, 24th December, 1890, by Rev. James Myers Danson, before witnesses—James Moir and F.[orbes] F.[raser] Maitland Moir.

[**James Moir**, son of **James Moir**, was born at Kildrummy, 19th November, 1845. He was rector of Banff Academy, Classical Master, Glasgow Academy, Rector of Grammar School Aberdeen. He was the first and until 1905 (7th April) the only Doctor of Letters of Aberdeen University. Died at Bridge of Gairn, 16th May, 1902. M. A. 1869, LL. D. 1891; D. Litt. 1898. His brother was Forbes Fraser Maitland Moir; was born at Kildrummy, 1st April, 1847; died at 143 Union Street, Aberdeen, 26th July, 1891. M. B., C. M. 1873. Aberdeen University.]



## METHLICK BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

(Kindly furnished by JAMES M. A. WOOD of Aberdeen)

- 25th March, 1698, John Moir, Mill of Kelly, a daughter **Margaret**, baptised.
- 27th January, 1723, William Moir, Mill of Methlick, a son **Robert**, baptised.
- 30th December, 1731, Robert Moir, Truffhill, a son **George**, baptised.
- 31st December, 1732, William Moir, Mill of Methlick, a son **Robert**, baptised.
- 20th August, 1735, George Moir, Brainjohn, a daughter **Ann**, baptised.
- 27th May, 1744, William Moir, Melke Methlick, a daughter **Isabel**, baptised.
- 14th December, 1745, Alexander Moir, Mill of Chapelton, a daughter **Agnes**, baptised.
- 13th August, 1758, William Moir, Mill of Methlick, a daughter **Barbara**, baptised.
- 10th October, 1762, William Moir, Mill of Methlick, a daughter **Margaret**, baptised.
- 25th October, 1768, William Moir, Mill of Methlick, a daughter **Isobel**, baptised.
- 14th January, 1772, William Moir, Mill of Methlick, a son **Robert**, baptised.
- 15th February, 1778, William Moir, Brainjohn, a daughter **Jean**, baptised.
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- 16th November, 1719, **William Moir** and **Margaret Gibb**, both of the parish were married.
- 22nd July, 1744, **Alexander Moir** of the parish and **Barbara Baxter**, Foveran, were proclaimed for the first time.
- 31st December 1761, **James Moir**, Tarves Parish, and **Helen Fuller**, Methlick parish were married.
- 22nd January, 1764, **Alexander Kirkton**, Tarves parish and **Margaret Moir**, Methlick parish, were contracted, and were married 8 March, 1764.
- 26th December, 1775, **John Saint** and **Elspet Moir**, both of parish, were married.
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## SOCIETY OF FRIENDS' RECORDS

(Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE of Aberdeen)

The undernoted Moor and More references are extracted from a complete register of Births, Deaths and Marriages of all members of the faith down to 1860. The register contains a complete summary of all Quakers in Scotland and a transcript which is in beautiful hand.

writing is housed in the Aberdeen Meeting House, Crown Street, Aberdeen.

ANDREW MOOR had:

1. **Benjamin**, born at Prestonhaugh, 3d April, 1674.
2. **Elizabeth**, born at Prestonhaugh, 18th September, 1678.
3. **Margaret**, born at Litl Martl, 10th March, 1685.
4. **Nathaniel**, born at Waughton, 15th September, 1687.
5. **Alexander**, born at Waughton, 7th December, 1690.
6. **George**, born at Waughton, 16th January, 1692.

—Edinburgh Meeting Records.

JOHN MORE, farmer, Keith Hall, Aberdeenshire, and his wife Margaret had:

1. **Mary**, born at Kinmuck, Keithhall or Mont Kegree, 13th September, 1792.
2. **John**, born at Kinmuck, parish of Keithhall, 29th May, 1794.
3. **George**, born at Kinmuck, 8th May, 1796.

—Aberdeen Meeting Records.

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## REGISTER OF FORRES, ELGINSHIRE, SCOTLAND

(Searched from 1675 to 1758)

(From "History of the More Family")

- 30th March, 1721, **James**, son of Andrew Moir, Wheelwright, and Jean Hutcheon, was baptised.
- 5th May, 1723, **Jean**, dau. of Andrew More and Jean Hutcheon, was baptised by Mr. Squire..
- 20th Nov., 1726, **Robert**, son to Andrew More and Jean Hutcheon, was baptised.
- 27th June, 1728, **Lodovic**, son of Andrew More and Jean Hutcheon, was baptised.
- 29th August, 1736, **Jean**, dau. of John Moir, Squarewright in town, and Isobel Duncan, his spouse, was baptised.
- 31st July, 1740, **John** More and Isobel Duncan, in town, had a son baptised, called **Alexander**.
- 3d April, 1743, **John** More, Squarewright, and Isobel Duncan had a dau. baptised, called **Margaret**.
- (The birth of another son **John**, progenitor of the More family of Roxbury, New York, born Feb. 24, 1745, is here omitted, through neglect, as registration at that time was not obligatory.)
- 12th May, 1748, **Christian**, dau. to John More and Isobel Duncan, his spouse, was baptised.
- 12 Jan., 1736, **John** Moir and Isobel Duncan were married.



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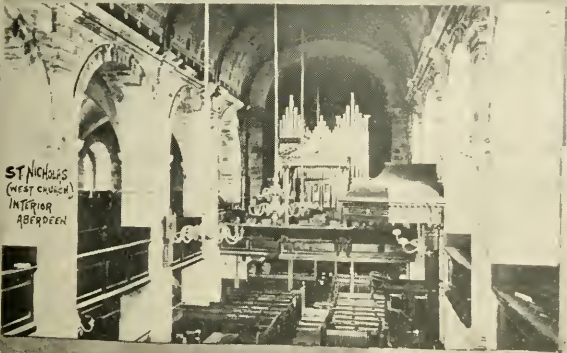


OLD CHURCH AT MUTHIL, PERTHSHIRE

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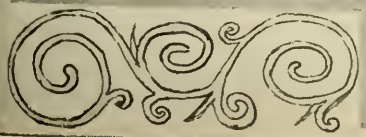


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## PARISH OF ROTHLEMURCHUS

IN IVERNESS-SHIRE, SCOTLAND

(From "History of the More Family")

(Searched from 1774 to 1800)

- JEAN, dau. to **Alexander More** in Tullochgrew, and **Jannet McDonald**, his wife, born 7th October and baptised the 9th, 1774.
- CHRISTIAN, dau. to **Alex. More** and **Jannet McDonald**, his wife. Born 24th April and baptised 28th, 1778, by Mr. Lewis Grant.
- DAVID, son to **John More** and **Janet Ross** at Lochmellan, was born 16th November, 1775.

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## PARISH OF BUCHANAN

IN ELGINSHIRE, SCOTLAND

(From "History of the More Family")

(Searched from 1699 to 1761)

- 25th July, 1724, **GEORGE MOIR**, Schoolmaster at Salashie, and **HELEN McFARLAN** in the said town, both parishioners, gave up their names to be proclaimed in order of marriage.  
(Note in Margin)—This marriage was not consummated, she went off and married another irregularly.
- 14th May, 1726, **GEORGE MOIR** and **DOROTHY BALFOUR**, both in this parish, gave up their names to be proclaimed in order of marriage.  
(Note in Margin)—This marriage was not consummated.
- 24th September, 1726, **GEORGE MOIR**, schoolmaster at Leteraimh in this parish, and **MARY FERGUSON**, in the parish of Drymen, gave up their names to be proclaimed in order to marriage. Married at Drymen, Sept. 27th, 1726, by Mr. Jo. Anderson.
- 21st January, 1732. **GEORGE MOIR**, schoolmaster at Salachie, and **MARY FERGUSON**, spouses, had a lawful daughter baptised, called **Mary**.
- 16th October, 1735, **GEORGE MOIR**, master of the Charity School at Salachie, and **MARY FERGUSON**, spouses, had a lawful son baptised, called **John**.

## KILMADOCK (FOR DOUNE) BIRTHS

1623-1843

(Kindly furnished by REV. WALTER MACLEOD of Edinburgh)

- 1625, March 13th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Moir. The bairne's name is **Agnes**. Witnesses, Robert Bwy, James Finlason.
- 1626, October 11th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Moir. The bairne's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, William Ferguson, William Bwy.
- 1627, November 4th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Moir. The bairne's name is **Ihon**. Witnesses, James Cadell, Ihon Murdoch.
- 1629, August 30th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Moir. The bairne's name is **Ihon**. Witnesses, Ihon Murdoche, Ihon Moir.
- 1630, February 21st. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Moir. The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, Andro Murdochston, Archibald Murdochston, Robert Moir younger.
- 1630, October 3rd. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Moir younger in Newtown. The bairne's name is **Janat**. Witnesses, Robert Moir elder, Mr. Walter Moir.
- 1631, August 21st. Ane bairn baptizet to James Norie (?). The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, Nicoll Muschet, Finly Spittell.
- 1631, December 18th. Ane bairn baptizet to Mr. Walter Moir. The bairne's name is **Marie**. Witnesses, Ihon Edmistoun of Newtown, Herie Hume of Argaties.
- 1632, July 8th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Moir, Tailzeor. The bairni's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, Andro Mitschell, William Amer (?).
- 1632, October 14th. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Moir younger. The bairne's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, Robert Bwy, Ihon Henderson, Ihon Tailzer.
- 1632, October 28th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Moir in Newton. The bairne's name is **Marie**. Witnesses, Robert Moir, Ihon McHuchon.
- 1633, January 20th. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Moir, younger. The bairne's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, James Moir, Archibald Smythe.
- Note—Another Marget supra 1632, October, only four months between.
- 1633, November 16th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Moir, Wobster. The bairne's name is **Janat**. Witnesses, Sanders Steinson, Andro Craufurd.
- Moir? 1634, April 20th. Ane bairn baptizet to Andro **Moyill**. The bairne's name is **Ihon**. Witnesses, William Mitschell, Ihon McKoy.
- No entries in Register August, 1634, to October, 1635.)
- 1637, February 26th. Ane bairn baptizet to Johne Moire. The bairne's name **Archibald**. Witnesses, Robert Moire elder and younger.
- 1638, January 29th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Moir. The bairne's name **Robert**. Witnesses, William Cadell, Archibald Smith.
- (Blank May, 1638, to October, 1641.)
- 1643, January 29th. Ane bairne baptizet to Mr. Walter Moir. The bairne's name is **Agnes**. Witnesses, William Cadell and William Mitchell.

- 1643, March 12th. Ane bairne baptizet to James Moir. The bairne's name is **Archibald**. Witnesses, James Drumond of Milanab, Mr. Walter Moir.
- 1643, September 24th. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Moir. The bairne's name is **Elspect**. Witnesses, Mr. William Moir, Johne Moir.
- 1644, January 28th. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Moir in Boghall. The bairne's name is **Christane**. Witnesses, Robert Moir, wobster, James Moir.
- 1644, January 29th. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Moir in Neutoune. The bairne's name is **Henric**. Witnesses, William Cadell, Mr. Walter Moir.
- 1645, June 3rd. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Moir in Lanrik. The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, Andrew Stewart, John Smyth.
- 1645, August 4th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Moir. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, Johne Gillespie, Thomas Kenne.
- 1646, March 26th. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Moir, in Newton. The bairne's name is **Isobell**. Witnesses, Robert Moir, James Moir.
- 1647, May 9th. Ane bairne baptiset to Mr. Walter Moir. The bairne's name is **Anna**. Witnesses, William Cadell, Robert Moir.
- 1647, June 6th. Ane bairne baptizet to James Moir. The bairne's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, Robert Moir, William Cadell.
- 1647, July 25th. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Moir. The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, Robert McEwne, James Moir.
- Note—30th August, 1647. Mr. Walter Moir, witness to child of William Caddell.
- 1647, November 7th. Ane bairne baptiset to Robert Moir. The bairne's name is **David**. Witnesses, Maister Walter Moir, William Caddell.
- 1648, August 13th. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Moir in Newton. The bairne's name is **Johne**. Witnesses, Mr. Walter Moir, James Moir.
- 1649, January 21st. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Moir. The bairne's name is **Agnes**. Witnesses, Robert Moir, James Paterson.
- 1649, August 12th. Ane bairne baptizet to James Moir. The bairne's name is **Walter**. Witnesses, Mr. Walter Moir, John Farlane.
- 1649, October 31st. Ane bairne baptizet to Mr. Walter Moir. The bairn's name is **Marie**. Witnesses, Harie Home of Argatie, Johne Edmondstone.
- 1649, December 23rd. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Moir in Landrik, The bairne's name is **Marion**. Witnesses, Mr. Walter Moir, Androw Stewart.
- 1650, December 3rd. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Moir in Newton (?). The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, Mr. Walter Moir, William Caddell.
- 1651, November 8th. Ane bairne baptizet to Mr. Walter Moir. The bairne's name is **Isobell**. Witnesses, William Caddell, Androw Stewart, James Moir.
- 1652, February 2nd. Ane bairne baptizet to James Moir. The bairn's name is **Marie**. Witnesses, James Edmondstone and William Caddell.

Blank June, 1652, to May, 1668, and several leaves imperfect after latter date.



- 1668, May. Ane bairne baptizet to James Moir\*. The bairn's name is **Johne**. Witnesses, James Smyth.
- 1668, November 9th. Archbald Moir had ane child baptized in Dumblane, called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1669, January 26th. **Jean**, daughter to Archbald Moir, in Glenwhilk. Witnesses, John Moir and Robert Moir there.
- 1670, January 22nd. **David**, son to John Moir, in Argitgentie. Witnesses, William Baxter and Robert McHutchson.  
 Note—27th November, 1670. There is an entry of Marion and Christian, twins in Lenrick, but the father's name is left out. There was a Moir in this place. See 23rd December 1649, *ante*.
- 1671, April 2nd. Robert Moir, witness to child of Andrew Dunckison, in Lenrick.
- 1672, May 19th. **Anna**, daughter to John Moir, in Glenwhilk. Witnesses, James Keir in Kilbryde and Robert Moir in Dunblane.  
 Note—Moile occurs 15th November, 1672.
- 1673, January 11th. **Johne**, son to Thomas Moir in Row. Witnesses, Johne Moir and Patrick Hendersone there.
- 1673, September 27th. **William**, son to Archbald Moir, in Row. Witnesses, Thomas and James Moir there.
- 1675, March 13th. **Walter**, son to John Moir in Glenwhilk. Witnesses, John Greme (?) of Bowtoun and James Keir in Kilbryde.
- 1676, December 9th. **Katharine**, child to Thomas Moir, in Row. Witnesses, Archbald and William Moirs there.
- 1676, December 30th. **David**, sone to Archbald Moir in Row. Witnesses, Thomas Mitchell and Thomas Moir there.
- 1677, March 13th. **Robert**, child to Walter Moir in Doun. Witnesses, Harie Ote and James McNair there.
- 1677, November 27th. Child to James Moir in Lenrick was baptized at Kincairdine. Witnesses, \_\_\_\_\_
- 1679, February 8th. **Harie**, child to Walter Moir and Janet Ote, in Doun. Witnesses, Harie Moir in Newtoun and Harie Ote in Doun.
- 1679, August 15th. **Jean**, child to Harie Moir and Marie Moir in (New)toun.
- 1679, October 25th. **Patrick**, son to Thomas Moir and \_\_\_\_\_ Hendersone, in Row. Witnesses, James Henderson and John Moir there.  
 Note—Only fragments of two leaves at 1680. On one of these Harie \_\_\_\_\_ a child \_\_\_\_\_ Moir of \_\_\_\_\_ . Other leaves at period more or less imperfect.
- 1680, September 4th. **Agnes**, daughter to Walter Moir and Janet Oat, in Doune. Witnesses, Harie Oat and David Walnut there.
- 1682, October 30th. **John**, son to Robert Moir of Lochfield, and Jonet Stewart. Witnesses, William Stewart in Head— and James Stewart in Drumlithandy.
- 1682, November 22nd. Harie and Margaret Moirs\*\* in Newtoun, a child baptized, called **Agnes**. Witnesses, Andrew Smith and James Farland in Doune.  
 Note—Some leaves misplaced 1683-85.
- 1685, April 19th. **Elizabeth**, daughter to Thomas Moir and Janet Henderson. Witnesses, William Moir and James Henderson.

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\*This entry is bearily illegible and the surname is doubtful.

\*\*This might be read Moris, but see 1679 August 15th (and 1687, Oct. 8th). The wife's name there is, however, Marie.

- 1684, December 1st. **Marjorie**, daughter to Harie and Marie Moirs in Newtoun. Witnesses, Banks and Andrew Smyth.
- 1687, October 8th. ———, daughter to Harie and Marie Moirs in Newtoun. Witnesses, Andrew Henderson and James Cullings there.
- 1688, December 29th. **Robert**, son to Robert Moir and Margaret McHutcheon in Parktoun. Witnesses, James Taylour and Harie Moir.
- 1689, January 5th. **Isabell**, daughter to Duncan Moir and Christian McGregor in Down. Witnesses, Don. Thomson and William Clark.
- 1689, February 24th. **John**, son to James Moir and Jonet Stewart in Lanrik. Witnesses, Thom. and John Stewarts.
- 1689, November 20th. **Margaret**, daughter to Harie and Marie Moirs (in) Newtoun. Witnesses, Andrew Smyth, maltman in Down, and John Henderson in Newtoun.
- 1691, September 9th. **Robert**, sone to Harie and Marie Moirs in Newtoun. Witnesses, Andrew Clark and Thomas Mitchell.  
Blank February, 1692, to March, 1694?
- 1696, March 5th. **Margaret**, daughter to Mr. George More and Mary ——— in Broich.
- 1697, April 25th. **John**, son to Finlay Moir, Shouldier, and Agnes Lawman. Witnesses, Robert Thomson and William Smith.  
Blank, January, 1699, to November, 1701.
- 1702, January 8th. **James**, son to Harie Moir, Merchant in Doun, and Agnes. Harie Moir and Robert McClellan.
- 1702, August 23rd. **David**, son to Robert Moir of Lochfield and ——— Stewart in Doun. Witnesses, John Moir of Crajdarnell and Alexander Stewart of Annat.
- 1702, July 29th. **Anna**, daughter to umquhile Robert Moir and Margaret McHutcheon, in Argattie. Witnesses, ———  
Note—The Registers from 1691 to 1734 is defective and partially illegible.
- 1703, July 8th. **John**, son to David Moir and Janet Caddell, in Doun. Witnesses, Robert McFarlan and Hary Moir there.
- 1705, October 19th. **Alexander**, son to William Moir, son to Robert Moir of Lochfield and Katharine Wreight. Witnesses, William **Riddoch** in Torry and John Carmichell there.
- 1707, March 8th. **Mary**, daughter to John Moir of Craigarnhall and Florence Ferguson. Witnesses, Mr. George Campbell, minister at Killmaddock and Robert Stewart, chirurgeon in Doune.
- 1708, January 4th. **Henry**, son to Henry Moir and Agnes Moir in Doun. Witnesses, Robert ——— and Robert Thomson there.
- 1710, July 4th (or 14th). **Baptised Issobell**, daughter to John Moir of Craigarnhall and ——— Ferguson. Witnesses, Robert Stewart, Chirurgeon in Doun, and ——— Keir, Merchant there.  
Note—About end of November, 1711, there has been an entry probably of Moir—all that is visible of it being Moir.
- 1712, May 1st. **Agnes**, daughter to Henry and Agnes Moirs, in Down. Witnesses, Hugh Thomson and Archibald Murdoch there.
- 1712, May 18th. **Isobell**, daughter to Patrick Moir and Jean ———, in Dragonburn. Witnesses, Henry ———, Merchants in Down.  
Note—1713 April 4th. Mary Moir spouse to Robert Stuart, chirurgeon, a child **Jean**. The Laird of Annat and John Moir of Craigarnell, witnesses.
- 1713, Circa, June 26th. **Jean**, daughter to John Moir of Craigmarnell,

and Florence Ferguson, his spouse. Witnesses, Robert Stuart, chirurgion in Doun, Mr. George Brown, Schoolmaster there.

Note—At foot of page prior to March 1719, there has been an entry of a child to David More or Mores and Janet ——— but remainder illegible.

Circa 1720. September 18th. **Archibald**, son to John Moir and Janet Smith in Doun. Witnesses, David Moir there and Robert Murdoch in Wardhead.

1720, December 27th. **John**, son to Patrick Moir and Jane ——— in Greddon Burn. Witnesses, Henry Moir and Walter Paterson.

1720 (?) (second entry after above). **Katharin**, daughter to John Moir and Janet Henderson in Raer (?). Witnesses, John Henderson there and Patrick Moir in Greddin Burn.

1721, April 9th (circa)...**Archibald**, son to Archibald Moir and Margaret McIsaac in Deanstoun. Witnesses, ——— Gourlie in McKeanstoun and Alexander Mc—— Thornhill.

Note—Moir is doubtful.

1722, October 13th. **Margaret**, daughter to John Moir and Janet Smith in Doun. Witnesses, Henry Moir there and Robert McCulloch in Sauchans.

1723, April 7th. **Robert**, son to John Moir and Anna Murdoch, in Tigermuck. Witnesses, James Turnbull in Down and John Ledinoch in Wastoun.

1730, May 3rd. **Anne**, daughter to John Moir and Janet Smith in Down. Witnesses, ———

**McLellan (?)** 1732, Feb. 4th. **Janet**, daughter to Walter Moir and Isabella Mc—— in Down. Witnesses, William McLellane and Alexander Robertson.

1733, May 11th. **Henry**, son to Walter Moir and Isabella McLellane in Down. Witnesses, William McLellan there and Henry Moir in Crachley.

1733, June 3rd. **Anna**, daughter to Henry and Agnes Moirs in Down. Witnesses, David Moir and Archibald Murdoch there.

1734, January 8th. **Henry**, son to James Moir and Helen Lennox in Hole of Cambus. Witnesses, George Shearer and James Corsar in Wester Lundie.

1735, July 20th. **Alexander**, son to John Moir and Ann Murdoch in Lanrick. Witnesses, George Downie in Spittalton and James Turnbull in Down.

1738, May 10th. **James**, child to James Moir and Helen Lennox in Hole. Witnesses, George Shearer and Robert Duncanson in Lundie.

1738, December 7th. **Margaret**, daughter to John Moir and Ann Murdoch in Upper Lanrick. Witnesses, James Turnbull and James Taylor in Down.

1740, December 28th. **Anne**, daughter to John Moir and Anne Murdoch in Upper Lanrick. Witnesses, Donald McQueen and James Moir there.

Note—Mr. James Moir, Writer, Down, was witness to four of the children of Archibald Murdoch of Gartincaber, born respectively 9th May 1751, 1st August, 1753, Sept. 1st, 1754 and 3rd January, 1757. These entries occur together at 23rd July, 1747.

\*1757. **John**, son to John Moir and Janet McArthur, in Torrie, was born 4th and baptised 9th December (1 say) January.

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\*This is inserted with other irregular entries after June, 1746. The battle of Culloden in 1746, caused the whole country to have many irregularities, and many places had no entries of births, marriages or deaths for years at this time. Such are the fortunes or misfortunes of war.

- 1750, April 1st. **Margaret**, daughter to James Moir and Janet Henderson, in Mains of Down, baptised by Mr. Telfer, seceding Minister. Witnesses, Robert Duncanson and Edward Thomson in Down.
- 1753, February 28th. **Archibald**, son to James Moir and Janet Henderson, in Mains of Down, baptised by Mr. Telfer, Seceding Minister. Witnesses, Edward and John Thomsons there.
- 1755, October 5th. **James**, son to James Moir and Jannet Henderson in Down. Witnesses, John Herdman there and Robert Duncanson there.
- 1756, February 8th. **John**, son to James Moir and Elizabeth McFarlan in Lanrick.
- 1758, September 16th. **Janet**, daughter to James Moir and Elizabeth McKowan in Over Lanerick. Witnesses, George Buchanan in Torrie and William Murdoch in Lanerick.
- 1758, December 10th. **Robert**, son to John Moir and Margret McFarlan in Torrie. Witnesses, Robert Moir there and James Moir in Over Lanerick.
- 1760, April 16th. **Helen**, daughter to Mr. James Moir, Mrs. Ann Forrest in Down. Witnesses, Patrick Edmonston of Newton and David Hume Stewart of Argatie.
- Note—Dead before 1776. See Dunblane testaments.
- 1760, August 3rd. John Moir and Margaret McFarlane, his spouse, in Torrie, had a child baptised, called **Ann**. Witnesses, Patrick Ferguson and John McKinlay, both there.
- \*1777, Robert Moir and Agnes Drummond, his spouse, in Upper Lanrick had a child baptised the 20th May, called **David**. Witnesses, David Moir in Upper Lanrick and Alexander McFarlane in Doune.
- 1761, January 25th. James Moir and Elizabeth McEuen, his spouse, in Over Lendrick, had a child baptised, called **Henry**. Witnesses, Robert Moir there and John Moir in Torrie.
- 1762, January 27th. Mr. James Moir, Writer in Down and Mrs. Ann Forrest, his spouse, had a child baptised called **Elizabeth**. Witnesses, David Hoome Stuart of Argatie and Archibald Murdoch of Gartincaber. The child was born 26th.
- 1762, June 23rd. John Moir and Margaret McFarlane, his spouse, in Wester Torrie, had a child baptised called **Kathrine**. Witnesses, Patrick Ferguson and John McKinlay there.
- 1763, May 27th. Mr. James Moir, Writer in Down in Mrs. Ann Forrest, his spouse, had a child baptised called **John**. Witnesses, Mr. John Forrest and Archibald Murdoch of Gartincaber. The child was born the 25th.
- Note—Dead before 1776. See Dunblane testaments.
- 1763, July 24th. James Moir and Elizabeth McEuan, his spouse, in Lanrek, had a child baptised, called **James**. Witnesses, Robert and David Moirs there.
- 1764, February, Robert Moir and Agnes Drummond, his spouse, in Over Lanrick, had a child baptised called, **Janet**. Witnesses, Robert Duncanson and David Moir there.
- 1764, July 29th. John Moir and Margaret McFarlane, his spouse, in Wester Torrie, had a child baptised, called **Margaret**. Witnesses, John McKinlay there and Robert Moir in Lanrek.

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\*The above entry appears after one for 22nd December, 1760. The name More in the entry might be read Mur.

1764. Mr. James Moir, Writer in Down, and Mrs. Ann Forrest, his spouse, had a child born September 5th and baptised 7th thereof, called **Robbina**. Witnesses, Archibald Murdoch of Gartincaber and Mr. John Forrest, brother to Mrs. Moir.
- 1766, May 4th. Robert Moir and Agnes Drummond, his spouse, in Lanrek, had a child baptised, called **John**. Witnesses, James and John Moirs.
- 1766, November 10th. John Moir and Margaret McFarlane, his spouse, in Wester Torry, had a child baptised called **John**. Witnesses, John McKinlay and Patrick Ferguson, both there.
- 1767, March 1st. James Moir and Elizabeth McEwn, his spouse, in Upper Lanrek, had a child baptised, called **Ann**. Witnesses, David Moir there and John Moir in Torrie.
- 1768, September 25th. Robert Moir and Agnes Drummond, his spouse, in Over Lanrek, had a child baptised, called **Henry**. Witnesses, David Moir there and Alexander McFarlane in Down. The child was born 24th.
- 1770, May 27th, James Moir and Elizabeth McEwen, his spouse, in Lanerk, had a child baptised, called **Margaret**. Witnesses, Robert and John Moir.
- 1771, March 31st. Robert Moir and Agnes Drummond, his spouse, Ovir Landrick, had a child baptised, called **James**. Witnesses, David Moir there and Alexander McFarlane in Down.
- Elizabeth (?)** 1772, June 14th. James Moir and Helen McEwen, his spouse, in Landrick, had a child baptised, called **David**. Witnesses, Robert and David Moirs, both in Lendrick.
- 1773, December 26th. Henry Moir and Margaret Mitchell, his spouse, in Sauchens, had a child baptised, called **Ann**. Witnesses, John Mitchell in Sauchen, and Alexander McFarlan in Down.  
Note—See 1775 infra.
- 1778, August 30th. Henry Moir and Margaret Mitchell, his spouse, at Sauchens, had a child baptised, called **James**. Witnesses, Alexander Macfarlane and David Mitchell, both there.
- 1778, Henry Moir and Margaret Mitchell, his spouse, at Sauchens, had a child baptised October 1st, 1775, called **Archibald**. Witnesses, David Mitchell and Alexander McFarlan, both in Down.  
Note—Entered at 1778.
- 1786, February 12th. James Moir and Isabel McKenzie, his spouse, at Mains of Down, had a child baptised, called **James**. Witnesses, Andrew McFarlan and James Cullins, both in Down.
- 1787, September 23rd. James Moir and Isabel McKenzie, his spouse, in Mains of Down, had a child baptised, called **William**. Witnesses, Andrew McFarlan and James Duncanson, both in Down.
- 1789, October 15th. James Moir and Isabel McKenzie, his spouse, at Mains of Down, had a child baptised, called **Elizabeth**. Witnesses, Thomas Duncanson and John McFarlan, both in Down.
- 1791, July 31st. James Moir and Isabel McKenzie, his spouse, at Mains of Down, had a child baptised, called **Janet**. Witnesses, Archibald Moir and Andrew McFarlane, both in Down.
- 1793, February 24th. James Moir and Isabel McKenzie, his spouse, at Sauchens, had a child baptised, called **Isabel**. Witnesses, Archibald Moir and John McFarlan, both in Down. The child was born the 17th February.

- \*1794, May 18th. John Moir and Janet Stewart, his spouse, in Mac-  
keanstoune, had a child baptised, called **Robert**. Witnesses,  
William Thomson and James Chambers, both in Mackeanstoune.  
The child was born the 7th May.
- 1795 (Feb.) James Moir and Isabel McKenzie, his spouse, in Sauchens,  
had twins baptised, called **Kathrine** and **Jean**. Witnesses,  
William Dick and William Johnstoun, both at Gartincaber. The  
twins were born —————
- (Above is between two entries dated 1st and 12th February.)
- 1796, June 27th. James Moir and Margaret Duncanson, his spouse, at  
**Bruch**, had a child baptised, called **Elen**. Witnesses, David Moir **Braich (?)**  
at Camsay and Alexander Stewart at Muirhead. The child was  
born the 25th June.
- 1796, September 15th. John Moir and Janet Stewart, his spouse, at  
Mackeanstoune, had a child baptised, called **Jean**. Witnesses,  
William Thomson and Alexander Steuart, both at Mackeanstoun.  
Note—Inserted at September, 1797.
- 1798, April 27th. James Moir and Margaret Duncanson, his spouse,  
at Mackeanstoun, had a child baptised, called **Elin**. Witnesses,  
William Thomson at Mackeanstoun and John Moir at Daldorn.  
The child was born the 25th April.
- 1800, September 12th. James Moir and Margaret Duncanson, his  
spouse, at Greenburn, had a child baptised **Margaret**. Witnesses,  
Mr. Murray at Kilmadock and John McIntosh at Norristoun. The  
child was born the 5th September.
- 1802, November 21st. James Moir and Margaret Duncanson, his  
spouse, at Gartincaber, had a child baptised, called **Ann**. Wit-  
nesses, John and William Dick, both at Gartincaber. The child  
was born the 13th November.
- 1805, June 23rd. James Moir and Margaret Duncanson, his spouse, at  
Greenburn, had a child baptised, called **John**. Witnesses, Alexan-  
der Stewart at Lanrick and Robert Stewart there.
- 1811, Oct. 13th. Robert\*\* and Elisabeth Moir, his spouse, at Mead-  
owhead, had a child baptised, called **George**. Witnesses, William **Moir**  
Moir and Robert Mitchell, both at Sauchens. The child was born  
the 23rd September.
- 1812, November 8th. Robert and Elisabeth Moir, his spouse, at Mead-  
owhead, had a child baptised, called **Isabel**. Witnesses, William **Moir**  
Moir at Sauchins and Robert Mitchell at Dulate. The child was  
born 1st November.
1814. Robert Moir and Elisabeth Moir, his spouse, in Meadowhead, of  
Gartincaber, had a son named James, born 27th January.
1815. Robert Moir and Elisabeth Moir, his spouse, in Gartincaber,  
had a child called **Janet** born 2nd and baptised 15th October.  
Witnesses, Congregation.
1817. Robert Moir and Elisabeth Moir, his spouse, in Gartincaber,  
had a child born 27th April and baptised 11th May, called **Robert**.  
Witnesses, Congregation.
1819. Robert Moir and Elisabeth Moir, his spouse, in Gartincaber,  
had a child born 27th January, and baptised 7th February, 1819,  
called **William**.

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\*Inserted after November 30th.

\*\*The surname of the father is omitted but Moir is in the margin.

1820. John Moir, Labourer, and Marrion McLaren, his spouse, in Torry, had **Marrion** born 1st, baptised 14th December, 1820.
1837. Archibald Moir and Agnes McPherson, spouses, Doune, had **James**, born 16th and baptised 30th November, 1837.
1840. Archibald Moir and Agnes McPherson, spouses, Doune, had **Agnes**, born 30th January and baptised 12th February, 1840.  
Searched from Beginning of Register to 1843.

## KILMADOCK (FOR DOUNE) BIRTHS

1623-1843 (ALLIED FAMILIES)

(Kindly furnished by REV. WALTER MACLEOD of Edinburgh)

Mothers' names not recorded till 1677

- 1623, November 10th. Ane bairne baptizet to Walter Farlan in Down. The bairne's name is **Archibald**. Witnesses, Archibald Stewart, James Smythe.
- 1624, February 19th. Ane bairn baptizet to George Stevart, in Kilbryid. The bairne's name is **Elspet**. Witnesses, Finlay Magibbon, Thomas Stewart.
- 1624, June 20th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Bryce in Garngaber. The bairne's name is **Ihon**. Witnesses, Ihon MacRison, Ihon MacRear.
- 1624, July 14th. Ane bairn baptizet to Alexander Stewart and Elspet Tailzeour. The bairne's name is **Margret**. Witnesses, James Bryce, Ihon Tailzeour, Ihon Stevart.
- 1624, October 10th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Stewart, Chalmerlan. The bairne's name is **Alaster**. Witnesses, Herie Hwine, Ihon Edmondston, James Don.
- 1625, January 13th. Ane bairn baptizet to Andro Stewart. The bairn's name is **William**. Witnesses, Andro Magibbon, Robert Bwy.
- 1625, March 20th. Ane bairn baptizet to Walter Farlan. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, James Smyth, Alexander Chrystie.
- Eodem Die. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Ihon**. Witnesses, Walter Graham, Robert Stewart.
- 1625, May 15th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, Archibald Forgesoun.
- 1625, September 11th. Ane bairn baptizet to Walter Stewart. The bairne's name is ———. Witnesses, Ihon Mitschell, James Haldan.
- EO. Die. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Stewart, in Makeinstoun. The bairne's name is **William**. Witnesses, William Stewart, Andro McNab.

- 1625, November 7th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Stewart, Deput. The bairnes' name is **Robert**.<sup>\*</sup> Witnesses, Ihon Edmondstoun of Newtown, Herie Hume off Argatie.
- 1625, November 20th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Bryce. The bairne's name is **Marion**. Witnesses, William Eauen, William Chalmer.
- 1626, January 22nd. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Georg**. Witnesses, James and Herie Stewarts.
- 1626, March 26th. Ane bairn baptizet to Alexander Stewart. The bairne's name is **Katherin**. Witnesses, Ihon Stewart, Ihon Lamb.
- 1626, April 11th. Ane bairn baptizet to Archibald Stewart. The bairne's name is **Issobell**. Witnesses, Robert Tailzeour, Ihon Stewart, William Buchanan.
- 1626, October 11th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Stewart, Inbry, off Cambss. The bairne's name is **Janet**. Witnesses, William Mitchell, Robert Carmichell.
- 1626, November 26th. Ane bairn baptizet to Walter Stewart. The bairne's name is **Ihon**. Witnesses, James Fogow, elder and younger, Ihon Mitchell.
- 1626, December 27th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Makeinsk. The bairne's name is **William**. Witnesses, Thomas McWillie, William Smithe.
- 1627, January 7th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Bryce. The bairne's name is **Nans**. Witnesses, Ihon and James Shawis, Ihon McNewar.
- 1627, January 11th. Ane bairn baptizet to William Stewart. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, James Stewart, James Finlason, Ihon Stewart.
- 1627, January 28th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Katherin**. Witnesses, Ihon Makertour, Ihon and James Schaw.
- 1627, July 15th. Ane bairn baptised to Ihon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Janat**. Witnesses, James and Thomas Stewarts, Ihon Garrow.
- 1627, July 26th. Ane bairn baptizet to Walter **Farlane**. The bairne's name is **Dugall**. Witnesses, James Stewart, Robert Wyld.
- 1627, August 26th. Ane bairn baptizet to Walter Stewart. The bairne's name is **Catheran**. Witnesses, Ihon Mitschell, Ihon Smyth.
- 1627, September 2nd. Ane bairn baptizet to Georg Stewart. The bairne's name is **Janat**. Witnesses, Thomas Stewart, Ihon Murdochoch.
- 1627, October 14th. Ane bairn baptizet to Ihon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Ihon**. Witnesses, Robert Balfour, Robert Buy.
- 1628, May 20th. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Stewart, younger. The bairne's name is **Marie**. Witnesses, Robert and Walter Stewarts.
- 1628, October 19th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **Janat**. Witnesses, Archibald Stewart, Alexander Chrystie.
- 1628, October 26th. Ane bairn baptizet to Andro Stewart. The bairne's name is **Janat**. Witnesses, Robert Stewart, Robert Smythe.
- 1628, November 16th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Bryce. The bairne's name is **Nans**. Witnesses, Ihon Wither, William Fail.

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<sup>\*</sup>The name Robert is blurred as if meant to be deleted.



- 1628, December 21st. Ane bairn baptizet to William Stewart. The bairne's name is **Eduard**. Witnesses, James Finlason, Jhon Mitschell.
- 1629, March 15th. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart in Watston. The bairne's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, Robert Stewart, Jhon Henryson.
- Eodem Die. Ane bairn baptizet to James Stewart, in Lanrik. The bairne's name is **Helen**. Witnesses, Jhon Moreson, Robert Stewart, in Lanrik, Robert Stewart, younger, in Broiche.
- 1629, March 29th. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart, in Calechat. The bairne's name is **Marloun**. Witnesses, James Bryce, Alexander Stewart.
- 1629, June 7th. Ane bairn baptizet to Don. Stewart Claak of Monteithe. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, James Muschett, Alexander Chrystie.
- 1629, June 14th. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Stewart (not designed). The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, Andro Stewart, James Mitchell.
- 1629, July 11th. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Helen**. Witnesses, Robert Squyar, Robert Morvell.
- 1629, August 23rd. Ane bairn baptizet to Duncan Stewart. The bairne's name is **Duncan**. Witnesses, Robert Bwy, Jhon Tailzeour.
- Eodem Die. Ane bairn baptizet to Walter Stewart. The bairne's name is **Annabl**. Witnesses, James Stewart, Jhon Smythe.
- 1630, March 21st. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Makenzie.\* The bairne's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, James More, William Edmondstoun.
- 1630, July 5th. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, Robert Stewart, Andro Kildow.
- 1630, October 31st. Ane bairn baptizet to Andro Stewart. The bairne's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, Robert Stewart, elder and younger.
- 1631, February 3rd. Ane bairn baptizet to Thomas Graham. The bairne's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, William and Patrick Grahames, Robert Stewart.
- 1631, February 13th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **Jhon**. Witnesses, Jhon Alloun, Walter Gourly.
- 1631, February 27th. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Stewart, younger. The bairne's name is **Jhon**. Witnesses, Jhon and James Stewartes.
- 1631, March 3rd. Ane (bairn) baptizet to Alaster Stewart, son to Jhon Stewart, in the Muir. The bairne's name is **Alaster**. Witnesses, Robert Tailzeor, John Tailzeor.
- 1631, April 10th. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Janat**. Witnesses, James Bryce, Robert Buchanan.
- 1631, June 3rd. Ane bairn baptizet to Georg Graham. The bairne's name is **Jhon**. Witnesses, Archibald Stewart, William Cadell.
- 1631, August 14th. Ane bairn baptizet to William Stewart. The bairne's name is **William**. Witnesses, John Baxter, Archibald Finlason.
- 1631, August 31st. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Jhon**. Witnesses, William Chalmer, Herie Stewart.
- 1631, November 27th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, Jhon, and Thomas Saters.

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- 1632, January 22nd. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Stewart. The bairne's name is **Janat**. Witnesses, Thomas Graham, Jhon Downie.
- 1632, February 12th. Ane bairn baptizet to Thomas Graham, in Daldoran. The bairne's name is **Annabl**. Witnesses, William Graham, Alexander Naper.
- 1632, July 22nd. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Issobell**. Witnesses, Robert Noruell, Robert McNab.
- 1632, November 25th. Ane bairn baptizet to Andro Stewart. The bairni's name is **Andro**. Witnesses, Andro Stewart, Jhon Murdoche.
- 1632, December 11th. Ane bairn baptizet to Walter Stewart in Broche. The bairne's name is **Walter**. Witnesses, Robert Stewart, James Haldan.
- 1633, January 6th. Ane bairn baptizet to Robert Stewart, in Broiche. The bairne's name is **Cathrin**. Witnesses, Walter Stewart, Jhon Stewart.
- 1633, March 31st. Ane bairn baptizet to Thomas Graham, in Daldoran. The bairne's name is **Annas**. Witnesses, William Graham of Boguhappell, Alexander Naper.
- 1633, August 25th. Ane bairn baptised to James Bryce. The bairne's name is **Dauid**. Witnesses, Thomas Kirk, Archibald Clark.
- 1633, October 29th. Ane bairn baptizet to James Stewart, of Arneworlit. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, Argatie, William Stewart, Archibald Stewart.
- 1634, February 23rd. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart. The bairn's name is **Marget**. Witnesses, Jhon Paterson, William Moreson.
- Eodem Die. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart, in Calechat. The bairne's name is **Jhon**. Witnesses, James Bryce, Jhon Stewart.
- 1634, March 19th. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, Jhon Stewart, Jhon Henryson.
- Eodem Die. Ane bairn baptizet to Thomas Graham. The bairne's name is **Catherin**. Witnesses, James Dog, Robert Stewart.
- 1634, April 20th. Ane bairn baptizet to Jhon Stewart. The bairne's name is **Dauid**. Witnesses, Jhon Murdoche, Andro Stewart.
- 1634, June 8th. Ane bairn baptizet to William Stewart. The bairne's name is **Jhon**. Witnesses, Finlay Clark, James Dewar.
- 1634, July 13th. Ane bairn baptised to Jhon Stewart, in Lanrik. The bairne's name is **Andro**. Witnesses, John Stewart, Walter Gow.
- 1634, August 3rd. Ane bairn baptizet to Walter Balfour. The bairne's name is **Walter**. Witnesses, John and Robert Balfours.
- Edoem Die. Ane bairn baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **Walter**. Witnesses, Walter Farlan, Walter Stewart, Jhon Bwy.  
Blank August, 1634, to October, 1635.
- 1636, February 27th. Ane bairn baptizet to Archibald Stewart, in Argatie. The bairne's name is **Jean**. Witnesses, James Stewart, Walter Farlane.
- 1638, February 8th. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Stewart. The bairne's name **Hearie**. Witnesses, Johne Stewart, William Clark.  
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- 1642, April 17th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart. The bairne's name is **Johne**. Witnesses, Johne Stewart, Androw Steuart.

- 1642, May 8th. Ane bairn baptizit to James Steuart. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, Walter Farland, Archibald Smith.
- 1642, May 15th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Steuart. The bairne's name is **Marione**. Witnesses, James Mitchell, James Halden.
- 1642, July 4th. Ane bairne baptizet to Harie Steuart. The bairne's name is **James**. (Witnesses) Robert Norvell, Walter Carmichell.
- 1642, July 24th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Steuart. The bairne's name is **James**. (Witnesses) Robert Norvell, Walted Carmichell.
- 1642, October 23rd. Ane bairne baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, Johne Stewart, Robert Steuart.
- 1642, December 25th. Ane bairne baptizet to umquhile Archibald Steuart. The bairne's name is **Marie**. Witnesses, Thomas Chalmers, Johne Innes.
- 1643, February 13th. Ane bairne baptizet to Walter Grahame of Ballochallan. The bairne's name is **Alexander**. Witnesses, David Muschet of Calichat, Alexander Napeir.
- 1643, May 7th. Ane bairne baptizet to William Steuart. The bairne's name is **Walter**. Witnesses, Johne Steuart, Murdoch Reoch.
- 1643, May 21st. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Steuart. The bairne's name is **Johne**. Witnesses, Johne Steuart, Harie Steuart.
- 1643, August 27th. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Steuart. The bairne's name is **Agnes**. Witnesses, John Steuart, William Clerk.
- 1643, September 17th. Ane bairne baptizet to James Steuart. The bairne's name is **Harie**. Witnesses, James Makisoune, John Robisoune.
- 1643, December 17th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Steuart. The bairne's name is **Margaret**. Witnesses, William Fail, Johne Smith.
- 1644, July 15th. Ane bairne baptised to Walter Grahame of Ballochallane. The bairne's name is ————. Witnesses, Alexander Monteith, William Grahame, Grahame of Boutoune.
- Note — 23d July 1644, Harie Grime of Argatie and Archibald Stirling of Coldoch, witnesses to child of Colin Campbell of Torrie.
- 1644, November 5th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart. The bairne's name is **Androu**. Witnesses, John Mitchell, younger, Robert Steuart.
- 1645, January 6th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart. The bairne's name is **Barbara**. Witnesses, James McQuein, Androu Stewart, Androu ————.
- 1645, February 21st. Ane bairne baptizet to Hary Stewart. The bairne's name is **Jonett**. Witnesses, Robert Smyth, Murdoch Reoche.
- 1645, March 2nd. Ane bairne baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **Walter**. Witnesses, Mongo Morisone, Johne Stewart.
- 1645, July 10th. Ane bairne baptizet to Duncan McFarlane. The bairne's name is **Marie**. Witnesses, Anton and Andrew Balfours.
- 1645, July 13th. Ane bairne baptised to Androw Stewart, servitour to David Muschett, of Spitteltone. The bairne's name is **Elisabeth**. Witnesses, David Muschett, Walter Mitchell.
- 1645, July 29th. Ane bairne baptizet to Walter Grahame. The bairne's name is **Elisabeth**. Witnesses, William Graham, Thomas Drummond.
- 1645, December 4th. Ane bairne baptizet to James Stewart. The

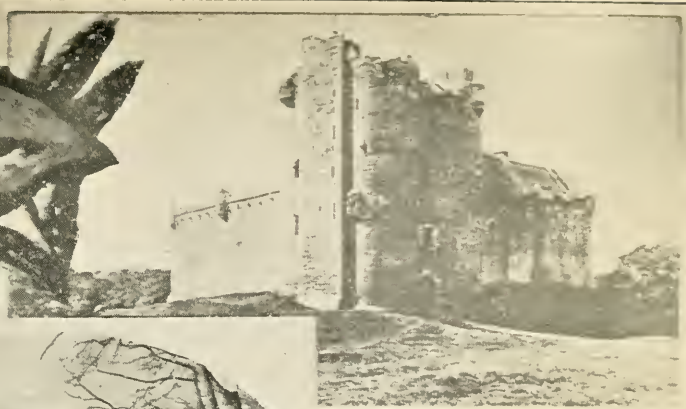
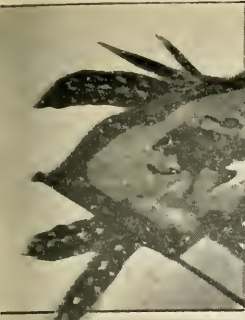
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- bairne's name is **Harie**. Witnesses, Harie Stewart, Robert Whatit.
- 1645, December 4th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Grahame. The bairne's name is **Patrik**. Witnesses, James Clark, James Jack.
- 1645, December 7th. Ane bairne baptizet to Alexander Stewart. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, Androw Stewart, James Clark.
- 1645, December 14th. Ane bairne baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, James Mackisone, Patrick Hendersoune.
- 1646, January 11th. Ane bairne baptizet to Alexander Stewart. The bairne's name is **Elspet**. Witnesses, Robert Talyior, Androw Stewart.
- 1646, January 30th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart, in Lanrik. The bairne's name is **James**. Witnesses, John Stewart, Robert Stewart.
- 1646, March 8th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart. The bairne's name is **Walter**. Witnesses, Robert Summer, Johne Smyth.
- 1646, May 4th. Two twinnes baptizet to John Farlane, lawful sone to Walter Farlane. The name of the one is **Walter**, the name of the other is **Georg**. Witnesses, Johne Watt, Robert Heart.
- 1646, May 23rd. Ane bairne baptizet to Walter Stewart in Balqd. p. The bairn's name is **Elspeet**. Witnesses, William Chalmer, Patrik McLorin. Balquhid-  
der (?)
- 1646, July 19th. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Stewart, in Broich. The bairn's name is **Androw**. Witnesses, Johne Stewart, Thomas Morisoune.
- 1646, August 16th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart. The bairn's name is **Johne**. Witnesses, Robert Norwall, Walter Stewart.
- 1646, October 18th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart. The bairne's name is **Johne**. Witnesses, Thomas Duncisone, John Stewart.
- 1646, December 20th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart, Calichat. The bairn's name is **James**. Witnesses, James McQuean, Murdoch McArie.
- 1646, December 31st. Ane bairnw baptizet to Patrik Grahame in Ces-sintone. The bairne's name is **Geilis**. Witnesses, Johne Dog, Johne Stewart.
- 1647, January 3rd. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart, in Over Lanrik. The bairne's name is **Archibald**. Witnesses, Androw Stewart, James Sl.
- 1647, January 31st. Ane bairne baptizet to James Stewart, in Wats-tone. The bairn's name is **Marion**. Witnesses, Johne Baccop, Johne Stewart.
- 1647, February 28th. Ane bairne baptizet to William Stewart. The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, William Clerk, Johne McEwne.
- 1647, March 14th. Ane bairne baptizet to George Grahame, in Kill. The bairne's name is **Androw**. Witnesses, Duncan Campbell, Johne Edmonston.
- 1647, March 28th. Ane bairne baptizet to Robert Stewart. The bairne's name is **Kathrine**. Witnesses, Johne Stewart, Androw Stewart.
- 1647, May 2nd. Ane bairne baptizet to Donald Stewart. The bairne's name is **Isobell**. Witnesses, James Stewart, Walter Stewart.

- 1647, July 17th. Ane bairne baptised to Walter Stewart. The bairne's name is **Robert**. Witnesses, William Caddell, Róbert Stewart.
- 1647, August 1st. Ane bairne baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **Elspectt**. Witnesses, Mongo Moressoune, Johne Stewart.
- 1647, October 10th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart. The bairne's name is **Jonett**. Witnesses, James Stewart, James Miller.
- 1647, October 24th. Ane bairne baptizet to James Stewart. The bairne's name is **Jeane**. Witnesses, Walter Gourlay, Walter Farlane.
- 1647, October 31st. Ane bairne baptizet to Donald Stewart. The bairne's name is **Cristane**. Witnesses, Androw Stewart, James Stewart.
- 1648, March 5th. Ane bairne baptizet to Johne Stewart. The bairne's name is **Mariorie**. Witnesses, Robert Stewart, John Smyth.
- 1753, February 15th. **David**, son to Donald Stewart and Katharine Ferguson, in Craigtoun. Witnesses, John and Patrick Fergusons there.
- 1753, August 24th. child to Alexander and Janet Stewarts, in Burn, of Cambus. Witnesses, ———
- 1754, February 3rd. **Alexander**, son to John and Mary Stewarts, in Berry-hill. Witnesses, Hugh Stewart in Ballicaish and John Shaw in Craigtoun.
- 1754, April 28th. **Archibald**, son to John Stewart and Jean McUlloch in Earn. Witnesses, Archibald and Robert McUllochs in Deans-toun.
- 1754, May 26th. **Robert**, son to William Stewart and Dorothy McCruer in Rosehall. Witness, Alexander Buchanan there and Archibald McCruer in Callibuckalzie.
- 1754, June 19th. **Janet**, daughter to Alexander Stewart and Janet Stewart, in Bridge-end of Down. Witnesses, Hugh and James Stewarts in Ballicaish.
- 1754, July 21st. **Thomas**, son to William Stewart and Margaret Caddell, in Lanrick. Witnesses, Thomas McFarlan and Patrick Ferguson in Down.
- 1754, July 24th. **John**, son to Robert Stewart and Agnes Galbraith in Annat. Witnesses, James and Hugh Stewarts in Ballicaish.
- 1754, August 27th. child to Patrick Stuart and McRear in Callibuhallie.
- 1754, September 2nd. **Jean**, daughter to David Bryce and Jean Lennox, in Milton of Cambus. Witnesses, Alexander Murdoch and Robert Bryce there.
- \*1754, November 8th. Duncan McFarlan and Kathrine McFarlan, his spouse, at Strait of Ballachallan, had a child baptised, called **Walter**. Witnesses, George McLeish, Ballacrans, and the Rev. Mr. Stewart, Minister, Callander.
- 1754, October 27th. **Robert** and **Isabel**, twins to Robert McFarlane and Isabell McGibbon, in Carse of Cambus. Witnesses, George McKewan and Hugh Stewart there.
- 1754, November 24th. **Jannet**, daughter to Robert and Isobel Stewarts in Broich. Witnesses, John Henderson and Gilbert Baxter there.

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\*Inserted after entry for September 23d.



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*Bridge of Teith  
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Perthshire*



*Cross-Main Street  
DOUNE*  
  
*Where Prince Charles  
stayed a night on his way  
South - A domicile  
of Moirs for several  
generations.*  
*Old Newton House  
DOUNE.*





GEORGE MOIR  
of Providence, R. I.





- Eod. Die. **Agnes**, daughter to John McFarland and Helen Yool at Cambusmore. Witnesses, John McLauchlan and John Smith, in Cambusmore.
- 1754, December 22nd. **Katharine**, daughter to Donald Steuart and Ann McGibbon, in Burn of Cambus. Witnesses, Archibald McArthur and Robert Shaw there.
- 1755, January 1st. **James**, son to Hugh Steuart and Jannet Duncanson in Ballacaish. Witnesses, Robert Steuart in Annat and James Steuart in Ballacaish.
- 1755, February 9th. **James Steuart** and **Kathrin Steuart**, in Drumvaich.
- 1755, February 16th. **Alexander**, son to James Steuart and Christian Thomson, in Kirktown. Witnesses, Archibald McArthur and John Mitchell in Buchanie.
- 1755, March 2nd. **Duncan**, son to Donald Steuart and Katharine Ferguson, in Heads. Witnesses, John and Patrick Fergusons there.
- 1755, April 20th. **Jannet**, daughter to John Stewart and Jannet Maqueen, in Wardhead. Witnesses, Edward Thomson there and George Shearer in Lundie.
- 1755, April 27th. **James**, son to Alexander McFarland and Margaret Squyre in Down. Witnesses, James McFarland and Thomas McFarlane there.
- 1755, September 22nd. **Alexander**, son to Robert McFarlane and Margaret Robertson, at Drumshogle. Witnesses, Alexander Drummond and Thomas Wingate, both at Burnbank.
- 1755, December 27th. **Elizabeth**, daughter to Dougal Stewart and Helen McCulloch, in Burn of Cambus. Witnesses, James McCulloch and Duncan Balfour there.
- 1756, January 11th. **John Stewart** in Iron and **Jean McCully**. Cully.

Note—Above names restricted after this to entries where allied with Moir.

- 1756, March 7th. **Alexander**, son to James Steuart of Auchrig and Katharine Steuart in Argaty. Witnesses, John Law and
- 1765, November 3rd. **Andrew McFarlane** and **Kathrine Moir**, his spouse, in Down, had a child baptised, called **Janet**. Witnesses, Archibald Murdoch and David Bain, both in Down.
- 1767, July 22nd. **Andrew McFarlane** and **Kathrine Moir**, his spouse, in Down, had a child baptised, called **Archibald**. Witnesses, Stephen Petrie, Surgeon, and Archibald Murdoch, both in Down.
- 1769, May 31st. **Andrew McFarlane** and **Kathrine Moir**, his spouse, in Down, had a child baptised, called **Ann**. Witnesses, John McFarlane and John Petrie, both in Down.
- 1773, November 7th. **Andrew McFarlan** and **Kathrine Moir**, his spouse, in Down, had a child baptised, called **Helen**. Witnesses, John McFarlan in Down and Archibald Moir, Mains of Down.
- 1778, May 17th. **Andrew McFarlane** and **Kathrine Moir**, his spouse, in Down, had a child baptised, called **Archibald**. Witnesses, Archibald and James Moir, both at Mains of Down.

Note—26th July, 1778, **Helen Eadie** wife of John Taylor at Hillside.

- 1779, August 8th. **Andrew McFarlane** and **Kathrine Moir**, his spouse, in Down, had a child baptised, called **William**. Witnesses, James Moir at Mains of Down and James McGowane, Down.
- 1781, June 10th. **Andrew McFarlane** and **Kathrine Moir**, his spouse,

- in Down, had a child baptised, called **Andrew**. Witnesses, **John Campbell** and **James Thomson**, both in Down.
- 1784, April 25th. **Alexander Stewart** and **Ann Moir**, his spouse, at **New Biggins**, of **Lendrick**, had a child baptised, called **Mary**. Witnesses, **William Murdoch** at **Lendrick** and **William Murdoch** at **Broich**.
- 1789, October 18th. **Andrew McFarlan** and **Kathrine Moir**, his spouse, in Down, had a child baptised called **Margaret**. Witnesses, **James Thomson** and **James Campbell**, both in Down.
- 1786, February 15th. **Alexander Stewart** and **Anne Moir**, his spouse, in **Biggins of Lanrick**, had a child baptised, called **Elizabeth**. The child was born 8th February.
- 1787, April 1st. **Andrew McFarlan** and **Katherine Moir**, his spouse, in Down, had a child baptised, called **Stephen**. Witnesses, **John McFarlan** at **Carse of Cambie** and **David Square** at **Kilmadock**.
- 1789, October 18th. **Andrew McFarlan** and **Kathrine Moir**, his spouse, in Down, had a child baptised, called **Kathrine**. Witnesses, **David Kene** and **John McFarlan**, both in Down.
- Note—10th October, 1790, **Robert Eadie** and **Isabel Sharp** at **Blackhill**—**Andrew** other children later.
- 1793, October 27th. **Alexander Stewart** and **Anne Moir**, his spouse, at **Upper Lendrick**, had a child baptised, called **Isabel**. Witnesses, **John McGregor** at **Upper Lendrick** and **John Moir** at **Dalhorn**. The child was born the 18th October.
- Note—There is no entry of children to this couple between 1786 and 1793.
- 1797, March 12th. **Alexander Stewart** and **Anne Moir**, his spouse, in **Lanrick**, had a child baptised, called **Kathrine**. Witnesses, **Robert** and **John McGregor**, both in **Lanrick**. The child was born the 5th instant.
- 1802, June 17th. **Alexander Stewart** and **Anne Moir**, his spouse, in **Lanrick**, had a child baptised, called **John**. Witnesses, **John Marshall** and **Peter Henderson**, at **Iron**. The child was born the 7th June.
- 1804, August 5th. **Alexander Stewart** and **Anne Moir**, his spouse, at **Biggins**, of **Lanrick**, had a child baptised called **Agnes**. Witnesses, **John Marshall** at **Iron** and **Robert Stewart** at **Biggins**. The child was born the 31st July.
1807. **Magnus Cuming** and **Ann Moir**, his spouse, at **Doune**, had a child baptised the 17th May, called **Janet**. Witnesses, **John Mitchell** and **James Henderson**, both in **Doune**. The child was born the 10th May.
- 1809, April 30th. **Magnus Cuming** and **Ann Moir**, his spouse, at **Doune**, had a child baptised, called **John**. Witnesses, **James Henderson** and **Thomas Reid**, both in **Doune**. The child was born the 26th April.
- 1811, June 10th. **Magnus Cuming** and **Ann Moir**, his spouse, at **Doune**, had a child baptised, called **Archibald**. Witnesses, **John Mitchell** and **James Henderson**, both in **Doune**. The child was born the 6th July.
1813. **Magnus Cuming** and **Ann Moir**, his spouse, in **Doune**, had a child called **James** born 12th and baptised 18th October, 1813.
- Note—Inserted between January and April, 1814.
1816. **Magnus Cuming** and **Ann Moir**, his spouse, in **Doune**, had a

child called **William**, born 25th. February and baptised 10th March.

1818. Magnus Cuming, Deanston Works, and Anne Moir, his spouse, (Doune), had **Magnus**, born 24th and baptised 30th, June, 1818.

1820. Magnus Cuming, Deanston Works, and Anne Moir, his spouse, Doune, had **Robert** born 25th June and baptised 6th July, 1820.

Note—The two immediately preceding entries are inserted together in 1820.

## KINCARDINE BIRTHS, THORNHILL (Perthshire)

1691-1843

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1706, January 9th. Jean Moir, wife of Lieutenant Colin Fairfoull, a daughter named **Susanna**.

Note—Other children to above couple occur later. One of the witnesses frequently to the baptisms is John Graham.

1711, April. Anna Moir, wife of Milngoody,\*\* a daughter **Janet**.

1741, April 26th. **Jean**, daughter to Robert Moir and Grizall McArthur. Witnesses, Robert and Thomas Stewarts, Noristoun.

1743, February 27th. **James**, son to Robert Moir and Grizall McArthur. Witnesses. Thomas Ferguson and Thomas Mitchell.

1744, November 4th. **John**, son to John Moir and Agnes Drummond. Witnesses, John Spittall and George Drummond.

1746, September 7th. **Thomas**, son to John Moir and Agnes Drummond. Witnesses, John Drummond and Patrick Moir.

1748, February 6th. **George**, son to Robert Moir and Grizall McArthur. Witnesses, James Chalmers and Joseph McUlloch.

1748, December 14th. **Agnes**, daughter to John Moir and Agnes Drummond. Witnesses, Patrick Moir and George Drummond.

1769, August 28th. **David**, son to John Moir and Margaret McFarlane, Daldoran.

1770, July 22nd. George Moir, witness to child of James Belch.

1772, August 9th. **James**, son to John Moir and Margaret McFarlane, Daldoran.

\*1775, April 30th. **Jean**, daughter to John Moir and Margaret McFarlane, Daldoran.

1776, November 24th. **Alexander**, son to George Moir and Janet Adam, Bowhapple.

1777, August 17th. **Alexander**, son to John Moir and Margaret McFarlane, Daldoran.

1778, March 8th. **Robert**, son to George Moir and Janet Adam, Bowhapple Moss.

\*\*Milngoody witness on 13th May 1735 to child of Lieutenant Stewart and Susanna Fairfoul. There is an entry on 17th March 1710 of the marriage of George Muschet parochiner and Anna Moir in Stirling. 1743, June 1st, George Muschet younger of Milngoody.

\*Interlined, without date, between April 30th and May 7th.

- 1782, July 7th. **Isobel**, daughter to John Moir and Margaret McFarlan, Daldoran.
- 1782, December 29th. **Jean**, daughter to George Moir and Janet Adam.
- 1784, August 22nd. **George**, son to George Moir and Janet Adam.
- 1786, April 30th. **Janet**, daughter to George Moir and Janet Adam, Thornhill.
- 1787, August 5th. **George**, natural son to Henry Moir and Jean McGrigor.
- 1788, February 14th. **Andrew**, son to George Moir and Janet Adam. Mossie.
- 1794, January 26th. **James**, son to George Moir and Janet Adam.
- 1796, September 4th. **John**, son to John Moir and Christian Clark, Daldoran.
- 1796, December 4th. **Elisabeth**, daughter to George Moir and Janet Adam, **Bowhapple**.
- 1798, August 26th. **Margret**, daughter to John Moir and \*Margret Clerk, Daldorn.
- 1799, May 5th. **Elisabeth**, natural daughter to Margaret Moir, Daldorn.
- 1801, May 24th. **Ann**, daughter to John Moir and Christian Clark, Daldorn.
- 1804, April 29th. **James**, son to John More and Christian Clark, Daldorn.
- 1806, September 17th. **Robert**, son to John More and Christian Clerk, Daldorn.
- 1808, January 22nd. **Janet**, daughter to James More and Margaret Duncanson, Thornhill.
- 1808, November 4th. **Christian**, daughter to John More and Christian Clerk, Daldorn.
- 1809, April 30th. **Cathrine**, daughter to Alexander Moir and Jean Hutton, Mossie.
- 1810, August 26th. **David**, son to John Moir and Marrison McLaren, Daldorn.
- 1810, November 14th. **George**, son to Alexander More and Jean Hutton, Mossie.
- 1812, February 8th. **Mary**, daughter to John Moir and Marrison McLaren, Daldoran.
- 1813, January 29th. **William**, son to Alexander Moir and Jean Hutton, Mossie.
- 1814, November 11th. **Alexander**, son to Alexander Moir and Jean Hutton, Mossie.
- 1814, December 15th. **Katharine**, daughter to John Moir and Marrison McLaren.
- 1816, January 7th. **George**, son to George Moir and Jean Stirling.
- 1816, September 1st. **Andrew**, son to Alexander Moir and Jean Hutton.
- 1816, August 15th. **James**, son to John Moir and Marrison McLaren.  
Note—Misplaced at December.
- 1818, October 10th. **Jean**, daughter to Alexander Moir and Jean Hutton, Mossie.  
Note—Misplaced at December.

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\*See 1796—Mother's name Christian.

- 1819, June 6th. **George**, son to Andrew Moir and Isobel Dougal.  
 1820, October 10th. **Robert**, son to Alexander Moir and Jean Hutton, Mosside.  
 1821, June 24th. **Henry**, son to Andrew Moir and Bell Dougal.  
 1822, December 31st. **John**, son to Alexander Moir and Jean Hutton, Mosside.  
 1824, November 5th. **Andrew**, son to Andrew Moir and Isobella Dougal.  
 1825, December 21st. **James**, son to Alexander Moir and Jean Hutton.  
 1827, May 12th. **Alexander**, son to Andrew Moir and Isobel Dougal.  
 1827, September 16th. **James**, natural son to John Moir and Janet Cameron.  
 1829, October 27th. **Mary**, daughter to Andrew Moir and Isobel Dougal.  
 1833, March 31st. **Janet**, daughter to Andrew Moir and Isobell Dougal, Thornhill.

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Note. The names in the margin are only taken when in conjunction with Moir or More.

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| 1762, May 16th. <b>Jean</b> , daughter to John Mitchell and Jean Moir. Witnesses, Peter McNab and James Christie. | Edy or Edie Comyns or Cumins.      |
| 1765, May 12th. <b>Paul</b> , son to John Doeg and Beatrix Moir. Witnesses, John and William Christies.           | McFarlane Stirling Stewart Graham. |
| 1773, January 10th. <b>Alexander</b> , son to Robert McFarlane and Moir, Daldoran.                                | —                                  |
| 1792, December 18th. <b>Agnes</b> , daughter to Alexander Duncanson and Janet Moir.                               | Bryce McKenzie Doeg Duncanson.     |
| 1794, October 12th. <b>John</b> , son to Alexr. Duncanson and Janet Moir, Thornhill.                              | Clark                              |
| 1796, August 16th. <b>Mary</b> , daughter to Alexr. Duncanson and Janet Moir, Thornhill.                          | Symmers.                           |
| 1800, March 23rd. <b>Robert</b> , son to Alexr. Duncanson and Janet Moir.   | McQueen.                           |
| 1810, June 28th. <b>Stephen</b> , natural son to Joseph Clark and Jean More, Daldoran.                            | Campbell.                          |
| 1815, November 5th. <b>John</b> , son to John Symmers and Jean More.  |                                    |
| 1820, January 2nd. <b>Janet</b> , daughter to John McQueen and Elis Moir.   |                                    |
| 1821, July 29th. <b>Margaret</b> , daughter to William Junkine and Margaret Moir.                                 |                                    |
| 1822, May 6th. <b>Archibald</b> , son to John Campbell and Mary Moir.   |                                    |

## KINCARDINE MARRIAGES (Perthshire)

1770-1854

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- 1776, July 6th. George Moir and Janet Adam, both parishioners, having marriage lines bearing date November, 1773, were rebuked and fined.
- 1780, May 21st. James Moir in Kilmadoke and Isobel Thomson in this parish.
- Note—Entries from 1st May, 1784, to 26th February, 1785, "lost."
- 1793, October 19th. John Moir and Mary Buchan, parishioners.
- 1793, June 26th. John Moir in Kilmadok and Janet Stewart in this parish.
- 1795, July 25th. John Moir in this parish and Christian Clark, Callander.
- 1805, June 30th. John More in Port Parish and Janet Marjoribanks in this parish.
- 1807, March 7th. Alexander Moir and Jean Hutton, both in this parish.
- 1809, December 17th. John Moir and Marrison McLaren, Parishioners.
- 1815, August 20th. George Moir and Jean Stirling, parishioners.
- 1829, November 22nd. John Moir and Mary Ferguson, parishioners.
- 1843, September 3rd. Andrew Drummond and Elisabeth Maxwell, parishioners.
- 1844, October 13th. Robert Hutton in this parish and Catharine Moir in the parish of Kilmadock.
- 1845, February 16th. Andrew Moir and Mary Smith, Parishioners.
- 1845, December 21st. Henry Moir and Christian Stewart, Parishioners.
- 1846, May 24th. William Moir of this parish and Grace McFarlane of the Parish of Port.
- 1847, May 23d. Robert Drummond and Margaret Connel, Parishioners.
- 1847, September 26th. Archibald Sands and Janet McAlpine, Parishioners.
- 1848, April 23rd. Andrew Moir of Parish and Margaret McQueen in the Parish of Port of Monteith.

Note in Register at 1853 that the record is defective through the carelessness, etc., of the Session Clerk.

## KILMADOCK MARRIAGES

1623-1854

(Kindly furnished by REV. WALTER MACLEOD of Edinburgh)

- 1624, June 22nd. Robert and Jhon Moir, witnesses to marriage Jhon Tailzeour and Elspeth Murdoche.
- 1624, Aug. 25th. Robert Moir, witness to marriage George McCullie and Marion Bowie.
- 1625, June 21st. Jhon Moir, witness to marriage John Robison and Christian McKray.
- 1625, November 4th. Mariet, Jhon Murdoche, Gein Moir. Witnesses, Robert Tailzeour, Robert Moir, Robert Stewart.
- 1625, December 11th. Mariet, Jhon Moir, Miller, Janat Buchanan. Witnesses, Alexander Jack, Archibald Stewart.
- 1626, June 15th. Mariet, Jhon Moir, Katherin Tailzeour. Witnesses, Robert Tailzeour, William Buchanan.
- \*1627, April 25th. Mariet, Archibald Menzies, Margret Moir. Befoir thir witnesses, Robert Stewart; William Fergeson.
- 1627, December 18th. Mariet, Archibald Gregour, Agnes Moir, both in this parish, befoir thir witnesses, Andro Thomson, Jhon Fergeson.
- Blank from July, 1634, to 15th May, 1645.
- 1645, June 1st. Mariet, Johne Dowgall, Margrat Moir, both parochiners, witnesses James Wricht, Johne Moir.
- 1647, July 18th. James Moir, witness to Marriage Archibald Menzies and Jonet Wyld.
- 1647, November 20th. Robert Moir, witness to marriage Cannioch and McHutchone.
- 1648, October 26th. Walter Moir, witness to marriage Spittell and Napier.
- 1648, November 28th. Robert Moir, witness to Marriage Smyth and Johnston.
- Blank December 1650 to February 1652, and June 1652 to June 1717, except one entry for 1666; also April 1720 to March 1722.
- 1717, June 21st. James Kanser and Isobell Moir, both in this parish.
- 1717, November 29th. James Moir and Margaret Dason (?).
- 1719, November. ————t Moir and Janet Pateron, both in this parish.
- 1720, January 1st. John Moir in this parish and Anna Murdoch in Kincardine.
- 1720, January 2nd. William McIson and Mary Moir, both in this parish, gave up their names.
- 1721, June 10th. Walter Moir and Isabell McLellan, both in this parish.

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\*See Dunblane testaments.



- 1733, September 4th. Walter Moir and Isobell Glass, both in this parish.
- Blank November 1735 to November 1756, except one entry for 1747.
1757. Robert Moir in this parish and Janet Fisher in Stirling parish were listed 18th February (to be proclaimed in order to marriage).
1757. John Moir and Margaret McFarlane, both in this parish, were listed 12th November.
- 1761, February 1st. Mr. John Burns\* in Stirling and Miss Mary Moir in this parish declared their purpose of marriage and gave to the poor 1s. 8d.
- 1763, January 29th. Robert Moir in this parish and Agnes Drummond in parish of Kincardine declared their purpose of marriage and gave to the poor 1-8.
- 1764, August 12th. Andrew McFarlane and Kathrine Moir, both in this parish, declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1768, November 12th. James Graeme and Jean Moir, both in this parish, declared their purpose of marriage and gave to the poor 1s. 8d.
- 1769, January 28th. Nicol McLeran and Ann Moir, both in this parish, declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1773, February 13th. Henry Moir in this parish and Margaret Mitchell in parish of Lecropt declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1777, January 11th. James Reid in this parish and Jean Moir in Stirling declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1777, May 31st. John McNee and Jean Moir, both in this parish, declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1780, May 26th. James Moir and Isabel Thomson, both in this parish, declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1781, June 23rd. Robert Oliver in Old Gray Friars Quarter, Edinburgh, and Margaret Moir in this parish declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1782, June 16th. David Moir and Ann McArthur, both in this parish, declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1783, May 31st. Alexander Stewart and Ann Moir, both in this Parish, declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1784, November 27th. James Moir and Isabel McKenzie, both in this parish, declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1789, December 5th. Mr. James Tod, Borroustounness, and Miss Elizabeth Moir in this Parish declared their purpose of marriage.
- 1792, February 25th. Alexander Duncanson in parish of Kincardine and Janet Moir in this parish declared their purpose of marriage and married 16th March.
- 1793, July 6th. John Moir in this parish and Janet Stewart in parish of Kincardine declared their purpose of marriage and were married the 26th July.
- 1793, September 29th. Mr. Andrew Cowan, Merchant Barony Parish, Glasgow, and Miss Robina Moir in this Parish, declared their purpose of marriage and were married the 1st October.
- 1795, December 5th. James Moir and Margaret Duncanson, both in

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\*In rubric the name is Burn. It does not appear in Stirling Register.

- this parish, declared their purpose of marriage and were married the 25th December.
- 1799, August 23rd. John Symers in this parish and Margaret Moir in the parish of Kincardine declared their purpose of marriage and were married the 13th September.
- 1806, June 7th. Andrew Moir in Parish of Kippen and Mary Monteath in this Parish declared their purpose of marriage and were married 27th June.
- 1811, February 16th. \*Robert and Elizabeth Moir, both in this parish, declared their purpose of marriage and were married the 1st March.
- 1817, January 11th. John Bryce of the Parish of Renfrew and Isabella Moir of this Parish declared their purpose of marriage, and having been proclaimed pro. 1 mo. and 2 do. 12th pro. 3 tio. 19th January, were married.
- 1831, November 19th. John Cumming of this Parish and Mary Moir of St. Mary's Parish, Edinburgh, declared their purpose of marriage, and having been proclaimed pro. 1 mo. and 2 do. 20th and pro. 3 two. 27th November, were married 1st December.
- 1837, August 12th. Archibald Moir and Agnes McPherson, both of this parish, declared their purpose of marriage and having been proclaimed pro. 1 mo. and 2 do. 13th and pro. 3 tio. 20th, were married 24th August, 1837.
- 1841, December 4th. William Maule of this parish and Catharine Moir of the parish of Kincardine, declared their purpose of marriage and having been proclaimed pro. 1 mo. and 2 do. 5th and pro. 3 tio 12th, were married 16th December, 1841.
- 1844, October 12th. Robert Hutton of the Parish of Kincardine and Catharine Moir of this parish, declared their purpose of marriage, and having been proclaimed pro. 1 mo. 2 do. and 3 tio., were married 15th October, 1844.
- 1846, January 9th. Robert Moir of the parish of Callander and Catharine McMartin of this Parish declared their purpose of marriage, and having been proclaimed pro. 1 mo. 3 do. do 3 tio., were married 12th January, 1846.
- 1847, May 15th. David Forrester and Ann Moir, both of this Parish, declared their purpose of marriage; and having been proclaimed pro. 1 mo. 2 do. and 3 tio. 16th, were married 21st May, 1847, by the Revd. Alexander Leitch, Free South Church, Stirling, witnesses, John McFarlane writer, John Forbes Bookseller, both in Stirling.
- 1851, April 26th. James Greenhorn of the Parish of Stirling and Ann Moir of this Parish, declared their purpose of marriage and having been proclaimed pro. 1 mo. 2 do. and 3 tio. 27th were married 28th April, 1851.

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\*Name in rubric—Moir.

## TULLIALLAN BIRTHS

(For Kincardine on Forth, Perthshire)

1855-1900

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### MOIRS AND ALLIED FAMILIES

1855. No. 2. **David Drummond**, born 1855, January 12th, 3 a. m. at Tulliallan. Father, David Drummond, Shoemaker, age 35. Birthplace, Tulliallan. Married 1844 at Glasgow. Issue 2 boys and 3 girls living. Mother, Agnes Drummond, maiden name Anderson. Her 5 child, 34 years. Born at Tulliallan. Informant the Father. Registered 1855, January 22nd.
1855. No. 54. **John Drummond**, born 1855, August 11th, at Newtown, Tulliallan. Father, Andrew Drummond, Sailor, 52 years, birthplace Tulliallan, married 1836 at Clackmannan. Issue 4 boys and 2 girls alive, 2 boys deceased. Her eighth child. Mother, Margaret Drummond, maiden name McQueen, age 41 years, born at Clackmapnan. Informant the mother. Registered 1855, August 30th.
1856. No. 49. **Edward Drummond**. Born 1856, October 5th, 11.55 p. m. at Blackhall, Tulliallan. Father, Andrew Drummond, Cabinetmaker. Mother, Mary Ann Drummond, maiden name Halley. Informant the Father. Registered 1856, October 10th.
- 1856, No. 43. **Isabella Drummond**. Born 1856, September 12th, 12 midnight, at High Street, Kincardine. Father, Peter Drummond, Agricultural Labourer. Mother, Betsy Drummond, maiden name Johnston. Informant the Father. Registered 1856, September 26th.
1857. No. 11. **Mary Wright Drummond**. Parents, David Drummond, Shoemaker, and Agnes Drummond, maiden name Anderson. Born at Elphinston Street, Kincardine. Informant, the Father. Registered 5th March, 1857, at Tulliallan.
1857. No. 45. **Margaret Drummond**, born 1857, August 23rd, 1.30 P. M. at Kirk Street, Kincardine. Parents, Andrew Drummond, Agricultural Labourer, and Margaret Drummond, maiden name Dougall. Informant, the Father. Registered 1857, September 4th, at Tulliallan.
- 1857, No. 19. **Elizabeth More**. Born 1857, March 18th, 10 P. M. at Kirk Street, Kincardine. Parents, James More, Agricultural Labourer, and Jean More, maiden name, Horne. Informant, the Father. Registered 1857, April 3rd.
1857. No. 31. **Stewart, Robert Rintoul**. Born 1857, May 20th, 10.30 A. M. at Kirk Street, Kincardine. Parents, William Stewart, General Labourer, and Margaret Stewart, maiden name Anderson. Informant the Father. Registered June 4th at Tulliallan.
1859. No. 2. **Drummond, Andrew Malcolm**. Born 1858, December 30th, 6 a. m., at Blackhall, Tulliallan. Parents, Andrew Drummond, Cabinetmaker, and Mary Ann Drummond, maiden name

- Halley. Informant the Father. Registered 1859, January 14th, at Tulliallan.
1859. No. 55. **Drummond, George.** Born 1859, August 19th, 9 P. M. at Elphinston Street, Kincardine. Parents, David Drummond, Shoemaker, and Agnes Drummond, maiden name Anderson. Informant the Father. Registered 1859, August 13th.
1859. No. 26. **Moire, Janet.** Born 1859, May 6th, 6 P. M. at Kirk Street, Kincardine. Parents, James Moire, General Labourer, and Jane Moire, maiden name Horne. Informant, James Moire, the father. Registered 1859, May 21st.
- 1860, No. 45. **Drummond, Christian Ann.** Born 1860, September 21st, 4 a. m. at Blackhall, Tulliallan. Parents, Andrew Drummond, Cabinetmaker and Mary Ann Drummond, maiden name Halley. Informant the Father. Registered 1860, October 8th, at Tulliallan.
1861. No. 41. **McKenzie, George Mercer.** Born 1861, July 29th, 1 p. m. at Knowehead, Kincardine. Parents, John McKenzie, Agricultural Labourer, and Agnes McKenzie, maiden name Mercer. Married 1860, October 5th, at Kincardine. Informant the Father. Registered 1861, August 1st, at Tulliallan.
1862. No. 14th. **Elizabeth Drummond.** Born 1862, March 2nd, at Elphinston Street, Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan. Parents, David Drummond, Shoemaker, and Agnes Drummond, maiden name Anderson. Married 1844, November, at Glasgow. Informant, the Father. Registered 1862, March 18th, at Tulliallan.
1862. No. 70. **Johan Gibb Moir.** Born 1862, December 19th, 5 p. m. at Newtown Kincardine, parish of Tulliallan. Parents, Walter Moir, Engine Keeper, and Helen Moir, maiden name Duncanson. Married 1862, October, at Kincardine. Informant, the Father. Registered 1862, December 25th, at Tulliallan.
1863. No. 36. **Elizabeth Drummond.** Born 1863, July 4th, 3 a. m. at Brucefield, Parish of Tulliallan. Parents, Andrew Drummond, Railway Labourer, and Margaret Drummond, maiden name Dougall. Married 1857, January, at Auchterarder. Informant the Father. Registered 1863, July 17th, at Tulliallan.
1863. No. 44. **Janet Johnston McKenzie.** Born August 28th, 5.30 p. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan. Parents, John McKenzie, Agricultural Labourer, and Agnes McKenzie, maiden name Mercer. Married 1861, October, at Kincardine. Informant, Agnes McKenzie, Mother. Registered 1863, September 14th, at Tulliallan.
1864. No. 19. **William Drummond.** Born 1864, May 4th, 5 a. m., at Gartary, Parish of Tulliallan. Parents, William Drummond, Ploughman, and Helen Drummond, maiden name Ferguson. Married 1858, December, St. Ninians. Informant the Father. Registered 1864, May 12th, at Tulliallan.
1864. No. 7. **John McFarlane.** Born 1864, February 14th, 10 p. m., at West Carse, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, Alexander McFarlane, Ploughman, and Sarah McFarlane, maiden name Hamilton. Married 1852, January, at Kippen. Informant, the Father. Registered February 23rd, 1864, at Tulliallan.
1865. No. 49. **Andrew Drummond.** Born 1865, August 11th, 1 p. m., at Brucefield, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, Andrew Drummond,

- Railway Labourer, and Margaret Drummond, maiden name Dougall. Married, 1857, January, Kincardine. Informant, the Father. Registered August 26th, at Tulliallan.
1865. No. 31. **Tiny Drummond**. Born 1865, April 25th, 2 a. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, David Drummond, Shoemaker, and Agnes Drummond, maiden name Anderson. Married 1845, November, Glasgow. Informant, the Father. Registered 1865, May 10th, at Tulliallan.
1865. No. 2. **Archibald Moir**. Born 1865, January 4th, 6 p. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, Walter Moir, Labourer, and Helen Moir, maiden name Duncanson. Married 1862, Oct., Kincardine. Informant, the Father. Registered 1865, January 11th, at Tulliallan.
1865. No. 30. **Janet Anne Sands**. Born 1865, April 23rd, 10 a. m., Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan. Mother, Janet Sands, Seamstress. Informant, Anne Sanders, Grandmother. Registered 1865, May 2nd, at Tulliallan.
1867. No. 27. **Andrew Drummond**. Born 1867, May 4th, 6 p. m., at Brucefield, Tulliallan Parish; Parents, Andrew Drummond, Labourer, and Margaret Drummond, maiden name Dougall. Married 1857, Auchterarder. Informant, the Father. Registered 1867, May 11th, at Tulliallan.
1867. No. 31. **Mary McKenzie**. Born 1867, May 12th, 1.40 p. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, Thomas McKenzie, Ploughman, and Betsy McKenzie, maiden name Archibald. Married 1864, August, at Alloa. Informant, the Father. Registered 1867, May 31st, at Tulliallan.
1867. No. 58. **Thomas Drummond**. Born 1867, September 14th, 7 a. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, David Drummond, Shoemaker, and Agnes Drummond, maiden name Anderson. Married 1843, September, Glasgow. Informant, the Father. Registered 1867, October 2nd.
1868. No. 72. **Peter McFarlane**. Born 1868, November 16th, 4 a. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, Peter McFarlane, carter, deceased, and Jane McFarlane, maiden name Cameron. Married 1868, February, Auchterarder. Informant, Jane McFarlane, Mother. Registered 1868, December 2nd, at Tulliallan.
1869. No. 46. **Alexander McKenzie**. Born 1869, July 23rd, 12 midnight, at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, Andrew McKenzie Ploughman, and Janet Hutchison, Agricultural Labourer. Informants, the Father and Mother. Registered 1869, August 4th, at Tulliallan.
1869. No. 61. **William Buchanan McKenzie**. Born 1869, October 16th, 10 p. m., at Gartary, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, David McKenzie, shepherd, and Mary Ann McKenzie, M. S., Buchanan. Married 1868, December, at St. Ninians. Informant, David McKenzie, Father. Registered 1869, October 28th, at Tulliallan.
1871. No. 52. **Isabella Steedman Sands**. Born 1871, October 6th, 12 hours noon, at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan, female. Father, John Sands, Carpenter; mother, Isabella Sands, M. S., King. Informant, John Sands, Father, not present. Registered 1871, October 13th, at Tulliallan. Registrar, Thomas Buchanan. Married 1871, March, at Kincardine.

- 1873, No. 44. **Alexander Drummond**. Born 1873, September 27th, 0 hours 30 minutes a. m., at Dolanhamie, Parish of Tulliallan. Father, John Drummond, Ploughman; Christina Drummond, M. S., Sinclair. Married 1861, May, Dunfermline. Informant, Christina Drummond, her (x) mark, Mother. Thomas Buchanan, Registrar, witness, 1873, September 13th, at Tulliallan.
1873. No. 45. **Mary Tait Sands**. Born 1873, September 20th, 6 hours a. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan, female. Father, John Sands, wright, and Isabella Sands, m. s., King. Married 1871, March, Kincardine. Informant, John Sands, Father, not present. Registered 1873, October 4th, at Tulliallan. Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1874. **Agnes Anderson Drummond**. 1874, May 14th, 3 hours 30 minutes p. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan; Parents, John Drummond, Commercial Traveller; Margaret Drummond, m. s., Steele. Married 1869, December, Kincardine. Informant, John Drummond, Father, not present. Registered 1874, May 29th; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1875. No. 58. **John Sands**. Born 1875, November 11th, 0 hours 30 minutes, at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan, male; Parents, John Sands, wright; Isabella Sands, m. s., King. Married 1871, March, at Kincardine. Informant, John Sands, Father, not present. Registered 1875, November 20th, at Tulliallan; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1878. No. 1. **Betsy Moir**. Born 1877, December 26th, 1 hour 30 minutes, at Sands, Parish of Tulliallan, female; Parents, John Moir, Gamekeeper; and Margaret Moir, m. s., Reid. Married 1875, February 4th, at Greenloaning, Ardoch. Informant, John Moir, Father, present. Registered 1878, January 3rd, at Tulliallan; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1879. No. 15. **James Moir**. Born 1879, February 22nd, 10 hours 15 a. m., at Sands, Parish of Tulliallan, male; Parents, John Moir, Gamekeeper; and Margaret Moir, m. s., Reid. Married 1876, February, at Ardoch. Informant, John Moir, Father, present. Registered 1879, February 28th, at Tulliallan; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1879. No. 49. **James Jeffrey Sands**. Born 1879, June 20th, 11 hours a. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan, male; Parents, John Sands, joiner; Isabella Sands, m. s., King. Married 1871, March, at Kincardine. Informant, John Sands, Father, not present. Registered 1879, June 28th, at Tulliallan; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1880. No. 4. **Margaret Drummond**. Born 1880, January 5th, 7 hours p. m., at Broomknowe, Parish of Tulliallan, female; Parents, John Drummond, Farm Servant, and Christina Drummond, m. s., Sinclair. Married 1861, May, at Dunfermline. Informant, Christina Sinclair or Drummond, her (x) mark, Mother. Thomas Buchanan, Registrar, witness. Registered 1880, January 23rd, at Tulliallan; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
- 1881, No. 40. **John Moir**. Born 1881, August 9th, 6 hours 30 minutes a. m., at Sands, Parish of Tulliallan, male; Parents, John Moir, Gamekeeper, and Margaret Moir, m. s., Reid. Married 1876, February 4th, at Ardoch. Informant, John Moir, Father, not

- present. Registered 1881, August 16th, at Tulliallan; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1881. No. 56. **Adam Laing Sands.** Born 1881, October 26th, 2 hours p. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan, male; Parents, John Sands, Joiner; Isabella Sands, m. s., King. Married 1871, 9th March, Kincardine. Informant, John Sands, Father, not present. Registered 1881, November 12th, at Tulliallan; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1883. No. 30. **Alexander Reid Moir.** Born 1883, July 2nd, 4 hours 30 minutes a. m., at Sands, Parish of Tulliallan, male; Parents, John Moir, Gamekeeper; Margaret Moir, m. s., Reid. Married 1876, February, at Ardoch. Informant, John Moir, Father, not present. Registered 1883, July 14th, at Tulliallan; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1884. No. 9. **Jeanie King Sands.** Born 1884, February 15th, 6 hours 30 minutes p. m., at Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan, female; Parents, John Sands, Joiner; Isabella Sands, m. s., King. Informant, John Sands, Father, not present. Registered 1884, March 1st, at Tulliallan; Thomas Buchanan, Registrar.
1885. No. 28. **David Moir.** Born 1885, June 19th, 10 hours 10 minutes a. m., at Sands Lodge, Parish of Tulliallan, male; Parents, John Moir, Gamekeeper; Margaret Moir, m. s., Reid. Married 1876, February 4th, at Ardoch. Informant, John Moir, Father, present. Registered 1885, July 8th, at Tulliallan; Robert Baxter, Registrar.
1886. No. 10. **Helen Sands.** Born 1886, February 20th, 11 hours 15 minutes p. m., at Silver Street, Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan, female; Parents, John Sands, Joiner; Isabella Sands, m. s., King. Married 1871, March 9th, at Kincardine. Informant, John Sands, Father, not present. Registered 1886, March 6th, at Tulliallan. George Gibb, Registrar.
1893. No. 2. **Jane Hay Drummond.** Born 1893, January 4th, 4 hours 30 minutes a. m., at Regent Street, Kincardine, Parish of Tulliallan, female; Parents, Alexander Drummond, Mason; and Mary Ann Drummond, m. s., Raffan. Married 1885, September 4th, at Urquhart. Informant, Alexander Drummond, Father, present. Registered 1893, January 21st, at Tulliallan. George Gibb, Registrar.
- 1899, No. 15. **Annie Hutton Hunter Drummond.** Born 1899, February 24th, 3 hours 45 minutes p. m., at Newtown, Parish of Tulliallan, female; Parents, John Drummond, General Labourer, (Domicile, Mar Place, Sanchie) and Jane Drummond, m. s., Meek. Married 1898, November 4th, at Tulliallan. Informant, John Drummond, Father. Registered 1899, March 11th, at Tulliallan. George Simpson, Registrar.

## KINCARDINE BIRTHS (Perthshire)

1843-1854

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- 1843, February 12th. **Isobella**, daughter to Thomas Drummond and Isobella Stewart.
- 1843, March 27th. **David**, son to Andrew Drummond and Margaret Drummond.
- 1843, June 12th. **Peter**, son to Alexander Drummond and Rachel McInnes.
- 1844, March 24th. **Katharine Reid**, daughter to John Drummond and Janet McEwan, Drip Moss.
- 1844, August 26th. **George**, son of Andrew Drummond and Elisabeth Maxwell, Boguhapple.
- 1845, November 21st. **William**, son to John Drummond and Janet McEwan, Nailorslane.
- 1846, May 11th. **Agnes**, daughter to Andrew Drummond and Elisabeth Maxwell, Boguhapple.
- 1846, December 23rd. **Janet**, daughter to Thomas Drummond and Isabella Stewart, Kirklane.
- 1847, June 8th. **Duncan**, son to Andrew Drummond and Margaret Drummond, Nailorslane.
- 1847, September 25th. **John**, son to John Drummond, Janet McEwan, Nailorslane.
- 1848, March 3rd. **William**, son to Andrew Drummond and Elisabeth Maxwell, Boguhapple.
- 1848, April 15th. **Jane**, daughter of Andrew Moir and Mary Smith.
- 1849, December 4th. **George Craig**, natural son to Andrew Moir and Jean Craig, Thornhill.
- 1850, January 27th. **Janet**, daughter to John Drummond and Janet McEwan, Drip Moss.
- 1850, March 12th. **John**, son to Andrew Drummond and Elisabeth Maxwell, Boguhapple.
- 1850, June 28th. **Alexander**, son to William Moir and Grace McFarlane, Mosside.
- 1851, March 27th. **John**, son to Henry Moir and Christian Stewart, Summerlane.
- 1852, January 13th. **Hugh**, son to John Drummond and Janet McEwan, Drip Moss.
- 1852, January 26th. **Isabella**, daughter to Andrew Drummond and Elisabeth Maxwell, Boguhapple.
- 1852, June 29th. **Peter**, son to Henry Moir and Christian Stewart, Summerlane.
- 1852, August 5th. **John**, son to William Moir and Grace McFarlane, Mosside.

N. B. There is note in Register at 1853, to the effect that "the Register of Births for 1853 is most lamentably deficient in consequence of the habitual and obstinate carelessness and inaccuracy of the late Session Clerk."



- 1854, May 14th. **James**, son of Andrew Drummond and Elisabeth Maxwell, Boguhapple.  
 1854, June 16th. **Margaret Ferguson**, daughter of John Drummond and Janet McEwan, Nailors Lane.  
 1854, September 12th. **Isabella**, daughter of William Moir and Grace McFarlane, Moss-side.

## CALLANDER BIRTHS

1750-1775

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- 1753, George Drummond and Margaret Drummond, in Cuilt, had a son born 22nd, and baptised 25th December, called **Alexander**.  
 1754, George Drummond and Janet McArthur, in Maines, had a son born 12th and baptised 13th February, 1753, called **Robert**.  
 1754, George Drummond and Janet McArthur, in Maines, had also a son born 25th February, and baptised 3rd March, called **George**.  
**Note.** The two preceding entries occur together at 1754.  
 1755, Patrick Drummond and Catharine McKeinens, in Kilmahag, had a daughter born 15th, and baptised 16th May, called **Catharine**.  
 1756, George Drummond and Janet McArthur, in Maines, had a son born 12th, and baptised 13th May, called **Patrick**.  
 1763, John Drummond and Ann Wood, in Cullintoggle, had a son born 6th, and baptised 7th, called **James**.

At 1763 occurs "Register of such in this Parish as were married, and had children baptised by Episcopal Ministers."

- Marriage.** Alexander Stewart of Glenbucky, in this Parish, and Mrs. Janet Drummond in the Parish of Kilmadock, were married 23rd January, 1734.

Then follow entries of six of their children.

- Episcopal Registers Continued. Marriage.** Mr. Duncan Stewart, Brother to Glenbucky, and Mrs. Grissell Drummond, daughter to Mr. David Drummond, brother to John Drummond of Culchuly, were married in the year 1730.

Then follow entries of four of their children.

- Marriage.** John Ferguson, in the parish of Balquidder, and Catharine Drummond, alias McGrigor, in this Parish, listed themselves to be proclaimed, in order to marriage, 6th May, 1738, and before their third proclamation were married.

John Drummond, alias McGrigor, and Janet Drummond, alias Do., in Achnahaird, had a son born 1st, and baptised 2nd April,\* called **Patrick**.

- Ordinary Registers, 1764 Onwards.** 1764, Alexander Drummond and Barbra Drummond, at Damhead of Leny, had a son born 12th, and baptised 14th January, called **John**.

\*No year given for this entry, the preceding one is December, 1749, and the succeeding one 1748. The MacGregor's of Balquidder are of the same clan as the celebrated Rob Roy. Many of the clan changed the name to Drummond after 1745, for obvious reasons.



*Glasgow University*



*Castle St.  
& Municipal Buildings  
Aberdeen*



*Main St. looking East  
Thorahill  
Perthshire.*



*Gartincaber House,  
near Doune.*



- 1764, John Drummond and Anne Wood, in Cuilantogail, had a son born 23rd, and baptised 25th of November, called **James**.
- 1766, John Drummond and Anne Wood, in Cuilantogel, had a son born the 23rd, and baptised the same day of October, called **John**.
- 1769, Robert Drummond and Mary McLaren, in Dreppan, had a son born the 22nd of January, and baptised the 28th of Do., called **Patrick**.
- 1769, John Drummond and Anne Wood, in Cullantogull, had a daughter born the 16th of January, and baptised the 29th of Do., called **Susanna**.
- 1771, Robert Drummond and Mary McLeran, in Cosh, had a daughter born 19th, baptised 25th August, called **Janet**.
- 1771, George Drummond and Janet McArthur, in Brebochastle, had a daughter born 23rd, baptised 29th December, called **Jean**.
- 1774, Robert Drummond and Mary McLeran, in Cosh, had a daughter born 19th, and baptised 21st March, 1774, called **Isabell**. (This under 1775.)

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## STIRLING BIRTHS

MAY 1671-1700

(Kindly furnished by REV. WALTER MACLEOD of Edinburgh)

No record of births from March 1592, to May 1671

- 1671, July 1st. Parents, John Moir, Isobell Burne, child **David**. Witnesses, James Russel, George Lapslie.
- 1672, September 21st, Johne Moir, Isobell Burne, **Margaret**. Witnesses, George Lapslie, Johne Arroll.
- 1673, February 2nd. Robert Moir, Jonet Gillespie, **Mary**. Witnesses, Andrew Thomson, Johne Duncanson.
- 1671, June 3rd. William Gilphillan—Jonat Gilphillan, **Sibilla**. Witnesses, Thomas Miller, Thomas Gilphillan.
- 1671, December 31st. Thomas Gilphillan—Jonat Ewing, **Jonat**. Witnesses, Thomas Ewing, Robert Gardiner, William Gilphillan.
- 1673, January 16th. William Gilphillan—Jonat Gilphillan, **Sybilla**. Witnesses, Thomas Miller, Thomas Gilphillan.
- 1673, July 19th. Thomas Gilphillan—Jonat Ewing, **Thomas**. Witnesses, Thomas Ewing, William Gilphillan.
- 1672, January 4th. Johne Sandis—Isobell Wright, **James**. Witnesses, Johne Sandis, Merchand burgess of Stirling; John Morison, Cowper, younger, and James Morison, Couper, elder.
- 1806—Married on 24th April, at Edinburgh, WILLIAM GLAS, Esq., of Stirling, to MISS JANE MOIR, dau. of the deceased John Moir, Esq., of Hillfoot, writer to the signet. Marriage.

**REGISTER OF BAPTISMS**  
IN THE PARISHES OF  
**MUTHILL, AUCHTERARDER, BLACKFORD, COMRIE,  
CRIEFF AND DUNNING, IN PERTHSHIRE**  
1700-1844

**John More**, lawful son of George More and Janet Smith, in the chapel of Struthill, born 28th June, baptised 29th June, 1700.

**Margaret More**, lawful daughter of Andrew More and Agnes Harruer, in Drumlakinoch, was born 29th Nov., baptised 1st. Dec., 1701.

**James More**, lawful son to Thomas More and Isabel Tais, in Drummond, born 6th March, baptised 6th March, 1703.

**Andrew More**, lawful son to Andrew More and Agnes Harruer, in Drumlakinoch, born 3d May, baptised 4th May, 1704.

**John More**, lawful son of John More and Isabel Bryce, in Pett, was born the 12th day of June, and baptised 17th June, 1704.

**James More**, lawful son of John More and Janet Whyte, in Muthill, born 10 Sept., baptised same day, 1704.

**Thomas**, son to Thomas More and Isabel Tais, born Oct. 13, 1705, baptised Oct. 14, 1705.

**Margaret**, daughter to James Gloag and Helen More, in West Drummawhance, born Sept. 26, baptised Sept. 29, 1706.

**Mary**, daughter of Thomas Moir and Isabel Tais, in Drummond, born April 17, baptised April 19, 1708.

**Helen**, daughter of Thomas Gloag and Helen More, in Wester Drummawhance, born Sept. 24, baptised Sept. 25, 1709.

**Jean**, daughter to Andrew Moir and Agnes Harruer, in Drumlakinoch, born 15 March, baptised same day, 1710.

**Jean**, daughter to John Brydie and Janet More, in Easter Borland, born Sept. 11, baptised Sept. 12, 1711.

**Jean**, daughter to James Gloag and Helen Moir, in Wester Drummawhance, born March 2, baptised March 5, 1713.

**Patrick**, son to Patrick Gibson and Janet Moir, in Cultiheldech, born Apr. 2, 1715, baptised same day.

**Andrew**, son of James Gloag and Helen Moir, in Wester Drummawhance, born July 30, baptised Aug. 2, 1715.

**John**, son of Patrick Gibson and Janet Moir, in Cultiheldech, born April 6, baptised same day, 1716.

**Helen**, daughter to James More and Janet Clemmett, in Ladystoun, in the parish of Blackford, born April 3, baptised in the Miltoun of Machany, April 5, 1720.

**Margaret**, daughter to John More and Isabel Miller, in Daurside of Machany, in the Parish of Blackfoord, born July 6, baptised July 7, 1727.

**Agnes**, daughter to James More and Janet Clemmet, in Ladytoun, of Machany, born June 8, baptised June 10, 1728.

**Andrew**, son of John More and Isabel Miller, in Daurside, of Machany, born Oct. 4, baptised Oct. 5, 1728.

**Margaret**, daughter to William Maltman and Helen More, in Drumness, born Jan. 29, baptised same day, 1731.

**David**, son to John More and Isabel Miller, in Damside, in Machany, born July 23, baptised same day, 1731.

**Andrew**, son to William Maltman and Helen More, in Drumness, born Dec. 17, baptised same day, 1731.

**Margaret**, daughter to Alexander Ross and Ann More, in Machany, born June 24, baptised same day, 1732.

**Margaret**, daughter to Andrew More and Ann Gray, in Drumlakin, born July 15, 1732, baptised same day.

**Margaret**, daughter to James More and Janet Clemmet, in Ladytoun, of Machany, born May 17, 1734, baptised same day.

**James**, son of James Moir and Janet Clemmet, in Lady'stoun, Parish of Blackfoord, born and baptised Jan. 21, 1736.

**Alexander**, son of Andrew Moir and Ann Grey, in Drumlakin, born and baptised Oct. 10, 1736.

**Mary**, daughter of John Moir and Isabel Miller, in Half-Merkland, born Jan. 29, baptised Jan. 31, 1739.

**Isabel**, daughter of James Moir and Janet Clemmet, in Ladytoun, Parish of Blackford, born March 30, baptised April 2, 1740.

**Andrew**, son of William Maltman and Helen Moir, in Drumness, Parish of Blackford, born Sept. 25, baptised Sept. 28, 1740.

**Andrew**, son of Andrew Moir and Ann Grey, in Crofthead, of Farmtown, Parish of Blackford, born Dec. 30, 1741, baptised Jan. 2, 1742.

**Janet**, daughter of William Maltman and Helen Moir, in Drumness, Blackford Parish, born 9 August, baptised 21 August, 1743.

**John**, son of Andrew Moir and Ann Grey, in Crofthead, of Farmtown, Parish of Blackford, born August 31, baptised Sept. 2, 1744.

(On account of the Civil War of 1745-46, and its terrible results, the parish records were omitted from the years 1746 to 1749.)

March 20, 1750. **Helen**, lawful daughter of Ann Grey, in Crofthead, of Farmtown, born March 18, was baptised the 20th day of March, 1750. With such excessive severity were the penal laws executed at this time, that Andrew Moir, having neglected to keep his appointment with me at my own house this morning, and following me to Lord Rollo's house, but I was obliged to go under the cover of trees in one of Lord Rollo's parks, to prevent our being discovered, and baptise the child there.

**James**, son of William McLeish and Mary Moir, in Muthill, born Nov. 16, baptised Nov. 18, 1750.

**Ann**, daughter of William McNabb and Margaret Moir, in Drumduie, born Oct. 30, baptised Nov. 1, 1754.

**John**, son of William McLeish and Mary Moir, in Muthill, born Dec. 3, baptised Dec. 8, 1754.

**Jean**, daughter of William McNabb and Margaret Moir, in Drumduie, born Jan. 15, baptised Jan. 16, 1756.

**Isabel**, daughter of William McLeish and Mary Moir, in Muthill, born March 19, baptised March 20, 1757.

**William**, son of Alexander Moir and Janet Dow, in Lentibbert, born May 25, baptised May 27, 1758.

**Alexander**, son of Margaret Moir and William McNabb, in Drumduie, born and baptised July 9, 1758.

**Mary**, daughter of William McLeish and Mary Moir, in Muthill, born Dec. 12, baptised Dec. 14, 1759.

**Andrew**, son of Alexander Moir and Janet Dow, in Easter\* Drummawhance, born June 21, baptised June 23, 1762.

**Margaret**, daughter of William McNabb and Margaret Moir, in Drumduie, born July 1st, baptised July 5, 1763.

**William and Mary**, twin children of James Moir and Agnes Maltman, in Muthill, born and baptised Feb. 10, 1764.

**Andrew**, son of James Moir and Agnes Maltman, in Muthill, born Nov. 3, baptised Nov. 10, 1765.

**Helen Moir**, daughter of Andrew Moir and Janet Moir, in Crofthead, Parish of Blackford, born Jan. 26, 1767, baptised same day.

**William**, son of Andrew Moir and Isabel Drummond, in Ladystown, Parish of Blackford, born October 17, baptised Oct. 30, 1768.

**James**, son of William McNabb and Margaret Moir, in Drumduie, born and baptised Dec. 24, 1768.

**Margaret**, daughter of Andrew Moir and Janet Moir, in Crofthead, Parish of Blackford, born Dec. 10, baptised Dec. 18, 1770.

**James**, son of Andrew Moir and Janet Moir, in Crofthead, Parish of Blackford, born Jan. 2, baptised Jan. 15, 1773.

**William**, son of Andrew Moir and Janet Moir, in Crofthead, Blackford Parish, born March 9, baptised 20 March, 1775.

**Jean**, daughter of Patrick Miller and Helen Moir, in Kincardine, Crief, born Sept. 16, baptised Sept. 22, 1775.

**Andrew**, son of Patrick Miller and Helen Moir, in Easter Tamakuvick, Parish of Crief, born August 28, baptised Sept. 14, 1778.

In Muthill Chapel, **John**, son of James Ouston and Janet Brander, in Inverness Parish, born in Crieff, Nov. 12, 1783, Helen Moir, in Crief, being sponsor.

**Ann**, daughter of John Moir and Margaret Gray, in the Cavin, born Nov. 23, baptised Nov. 27, 1789.

**Beatrix**, daughter of Andrew Moir and Ann Allan, in Muthill, born Oct. 26, baptised Oct. 31, 1790.

**Andrew John**, son of Andrew Moir and Isabel Clarke, in Auchterarder, born April 3, baptised May 9, 1791.

**Andrew**, son of John Moir and Margaret Gray, in Cottertown, in Drummawhance, born Oct. 18, baptised Oct. 21, 1791.

**Ann**, daughter of Andrew Moir and Helen Crawford, Blackford Parish, born March 7, baptised March 28, 1792.

**Elizabeth**, daughter of John Moir and Margaret Gray, in East Mill, of Auchterarder, born August 30, baptised Sept. 5, 1793.

**Mary**, daughter of Andrew Moir and Helen Crawford, in Crofthead, of Machany, Blackford Parish, born Jan. 28, baptised Feb. 14, 1797.

**Ann**, daughter of William Moir and Jean Allan, in Muthill, born Sept. 17, baptised Sept. 22, 1799.

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\*The famous George Buchanan, educator and tutor of James VI., and also of the Court of Queen Mary, was called the "Laird of Dromwhassel." He and his forbears lived and died in this neighborhood.

**James**, son of William Moir and Jean Allan in Muthill, born July 13, baptised July 19, 1801.

**William**, son of William Moir and Jean Allan, in Muthill, born Jan. 23, baptised Jan. 29, 1804.

**Thomas**, son of William Moir and Jean Allan, in Muthill, born Feb. 18, baptised Feb. 23, 1806.

**Beatrix**, daughter of William Moir and Jean Allan, in Muthill, born Jan. 14, baptised Jan. 20, 1811.

**Jane**, natural daughter of Captain Henry Wilson of the 72nd Regiment, and Beatrix Moir (born 1790), in Muthill, born Sept. 8, 1813. William Moir, sponsor.

**Mary Ann Jane**, daughter of Charles Stuart Edward, near Kempo Castle, and Mary Moir, born Dec. 3, baptised Dec. 13, 1819.

**Andrew**, son of Andrew Moir and Jean Allan, in Muthill, born July 31, baptised August 1, 1813.

**Margaret**, daughter of Andrew Moir, wright, in Muthill, and Margaret Cramb, born Dec. 24, 1827, baptised Jan. 6, 1828.

**Martha**, daughter of Andrew Moir, wright, in Longshot, and Margaret Cramb, born May 29, baptised June 14, 1829.

**Helen**, daughter of Andrew Moir, wright, at Northgate, of Culdees, and Margaret Cramb, born Jan. 2, baptised Jan. 24, 1832.

**Mary**, daughter of James Moir, Farm Servant, at Fuer, in Muthill, and Helen Robertson, born July 4, baptised Nov. 10, 1833.

**Anna**, daughter of Andrew Moir, wright, and Margaret Cramb, Porter lodge of Culdees, born Oct. 26, 1833, baptised Jan. 12, 1834.

**Janet**, daughter of Andrew Moir, carpenter, Westgate of Culdees, and Margaret Cramb, born Dec. 8, 1838, baptised March 30, 1839.

**Andrew James**, son of Andrew Moir, carpenter, and Margaret Cramb, born at Westgate of Culdees, Oct. 1, baptised Dec. 12, 1840.

By the Rev. James Moir of Brechin, **William Moray**, son of the Rev. Alex. Meldrum, Ep. Minister of Muthill, and Jane Catherine Wickham, born May 20, baptised June 6, 1841.

**Robert**, son of Andrew Moir, carpenter, and Margaret Cramb, born at Machany house, Feb. 6, baptised March 27, 1844.

There are also 13 Moir entries from Jan., 1847, to Nov., 1886, in the same Register.





# MARRIAGE REGISTER

## ST. GEORGE'S PARISH CHURCH

LONDON, ENGLAND

(From published lists of Baptisms and Marriages—1573 to 1853)

(No baptisms found)

April 20, 1747, GEORGE MOIR and ELIZABETH GREAY, of St. Martin's in the Fields, were married at St. George's Chapel, London.

Nov. 17, 1781, EDWARD STAFF and JANE ELIZABETH MOIR were married at the Parish Church, St. George's, Hanover Square, London.

Jan. 3, 1795, GEORGE D'ALMAINE of the Parish of St. Paul, Covent Garden, London, and MARY MOIR, of the Parish of St. Martin's in the Fields, spinster, minor, were married by Edward Embry, Curate of St. Paul's Church. Witnesses, John Moir and Thomas D'Almaine.

April 23, 1811, DAVID MOIR and ELIZABETH MOSS were married at St. George's Parish Church, Hanover Square, London.

September 20, 1829, ROBERT HOWLETT and HELEN MOIR were married at St. George's Parish Church, Hanover Square, London.

June 12, 1830, JAMES MOIR and MARY PANKHURST were married at St. George's Parish Church, Hanover Square, London.

July 24, 1833, JAMES RANDALL and ELIZABETH MOIR were married at St. George's Parish Church, Hanover Square, London.

From the London Times of September 25, 1903, we learn that Brevet Major ALLAN JAMES GORDON MOIR married a Miss Druce.

(There were examined, at this time, the records of four other London Parishes, but no more Moirs were noted.)



## ABERDEENSHIRE

### BURGESSES OF GUILD AND TRADE OF THE BURGH OF ABERDEEN 1399-1700

(List Furnished and Introduction by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ.)

The following Moir extracts are taken from the first two volumes of the Miscellany of the New Spalding Club, printed for the Club at Aberdeen, 1890 and 1908, respectively. The editor of this valuable compilation from the Council Registers was the late lamented Mr. Alexander Macdonald Munro, City Chamberlain, who died at Aberdeen, 26th January, 1911. The register was prefaced by a special note on the names of the register occurring ten or more times, by one of our clan, the late Mr. James Moir, the respected Rector of the Grammar School, Aberdeen, who was Convener of Committee on Church Records to the Club mentioned. His remarks, so far as the Moir family are concerned, may be put on record here. They are in comparison with the issue of the Aberdeen Directory of 1890-1891. We find Moir 31, Muir (added to Moir) 4, and the name Moir appeared no less than thirteen times in the Directory already mentioned. The contractions seen at the end of extracts, from 1633 onwards, stand for:—

g, guild burgress; t, trade burgress.

G, honorary burgress, or admitted gratis without composition.

J, in right of father's burgress-ship.

- 1400, **More, Patrick.** (\*Cautioner, Thomas Amfrey.)  
1406-07, **More, Duncan.** (Cautioner, And. Gifford and Thomas Roule.)  
1466, September 12. **More, William.**  
1481, September 27. **More, William** (dwelling in the country).  
1493-4, **Moir, Robert** (at the instance of the Abbott of Arbrothok.)  
1503-4, **Moir, Alexander.**  
1507-8, **Moir, Thomas.** (Composition remitted at request of James Colisone.)  
1558-9, **Moir, Andrew.** (Cautioner, William Robertsoune, goldsmyt.)  
1596, July, **Moir, Andro** (baxter), becaus he was a prenteis within the toun, quha gawe his ayth, according to the common forme, and forder, that he suld not aspyr, nor seik any farder libertie, nor privelege.  
1560, December 9, **Moir, William.**  
1567, **Moir, William,** was cautioner to Gilbert Sengzeour.  
1598, October 27, **Moir, Mr. William,** son to William Moir.  
1600, September 12, **Mr. William Moir** was cautioner to Alexander Lorne.  
1605, September 13, **Mr. William Moir** was cautioner to John Chalmer, ex gratia.  
1605, September 24, **Mr. William Moir** was cautioner to John Watsoun, ex gratia.

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\*Cautioner is a Scots word, meaning, a surety.

- 1606, September 3, Moir, Alexander (Weaver).  
 1607, September 22, Moir, William, eldest son of Mr. William Moir.  
 1609, September 22, Moir, Peter (ex gratia, Cautioner, Mr. William Moir, treasurer).  
 1611, September 24, Moir, William. (Cautioner, Mr. William Moir.)  
 1614, October 20, Moir, John (simple burgess).  
 1615, May 1, Moir, John, eldest son of the late Alexander Moir (for the past thirty years in the service of the King of France).  
 1615, September 22, Moir, John (pupil), second son of Mr. William Moir, treasurer.  
 1617, September 23, Moir, Henry, third son of Mr. William Moir, dean of guild.  
 1619, January 22, Peter Moir was cautioner to Alexander Ross, merchant.  
 1620, September 25, Moir, William.  
 1633, July 10, Moir, Thomas, weaver, eldest son of Alexander Moir, weaver. t. J  
 1647, December 29, Moir, Alexander, baker, served with the late Robert Forbes. t.  
 1647, December 22, Moir, Jon, smith in the Clintertie, to the hammermen craft, in respect of the few number of craftsmen within this burgh, speciallie of the lorimers, and that sindrie of the said trade are dead of the plague of pestilence. G.  
 1648, February 9, Moir, Alexander, and Ergo, James, smith, in respect of the few number of craftsmen, speciallie of the lorimers, and that sindrie of the trad ar dead of the plague of pestilence. t.  
 1648, April 4. Moir, George, dyer. t.  
 1655, August 1, Moir, Johne, drywalker, simple burgess.  
 1654, March 8, Mr. John Campbell, Shereff Clark of Aberdeen, married eldest daughter of Mr. William Moir, Principal of the New College of Aberdeen. G.  
 1657, April 30, Moor, Alexander, hookmaker and claspmaeker, in Montrose, "employing and exercising himselfe in macking of hooks, clasps, and any other workmanship of that nature." t.  
 1658, June 16. Thomas Moir, couper's servant, Alexander Mill. t.  
 1659, January 18, Moir, John, merchant. g.  
 1660, March 21, Moir, John, eldest son to Patrick Moir, baillie of Aberdeen. g.  
 1662, June 24, Moir, John, son of the deceased John Moir, weaver. t.  
 1667, August 14, Moir, John, merchant, married the daughter of Alexander Collisone, burgess, whose predecessors had been magistrates. g.  
 1668 May 23, Moir, Patrik, second sone to the deceast Mr. William Moir, sometyme baillie of Aberdeen, and principall of the college of the samen. g.  
 1669, August 20, Moir, James, in Ferriehill, son of the deceast William Moir. g.  
 1676, September 25, Moir, Gilbert, second son of William Moir, doctor of medicine. g.  
 1682, May 2<sup>d</sup>, Moor, Alexander, buikmaker, onlie son of the deceist Alexander Moor, buikmaker, burgess. t.

- 1683, September 25, Moir, Andrew, merchant, son of William Moir, in Broombrae, at request of George Aidie, dean of guild. g.
- 1688, September 11, Moir, Andrew, in old mill of Foverane. g
- 1688, September 5, George Gordon, of Kirktown, of Dyce, who married a daughter of Mr. William Moir, doctor of medicine. g.
- 1689, February 28, Moir, John Mr. advocate, son of the late John Moir, of Stonniewood, burgess, and William Moir, his fourth son. g.
- 1690, December 27, Moir, Alexander fourth son of Mr. William Moir, doctor of medicine, burgess. g.
- 1691, September 22, Moir, Alexander, wright. t.
- 1693, August 23, Moir, Gilbert, cooper. t.
- 1698, July 9, Muire, John, provost of Aire. G.
1698. Ju' 9. Mores, John, burgess of St. Andrews. G.

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## ABERDEENSHIRE

### List of FIARS JURORS, 1604 to 1900

(Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE of Aberdeen)

The undernoted list was compiled by David Littlejohn, L. L. D., Sheriff-Clerk, for the second volume of the "Miscellany" of the New Spalding Club, issued 1908.

- Moir, Alexander, of Scotstoun, 1723 and 1729.
- Moir, Alexander, of Scotstoun, 1793 and 1794.
- Moir, George, of Scotstoun, 1751-'76—10 times.
- Moir, George, miller, Old Aberdeen, 1678.
- Moir, George, of Denmore, 1832 and 1833.
- Moir, James, in Ferriehill, also of Ferriehill, 1667-78.
- Moir, James, younger, of Stonywood, 1723.
- Moir, James, of Stonywood, 1739.
- Moir, (also Moor and Muir); Robert, merchant in Aberdeen, 1720-33.
- Moir, William, in Caberstoun, 1655.
- Moir, William, in Slippiehillock, 1690.
- Moir, William, burgess, now in Ferriehill, 1629.
- Moir, William, of Ferryhill, 1655.
- Moir, William, of Ferryhill, 1730-48.
- Muir, Alexander, of Loirston, 1840.

# THE LONACH SOCIETY

## ORIGINAL MEMBERS

(Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE of Aberdeen)

The following MOIRS were ordinary members of the Lonach Highland and Friendly Society, inaugurated 1825. Of the 277 members—

- No. 89. **John Moir, Senior**, Finnylost, Strathdon.
- No. 90. **Arthur Moir**, Finnylost, Strathdon.
- No. 91. **John Moir, Junior**, Finnylost, Strathdon.
- No. 79. **Alexander Moir**, Finnylost, Strathdon.
- No. 80. **James Moir**, Faichley.

This interesting gathering is still held annually on Donside, Aberdeenshire.



# WRIGHT'S AND COOPER'S SOCIETY RECORDS

OLD ABERDEEN, 1731-1911

(Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE of Aberdeen)

**George Mores**, mentioned in the records, 1769-1771.

**John More**, mentioned in the records, 1764-1766.

**Thomas Mores**, mentioned in the records, 1731-1735, and frequently, 1744-1769.

This society has always been a small body, and probably an off-shoot of the Wrights and Coopers of Aberdeen, one of the seven Incorporated Trades, whose oldest minute book is dated 1692. The history of the Incorporated Trades belonging to Aberdeen was written by Ebenezer Bain, ex-master of Trades Hospital, in 1887. From his scarce volume, we reproduce entries relating to the Moirs—

REV. JOHN MOIR'S portrait, by Cosmo John Alexander, hangs in the great hall. He was Rector of West Tinfield, Yorkshire. He mortified in 1736, 1000 merks, Scots (present-day value £83:6:8) for the support of a Philosophy Bursar at Marischal College, Aberdeen, and in the event of no Tradesmen's son applying for the said Bursary, the money was to be devoted to the maintenance of decayed Tradesmen, preference always being given to the name of **Moir**.

GILBERT MOIR, Cooper. His portrait, by an unknown artist, hangs in the great hall. He was elected Convener of Trades in 1710.

WILLIAM MOIR. He appears to have been a member of the Wright and Cooper trade, for in one of the acts of the Society anent bitter and spiteful speaking, there is cited a breach of the act: 2nd April, 1735. The court considering that Adam Baxter called **William Moir** a brute, in presence of the court, they therefor amerciate him, the said Adam Baxter, in Forty shillings, Scots, to be paid by him to be trade, for use of the poor, for the said transgression, in terms of the third act of this book; and debar him from voting in any affair of the trade until satisfaction be made before the Court, which, being paid by the said Adam Baxter, the trade discharge the above amerciamment, and ordered the sum of forty shillings to be re-paid to him.

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## EXTRACTS

### FROM OLD WILLS AND MARRIAGE SETTLEMENTS AND DISCHARGES IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAXWELL FAMILIES OF DOUNE

(Kindly furnished by HELEN MOIR MAXWELL of Doune)

1713. ALEXANDER MOIR, writer in Dunblane, by JOHN MOIR, notary public.
1718. Will of WILLIAM MAXWELL, written by JAMES MOIR, of Lochfield, writer. (Lochfield is a farm about half-way between Doune and Thornhill.)
1727. ROBERT MOIR, son to JAMES MOIR, writer in Doune. By JOHN MOIR, notary public.
1767. JAMES MOIR, writer in Doune.

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# DUNBLANE, PERTHSHIRE, TESTAMENTS

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Testament, Dative and Inventory, of the goods, etc., pertaining to umquhile MARGARET MOIR,\* relict of Archibald Menzies, at the Burne of Cessintullie, within the parish of Kilmadock, and Commissariat of Dumblane, the time of her decease in June, 1664. Made and given up by Thomas McHillie, (?) spouse to Jeonet Menzies, lawful daughter to said defunct. Debts due by Humprie Risk; John Bowie, in Kingsboquhaple; Jeonet Clark, at the Burn of Cessintullie; John Symmer, there; Robert Smyth, in Doune; David Dog, of Ballingrew; Walter Graham, in Kingsboquhaple; John Spittel, elder, in Noristoun; Captaine David Muschett; William Miller, at the Miln of Doune; James Wrycht, at the Burne of Cessintullie; John Neill, in Boghall; Mareoun Kinloch, in Kingcairne; Alexander Muschett, Messenger; John Doig, in Murdochstoun; William Haldan, in Garncaber; William Chalmer, in Cardrois; Andrew Dick; Jeonett Spittal; Robert Symner, in Lenrick; John McEller, in Doune.

Sum of the Inventar—£118:6:8d.

No debts owing by the deceased.

No division.

Confirmed, 19th January, 1665, ROBERT MOIR, in Newtoun, of Doune, cautioner.

## II

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The Testament, Testamentar, Inventory and Latter Will, of the goods, etc., which pertained to umquhile JAMES MOIR, in Aberargy, within the parish of Abernethie, and Commissariat of Dumblane; the time of his decease in June, 1664. Made and given up by himself, on 13th June, 1664, before these witnesses,—ANDREW MOIR, eldest lawful son to JOHN MOIR of Aberargy.

Sum of Inventar—£23.

Debts due by James Poltie, in Cary; Gilbert Gairner, in Aberargy; Summa patet.

Debts due by James Poltie, in Cary; Gilbert Gairner, in Aberargy; Alexander Burt, tailor, in Loanhead of Balmanno; William Rentoule; John Playfair, in Cairney; William Buist, in Pittindy.

Sum of debts owing to dead—£74:6:0.

Sum of Inventar and debts—£97:6:0.

To be divided into three parts, ilk part.

The said defunct, by his Latter Will, nominates DUNCAN MOIR, his eldest lawful son, his only executor and intromittor, with his goods and geir, and to pay debts, to viz,—Agnes Powrie, his spouse, "mother-

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\*Married, April 25th, 1627, see Marriage Registers of Doune.

in-law" to the said Duncan, 100 merks; and nominates \*JOHN MOIR, of Aberargy, and JOHN MOIR, his lawful brother, tutors and overseers to bairns; and what shall happen to be over and above the said 100 merks, the said JOHN MOIR, of Aberargy, and JOHN MOIR, his brother, shall deliver among his whole bairns, viz: Duncan, Margaret, and Helen Moirs, as they shall think it expedient.

**Confirmed**, 3d November, 1664, JOHN MOIR, in Nether Aberargy, is cautioner.

## III

**Testament**, Dative and Inventory of the goods, etc., which pertained to the deceast JOHN MOIR, Skinner, in Dumblane; and Helen Tindall, his spouse, Indweller in Dumblane, the time of their respective deaths as follows, viz: the first in the last day of June, and the second on 14th March, both in the year 1713. Made and given up by ALEXANDER MOIR, Writer in Dumblane, Executor, Dative, *qua* Creditor, preferred and decerned to saids Defuncts, for payment of *inter alios*, sum, in Decreet, at the instance of Mr. Robert McClelland, of Barreclay, Collector of Excise; and in another Decreet, at the instance of James Watson, of Ormistoun, against said JOHN MOIR, for rent of his house. Dated 12th March, 1713.

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Sum of the Inventory—£29:2:8.

**Confirmed**, 2nd June, 1715. Robert Finlayson, Merchant in Dumblane, Cautioner.

## IV

**Testament**, Dative, and Inventory of the goods, etc., which pertained to the deceased ALEXANDER MOIR, Writer in Dumblane; Made and given up by Mr. John Primrose, of Tulliallan, and John Bryce, Merchant in Dumblane, joint Executors, Creditors decerned and confirmed to the said Defunct.

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Summa—(———).

Among the list of debtors appears the following Item by Sir David Threapland, of Fingask, and JAMES MOIR, Writer, £10:2:6. HENRY MOIR, Merchant in Down, DAVID MOIR in Low, and Alexander Moir.

**Confirmed**, 9th July, 1724, Robert Banks, Merchant in Stirling, is cautioner.

## V

**The Testament**, Dative, and Inventory of the goods, etc., which pertained to the deceased ALEXANDER MOIR, Writer in Dumblane, in the parish thereof, the time of his decease in February last. Made and given up by James Cairns, younger, merchant in Dumblane, as present Treasurer to the Corporation of Skinners of Dumblane; Executor, Dative, *qua* Creditor, decerned to said Defunct, for payment to him as Treasurer foresaid of 50 merks, per bill dated 26th September, 1722. Debts due by Christopher and Robert Finlaysones, Merchants in Dumblane, and Willam Ker, Skinners there, Andrew Ker, Bellmaker in Dumblane.

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Summa patet—(———).

**Confirmed**, 9th July, 1724; John Gillespie, Writer in Dumblane, cautioner.

\*See note in Appendix, "Moirs of Aberargie."



## VI

Dunblane Testament, Dative, and Inventory, of the household plenishing, and others, which pertained to the deceased HARY MOIR, in Newtown of Doun, and MARGARET PATON, his spouse, within the parish of Kilmadock, the time of their deceases in May last; Made and given up by WALTER MOIR, wright in Doun, brother german to the said Defunct, only Executor, Dative, qua creditor, decerned to said Defuncts, for payment of funeral and medical attendance, etc.

Sum of Inventory—£177:13:0.

Confirmed, 5th June, 1740; Walter Paterson in Doun, is cautioner.

## VII

Dunblane Testament, Dative and Inventory of the debts, etc., which pertained to the deceased JAMES MOIR, Writer in Dumblane, the time of his decease in December, 1739; Made and given up by JEAN MOIR, the Defunct's daughter, spouse of Thomas Duthie, Writer in Dumblane; only Executors, Dative, qua nearest in kin, decerned to said Defunct, by Decreet, dated 1st July last.

Debts due by persons therein mentioned.

Summa Inventory—(———).

Confirmed, 27th January, 1743; John Duthie, mason in Dumblane, is cautioner.

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Confirmed Testament.—Dated 26th January, 1744; same cautioner.

## VIII

Dunblane Testament, Dative, and Inventory, of the goods, etc., pertaining to the deceased ALEXANDER MOIR, in Hillhead of Machany, within the parish of Blackford; the time of his decease in the month of (———) last; Made and given up by George Moir, in Hillhead of Machany, the Defunct's brother-german, who is decerned only Executor, Dative, qua nearest in kin to said Defunct.

Debt due by bond, granted to Janet Richard, relict of Alexander Moir, in Hillhead of Machany, by said GEORGE MOIR, dated 18th January, 1636; Sum in Bill by said Janet Richard, upon James Lawson at Machany, dated 2nd January, 1641. Sum due to said Janet, by John Richard, in Craig of Matherly, her brother; Sum due also, by Alexander Richard in Craig of Motherby, and others therein mentioned, to all which sums the said deceased ALEXANDER MOIR had right, by Disposition and Assignation, from the said Janet Richard, his mother. Dated 17th April, 1741. Registered in Stewart Court Books of Strathearn, 19th January, last.

Summa Inventory—£216:5:0.

Confirmed, 17th February, 1743, Mathew Gentill.

## IX

Dunblane Testament, Dative, and Inventory, of the debt, sum of money which pertained to the deceased ANN MOIR, daughter of the also deceased JAMES MOIR, Writer in Dumblane, the time of her decease in January last; Made and given up by JEAN MOIR, the Defunct's

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sister-german, spouse of Thomas Duthie, Writer in Dumblane, only Executors, Dative, qua nearest in kin, decerned to said Defunct, by Decreet, dated 5th August last.

Debt, due by the Honourable Major General James Campbell, of Lawers, per Bond granted to Defunct, and said JEAN MOIR, dated 31st October, last.

Confirmed, 27th January 1743, John Duthie, mason in Dumblane, is cautioner.

## X

**Testament, Testamentar, and Inventory of the goods, etc.,** which pertained to the deceased JAMES MOIR, Writer in Doune, in the parish of Kilmadock, the time of his decease in Oct., 1776, last. Made, and given up partly by himself, upon 26th August, 1775, and by \*ELIZABETH and \*ROBINA MOIRS, only children of the said Defunct, with consent of John Forrest, of Deanstaine, their only accepting, and acting tutor, and curator, for his interest; Which ELIZABETH and ROBINA MOIRS, the said Defunct nominated, to be his only Executors, by his Assignment, etc. Registered in the Court Books of the said Commissariat, on 5th December, last.

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Sum of the Inventory—£252:1:4d.

Sum of debts due by persons therein mentioned—£586:7:7. The said Defunct, by his Registered Assignment and Nomination, conveys in favor of said ELIZABETH and ROBINA MOIRS, his two daughters, and only children, in life, procreate betwixt him and the deceast Ann Forrest, his spouse, his whole goods and gear; and failing of them, to John Forrest, and his foresaids. With the burden of entertaining and maintaining of ISOBELL MOIR, his sister. He appoints said John Forrest; James Maule, factor to Earl of Murray; Johanna Leslie, daughter of deceased John Leslie, Merchant in Edinburgh; George Stewart, younger of Argatie; John Buchanan, of Auchleshie; Mr. James Smith, Minister at Kilmadock, to be Tutors and Curators to his said daughters. Dated at Doune, 26th August, 1775. Witnesses—Allan Stewart, at Bridgend of Leath; and Malcolm Wright, and William Key, his servants.

Confirmed 6th September, 1777. William McGruther, Writer in Doune, is cautioner.

## THE FOLLOWING MOIRS WERE MEMBERS OF THE LOYAL STIRLING VOLUNTEERS

From the STIRLING ANTIQUARY

By W. B. COOK, Stirling

Charles Moir, Wright, Stirling, joined the Corps 24 May, 1801. Vol. 3, p. 77.

Thomas Moir, Maltman, Stirling, joined the Corps 24 May, 1801.

Charles Moir, weaver, Stirling, joined 19th April, 1803.

Robert Moir, servant, Livilands, joined 27th Oct., 1803.

\*See Doune Births, 1762 and 1764.

## NOTES ON THE MOIRS FROM SCOTSTOWN LIBRARY

(Kindly lent by MAJ. P. MOIR-BYRES of Tonley)

WILLIAM MOIR, elder, of Spittal and Scotstown, was principal of Marischal College in 1658.

WILLIAM MOIR, of Scotstown, appears as subscribing to King's College in 1688.

(The preceding notices are from Spalding Club publications.)

GEORGE MOIR occurs frequently in the books. The earliest date I have noticed is 1726, and the latest 1791. The handwriting on the earlier volume is different from that on the volumes after 1733, and suggests that possibly there were two of the same name. If there were two, there is nothing I noticed to show what the earlier one was, but the later one was a lawyer, had apparently been educated in Holland, and from the books acquired was a man of accomplishments.

ALEXANDER MOIR occurs on the books from 1771 downwards. He was an advocate at the Scottish bar, had been educated in Holland, appears as practicing in 1786 and 1787. Some time prior to 1804, he had succeeded to Scotstown. There was a SHERIFF MOIR in Aberdeenshire, in the beginning of the nineteenth century, and probably he is the same Alexander Moir, as he had a valuable collection of books on Scottish and Roman law, which appears to have been kept up to about 1820.

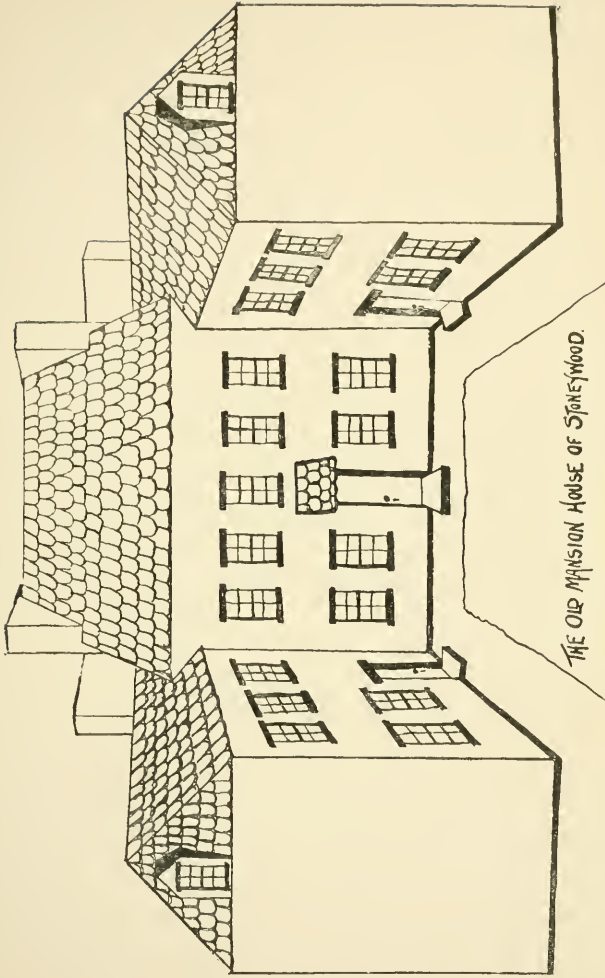
On the more recent books, the only names I have noticed are those of SIR MICHAEL and LADY BRUCE.

(J. D. W., Scotstown, Bridge of Don, Aberdeenshire.)



MOIR WINDOW AT TONLEY

Whitehouse, Aberdeenshire



THE OLD MANSION HOUSE OF STONEYWOOD.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY  
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TILDEN FOUNDATIONS.

# LANDS OF COTTON IN ABERDEENSHIRE

## From "ANNALS OF WOODSIDE AND NEWHILLS"

Att Aberdein, 24th July, 1695, years in presens of John Allardes, ane of the baillies of the burgh—

The said day, it was judicially verified and proven, be the depositions of Alexr. Skein, of Dyce; Gilbert Black, lait baillie; John Moir, lait baillie; Mr. James Moir of Ferriehill, that Gilbert Moir, son of deceast Dr. William Moir, of Scotstoun, now in the Kingdom of Poland, who went from this about 18 years ago or thereby, being then about the age of (—) years, or thereby, is the second lawful son of the said deceased, Dr. William Moir of Scotstoun, procreat betwixt him and Margaret Skein, his spouse, in the lawful bonds of matrimony; and that the said deceased Dr. William Moir of Scotstoun, principal and professor of mathematics in the Marischall College of Aberdeen, procreat betwixt him and Jean Gordon, his lawful spouse, daughter of the deceased Gilbert Gordon of Gordonsmill, of the family of Clunie; and that the deceased William Moir of Scotstoun, procreat betwixt him and Janet Rae, his lawful spouse.

All which they deponed to be of veritie, by virtue of their great oath sworn; Whereupon the said baillie ordained ane testimonial to be extended, in ample and due form.

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## MOIRS OF SCOTSTOWN

(Some notes furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE of Aberdeen)

1798. Paid MR. MOIR of Scotstoun, laid out in repairing the road from Seaton gate to the Bridge of Don—£15:0:0.
1808. Paid MR. MOIR of Scotstoun, expended by him in repairing the approaches to the Bridge—£15:0:0.

The above notes relating to the MOIRS of SCOTSTOWN are extracted from Mr. William Paul's "Notes on the Early History of the Brig of Balgownie" [Aberdeen, 1876]. They refer to the accounts of the Bridge of Don fund. It is of this famous bridge, which has been built over six centuries, that Lord Byron writes in "Don Juan":

Brig o' Balgownie! wicht is thy wa',  
Wi' a wife's ae son and a mare's ae foal,  
Doun shalt thou fa'.

# STONEYWOOD

## INTRODUCTORY NOTES

“Observe below, where, with becoming pride,  
Fair Stoneywood stands by the river side,  
Whose owner still maintains our ancient laws.  
And stood, like Cato, in his country’s cause—  
Would every Scot act such a part as he,  
How happy still might Caledonia be.”

(From “Don,” by Forbes of Brux, published  
in 1655, and reprinted with additions in 1742.)

The Author of “A View of the Diocese of Aberdeen,” gives it as his opinion that being a stoney place, and having a fir grove hard by, quhere the green burn falls into the Don, comes the name Stoneywood.

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## THE MOIRS OF STONEYWOOD

### I

(From Article in the “**ABERDEEN FREE PRESS**,” July 6, 1910)

The MOIRS of STONEYWOOD flourished for a century only (1671-1784), but two of them figured conspicuously in the two great Scottish events of that period, the Jacobite risings of 1715 and 1745. The first of the family was **John Moir**, second son of \***Mr. William Moir**, who was Treasurer of Aberdeen in 1615. He became proprietor of the estate of Kermuck (or Ellon), on Kennedy of Kermuck being outlawed for fatally wounding Thomas Forbes of Waterton in a duel; but he sold it in 1688 to Sir John Forbes of Waterton. Three years later, he purchased from Fraser of Muchalls the estate of Stoneywood, embracing Waterton, Clinterty, and Greenburn. He married Jean Sandilands, eldest daughter of James Sandilands, town clerk of Aberdeen, and proprietor of the estate of Cotton. His eldest son, **James**, who succeeded to Stoneywood, sat in Parliament as member for Aberdeenshire for eighteen years (1689-1707), and was also one of the Commissioners appointed for settling the Union of the Kingdoms. The Union apparently did not prove to his liking, for he and his son James became ardent Jacobites, and actively supported the local rising in favour of the old Pretender. They were among the gentlemen who entered the town with the Earl Marischal, on September 20, 1715, and “with drawn swords, rode to the Cross, where the Sheriff proclaimed the Chevalier.” The elder **Moir** was also one of

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\*See Mr. Burnett’s article on “Ancestry of the Moirs of Scotstown and Barns.”

the Jacobite Town Council elected on September 28. At his death, in 1739, he was succeeded by his son **James**, who married a daughter of William Erskine of Pittodrie.

Their eldest son **James** (who became the fourth of Stoneywood) was the most prominent member of the family, having taken a very active part in the 1745 rebellion. When Lord Lewis Gordon, who had been appointed by Prince Charlie, Lord Lieutenant of the counties of Aberdeen and Banff, made his appearance in Aberdeen in the beginning of November, 1745, to assume the direction of affairs, he was accompanied by **James Moir of Stoneywood** and **William Moir of Lonmay**, **James Moir's** half-brother; and it was "Stoneywood" who was commissioned to execute Lord Lewis Gordon's order on the town of Aberdeen and the gentlemen of the county to "furnish and rigg out a number of able-bodied men sufficiently clothed and armed, answerable and effeiring to the land tax." The anti-Hanoverian sentiment was by no means so strong in 1745 as it was thirty years before, and there was difficulty in getting either the men or the money. "We have all got most unthankful business," Lord Lewis wrote to "Stoneywood," "and we have to deal with a sett of low-minded, grovelling wretches, who prefers their own interest to the good of their country, or the indispensable duty they owe to their lawful Prince." **Moir**, however, managed to raise a batallion, which was known by the name of "Stoneywood's Regiment," he himself commanding it and having the title of Colonel. It was largely recruited in Aberdeen, more than one of the prisoners captured on the collapse of the rising confessing that "he putt a white cockade in his hatt, and joynd **James Moir** of Stonnywood and other rebels when they entered the town and made a parade with them down the streets."

**Moir's** zeal for "the cause" was very marked, and it is said that he "stood high in the estimation of the Prince, and to the warm interest which the latter showed in his welfare at a subsequent period, he was considerably indebted." He fought at Culloden. After that fatal conflict, we are told, **Mr. Moir** reached his house at Stoneywood, which had been some time occupied by a party of English troops. He narrowly escaped detection, and fleeing into the district of Buchan, he was concealed in the house of a crofter of the name of Bartlett, in the parish of Cruden, a retreat which had been prepared for him by the exertions of "a faithful retainer." He had several narrow hairbreadth escapes from detection and capture, and he had recourse to various disguises and expedients. The story of his adventures, indeed, is pretty much akin to the better known account of Lord Pitsligo's evasions of his pursuers. It was November, 1746, before his friends managed to get him out of the country, and he then embarked on board a small sloop on the Buchan coast, which was bound for Norway. He spent fifteen years in exile, partly in Gothenburg and partly in Sweden, and eventually obtaining Royal permission, he returned to Stoneywood in 1762. His estate escaped confiscation, owing to his having had the prudence to assign it to some of his family prior to "setting out for the wars." He died in 1784, aged 74. All his seven sons died before him, and he left only two daughters, the elder of whom married George Skene of Rubislaw. She is referred to in the recently-published volume of "Memories of Sir Walter



Scott," by James Skene, as "The heiress of the **Jacobite Moirs** of Stoneywood, a woman of character and eccentricity, who shocked her contemporaries by such extravagances as making her annual journey to Edinburgh on horseback, in a scarlet riding habit."

The **Moirs** of **Stoneywood** cherished a valuable relic which came into their possession, namely, the Bible which Charles I. put into the hands of Bishop Juxon on the scaffold—described by Dr. John Brown, who had seen it, as "a quarto, printed in 1637, bound in blue velvet, and richly embroidered and embossed with gold and silver lace. There is the crown and the Prince of Wales's feathers, showing it had belonged to Charles II when Prince. He must have given it to his hapless father, as the C. P. is changed into C. R." A little history of some interest attaches to this relic, which passed to the Skenes of Rubislaw, the descendants of the **Moirs** of **Stoneywood**. **Stoneywood** itself was sold by **Maria Moir**, **James Moir's** second daughter, to James Forbes of Seaton, in 1789, and passed by succession to James Gordon Hay of Seaton (grandson of James Forbes, his daughter Elizabeth having married Lord James Hay). In May, 1877, a large portion of the estate was purchased by Messrs. Alexander Pirie and Sons from James Gordon Hay, and formed into a new and separate property known as the estate of Waterton.

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## THE MOIRS OF STONEYWOOD

### II

From Article in "THE TALES OF A GRANDFATHER"

By SIR WALTER SCOTT

On receiving intelligence of the approach of MacLeod, with four hundred and fifty of his own men, and two hundred Monroes, and other volunteers commanded by Monroe of Culcairn,—Lord Lewis Gordon got seven hundred men under arms, chiefly Lowland men of Aberdeenshire, under **Moir** of **Stoneywood**, and Farquarson of Monaltry, with a proportion of the Royal Scots regiment, and hastened against the enemy.

It is remarkable, on the occasion of the action which immediately followed at Inverary, that those who appeared for the government were all Highlanders, in their proper garb; and that the greater part of those who fought for the Stewarts wore the Lowland dress, being the reverse of what was usually the case in the civil war.

—Page 142, Vol. II, third series (Parker's Edition).

On page 168 of the same history, we learn that "**Moir** of **Stoneywood**, who commanded for the Prince, was compelled to retreat to Fochabers, he being in charge of the City of Aberdeen, the Duke of Cumberland being his opponent at this time, having an overwhelming force."

On page 185. "At the final line-up at Culloden field, **Moir** of **Stoneywood's** **batallion** was assigned to the left wing of the second line, along with Sir Alexander Bannerman's **batallion**."

# THE OLD MANSION HOUSE OF STONEYWOOD

From the STONEYWOOD CHURCH BAZAAR BOOK

By JAMES CRUIKSHANK, Bankhead

At what date this building was erected, there are no records to authenticate. The Baron's Fraser, who held the property for two centuries, do not seem to have made this part of the country their residence, and it may be assumed, therefore, that its erection dates from a period subsequent to their occupancy of the estate. In 1671, five years after the erection of Newhills into a parish, Stoneywood passed from the Baron's Fraser and became the property of the family of **Moir**. They, in turn, held it for four generations, or in other words, for nearly 120 years. As all of the four lairds made this their home, it is likely that the mansion house was erected during the lifetime of the first laird, in proof of which it may be stated that the coat of arms which was built into the wall, and which is still preserved at Stoneywood works, was that of the **Moirs**.

Only one wing of the old house still stands, and this forms part of the paper works of the Messrs. Pirie, who now own the estate, but its stout, ashlar walls show little signs of decay.

Tradition still points to the room where "Steenie" is supposed to have slept, on the night of his return from Culloden. It is an underground oblong-shaped apartment, which had probably been the kitchen. Thus, this remnant of old Stoneywood stands in our midst as a memento of the romantic period of the '45, and serves to remind us how close was the connection of our own neighborhood with the stirring events then enacted.



# STONEYWOOD HOUSE

## DESCRIPTIVE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE PROPERTY

### FROM AN OLD NEWSPAPER

The following is an advertisement of the sale of Stoneywood Estate, 6th September, 1784, and it describes Stoneywood Mansion:

"The mansion house of Stoneywood, with the offices, garden, pigeon house, and that part of the estate called the lower barony of Stoneywood, with the salmon fishing on the River Don, belonging to said estate. The present gross rents amount to £475 sterling. The mansion house, which is modern and sufficient to accommodate any family, stands on a beautiful situation, on the banks of the Don, within four miles of Aberdeen. The garden is enclosed with stone walls, and well stocked with fruit trees, and there is a complete set of farm houses, built in a most substantial manner, and covered with slated and tiled roofs. The lands hold of the Crown, and will entitle the purchaser to vote in electing a member for the County of Aberdeen; and the tiends were valued many years ago and exhausted."

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# THE OLD GREENBURN MARKET

## ON STONEYWOOD ESTATE

### AN ACT OF PARLIAMENT

The following is an extract from "Acta Parliamentorum Gutielmi 1701, vol. x, p. 233":

"Act in favour of **James Moir** of Stoneywood for two yearly fairs at the Greenburn on the Lands of Stoneywood."

"Our Sovereign Lord and Estates of Parliament, Considering that fairs and mercats in convenient places tend very much to the good, and to the advantage of the inhabitants thereof, and to his Majestie's other leidges, dwelling near thereto, and likeways to increase trade and commerce in the nation. And it is fit for these ends, to authorize the publick fairs following at Greenburn, on the Lands of Stoneywood, Pertaining to **James Moir** of Stoneywood, and lying in the Shire of Aberdeen,—do therefor, by thir presents, Appoint the publick fairs underwritten, to be kept and holden yearly, in all time coming, at the said Greenburn, One upon the second Thursday of June, to be called "Hagg fair"; and another upon the last Thursday of July, to be called "Bathie fair," for all kinds of merchandice. And have given and granted, and hereby give and grant to the said **James Moir** and his heirs and successors forever, the right and privelege of keeping and holding the said two yearly fairs and the haill customes, profits, and casualties of the same, and all

other advantages used and wont. With full power to exact, uplift, dispose upon, and enjoy the same, and to proclaim and ride the said fairs, and do all other things thereanent, as they think fit, which any having the privelege of keeping fairs, this Kingdom lawfully do or may do."

"The Greenburn market having been for a long time discontinued, the Messrs. Pirie (present owners) a few years ago kindly enclosed the stance by a substantial wall, and laid it out for the use of the workpeople and tenants, as a park or recreation grounds."

"That the five-shilling notes drawn by **James More** of **Stoneywood** on Robert Byres, at Edinburgh, continue to be paid by him, as formerly. Any who want twenty-shilling notes may apply to Alexander Macraw, at Robert Mitchell's, vintner, in Aberdeen."

(Aberdeen Journal Advertisement, 1763.)



Moir of Leckie

# JAMES MOIR OF STONEYWOOD-MARIE SCROUGIE MARRIAGE CONTRACT—1863

(Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE of Aberdeen)

ATT TILLEFOUR—the twentie eight day of Jany., XVI, four score three years. It is appointed, contracted, finnaly ended, and agreed between **James Moar** of **Stonniewood**, one the ane part, and **Marie Scrougie**, daughter to the deceist **William, Bishop of Argyle**, with assent of **Master James Scougall**, Commissar of Abd. And **Katherin Scougall**, her mother, her curators, and of **Master Roberte MacKenzie** of **Kilguilloodrum**, now husband to the said **Katherin Scougall**, one uther part in manner form and affect as after followes—that is to say the sd. **James Moar** shall God willing marie spous and take to his lawful wife the sd **Marie Scrougie**. Lykeas she shall accept and take to her lawfull husband the sd **James Moar** and they both solemnize the honorable bond of matrimonie with uthers, in face of holie kirk, be the words of the present tyme, betwixt the date heirof and the — day of — next to come. And thareafter shall love and cherish, treat and entertain uthers as becometh Christian married persons of their estate and rank during the said marriage. In contemplatione of which marriage, the sd **Marie Scrougie** with consent of her fds, curators, sells and disposes to the sd **James Moar**, her apparent husband, his airs and assignes, all and sundrie Lands, heritages, fishings, tenements and rents, and other heritable estate and fortune whatsoever, either properlie pertaining and belonging to herselfe or whereunto she has or may have right as anyways representing her sd deceist father. And makes and constitutes the said **James Moar** her appearant husband, his airs and assignes, her very lawfull cessionors, assignes and donators, in and to all whatsomever goods, gear, debt, soumes of money and other moveable estate and fortune whatsoever pertaining and resting awand to her, either properlie for herselfe, or whereunto she may succeed, and have right be decells of her sd. father. In any manner of way, and in and to all contracts, dispositions, heritable or moveable bands, charters, infettments, leasings, precepts of clareconstat, services terbotts, assignations, translations and all other writts, evidentes and securities, either made or conceived, in the sd **Marie**, or in favour of her sd. deceist father, of and concerning the forsd heritable and moveable estate and fortune, with all that has followed or may follow thereupon. With power to the sd. **James Moar** and his forsd, to the empelment and fullfilling to tohein of the fds, writts, rights, evidents and securities, and to doe all things necessar, anent the premises, which the said **Marie Scrougie** might have done herselfe, before the granting heirof.

DECLARAND, the above written generall disposition and assignation to be above (?) valid sufficient and effectual in Law, to the sd. **James Moar** and his Forstds. as if every particular were geiven expresslie nominat, ingrostd and set down. With the not inserting wherof the sd. **Marie Scrougie** with consent of her Fds, curators, be thir presents, dispenses for ever. And the sd. **Marie Scrougie** be thir

presents binds and obleidges her heirs exers and successors with consent of her saids curators, to warrand the above written disposition and assignation good, valid and effectull, from all facts and deeds done, or to be done to her, or her forsaides that may be hurtfull, or prejudiciall hereunto, in any sort, excepting from the said warrandise, any debts and soumes of money, actualie uplifted be the said **Marle Scrougie**, or her tutors or curators, before the dait hereof, where or profitablie employed.

**Jac. Moire.**

PROVIDING allways, lykeas it is hierby provided and declared, that the said **Katherin Scougall**, and her said present husband their consent to the above written disposition and assignatione shall noways prejudge them anent the fulfilling to them of the oblidgments contained in the contract matrimoniall part, betwixt the said deceist **William, Bishop of Argyll**, and the said **Katherin Scougall**, his spous, whereunto the said umqhelle **William, Bishop of Argyll** stood theirbv bound and obleigt to the said **Katherin Scougall**, his spouse, in any manner of way, nor to any other provisions, or destinations made, granted, and appointed be him in his lyfe tyme in favors of his said spous.

AND ONE THE OTHER PART the said **James Moar of Stonnie-wood** be thir presents binds and obleidges him, his heirs and successors whatsomever to duly, lawfullie infest and ——— the said **Marie Scrougie** his appearant spous in Lyfe-rent dureing all her days of her Lyfe tyme. In all and haill, the towns and Lands of Mickell Clintertie, Mouters, Sequells and Gyashops, of the same with the houses, biggings, yards, tofts, crofts, outfitts, infitts, mosses, moors, middowes, comontie, common pasturage, parts, pendicles and pertinents, of the forsaides haill Lands, and Millne Lyand, within the Parrochin of Newhills, and Sherriffdome of Aberdeen.

And that be severall and charters, Infestments and maner of Holdings, And their of to beholden of the said **James Moar** and his forsaides, and the other from him and them of his immediate lawfull superior of the forsaides Lands, Milne, and others above written, both in free blemsh for yearly payment of Ane Pennie, Scots Money, upon the ground of the saids Lands of the same bees required allennorly or otherwise to—[Remainder wanting.]

The southwest corner has signatures. [We have put within brackets the part amissing owing to the document having been cut with scissors at foot.]

JAE M[OIR].

MARY S[CROUGIE].

PA. SCO[UGALL].

JAMES [SCOUGALL].

R. KENZIE.

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**James Scougall**, above-mentioned, was a son of **Patrick Scougall**, Bishop of Aberdeen. He was made a Guild Burgess of Aberdeen, 7th February, 1672.

[The original document is in the possession of **Robert Murdoch Lawrance**, "Cairnchina," 23 Ashley Road, Aberdeen (who has sent for this book many valuable manuscripts), and which he has transcribed especially for insertion in the family history. It is in the old handwriting, and the characters were difficult to transcribe.]

# ANDREW MOIR I. OF OVERHILL, AND DECENDANTS PROGENITOR OF THE MOIR-BYRES FAMILIES

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

By A. J. MITCHELL-GILL of Savock

(In the latter half of the seventeenth century, before there were so many outlets, as the opening up of the Colonies, etc., half of the best farms in Aberdeenshire were in the hands of the sons and near connections of the gentry; and many of their descendants are still to be found occupying the same lands.)

**Major Opima Ferat.**

(Let the worthiest carry off the prize.)

**Andrew Moir** or **More**, sometimes **Laird of Overhill**, the direct progenitor of the **Moir-Byres** family. Born in or about 1621, was a wealthy Burgess of Aberdeen (admitted 11 Sept., 1688), and resided for many years at Oldmill (the house which this worthy built, lived and died in, is still standing, and architecturally speaking, it is superior to many of the **Lairds'** houses of that period), in the parish of Foveran, in that county, where he died, at the age of 73, the 14 Dec., 1694, and was interred in the parish churchyard. See inscription on his tombstone.

He was twice married, although I have been unable to ascertain the name of his first wife. His descendants preserve the following tradition, viz., "that previous to his second marriage, he divided his property with the children of his first wife, in order that he might not do them injustice, by bequeathing too large a portion of his property at a future period to children that might be born of the proposed marriage. By his will (Aberdeen and Banff wills were nearly all burned before 1721), made 1670-80, he left his wife and four children of the second marriage 30,000 merks Scots—a large sum in those days." Andrew Moir, who, for a few years after 1681, appears in the Foveran Register of Baptisms, designed, "Of Overhill,"—this had probably been the farm of that name, now on the property of Blairythan, in the parish of Foveran—married in 1670, 1672, for his second wife, Agnes Montgomerie, (b. 1650, died March, 1730).

**ANDREW MOIR** of **Overhill** and **Oldmill**, and **AGNES MONTGOMERIE** had (Foveran Regs. of Baptisms) five sons and three daughters:—

1. **Andrew**; of him again.
2. **Gilbert**, bap. 12 Feb., 1675. Witnesses, **Gilbert Moir** in **Haddo**, and **Gilbert Moir** in **Pitmillan**. Was Muster-Master Depute in Scotland, and is so designed when admitted a Guild brother of Aberdeen, 28 June, 1716.
3. **George**, the **Rev. M. A.**, bap. 12 May, 1679. Witnesses, **George Pirie** in **Savock** (probably a brother of **Alexander Pirie**, who married **Agnes Moir**), and **George Conon**, in **Newtyle**. Was

according to Scott's "Fasti Ecclesiae Scoticanæ," licensed 31 Oct., 1705; called to Towie, 21 Nov., 1708; ordained 20 July, 1709; translated to Cluny, 3d Oct., 1717; and to Kintore, 9 Aug., 1727 (all in Aberdeenshire); and died there 9 April, 1737. **Mr. Moir** was contracted 14 Dec., 1718, and married 13 Jan., 1719, to **Jean Forbes**, third daughter of **Sir Wm. Forbes, IV, Baronet of Monymusk**, in Aberdeenshire, by his wife, the **Lady Jean Keith**, daughter of **John I., Earl of Kintore**. Issue, two sons and two daughters, viz:

1. **William** (born 1726, d. 19 March, 1794), the **Rev. M. A.**, licensed by Presbytery of Ellon, 4 Oct., 1748, and presented that day to Fyvie, in Aberdeenshire; ordained 27 April following (Scott's "Fasti"); married 22 Oct., 1776, **Helen Constable** (who died at Aberdeen 26 Feb., 1817, aged 67, and had issue.)
2. **George**, died young, unmarried.
1. **Agnes**, born 1723-9; married **Alexander Rose**, eldest son of ——— **Rose, Laird of Lethinty**, Aberdeenshire, and died in 1809 at the manse of Auchterless. Her daughter, **Jane Rose**, b. 1754, married 1790, the **Rev. Alexander Rose**, minister of Auchterless, also in the County of Aberdeen, and died in the town of that name, 22 Sept., 1820, leaving two daughters. 1. **Agnes Rose**, b. 1795, died unmarried in 1827; and 2. **Jane Margaret Rose**, b. 1796, m. 1823 the **Rev. John Johnston of Forgandenny**, in the County of Perth, and died 26 Sept., 1832, leaving two sons and two daughters. viz.: 1. **John Robert Johnston**, b. 1828, settled in New Zealand, married 1850, and died 1862, leaving two sons and four daughters. 2. **Alexander Rose Johnston**, b. 1832, married 1866, **Pauline A. M.**, daughter of **Alexander Farquhar** of Glenesk, Aberdeenshire. Issue, two sons and four daughters. 1. **Jane Taylor Johnston** (eld. daughter of **Rev. J. Johnston**), b. 1825, m. 1881, **Andrew Patterson Reid** of Tighnamara, Rosemeath Co. Dumbarton. 2. **Agnes Rose Johnston** (2d dau.), b. 1830, m. 1860. **Donald M. Macandrew**, merchant, Leith, and now of Torquay.
2. **Jean Moir** (second daughter of **Rev. George Moir** and **Jean Forbes**), b. 1730, m. 1751, **James Jopp** of Cotton (who died 1794), merchant in and sometimes provost of (Aberdeen) (from Michaelmas, 1768 to 1770, again 1772 to 1774, from 1776 to 1778, from 1780 to 1782, and in 1786). Issue, two daughters.
  1. **Jean Jopp**, b. 1755, m. 24 Jan., 1799, **Gavin Young** of London, merchant, and died 1836 (no issue).
  2. **Janet Jopp**, married **John Barnes**, of East Finchley, Middlesex, and of the Stock Exchange, and died 15 Nov., 1848, leaving issue.
4. **Samuel** (son of **Andrew Moir I.** and **Agnes Montgomerie**), bap. 21 June, 1683; witnesses, **Robert Montgomerie** and Foveran  
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**Samuel Forbes** (probably the same person who afterwards succeeded to the estate and became **II Forbes, Baronet of Foveran**.)

5. **James**, bap. 17 Aug., 1689. Witnesses, **James Widowson** and **James Sutherland**.
  1. \***Margaret**, bap. Feb. 18, 1677. Witnesses, **James Scott** in **Haddo**, and **Thos. Grig, Linhead**.
  2. **Marjory**, .bap. April 18, 1681. Witnesses, **Robert Montgomery** in **Groveshill**, **Thomas Grig** at ye **Linhead**, and **Mr. Daniel Taylor**, Session-Clerk at **Foveran**. Buried (at **Foveran**) 12 Aug., 1681.
  3. **Isabel**, bap. Apr. 3, 1686. Witnesses, **George Webster** and **Gilbert Moir**.

**Foveran Registers** **Agnes Montgomerie**, Tenant in Oldmill, is polled as a gentlewoman. "Her proportione of the valuatione with the general poll is £1:9s. **Andrew** and **Margaret Mores**, her children."—Poll book of **Aberdeenshire**, vol. II, p. 52, 1695-6.

#### Copy of Inscription on Andrew Moir's Tombstone, Foveran Churchyard:

\*\*Here lyes, under the hope of a blessed Resurrection, **Andrew More, Burgess of Abd.**, who departed this life the 14 day of December, 1694, and of his age 73 year—also **Agnes Montgomery**, spouse to **Andrew Moir**, who died March, 1730, aged 80 years—likewise **Andrew Moir**, their eldest son, who died May, 1733, aged 60 years—also **Elizabeth Simpson**, his Spouse, who died 20 Sep., 1761, aged 86 years. Likewise, **Isobel Moir**, his daughter, spouse to **John Meders, Burger** in **Abdn.**, who died the . . . day of May, 1777, aged 70.

Represented by the family of **Moir-Byres of Tonley**, in the Parish of **Tough**.

## II

**ANDREW MOIR**, born in or about 1673; died, 2d May, 1733. See tombstone inscription above. Settled at **Cutlercullen**, in the parish of **Foveran**; and in 1728, has a renewal of the tack of **Oldmill**, from **Sir Alexander Forbes, Bart.**, of **Foveran**. He married, 1699-1700, **Elizabeth Simpson** (b. 1675, d. 20 Sept., 1761), daughter of **Robert Simpson of Thornton**, **Aberdeenshire**; and had issue, four sons and four daughters, viz:

1. **Andrew Moir**, his heir, b. 1703.
2. **Robert Moir**, bap. 1st Nov., 1712. Witnesses, **Robert Moir** in

\***George Catto**, tenant and gentleman in **Monkshill, Foveran**, **Margaret Moir**, his wife, and **Robert Catto**, their son. She may have been the eldest daughter of **Andrew Moir I.**—See above. These **Cattos** were, I think, the progenitors of a respectable family of **Aberdeen** merchants, who were intermarried with the **Dingwalls** of **Ranniaston, London**, etc.

\*\*It will be observed that the surname is first spelt **More**, and afterwards **Moir**, on the tombstone. 1662, 7th Feb., **James Catto** in **Upperhill (overhill)** of **Foveran**, brings an action against **Andrew Moir** of **Oldmill**, and **Gilbert Clark**, at the **Kirk** at **Foveran**. (**Sheriff Court Records of Aberdeen**.)

**Greyskill**, etc., alive (according to family papers) and resident at Little Mill of Esslemont, parish of Ellon, in 1746.

3. **George Moir, M. A.**, "Mr." "student in philosophy" (so designed in family papers), bap. by **Mr. Alexander Gordon**, minister, 12 Dec., 1714. Witnesses, **Robert Moir** in **Grey-shill**, and **Geo. Pirie** in **Savock**, alive 1744.
4. **Gilbert Moir**, bap. 2d May, 1719, an eminent merchant of Aberdeen, and burghess of that town, acquired the property, and built the still existing mansion house of **Raeden**, near Aberdeen; married in June, 1745, **Helen Shepherd** (who died 8 Jan., 1791), daughter of **George Shepherd**, merchant-burghess of Aberdeen, by his wife, **Helen Thompson**, of the family of "Thomson of Banchory." County Kincardine. **Mr. More**—so he and his descendants spelt their surname—died 27 Nov., 1796, and is interred along with many of his family and descendants in the churchyard of St. Nicholas, Aberdeen, where there are several tombstones of the family. Issue, with children died young and unmarried, two sons and two daughters, viz:

1. **George II. of Raeden**, merchant-burghess of Aberdeen, and provost of that town, from Michaelmas, 1795, to 1797, and again from Michaelmas, 1807 to 1809, married, first, **Jane**, (who died 24 Feb., 1794) eldest daughter of **Alexander Innes** of **Breda**, Co. Aberdeen, and of **Cowie**, Co. Kincardine, advocate in and commissary clerk of Aberdeen, and had with other issue, **Gilbert More** of the Hon. E. I. Co.'s Civil Service, who died at Singapore, unmarried, 25th Aug., 1830. **Provost More** married, secondly, **Harriet Beauvais** of Aberdeen, (who died 8 July, 1855, aged 82) and by her he had, with other issue, **George More**, major in the Hon. H. E. I. Co.'s Service, married **Jane Mitchell**, daughter of **James Mowat** of Aberdeen, manufacturer, and had issue, **Charles More**, chief engineer of the Thames Conservancy, and of 90 Sutherland Gardens, Maida Vale, London, W. **Provost More** had by both his wives, fourteen children.
2. **Alexander**, b. circa 1756; sometime merchant and Dean of Guild, of Aberdeen. Afterwards collector of customs at the port of that town; married **Margaret** (who died Jan., 1815, aged 42), fourth daughter of **Alexander Innes** of **Breda** and **Cowie**, and had issue. **Mr. More** died 30 April, 1836.
1. **Elizabeth**, b. circa 1749, married **Bailie Charles Farquharson** of Aberdeen (who was in Dec., 1809, accidentally killed by an explosion of gunpowder), and died April, 1831.
2. **Catherine**, married in July, 1792, **James Thompson**, advocate in Aberdeen, and cashier of the Aberdeen Banking Company, known by the soubriquet of "the Black Prince," and died in Aberdeen, in July, 1800, leaving issue:

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**JEAN MOIR** (eldest daughter of **Andrew Moir II.** and **Elizabeth Simpson** of Thornton), bap. at Foveran, 14 Mar., 1701. Witnesses **Mr. George Moir** (the child's uncle, afterwards minister of Towie), and **William Armand**, servitor to ye said **Andrew Moir**. Married (contract dated Aug. 14), 2d Sept., 1751, **William Mitchell\***, of Newburgh, Aberdeenshire, merchant, son of **William Mitchell**, of Newburg, merchant.

**Jean Moir**—**Mrs. Mitchell**—was interred in the churchyard at Foveran, 25 Jan., 1792 (burial register of the parish); issue, three sons and two daughters.

1. **William Mitchell**, bap. 13 Sept., 1736, m. 1st, 1759, **Elizabeth**, dau. of **John Middleton**; she died without issue. He m. 2d, 1761-2, **May**, dau. of **William Fordyce**. He died May 10, 1816; had issue:—
  1. **William Mitchell**.
  2. **Walter Mitchell**.
  1. **Mary Mitchell**.
  2. **Elizabeth Mitchell**, m. **William Mitchell**.
  3. **Margaret Mitchell**.
  4. **Helen Mitchell**, b. 1778, died young.
  5. **Elliot Mitchell**, b. Aug. 12, 1782.
2. **Andrew Mitchell**, b. 1737, d. May 13, 1799; m. **Margaret Cattenach**, and had issue:—
  1. **William Mitchell**, killed by a fall from his horse.
  2. **Andrew Mitchell**.
  3. **Alexander Mitchell**, b. 1769.
  4. **John Mitchell**, b. Dec. 20, 1771, died young.
  5. **Gilbert Mitchell**, b. 1774, d. 1844.
  1. **Jean Mitchell**, m. 1783, **John Ligertwood**.
  2. **Margaret Mitchell**, m. 1798, **Alexander Mitchell**.

**MARGARET**, dau. of **GILBERT MITCHELL**, m. **DAVID GILL**, and from this union, four sons and one daughter, two of whom are **DAVID GILL, LL. D., F. R. A. S., F. R. S., J. P.**, etc., **ASTRONOMER ROYAL** at the Cape of Good Hope, and **ANDREW JOHN MITCHELL GILL**, the genealogist, and author of the "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES," a great deal of which is entered in this book with the author's kind permission.

2. **Agnes Moir** (second daughter of **Andrew Moir, II.** and **Elizabeth Simpson** of Thornton) bap. 5 Feb., 1705; witnesses,

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\*This family of Mitchell have been connected with the district for at least 300 years, and are of the same stock as the Mitchells of Tillygreig, in the parish of Udney (whose arms are sable, a fesse, wavy, between three mascles, or), afterwards of Thainstone in Kintore, and as Mitchell of Colpna, now called Orrock, in Belhelvie, and were long connected with trading in grain and merchandise, at the small shipping port of Newburgh.

**Robert Pittendreich**, younger, and **George Duff**, in **Oldmill**; married, (contract dated 16 Nov.) Dec. 10, 1732. **George Gray**, merchant of **Boghouse**, parish of **Tarves**, son of **George Gray** in **Haddo**, **Foveran**.

3. **Isobel Moir**, (third daughter of **Andrew Moir II**.) bap. 21 April, 1707; witnesses, **Robert Simpson** of **Thorntoune**, the child's grandfather, and **George Duff** in **Oldmill**; married **John Meders**, burgess of **Aberdeen**; and died in 1777.

4. **ELIZABETH MOIR**, (fourth dau. of **Andrew Moir II**.) bap. 6 Aug., 1709; witnesses, **Mr. George Moir**, minister of **Towie**, the child's uncle, and **Robert Simpson** of **Thornton**; m. (contract dated 26 May, 1744) \***James Gray**, sometime of **Overhill**, and afterwards in **Mains** of **Foveran**, another son of **George Gray** in **Haddo**, issue, at least one son and one daughter.

1. **George Gray**, bap. 20 April, 1745.

1. **Elizabeth Gray**, m. **James Milne** of **Roseheart**, merchant\*\* and had a son **George Milne**, b. 1777; m. 1821, **Margaret**, dau. of **William Milne** of the same place, (she died 1855) and had with other issue **George Milne** of **Westwood**, banker in **Aberdeen**, b. 1826, m. 1862, **Williamina**, third dau. of the late **John Panton**, in **Knockiemill**, **Turriff**, **Aberdeenshire**, and has issue.

### III

**ANDREW MOIR**, the **REV. M. A.**, (eldest son of **II**, **Andrew Moir**, of **Oldmill** and **Elizabeth Simpson** of **Thornton**) bap. in the kirk of **Foveran**, 13 Aug., 1703. Witnesses, **Andrew Moir**, in **Old Aberdeen**, and **Andrew Jaffrey**, in **Cultercullen**. Was according to **Scott's "Fasti,"** licensed 9 August, 1727; ordained and placed at **Towie**, 11 Sept., 1728; translated to **Methlick**, 31 May, 1739; and from there to **Ellon**, all in **Aberdeenshire**, 24 April, 1745; of which place he died minister, 19 March, 1774; and was interred with his wife and several members of his family in the churchyard there. On outside of the church of **Ellon**, there is a tablet to his memory **Mr. Moir** married 7 Sept., 1737, **Jean**, (who died in Oct., 1789, aged 74) daughter of the **Rev. William Forbes** of **Tarves** (a younger son of **Sir John Forbes** of **Waterton**, **Knight**, by his wife, **Jean Gordon**, sister of **George I**, earl of **Aberdeen**) by **Janet**, his wife, daughter of **Prof. James Gregory**, inventor of the reflecting telescope. Issue, three sons and three daughters, viz:—

1. **George**, the **Rev.**, his heir (of whom again).
2. **William**, b. 2 Nov., 1750, who died in **London**, unmarried.
3. **Andrew**, born 28 April, 1753.

Of the daughters, **Janet**, (the second) born 10 Oct., 1743, died unmarried, and **Jane**, (the third) b. 8 Nov., 1745, also died unmarried, 16 Sept., 1816.

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\***James Gray**, in **Overhill**, had also by his wife, **Elizabeth Moir**, a son; **George Gray**, in **Meikle Haddo** (the child's grandfather) and **William Mitchell**, in **Bridgefoot** (the child's uncle), witnesses.—[**Foveran Registers**].

\*\*Of five sons and two daughters of **James Milne** and **Elizabeth Gray**, all died unmarried or without leaving issue, excepting the third son, **George Milne**, b. 1777.

**ELIZABETH MOIR**, (eldest daughter of the **Rev. Andrew Moir** and **Jane Forbes**) born 6 Nov., 1739, married **Robert Gordon**, sometime designed of Grange and Clerkhill, both in Aberdeenshire. Baron Baillie of Peterhead, and advocate in Aberdeen (admitted in June, 1784). The register of Peterhead gives the following children:

1. **James Garden.** }
  2. **Alexander.** }
- Twins, born 4th March, and bap. 6th, 1770. Witnesses, the **Rev. George Moir**, (uncle of the children) and **Capt. Harry Gilchrist**, in Fraserburgh.
3. **Frances Garden**, bap. 23d June, 1771. Witnesses, **Rev. George Moir** and **Alexander Reid**, in Blackhouse.
  4. **Robert Garden**, bap. June 5, 1763. Witnesses, **James Arbuthnot** and **Charles Smith**, merchants, there.
  5. **Andrew Garden**, bap. 13th Dec., 1765. Witnesses, **Capt. John Thomson**, shipmaster, and **Dr. Thomas Gordon** of Clerkhill.
  1. **Janet Garden**, b. 28th and bap. Nov. 30th, 1767. Witnesses, **Rev. George Moir** and **Dr. Thomas Gordon** of Clerkhill. Married **Major Robertson** and had four daughters:
    1. **Elizabeth Robertson**, m. **Dr. George Fyfe**.
    2. **Jessie Robertson**, m. **Captain Frances Erskine Loch**, R. N., fourth son of **George Loch** of Drylaw, in the county of Edinburgh, and has issue.
    3. **Catherine Robertson**, m. **Adam Gibb Ellis**, of Edinburgh, W. S. (no issue).
    4. **Rachel Robertson**, m. **George Brodie**, advocate in Edinburgh, and **Historiographer-General** for Scotland.
  2. **Mary Garden**, bap. 27 Dec., 1768. Witnesses, **Rev. George Moir** and **George Gordon** of Sheelagreen (relative of **Mrs. George Moir's**).
  3. **Jean Garden**, bap. 17 Aug., 1764. Witnesses, **George Gordon** of Sheelagreen, and **Dr. Thomas Gordon** of Clerkhill.

Of the sons of **Elizabeth Moir** and **Robert Garden**, one was a colonel in the army, and died unmarried. Another son, **George Garden**, (not in above list) settled as a merchant in Montreal, married his relative, **Euphemia**, daughter of **William Forbes** of Echt, Aberdeenshire, and had at least two sons, viz: **Robert Garden** of London married, (no issue) and **William Garden**, also of London, and has issue.

Of the other daughters of **Elizabeth Moir** and **Robert Garden**, one became **Mrs. Garland** of Cairnton, near Fordoun, and had issue; another, wife of **Lieut. Forsyth, R. N.**, of Harthill, Aberdeenshire, and had issue; another married **Andrew Nichol** of Aberdeen, of the same family as **Nichol** of Ballogie, in Aberdeenshire, and had issue; and another became **Mrs. Greig**, and had issue; her husband was a farmer in Forfarshire.

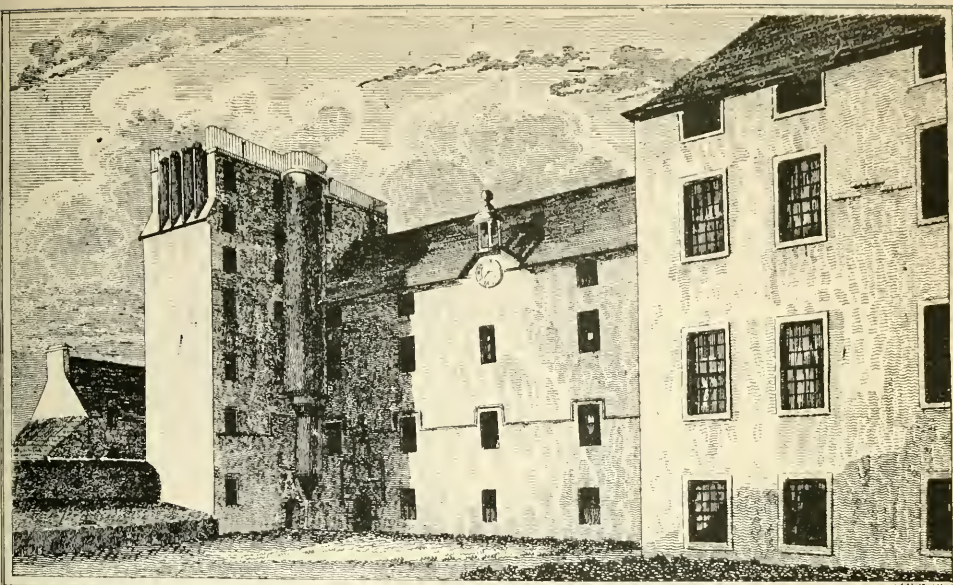
#### IV

The **Rev. GEORGE MOIR, M. A.**, (see illustration) born at Ellon, 5 April, 1741, took his degree of **M. D.** at Marischal College, Aberdeen; diploma dated 1765, was according to Scott's "Fasti," licensed 26 April,

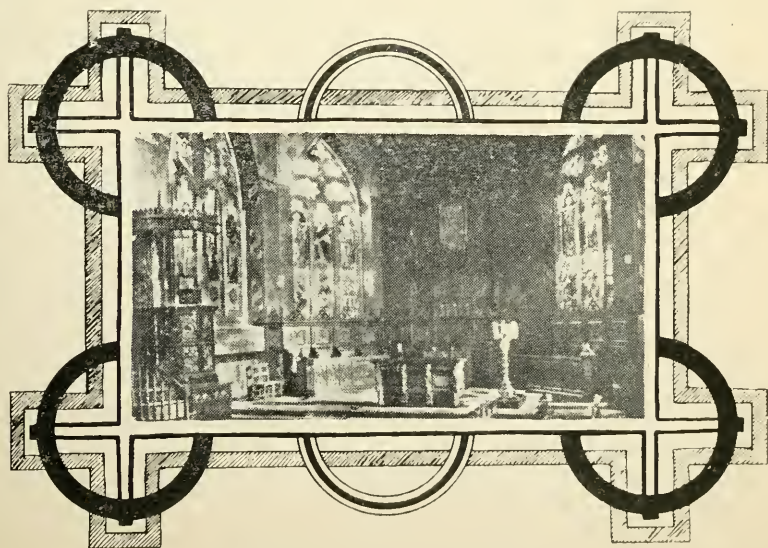


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presented by George III, 6th May, 1765, to Peterhead, and ordained 11 Aug., following. Of this much-respected gentleman, who was for the long period of fifty-five years minister of Peterhead, it is told that he had at the same place, at different times, "three churches, three manses, and thrice an augmentation of his living." **Dr. Moir** had a sexton, who lived in the Kirkton of Peterhead, named **Mutch**, and he was fond of saying "that there was **Mutch** in the Kirkton, but **Moir** (often pronounced **More**) in the Manse." He wrote "The Statistical Account of the Parish of Peterhead," which is very valuable.

\***Dr. Moir**, who died 18 Mar., 1818, and is interred at Peterhead, married 7 August, 1766, **Martha**, third dau. of **Patrick Byres I**, of **Tonley**; and commenced the connection between the **Moirs** and **Byres**, which has resulted in their being merged into one family.

**Mrs. Moir** died in Nov., 1816, aged 77, and was buried beside her husband. Issue, eight sons and two daughters, viz:—

1. **Andrew**, bap. June 12, 1767. Witnesses, **Robert Gardon**, Register of baillie, (the child's uncle by marriage) and **Dr. Thomas Gordon of Clerkhill**; an officer in the army; died in India, unmarried.
2. **Patrick or Peter**, (so called in Register) bap. July 5, 1769. Witnesses, **Peter Buyers of Tonley**, and **George Gordon of Sheelagreen**. Was secretary to Lord Minto, Gov.-Gen. of India, whom he accompanied to Bengal in 1807, and was appointed Commissioner of the Court of Requests at Calcutta in the same year; a trust which he discharged with integrity, assiduity and ability, to the time of his decease, which occurred there, 5 Feb., 1810. For inscription on his tombstone, erected by his friend and patron, Lord Minto, see article on another page.
3. **James**, bap. 14 Nov., 1770. Witnesses, **George Gordon, Sheelagreen**, and **Baillie Robert Garden of Clerkhill**. Of him again.
4. **Robert**, bap. 24 Mar., 1772; witnesses, **Mr. David Wilson**, surgeon, and **George Gordon of Sheelagreen**. Died unmarried.
5. **John**, born in or about 1775, well known in the north-east of Scotland as an artist, and in not a few of the country houses there are his portraits to be seen. He acquired the small property of St. Catherine's, near Peterhead, where he often resided, and died 28 Feb., 1859, and was interred beside his parents in Peterhead Churchyard. **Mr. Moir** married in 1800, his cousin-german, **Catherine**, eldest daughter of, and co-heir of **Captain John Byres, R. E.**, issue, four sons and three daughters, viz:—
  1. **George**, born at **Ambleside**, Westmoreland, where he died an infant.
  2. **Patrick Moir-Byers, IV**, of **Tonley**.

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\*Copy of letter, Earl Marischal to Mr. Moir, Minister of Peterhead, dated from Keith-hall, 10 Oct., 1763:—

"Sir:—I have heard from all who know you, so good a character of you, that I am glad the good town of Peterhead has you for minister, and I daresay you will be reciprocally pleased; be assured of the esteem with which I am, Sir, your most humble servant,  
"MARISCHALL."

3. James Gregory Moir-Byers V. of Tonley.
4. George Moir-Byres VI, and now of Tonley (1885).
1. Isabella, died unmarried.
2. Catherine, married first John Foster Fraser, issue two sons, viz: John Fraser and George Patrick Fraser; and secondly, William Findlay.
3. Stuart, married 3d April, 1849, James Balvaire-Bathgate Junior, and has one son, George Moir Junior, born 2d Jan., 1850.
6. William, sometime a writer in Edinburgh, went to Trinidad, and died there unmarried 31 Aug., 1802.
7. Forbes, died young.
8. Andrew, of Quebec, merchant, died there unmarried in 1832.

## V

1. JANET MOIR (eldest daughter of the Rev. George Moir and Martha Byres) married first, Christopher Norton, (son of Christopher Norton of Penkrige, etc) of Penkrige and Congrave, in the County of Stafford, to whom she had one son and two daughters, viz:—
  1. James Christopher Norton, a Lieut. in the Hon. E. I. Company, died in India, unmarried.
  1. Louise Latifer Norton, who became the first wife of Alexander Copland, advocate, Aberdeen, son of Professor Patrick Copland of the same place, and had issue.
  2. Martha Norton, died unmarried.

Janet Moir married secondly, Captain John Davidson of Gottenburgh, to whom she had two sons, viz:—

  1. George Moir Davidson, minister of Watten, in Caithness, married Isabella, dau. of Rev. John Grant of Sandy, in the Island of Orkney. Issue, six sons and two daughters.
    1. George William Davidson, born 1836, Professor of Anatomy in the Veterinary College, Edinburgh, died unmarried.
    2. John Kerr Davidson, Doctor of Blackburn, Lancashire. married Mary, daughter of Captain Woodruffe, R. N., and had issue.
    3. Patrick Moir Davidson, Dr. of Congleton, b. 3d Feb., 1844, m. first, Anna Phipps, dau. of William Boileau of Dublin, merchant, and secondly, Emily Stainforth.
    4. James Andrew Davidson.
    5. Robert Davidson.  
Both deceased.
    6. David Charles Davidson, surgeon, Indian Army, married Edith F. Meynell, second dau. of Major General Clarke, formerly Commissioner of Oudh.
      1. Jessie Moir Davidson, died 1844.
      2. Isabella Davidson.
  2. Patrick Moir Davidson, some time an officer East Indian Mercantile Service, married Sophia, daughter of Capt. Charles White.
  2. JANE MOIR (second daughter of Rev. George Moir) became first wife of the Rev. William Donald of Peterhead (no issue).

**JAMES MOIR**, M. D., (third son of the **Rev. George Moir** and **Martha Byers** of Tonley) bap. at Peterhead 14 Nov., 1770, was sometime of Johnston, Rubislaw, near Aberdeen, and afterwards of Braehead, near Old Aberdeen. **Dr. Moir**, who was one of the leading physicians of his day in Aberdeen, died there in Nov., 1861, and was interred in St Nicholas Churchyard, in the vault of his maternal ancestors, the **Donaldsons** of Auchmull. (Inscription on tombstone—"Under this stone, in the place of sepulture appropriated during 200 years for her maternal ancestors of the name of **Donaldson**, the last of **Auchmull**, are deposited the remains of **Janet**, wife of **Dr. Moir**, Physician in Aberdeen, who died in the 17th June, 1818, aged 37. Also of their son **James**, who died in April, 1826, aged 9 years; and of the above **Dr. Moir**, who departed this life 4th Nov., 1861, aged 91, etc.") He married in 1802, his cousin-german, **Janet**, (who died 1818, and was also interred in the **Donaldson** vault) youngest daughter and co-heir of **Capt. John Byres, R. E.**; by his wife, **Isabel Donaldson** of **Auchmull**.

1. **James**, died young, b. 1817, died 1826.
2. **Patrick**, his heir.
1. **Janet**, (**Jessie**) of **Bon Accord St.**, Aberdeen; died unmarried 1870.

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## DR. JAMES MOIR

Son of **REV. GEORGE MOIR** and **MARTHA BYRES** of Tonley

BORN 1770, DIED 1861

(From Aberdeen Journal, November, 1861)

We observed the name of this old and respected citizen in our obituary of the bye-past week, and cannot let it pass without some slight notice of the event. **Dr. Moir** was born at Peterhead, in 1770, being the son of a minister of the parish; and having received the early portion of his education there, and partly at the Academy of Maryculter, under the charge of **Dr. Glennie**, he entered the classes at Marischal College, and passed through the usual course of study at the University. Being destined for the medical profession, he became a pupil of the late **Dr. George French**, who was Professor of Chemistry; and while thus engaged, he, along with a few fellow-students, among whom was the late **Sir James McGregor**, for the sake of mutual improvement, met together, and instituted the **Medico-Chirurgical Society**, on the 15th December, 1789. He subsequently went to Edinburgh, and completed his medical education under the superintendence of his relative, **Dr. James Gregory**, Professor of Medicine in the University, and graduated there about the year 1792. He was soon after attached as surgeon to the Hopetoun Fencibles, and continued with this corps till it was disembodied, in 1798. After this, **Dr. Moir** settled permanently in Aberdeen as a medical practitioner. He was elected one of the medical officers of the Royal Infirmary, in 1808, and resigned this appointment in 1814. He was also appointed surgeon to the Aberdeen Bridewell, after its erection; and besides

conducting an extensive private practice, he took an active interest in the management and prosperity of the various public charities and institutions of the city. Though originally of a strong constitution, he began to feel the infirmities of age approaching, and after a long and laborious medical career, he finally retired from the practice of his profession, in 1843, and from this time lived in the quietness of private life at his cottage at Braehead, near Balgownie, enjoying the respect and affection of his friends and neighbors. He continued to possess remarkable good health, and was seldom confined to his bed, till within a few days of his death, which took place, without a struggle, on the 4th of Nov., 1861, thus wanting only six days to complete his ninety-first year. His funeral was conducted on Monday, the 11th day of November, from the hall of the Medico-Churgical Society, in King Street, the remains being preceded by the president and members of the Society, walking in procession to the Churchyard of St. Nicholas, out of respect to his memory. Any lengthened eulogium on the deceased would be out of place. His habits were domestic and retiring, and he avoided public notice and display. As a practitioner, he was much esteemed for his accurate and extensive knowledge, and the kindness and consideration he showed in his intercourse with his brethren. The same qualities were no less felt in his intercourse with his patients; though sometimes he might startle by the abruptness of his manner, his wonted urbanity soon reconciled them to him, and they came to regard him with much confidence and affection. In fact, under a certain roughness of exterior, there lay concealed much tenderness and feeling, too often called forth during those scenes of affliction and distress which medical men are so frequently obliged to witness in the course of their professional duties. To the poor, he gave largely of his time and skill, without the least expectation of being remunerated. He was a sincere Christian, and kind and benevolent to all.

## VI

**PATRICK MOIR**, present head of and representative of this branch of the **Moir** family. Born 1813. Assumed the additional surname of **Crane** (the sons of **Mr. Moir-Crane** drop the surname of **Crane**) and is now of Crowcroft, Levenshulme, Lancashire. Married, 1838, **Maria**, eldest daughter of **John White**, merchant, of Quebec. Issue seven sons and three daughters:—

1. **George**, now of Stoneywood, Victoria Park, Manchester, b. 23 April, 1839, m. 11 Aug., 1866, **Sophia Matilda**, eldest daughter of **Andrew Hume Bulteel**, of Her Majesty's Customs, Liverpool. Issue, five sons and two daughters, viz:
  1. **Patrick**, b. 10 Oct., 1869.
  2. **George Bulteel**, b. 29 Sept., 1870.
  3. **Edward Byres**, b. 30 June, 1873.
  4. **Douglas**, b. 31 Jan., 1875.
  5. **James Sandilands**, b. 28 July, 1881.
1. **Sophie**.
2. **Mabel**.
2. **James**, born 1st July, 1842; merchant of Albany, U. S., married 20 Apr., 1870, **Alice Catherine**, daughter of **Edward Andrews, M. D.**, of Titchfield Hants. Issue, (with a son **Byres** and two daughters, **Alice-Maud** and **Mary-Helen**, died young) two sons and two daughters.

1. James Douglas, b. 29 Aug., 1871.
2. Gordon, b. 27 Oct., 1877.
1. Alice Hilda.
2. Dorothea.
3. Douglas, M. D., of Manchester, born 15 June, 1844, m. 6 Dec., 1876, Mary Florence, daughter of Edward Wood of Manchester, merchant. Issue, two sons and one daughter, viz:
  1. Edward, born 14 Jan., 1878.
  2. Douglas, b. 1st Sept., 1883.
  1. Marjory Douglas.
4. John, born 27 July, 1848; m. 30 June, 1880, Esther Anne Mallaber, daughter of William Lowndes-Yates of Congleton, Cheshire. Issue, 2 sons:
  1. Howard Lowndes, b. 7 Aug., 1881.
  2. John Lowndes, b. 20 Dec., 1882.
5. Patrick, b. 22 March, 1850, married 16 April, 1879, Anne, daughter of Charles Smith Ross and Euphemia Buchan Cruden, both of Aberdeenshire.
6. Byres, M. B., of Leinster Square, Bayswater, London, b. 5 April, 1853.
7. Richard, born 27 Jan., 1855. . .
1. Jessie Caroline, m. 23 June, 1870, John Hill of Manchester, merchant. Issue, four sons and two daughters, viz:—
  1. Harold James, b. 6 Sept., 1874.
  2. Claude John Gomes, b. 3 July, 1877.
  3. Cyril Patrick, b. 28 June, 1879. . .
  4. Francis Joseph, b. 15 Nov., 1880, d. July 20, 1881.
  1. Florence Maria White.
  2. Evelyn Rebecca, died young.
2. Caroline, married 20 June, 1872, James Hutchinson of Liverpool, merchant, and had issue:—
  1. Robert Leonard, b. 4 Nov., 1876.
  2. Allan Moir, b. 20 March, 1878.
  1. Caroline Marla.
  2. Kathleen Gilmour.
  3. Margaret Constance.
3. Marla.

## LETTER FROM WILLIAM MOIR BRYCE OF EDINGURGH

\*The author received the following communication:—

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of enquiry regarding the origin of my middle name, "Moir." My name-father—there are no god-fathers in our Scottish Church—was a Mr. Moir, who ultimately succeeded the late General Bryce in the Estate of Tonley, in Aberdeenshire. He then

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\*This gentleman is the author of several historical and genealogical books.—[A. L. M.]

See p. 121,  
 Art. 5, John,  
 etc., son of  
 Rev. Geo.  
 Moir, M. A.

took the name of Moir-Byres. . . The story is as follows: The father of this Moir-Byres was a portrait painter, who never attained any distinctive position in his art. He was engaged by the old General to paint a portrait of his only child, Miss Byres, with whom he eloped. They were married, of course, and had two children. The lady died in giving birth to the second son, George, who succeeded his brother in the Estate. I was born in 1842, and at that time, the first of these sons, who was brought up in expectation of succeeding his grandfather, the General, was very hard up, and received much kindness from my father. Personally, I have no recollection of seeing him, and he disappeared entirely from our ken. I adopted my full name in distinction to that of my father, who was also a W. M. Bryce.

Yours truly,

**WM. MOIR BRYCE.**

Edinburgh, 20th Nov., 1911.



## MOIRS OF FOVERAN

(From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYERS")

By A. J. MITCHELL-GILL of Savock

1574. . . 30th Novr., **William Moir**, in Auchloun, a farm now on the estate of Tillery.—("Sheriff Court Records of Aberdeen, and Antiquities of the Shire of Aberdeen," Spalding Club.)
1575. Octr., **Agnes Moir** in **Meikle Haddo**. (Ibid.)
1596. May 29, **John Moir** of **Newburgh**. (Ibid.)
1597. 21st April, **Andrew Moir**, **Smyth**, in Foveran against **Helen Fraser**, tried for witch-craft ("Miscellany of the Spalding Club," vol. 1, p. 108) in the list of "Nomina Assise" (court held at Aberdeen). (at p. 110 ibid.) the names of **William Moir** in **Balgeirscho** and **Andrew Moir**, **Smyth**, in Foveran. Reg. of St. Nicholas, Aberdeen, 1613. 22d June, **Arthur Udney**—no doubt of the family of that ilk—and **Janett Moir**, married at Fowerane.

**WILLIAM MOIR** of **Belhelvie** has a son:—

1. **Alexander**, bap. 4th Jany., 1659. Witnesses, **Alexander Lindsay** of **Many**, and **Alexander Lyon** of **Darahill**.

**Alexander Pirie** in **Auchnacant**, in the parish of Foveran, afterwards in **Meikle Tipperty**, in the adjoining parish of **Logie-Buchan**, md. **Agnes**, dau. of **Andrew Moir I**, of **Oldmill**. (**Andrew Moir I** of **Oldmill** had, I think, by his first wife—with **James**, died young—three sons and one daughter: 1. **Alexander**, in **Newtyle**. 2. **Gilbert**, in **Haddo**, md. 1st—and 2dly, 1681, **Janet Forbes** of **Blackhall**, 3. **Robert**, of **Overhill**, 1. **Agnes**, md. **Alexander Pirie**, as above, and probably more children) by his first wife. (b. 1668, **Mrs. Pirie** died 14th Feb., 1696, tombstone in Foveran Churchyard.) **Alexander Pirie** was clerk and collector of the poll tax for **Logie-Buchan**, 1695-96. Issue:—

1. **Andrew**, bap. 30th June, 1686. Witnesses, **Andrew Moir** and **Andrew Sutherland**.
2. **Jean**, bap. 27th April, 1688. Witnesses, **Andrew Moir**, child's grandfather and **Robert Moir**, probably child's uncle.
3. **Agnes**.
4. **Barbara**. (The four children all mentioned on tombstone had probably died young.) The **George Pirie** of **Savock**, who appears as witness of the bap. of the **Rev. George Moir** in 1679, etc., had been probably a brother of **Alexander's**, of **Tipperty**, and of **James Pirie**, who was settled at **Irewells**, in **Udney** parish, towards the end of the seventeenth century, who, by his first wife, **Helen Mair**, was father of **William Pirie**, b. in 1700—the first of the name who settled at **Orchardton**, in that parish, a place his descendants resided at for nearly two centuries; who, by his wife, **Elizabeth Laing**, had **Patrick Pirie**, who m. 1st March, 1778, **Margaret**, dau. of **Alexander Smith**, papermaker, **Stoneywood**; and

From  
Register of  
Baptisms  
Parish of  
Foveran.

Poll Book  
Vol. II, pp.  
226 and 231.



thus began the **Pirie's** connection with paper trade, which their descendants, the **Piries** of **Stoneywood** and **Waterton**, have so ably conducted and extended. The younger son, **James Pirie**, succd. to **Orchardton**, and was grandfather of the late **James Pirie**.

**ALEXANDER MOIR** of **Newtyle** (perhaps another son of **Andrew Moir I**, by his first wife) had:—

1. **Christian**, bap. 30 Jan., 1659. Witnesses, **John Turing**, in **Overhills**, and **George Thomson** in **Pitmillan**.
1. **Lilian**, bap. 1st Nov., 1663. Witnesses, **George Conan** there, and **Andrew More** of **Oldmill** in **Foveran**.
3. **Janet**, buried 22d March, 1660.

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Besides **Agnes Moir**, b. 1668, **Mrs. Pirie**, **Andrew Moir I**, of **Oldmill** had other children. A son, **James Moir**, was baptised 6 Oct., 1659. Witnesses, **Jas. Scot**, in **Meikle Haddo**, and **Alexander Houston**, in **Balgerscho**, and buried at **Foveran**, July 5, 1660.

**GILBERT MOIR**, of **Pitmillan**, described as tenant and gentleman, with his wife and two children.—Poll book, vol. II, pp. 150, 153.

1. **Andrew**, baptised 2 Jan., 1672. Witnesses, **Andrew Moire**, younger, and **Andrew Milne**.
2. **Robert**, bap. 10 May, 1678. Witnesses, **Robt. More**, in **Old Milne** and **Robt. Milne** in **Petmillan**.
3. **Barbara**, bap. 1st June, 1680. Witnesses, **Andrew More** and **Thomas Grig**.
4. **Isobel**, bap. 27 Aug., 1683. Witnesses, **Andrew Moir** and **George Watson**.
5. **Alexander**, baptised 21 Aug., 1686. Witnesses, **Alexander Johnston** and **Alexander Pirie**.
6. **Janet**, bap. 18 Nov., 1687. Witnesses, **Andrew Moir**, **Alexander Pirie**.

**GILBERT MOIR** sometime of **Haddo**, **Foveran** (another son, I think, of **Andrew Moir I**, of **Oldmill**, by his first wife.) (A **Gilbert Moir** was **M. P.** for **Banff** in 1646-1647-1648.)

Note—It was not uncommon about this period to have two members of a family baptized by the same Christian name, and in one instance, three of one family had all the same Christian names—information from **Rev. Walter MacLeod** of **Edinburgh**.

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1. **Elizabeth**, bap. July, 1675. Witnesses, **James Scott** and **John Blair**, both there.
2. **Anna**, baptised 5 Jan., 1678. Witnesses, **James Scott**, **Mr. Alexander Johnstone**.
3. **Alexander**, bap. 15 July, 1680. Witnesses, **\*Alexr. Rose**, son of **\*\*John Rose**, and **James Scott** in **Haddo**, and **Mr. Alex. Burnett**, schoolmaster at **Foveran**.

\***Alexander Rose**, son of the minister of **Foveran**, may have been the ancestor of the **Roses** of **Lethinty**.—**Scotts "Fasti,"** etc.

\*\*1667. Minister of **Foveran** (D. D. 1684), died 1690, married a daughter of the family of **Udny** of that ilk. His father, the **Rev. Alexander Rose**, **Laird of Insch**, in the **Garioch**, descended of **Kilravock**, was minister of **Monymusk**. **Dr. John Rose**, of **Foveran**, succeeded to the paternal property of **Insch**. His brother, **Alexander Rose**, was consecrated, 1686, **Bishop of Moray**, and in 1688, **Bishop of Edinburgh**, while his uncle, **Arthur Rose**, was **Bishop of Argyll**, 1675, of **Glasgow**, 1679, and who, in 1684, became **Archbishop of St. Andrew's**, and **Primate of Scotland**.

**Gilbert Moir** marries secondly—contract dated 9th August, 1681—**Janet**, daughter of the late **Patrick Forbes**, sometime of Blackhall, of the ancient family of Pitsligo.

4. **James**, bap. 27 Sept., 1682. Witnesses, **James Scot** and **James Moir**.
5. **William**. 6. **Thomas**. Twins, bap. 1st June, 1684. Witnesses, **Wm. Gordon** and **Wm. Findlay**; **Thomas Forbes** and **Thomas Grig**.

**Robert Moir** of Overhill (probably a son of **Andrew Moir I**, by his first wife) married. [He is described as tenant and gentleman there, with his wife, 1695-6. Poll book, vol. II, p. 151.]

1. **Agnes**, bap. 16 May, 1685. Witnesses, **Andrew Moir** and **George Webster**.
2. **Isobel**, bap. 12 Sept., 1687. Witnesses, **Andrew Moir** and **Robert Temple**.
3. **Andrew**, bap. 16 Aug., 1690. Witnesses, **Andrew More** and **Andrew Sutherland**.
4. **John**, bap. 25 March, 1693. Witnesses, **John Udney**, **John Scot**.
5. **Elspet**, bap. 19 May, 1694. Witnesses, **Alex. Pirie**, **Alexander Johnston**.

The Foveran family of **Moir** seem to have had daughters married to people named **Catto**, **Connon**, **Johnston**, **Findlay**, **Webster**, etc., and over two and a half centuries ago, appear to have had a large connection in that district.

**GEORGE MOIR** in **Savoek**:

1. **Barbara**, bap. 20 July, 1691. Witnesses, **George Conan**, **Adam Mill**.
2. **William**, bap. 27 June, 1693.

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**ALEXANDER MOIR** in **Overhill** contracted 6th April and md. 1st. May, 1705, **Janet Milne**.

1. **John**, bap. 15 Nov., 1705.
2. **Issobel**, bap. 21 July, 1707.
3. **Elspet**, bap. 15 May, 1709.
4. **Barbara**, bap. 21 July, 1721.
5. **Agnes**, bap. —, 1723.
6. **Jean**, bap. 20 Dec., 1726.

**JAMES MOIR**, in **Newtyle**, md. 1st Jan., 1704, **Margaret Watson**.

1. **Janet**, bap. 16 Feb., 1707. Witnesses, **Gilbert Moir** in **Plumillan**, and **William Watson**, in **Minnes**. (Probably the paternal and maternal grandfathers.)
2. **Susanna**, bap. 17 April, 1709. Witnesses as before.

Of this prolific race of the Foveran **Moirs**, none known to be of this stock are now in the district. There is still the name in the parish **Mr. George Moir**, in **Knockhall**, whose progenitors came from **Dyce**, and the **Moirs** in **Tarty**, **Logie-Buchan**, who own part of the estate of **Auchleuchries**, in the parish of **Cruden**, whose descent I am not acquainted with.

See article,  
"Moirs of  
Tarty," else-  
where in this  
book.

## BYRES OF TONLEY

(From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES")

By A. J. MITCHELL-GILL of Savock

"*Marte Suo Tutus*" (Safe by his own exertions)

PATRICK BYRES, (2d son of Robert Byres of Dublin and Jean Sandilands) born at Dublin, 13 May, 1713, I of Tonley—of this family—became, through the extinction of the elder branch, representative of the Byres of Coates, in the County of Edinburgh, and as such, registers his arms, 7 Feb., 1755. Mr. Byres m. 14 June, 1733, his relative, Janet, dau. of James Moir, M. P., of Stoneywood, on Donside, by his second wife, Jean, dau. of Alexander Abernethy of Mayen, on Deveron side—County Banff—(See family of Moir of Stoneywood); and Oct. 8, same year, settled at Tonley. Mrs. Byres (who was buried at Tough, in which parish Tonley is, Sept., 1787) was sister of Col. James Moir of Stoneywood—see that family—one of the most zealous of the Stuarts' adherents. Patrick Byres, known as the "Jacobite Laird," was "out" in the "45," and engaged ardently in the cause of Charles Edward Stuart, and was a major in the regt. (known as Stoneywood's Regt.) raised by his brother-in-law, the above Col. James Moir.

"After fighting at the battle of Culloden, he was concealed in the Castle of Cluny, near Tonley, by his friend Gordon of Cluny, until he got an opportunity of escaping to France. He entered into the regiment of Royal Scotch in France, commanded by Cameron of Lochiel, and was exempted from the first pardon, and would have lost Tonley but through the interest of his friends, it was made to appear that the offending Jacobite was called Patrick and not Peter Byres, (as his name had been entered in the list) therefore his estate was not liable to be confiscated, and he was eventually allowed to return to his Highland home in Scotland."

PATRICK BYRES, (who was in June, 1741, admitted a Burgess of Guild of Aberdeen) had issue by his wife, Janet Moir, four sons and three daughters, viz:—

1. James, bap. 7 May, 1734, his heir, II of Tonley.
2. Robert of Kinraigie, bap. 12 Dec., 1740, merchant of Memel, in Prussia, and London. He bought the estate of Kinraigie from the Leslies, 8 Dec., 1786, which adjoins Tonley. (But the title was taken in favor of James Byres II, of Tonley, his brother, as specified in a deed dated Nov., 1794.) And the old mansion of Kinraigie, with additions, is the present mansion-house of the property. "The auld hous," or part of it, is now the farm-house of Mains of Tonley; and a stone, evidently belonging to it, bears the date 1735. Robert Byres married his relative, (contract dated 12 Nov., 1770) Margaret, dau. of James Burnett, merchant of Aberdeen, descended of the Dalladies branch of the house of Leys. He possessed considerable property at St. Pierre, Martinique,

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which he had gone to look after, and where he died, 17 Nov., 1799. Issue, two sons and two daughters:—

1. **James**. "Sept. 24, 1794, died, son of **Robert Byers**, Register of Parish of Tough, brother to the present **Mr. James Byers of Tonley**. The death of this young man was occasioned by an accidental discharge of a fowling-piece in the hands of his brother, **Patrick Byres**, while the two brothers were in the field, shooting crows."
2. **Patrick**, of him again as **III Byres of Tonley**.
  1. **Isabella**, m. (as 2d wife) **Lieut.-Col. James Stewart**, of the 42d **Highlanders**, youngest son of **Charles Stewart of Shambellie**, in the **Stewartry of Kirkcudbright**; no issue.
  2. **Janet**, died unmarried.
3. **William**, b. 29 Oct., 1742. "He always was a delightful child. He served in the Navy, was appointed one of the King's surveyors, and dyed in **St. Vincent's**, in 1764-5. He always behaved well."—See Reg. in family Bible. Tablet to his memory in Church of Tough.
4. **John**, born 31 March, 1745. A captain Royal Engineers, **Hon. East India Company's Service**. He made a fine model of **Gibraltar**, which is now in the Museum of the Royal Engineers, at **Chatham**. **Captain Byres** married, (contract dated 1 Oct., 1744) **Isobel**, dau. of **James Donaldson, M. D.**, of **Auchmull**, by his wife, **Katherine Gordon**, of the family of **Pitlurg**, and died 17 Sept., 1788. Issue, two daughters and co-heiresses:—
  1. **Katherine Byres**, married, 1800, her cousin-german, **John Moir of St. Catherine's, Peterhead**, artist, and had issue.
  2. **Janet Byres**, married, 1802, her cousin-german, **James Moir, M. D.**, elder brother of **John Moir of St. Catherine's**, and had issue.
1. **Jane**, born 6 July, 1735, married **John Durno, J. P.**, of **Cattie**, now **Whitehouse**, in the parish of **Tough, Aberdeenshire**. **Mr. Durno**, who was b. in 1741, was an advocate in **Aberdeen**. At his decease, which occurred in the **Island of Jamaica**, in Dec., 1816, he was the senior member of the **Society of Advocates of Aberdeen**, and also the oldest life manager of the **Royal Infirmary** there. A brother of his was **Sir James Durno, Knight of Artrochie, H. M. B. Consul at Memel, in Prussia**, who died in 1807. **Jane Byres or Durno** died without surviving issue.
2. **Isabella**, born 15 April, 1737, m. **Robert Sandilands**. He was a relative of his wife, a **Sandilands** of the **Cralbston**, or **Cotton** families. This lady, who also died without issue, was killed by a fall from a pony carriage.
3. **Martha**, born 6 July, 1739, m. in 1766 the **Rev. Dr. George Moir of Peterhead**, and had issue.

In the diary of the **Rev. John Bisset** of **Aberdeen**, of which part is printed in Vol I of the **Miscellany of the Spalding Club**, occurs, under date Feb. 3, 1746, the following paragraph: "Yesterday came in here from the South, **Lonmay (William Moir)**, **Tonley (Patrick**

**Byres I of Tonley), Robert Sandilands, Charles Moir, and one they call Captain Ferrier, and, I am told, four more gentlemen came at night, whose names or designations I have not yet got."**

### **JAMES BYRES II. OF TONLEY**

"**JAMES BYRES** (eldest son of **Patrick Byres I of Tonley and Janet Moir of Stoneywood II.** of Tonley, born 7 May, 1734, and bap. by **Mr. Patk. Laing; my Lord Forbes, godfather.**" Like his father, this laird was a devoted Jacobite, and was for some time an officer in **Lord Ogilvie's** regiment, under the French king. Being mostly educated in France, **Mr. Byres** adopted the **Roman Catholic** faith. He was much devoted to the fine arts, and was for nearly forty years before 1790, antiquarian resident at Rome, and was author of "**Hypogaei or Sepulchral Caverns of Tarquinia,**" the capital of ancient **Etruria.** The engravings in this work, which are very fine, were executed by his nephew, **Mr. Christopher Norton,** who lived for many years with his uncle at Rome. It has always been understood in the family that **James Byres** was a lay-cardinal at Rome, and a fine oil painting of him, in his cardinal robes, is at **Tonley.** There is also at least another good picture of him there, as well as one at **Castle Fraser,** the seat of the **MacKenzie-Frasers,** near **Tonley.** But the finest portrait of this gentleman, by **Raeburn,** is now in the possession of **Mr. David Scott-Moncrieff** of **Edinburgh.** The following extracts from "**John Leech and Other Papers,**" by **John Brown, M. D.,** the talented author of "**Rab and His Friends,**" etc., are interesting. On **Sir Henry Raeburn,** p. 420, "**Byres, Barry's** antagonist, gave him an advice he ever after followed, and often spoke about: 'Never paint any object from memory if you can get it before your eyes.'" Again, speaking of **Sir Henry Raeburn's** pictures, then 1882, at **Charlesfield, Mid-Calder,** near **Edinburgh,** the residence of **Sir Henry's** grandson, **L. W. Raeburn,** at p. 432, **Dr. Brown** says: "Besides many others, over the fireplace is a life-size portrait of **Mr. Byres of Tonley,** whom we have mentioned as at **Rome** with **Raeburn;** this was painted long after, and is of the first quality, done with the utmost breadth of felicity. The ruffles of his skirt are still of dazzling whiteness, as if bleached by the burn side."

According to the "**Scots Magazine,**" **James Byres** left **Rome** in 1790, and died at **Tonley,** 3 Sept., 1817, in his 84th year. From **Tough** parish register: "1796, Feb. 3, **James Byres of Tonley,** and **Robert Byres, Esq.,** residing there, were witnesses to the bap. of **Patrick,** son of the **Rev. Alexander Urquhart."** This Laird united the two properties of **Tonley** and **Kincraigie,** and entailed them on a series of heirs, besides doing much to beautify and improve these estates.

### **PATRICK BYRES III. OF TONLEY**

**PATRICK BYRES III,** of **TONLEY** (eldest surviving son of **Robert Byres of Memel, and Margaret Burnett**) born circa 1778, and was a major-general in the **Hon. E. I. Co.'s Service,** succeeded to the family property on the death of his uncle, **James Byres,** in 1817; married, first, **Jessie,** dau. of **Lieut. Col. Denny,** and had an only son.

1. **James,** a **lieut.** in the **First Royals,** accidentally drowned at **Athlone, Ireland.**

The General married, secondly, in April, 1834, his cousin-german, **Margaret,** eldest dau. of **Lieut. Col. Joseph Burnett of Gadgirth,**

Ayrshire, without issue, and died 1 Feb., 1854, and was interred at Tough, where there is a tombstone erected to his memory. The succession then opened to the next heir of entail, **Patrick Moir**, eldest son of **Katherine Byres**, cousin-german of **Gen. Byres**, and her husband, **John Moir**, of **St. Catherine's**.

#### PATRICK MOIR-BYRES IV. OF TONLEY

**PATRICK MOIR-BYRES IV**, of **TONLEY**, (eldest son of **Katherine Byres**, and her husband, **John Moir** of **St. Catherine's**) b. 1802, succeeded, 1854, his cousin, **General Byres**, and assumed the additional surname and arms of "**Byres of Tonley**"; was a **magistrate** and **Commissioner of Supply** for **Aberdeenshire**, died at **Tonley**, unmarried, in 1863, and was interred at **Tough**. He was succeeded by his next brother.

#### JAMES GREGORY MOIR-BYRES V. OF TONLEY

**JAMES GREGORY MOIR-BYRES V.** of **TONLEY**, born 17 Nov., 1804; m. in May, 1858, **Mary**, dau. of **Henry Pridcaux Hensleigh**, surgeon, of **London**, by **Mary Norrington**, his wife, and relict of the **Rev. Thomas Gordon Torry Anderson**, (who was son of **Patrick Torry**, **Bishop** of **St. Andrew's**, **Dunkeld** and **Dumblane**, of **Fawsyde**, **Kincardineshire**, sometime incumbent of **St. Paul's**, **Dundee** (to whom she had one son, **Alexander Penrose Torry Anderson**, **M. D.**) **Mr. Moir-Byres**, who was a **magistrate** and **Commissioner of Supply** for the County, bought the property of **Fairley**, from the **Thomsons**, in the parish of **Newhills**, **Aberdeenshire**, and died in **Aberdeen**, 6 Nov., 1881, and was interred at **Tough**, leaving an only daughter and heiress, viz: **Patricia Byres Moir-Byres**, of **Fairley**, m. 9 Dec., 1879, **Capt. Harry Vesey Brooke**, formerly of the **92d Gordon Highlanders**, second son of the late **Sir Arthur Brinsley Brookie, Bart.**, of **Colebrooke**, **County Fermanagh**, and the **Hon. Henrietta Julia Auson**. Issue, a son.

1. **James Anson Otho Brooke**, b. 188.. This Laird was succeeded by his next brother.

#### GEORGE MOIR-BYRES VI. OF TONLEY

**GEORGE MOIR-BYRES** of **TONLEY** is a **magistrate** and **Commissioner of Supply** for **Aberdeenshire**, born 1807; married, 1854, **Alleyne**, dau. of **Thomas Houghton Fields**, of **Colby**, **Lincolnshire**, and has issue, three daughters, viz:—

1. **Alleyne Catherine Elizabeth**, m. Dec., 1881, **Napier MacLeod Wylie**, of **Edinburgh**.
2. **Stuart**.
3. **Jean**.

**Mr. Moir-Byres** died Dec. 30, 1909, and was succeeded by **Patrick Moir-Byres VII**, of **Tonley**, a retired major in the **British Army**, whom the author of this book visited in 1910, and was welcomed and accorded special privileges at the **Moir-Byres** homestead, at **Tonley**, **Whitehouse**, **Aberdeenshire**.

## \*OLD RECORDS

Copied from FAMILY BIBLE at TONLEY

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

1704, in September, I was married to Mrs. Jean Sandilands, daughter to Patrick Sandilands, Esq., of Cotton, and Nov. 4, we arrived at Dublin. 1705, Aug. 17, my wife was brought to bed of a daughter, who was the same day christened by the name of Margaret. 1706, 25 October, my wife was brought to bed of a daughter, who was christened Nov. 15, by the name of Janett. 24 Dec., our eldest daughter, Margaret, dyed of chincough and teething, and was buried under the chancell at St. Mary's, Dublin. 1709, 27th (Jan.) (?) at night, (at 11) my wife was brought to bed of a son, who was christened by the name of James. February 5, died our daughter Janett, and was buried by her sister, in the Chancell at St. Mary's. She died of a fever. 1711, Monday, 24 September, my wife was brought to bed of a daughter, who was christened on the 12th of October, by the name of Jean. 1713, Wednesday, 13 May, my wife was brought to bed of a son, twixt 9 and 10 at night, who was christened Patrick, on the 1st of June. On the 19 of the same month, died our eldest son, James, and was buried by his two sisters, under St. Mary's Chancell.

### FAMILY OF PATRICK BYRES OF TONLEY

1733, I was married to Janet Moir, daughter of James Moir, Esq., of Stonywood, and October the 8th, we came to Tonley, N. B. We were married 14 June. 1734, May 7, my wife was brought to bed of a son, who was christened by the name of James, by Mr. Patrick Laing, my Lord Forbes, godfather. 1735, July 6, my wife was brought to bed of a daughter, same day was christened by name of Jane. 1737, April 15, my wife was brought to bed of a daughter, who, same day, was christened by the name of Isabella. 1739, July 6, my wife was brought to bed of a daughter, who was christened by the name of Martha. 1740, Friday, Dec. 12, my wife was brought to bed of a son. He was next day christened by the name of Robert. 1742, Oct. 29, my wife was brought to bed of a son. He was the next day christened by the name of William. He always was a delightful child. He served in the Navy, was appointed one of the King's surveyors, and died in St. Vincent's, in 1764-65. He always behaved well. 1745, Mar. 31, my wife was brought to bed of a son, who was christened by the name of John.

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\*The author of this Genealogy personally saw and read these notes while on a visit there in 1910. They are in a good state of preservation, of a fair handwriting, and plainly readable.

# ANCESTRY OF MOIRS OF SCOTSTOWN AND BARNES

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Appended are some notes as to the early Moirs, which, in their conclusion, differ somewhat from the hitherto accepted view.

Mr. Mitchell-Gill, in his history of the Moirs (p. 71) gives under the head of Moir of Stoneywood—"iv. Mr. William Moir, M. A., Burgess of Aberdeen, married Janet Rae, served heir to his father, 1602, Treasurer of Aberdeen, 1615. From printed copy in Aberdeen Journal, 1910.

1. Henrie, bap. 28th May, 1605.

2. John, born 1610 (tombstone); of him again as Stoneywood's ancestor, next page.

3. William, as Scotstown's progenitor — see p. 75," etc., etc.

"v. John Moir I. of Stoneywood, (eldest son of Mr. William Moir, Burgess of Aberdeen, and Janet Rae), born 1610 (tombstone, St. Nicholas' Churchyard, Aberdeen.)"

Again on p. 75—"v. William Moir (whom I make third son of Mr. William Moir, Burgess of Aberdeen, and Janet Rae — see p. 71) I. of Scotstown, Professor of Marischal College, Aberdeen."

What I would endeavour to prove is —

(1) That the first proprietor of Scotstown was not **Principal William Moir**, but **Treasurer William Moir**, his father, who married Janet Rae. This is made clear by — (a) An extract from a birth-brieve quoted from "Spalding Club Miscellany," v. 362. "And that the said deceast **Dr. William Moir** was eldest lawfull son to the deceast **Mr. William Moir** of Scotstoun, principall and professor of mathematicks in the Colledge Marischall of Aberdein, procreat betwixt him and Jean Gordon his lawfull spouss, daughter to the deceast Gilbert Gordon of Gordonsmill . . . ; and that the said deceast **Mr. William Moir** was lawfull son to the deceast **Mr. William Moir** of Scotstoun procreat betwixt him and Jannet Rae, his lawfull spouss; . . ." (b) "Sa, to **Mr. Wm. Moir** burges of aberden be andro hervie of denstoun On the tua pt Lands of Scottistoun, dait 12 July 1602, Notter Mr. Wm. Chalmer Pnt. Penes augti 1602. "[Minute Book, Aberdeenshire Sasines.] (c) June 17, 1620 George Pecok, Appothegar, burges of Abd. v. Thomas Jamesone in Scottistoune, and his mother and brother. Cautioner **Mr. Wm. Moir**, burges of Abd. Peats in the Moss of Scottistoune had been arrested by Pecok, as proprietor of the third part of the lands, moss, etc. ["Sheriff Court Records," ii, 242.] (d) "Renun of the towne of scottistoune maid be george peacock. To **Mr. Wm. Moir** 7 Sepr. 1620." [Minute Book, Aberdeenshire Sasines.]

(2) That **Principal William Moir** was the eldest son of **Mr. William Moir**. (a) Precept of sasine 2 May, 1623. Mr. William Moir as "legitimus et propinquior heres masculus pefat. quondam Magistri Gulielmi sui patris" of the lands of Calsayseat. (b) In-



strument of sasine following thereupon of the same date, in which **Mr. William Moir** is described as burgend de Aberden filius primoe genitus legitime deseruitus quondam **Magistri Gulielmi Moir** burgend dicti burgu. (c) Instrument of resignation dated May 31, 1656, **Mr. William Moir**, in favour of his eldest son, **Dr. William Moir**, in which **Mr. William Moir** is described as "principall of the new colledge of aberdeen." ["Powis Papers."]

(3) That **Mr. John Moir** was the second son of **Treasurer William Moir**, and was the ancestor not of the **Stoneywood** but of the **Barnes Moirs** — (a) [Burgess Register of Aberdeen.] "Sept. 22, 1615, **Moir, John** (pupil), second son of **Mr. William (treasurer)**." ["New Spalding Club Miscellany," i.] (b) Instrument of sasine, **Mr. William Moir**, Burgess of Aberdeen, to **John Moir**, of a tenement and garden near the Gallowgate, May 24, 1615. "propter paternu amorem quem habet et gerit erga dilectu filiu suu legitimu secunde genitu **Joanem Moir**." [Aberdeen Sasine Register.] (c) June 1, 1604. "Sa to **Wm. Moir** burges of abd. on the lands of Sonyside & spittlehill as also on the croftis besyde ye Calsayseat dait 1 Junij. 1604. Notar **Mr. Wm. Chalmer**, [Minute Book, Aberdeenshire. Sasines.] (d) March 8, 1626. "Sa to **mr Johne Moir** burges of abd. & mariorie beans his spous on the landis of sonysyd 8 March 1626 **James Daudison**." [Minute Book, Aberdeenshire Sasines.] N. B. "factum et cocessum per magrum gulieltu moir burgen eiusdem burgi fratrem germanu dicti magri Joannis prefato magro Joanni et mariorie beans sue et future spouse." [Aberdeenshire Sasine Register.] (e) Sept. 25, 1628. "Sa to **mr. Johne Moir**, burges of abd. and Meriorie beanes his spouse On the toune and lands of Stonysyd. 25 Sept. 1628, **mr. alex. Reid**, not." [Minute Book, Aberdeenshire Sasines.] (f) Extract from the Aberdeen Burgess Register. Feb. 1, 1654. **John Moir**, eldest son to deceast, **Mr. John Moir**, burgess. ["New Spalding Club Miscellany," ii., 405.] (g) Extracts from register of births. **John Moir** and **Mariorie Beanes**, a son **John**, bapt. May 17 1631 ws. **Archibald Beanes**. A daughter **Christian** bapt. Feb. 22, 1633. A daughter **Mariorie** bapt. Sept. 9, 1634. [Old Aberdeen Parish Register.] (h) Instrument of sasine following on Charter to **Marjorie Moir** and **Thomas Mitchell**, burgess of Aberdeen, her husband, of a half net's fishing in the Don. **John Moire** "Lawfull sone to the deceist master **Johne moire** burges of aberdene" procurator in name of his sister **Marjorie Moire**. Dated Jan. 28. 1654. (i) Service of heirs, June 24, 1665. **John Moir** of **Barnes** burgess of Aberdeen heir of **Mr. John Moir** burgess of the said burgh his father. (j) Jan. 12, 1655. Sasine on matrimonial contract between **Walter Cochrane** late **Baillie** of Aberdeen for himself and "tackand burdene on him for **marie cochrane** his second laull. daughter" and the said **Mary** for herself, and **Johne Moir** "eldest laull. sone to the said deceast master **Johne moir** burges of the said burgh with consent and assent of meriorie beans his mother" and the said **Marjori** for herself binding themselves infeft to **John Moir** and the heirs of him and **Mary Cochrane** with certain lands and tenements in



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Aberdeen. [Aberdeen Sasine Register.] (k) Service of heirs, April 11, 1674. 5709 **Janeta, Marjoria, Issobella, Agneta, Jeanna, Morgareta, Christina et Maria Moires** haeredes portionaria **Joannis Moir de Barnes** mercatoris burgensis de Aberdein patris [xxxii., 298, "Inqu. Gen."] (l) Oct. 24, 1691. Matrimonial Contract between Master Alexander Fraser Regent King's College on the one part and **Christian Moir**, daughter and coheir of the deceast **John Moir** of Barnes with the consent of Mary Cochrane relict of the said **John Moir**, her Mother. ["Powis Papers."] (m) Extract from the poll book, 1696. "Mary Cochrane relict of **John Moire** of **Barns** whose poll, if in lyfe would have been £9 6s." ["Poll Book," ii, 623.]

(4) That **Mr. Henry Moir** was the third son of Treasurer **William Moir**. (a) Extract from the Aberdeen Burgess Register, Sept. 23, 1617. **Moir, Henry**, third son of **Mr. William M.**, dean of guild. ["New Spalding Club Miscellany," j] (b) Jan. 4, 1651. Sasine of **John Moir** "filij Legitimi natu maximi quondam mri **Joannis Moir** burgen dicti burgi ac heredis propinquioris quondam mri **henrice Moir** fratris Imediati junioris dicti **Joannis** et sic patrii dicti **Joannis** on a tenement of land on the east side of the Gallowgate. [Aberdeen Sasine Register.]

To sum up —

**Mr. William Moir**, son of **William Moir**. was admitted Burgess of Aberdeen in 1598. He was Dean of Guild of the city in 1606 and 1616, and Treasurer in 1615, etc. He had sasine on two-thirds of Scotstown in 1602, on the remainder of Scotstown in 1620, on Calsayseat in 1603, on Sunnyside and Spittal and crofts beside Calsayseat in 1604, also on land on the east side of the Gallowgate in 1608. He married Janet Rae, and died in or before 1623, having had the following sons —

1. **Mr. William Moir**. He graduated at Marischal College in 1616, was Baillie of Aberdeen, Professor of Mathematics 1641-1661; and Principal of Marischal College 1649-1661. He had sasine on Calsayseat in 1623, on land on the east side of the Gallowgate in 1623, on the lands of Spittal in 1628, and on the lands and milne of Gordonsmilne in 1633, and on the north lands of Kirkstone of Hospitall in 1652. He married Jean, daughter of Patrick Gordon of Gordonsmilne, and was succeeded by his eldest son, Dr. William Moir of Scottstown. Another son Partiek, received sasine on the lands of Spittal in 1672.

2. **Mr. John Moir**. He graduated at Marischal College in 1617, was admitted burgess in 1615. He received sasine on land on the east of the Gallowgate in 1615, and on Sunnyside of Spittal in 1626. He married, 1626, **Marjorie**, daughter of **Archibald Beanes**, burgess of Aberdeen, and died before 1651, having had the following family:—

(i.) **John Moir** of Barnes, bapt. May 17, 1631.

(ii.) **Xtain**, bapt. Feb. 22, 1633.

(iii.) **Marjorie**, bapt. Sept. 9, 1634, mar. to Thomas Mitchell, burgess of Aberdeen.

3. **Mr. Henry Moir**. He was admitted burgess in 1617, was possessed of land in the east side of the Gallowgate, and died before 1651, s. p.

## \*MOIRS OF SCOTSTOWN

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

By A. J. MITCHELL-GILL of Savock

"Non sibi sedi cunctis."—(Not for self, but for all.)

Skene's  
Manuscript

V. WILLIAM MOIR, (whom I make third son of Mr. William Moir, burgess of Aberdeen, and Janet Rae) I. of Scotstown, (the estate of Spittal seems also to have gone along with that of Scotstown in the Moir family.) †Professor in Marischal College, Aberdeen. Married JEAN, dau. of GILBERT GORDON of Gordonsmill, and had a son.

VI. DR. WILLIAM MOIR, II. of Scotstown, married at Dyce, 5 June, 1656, †MARGARET, (alive 1695-6), daughter of GILBERT SKENE of Dyce; and died 1670. Issue:—

1. William, his heir, bap. 9 Sept. 1658. Ro. Forbes, baillie; Gilbert Skene of Dyce; Mr. William Moir, principal; Patrick Moir, late baillie; Alexander Skene of Dyce Yr., Mr. John Campbell, etc, godfathers.
2. §Gilbert, 15 Feb., 1663, went to Poland, 1667.
3. Patrick, 10 Aug., 1666.
4. Alexander, 8 May, 1668.
1. Jean, 11 June, 1657. Patrick Moir, baillie; and Gilbert Skene of Dyce, godfathers.
2. Margaret, 15 Dec., 1659.
3. Marjorie, 22 May, 1661.
4. Jean, 25 Apr., 1670.
5. Issobell, 24 Dec., 1671.
6. Marie, 8 Oct., 1676.
7. Elizabeth, 11 Apr., 1680. James Moir and Robert Patrick of Portlathan, godfathers.

VII. DR. WILLIAM MOIR, III. of Scotstown, b. 1658, m. JEAN, dau. of ALEXANDER ABERNETHY, I. of Mayen; she remarried as his second wife, JAMES MOIR, II. of Stonewood. His son:—

VIII. ALEXANDER MOIR, IV. of Scotstown, was served heir to his father, 26 Jan., 1695; married MARY CHALMERS.

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\*For Coat of Arms, see page 14. †See Mr. Burnet's article, "The Ancestry of the Moirs of Scotstown and Barns. ‡She is polled with her daughters, Jean and Elizabeth, Poll-book, Vol. 11, p. 627. §See article, "Lands of Cotton."

1721, Aug. 19. "Alexander Moir of Scotstoune and Mary Chalmers, his spouse, a daughter, Janet, baptised; James Moir of Stoneywood and Dr. Patrick Chalmers, physician, witnesses." Retours and Registers of Saint Nicholas

1723, Mar. 4. Jean, bap., William Moir of Innernethy and James Moir, merchant, witnesses.

1724, May 16, William, bap., William Moir, son of James Moir of Stoneywood, a witness.

Their son (IX.) GEORGE MOIR, V. of Scotstoun, married twice; by his first wife, he had:—

1. Alexander, his heir.

GEORGE MOIR, married secondly, MARGARET, daughter of GEORGE CUMINE of Pittulie, by his wife and cousin, Christian Guthrie of King-Edward. Issue.

2. George Charles, b. 10 Oct., 1771, sometime merchant in Babia, afterwards of Denmore, near Aberdeen, died 1851; having married Mary Agnew, only dau. of the late Sir William Bruce, IX., Baronet of Stenhouse. Issue, two daughters:— Tombstones in vault at St. Peter's Churchyard, Aberdeen

1. Mary Anne Moir, married the late Lieut. Col. Knight Erskine, of Pittodrie. Issue, the present (1885) Laird, and a daughter, Mrs. Flower.

2. Margaret Isabella Moir, married Joseph Dundas, of Carron Hall and Fingask, Stirlingshire and has issue.

3. William, b. 1789, of Park, on Deeside, m. Mary Elizabeth, (who died 1868) dau. of John Forbes of Blackford, by Margaret Gregory, and died, 1843, leaving five sons and five daughters, of whom

1. George as VIII, of Scotstoun.

2. Mary Christina, m. 1795, Alexander Fraser, IV. of Fraserfield or Balgownie, of the noble family of Saultoun and had issue.

1. Isabella, m. John Urquhart of Craigston and had issue.

X. ALEXANDER MOIR, VI. of Scotstoun, b. 1764, for many years Sheriff-Substitute of Aberdeen, he was major-commandant, Royal Aberdeen Volunteers, 1795-1796. (His portrait is given in Mr. Donald Sinclair's "History of the Aberdeen Volunteer," published by the Aberdeen Daily Journal office, in 1907,) d. 21 June, 1824, having m. MARGARET, dau. of JAMES GORDON, of Leicheston, in Morayshire and had by her an only daughter:—

XI. ISABELLA MOIR, VII. of Scotstoun, b. May 1799, m. 10 June, 1822, SIR MICHAEL BRUCE, VIII.,

From note, furnished by R. Murdoch Lawrance, of Aberdeen, 1912

Baronet of **Stenhouse**, and d. 19 Nov., 1867, (without issue).

XII. **GEORGE MOIR**, C. B., Col. **Bengal Horse Artillery**, b. March 1820, VIII. of **Scotstown**, (eldest son of **William Moir of Park**, and **Mary Elizabeth Forbes**) succeeded to that property under the will of his cousin, the above **Lady Bruce**; married **MISS BEAN**, dau. of **COL. BEAN**, and died in **India**, 5 Feb., 1870, whose son,

XIII. **WILLIAM MOIR**, IX. and now, (1885), of **Scotstown**, is a Lieut. in the 18th Hussars.

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## MOIR OF INVERNETTIE

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

By A. J. MITCHELL-GILL of Savock

*Deus Dedit.*—(God gave.)

This family was a cadet of **Moir of Stoneywood**, and the estate, which is near **Peterhead**, reverted back to that family, on the extinction of the **Invernettie** line.

\***JAMES MOIR** of **Invernettie**, matriculates arms in 1792. His wife probably was **CATHERINE ARBUTHNOT**, as a **James Moir** of **Invernettie** marries a sister of **John VI., Viscount Arbuthnot**.

**WILLIAM MOIR**, (fourth son of **John Moir** of **Stoneywood** and **Jean Sandilands**,) a merchant in **Aberdeen**, bought the estate of **Invernettie**. There is a charter to **William Moir**, dated 1708, merchant in **Aberdeen** of the lands of **Invernettie**. **Mr. Moir** was succeeded in this estate by his nephew.

1720, 21 Dec. "William Moir of **Invernettie**, a witness to the bapt. of **William**, son of **Dr. Mathew McKaill**, Physician, and **Margt. Black**, his spouse."

Sandiland's  
Genealogy  
and Skene's  
Manuscript

Registers  
of Saint  
Nicholas

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\*For Coat of Arms, see page 14.

## MOIR OF LONMAY, Afterwards of NEW GRANGE

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

By ANDREW J. MITCHELL-GILL of Savock

I. \*WILLIAM MOIR, first of the Moirs of Lonmay, in Buchan (was eldest son of James Moir II. of Stoneywood, by his second wife, Jean Abernethie.) He married a sister of General Fullerton of Dudwick.

1. William, his heir.
1. Isabella.
2. Catherine.
3. Jean, m. William Cumine of Pittulie in Buchan, and by her had Capt. Adam Cumine, first of the Cumines of Rattray, near Peterhead.

II. †WILLIAM MOIR of Lonmay, sold that property and bought New Grange, in Forfarshire. He m. WORTLEY, eldest dau. of JAMES STUART of Blairhall, of the noble family of Bute. Issue:—

1. William.
2. James.
1. Mary.
2. Margaret.
3. Anne.

III. WILLIAM MOIR of New Grange, married.  
Issue:—

1. William.
2. George.
3. Alexander.

And five daughters, one of whom, Wortley Cornella Anne Moir, was second wife of Sir James Gardiner-Baird V., Baronet.

Captain Moir, lately (1837) tried and executed in London for having shot a person who was trespassing in his grounds, near London, was the representative of this family."

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\*The estate of Whitehill, Midlothian, had come into the Stoneywood family through inheritance from the Scougals. The Laird seems to have given it to his son William, who in 1727 has a charter of it and is styled, William Moir of Whitehill, and by a second charter, dated 1732, this William seems to have disposed of Whitehill and purchased Lonmay."

†Douglas's "Baronage," Skene's Manuscript. (Most of the particulars about this family taken from it.)



## \*MOIR OF HILTON

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

By ANDREW J. MITCHELL-GILL of Savock

"Virtute non aliter." — (By virtue, not otherwise.)

I. WILLIAM MOIR, Advocate in Edinburgh, married 21 May, 1666, ISOBEL, dau. of JOHN ALEXANDER, burghess of Aberdeen, and was admitted in Sept. 1670, jure paternitatis, burghess of Aberdeen. In 1666, he bought the lands of **Knaperna**, in **Udny Parish**; in 1668, those of **Fisherie**, in **King-Edward**, probably from the **Guthries of King-Edward**; and in 1674, from the **Donaldsons of Hilton**, those of **Hilton in Ellon Parish**, all in **Aberdeenshire**. Between 1672-1678, he matriculates arms, and is designed "of **Hilton**" about 1682, he sold **Hilton** to the **Roses of Insch**, who gave it the name of **Rosehill**. This family again sold it about 1693, to the **Turners**,—a family whose progenitors were farmers in the Parish of **Birse, Aberdeenshire**, who gave it its present name of **Turnerhall**. **William Moir**, who was one of the principal clerks of Session, was M.P. for **Kintore**, 1667, **Convention**, 1669-74.

1672, 5th July, "He was by order of the Parliament, sent to prison in the Tolbooth of **Edinburgh**, during the **Lord Commissioner's** pleasure, for some words uttered by him tending to the subversion of the constitution of Parliament. He was released on the 10th, having craved pardon of the Commissioner and the Parliament on his knees."

Issue:—

1. **William**, b. 1667.
2. **James**, b. 1670; godfather, **James Moir of Ferryhill**.
3. **William**, b. 1671; godfathers, **Dr. Wm. Moir of Scotstoun** and **Wm. Moir**, his son.
4. **George**, b. 1688.
5. **Jeane**, 20 June 1673; **John Moir of Barnes**, godfather.
2. **Anna**, 4 July, 1683, after **Anna**, Countess of **Aberdeen** and **Lady Anna Gordon**, dau. of **Sir George**, Earl of **Aber-**

\*For Coat of Arms, see page 14.

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St. Nicholas,  
Aberdeen

Lyon  
Register

Forster's  
"Members of  
Parliament,"  
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deen and Lord High Chancellor of Scotland. Mr. William Moir, Doctor of Medicine; John Moir, Apothecarie; Sir Geo. Skene of Fintray; godfathers.

## MOIR OF BARNES

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"1678. 2d April. Walter Reid, comperit for John Moir of Barnes, and produced ane charter grantit be ye Earl of Mar in favour of Alexander Erskine of Barnes predecessor of the said John Moir, dated 22d. July, 1636." Sheriff Court Records of Aberdeen

I. \*JOHN MOIR of Barnes, in the Parish of Premnay, Burgess of Aberdeen, married 13 Feb. 1655, at Aberdeen, MARIE, or MARY COCHRAN. She had doubtless been a Cochran of Dumbreck. [The Cochrans of Dumbreck were long connected with the town of Aberdeen, Walter Cochran of Dumbreck was a provost in 1691-93; and his son, Walter Cochran was Town-Clerk-Depute in 1728. They intermarried with the old Gordons of Newton, Cruickshanks of Banchory, Udneys, etc.—Arms,—ermine, on a chief, gules, a stag's head erased, or, between two mullets, argent.]—(Lyon Reg.) Registers of St. Nicholas

1. Johne, 18 Sept., 1660.
2. Walter, 14 Nov., 1661.
3. Johne, 21 Apr., 1663.
4. William, 2 Mar., 1666.
1. Janet, 22 Nov., 1665. Wm. Moir and Dr. Wm. Moir, godfathers.
2. Marjorie, 12 Mar., 1657, became second wife of Geo. Gordon, II. of Sheelagreen.
3. Marie, 20 Jan., 1659. Mr. John Campbell, etc., godfathers.
4. Isobel, 7 June, 1664.
5. Agnes, 20 April, 1667.
6. Jean, 9 July, 1668.
7. Margaret, 11 Nov., 1669.
8. Christian, 4 July, 1671.
9. Mary, 26 April, 1673.

These dates are exactly as recorded in "Houses of Moir and Byres" (A. L. M.)

"JOHN MOIR of Barnes by his wife, MARY COCHRANE, has a second daughter, Marjorie Moir, who married as his second wife, Thange of Formartyn

\*See Mr. Burnet's article, "The Ancestry of the Moirs of Scotstown and Barns."

**George Gordon, II.** of Sheelagreen in Aberdeenshire; by whom she had a son, **William Gordon**. "He left the estate of **Rothney** to **William**, though it came by his first wife, **Helen Erskine** the mother of **George Gordon**. **William Gordon** had a son **Georgie**, who in 1772, is returned heir to his father. The descent of the **Gordons of Rothney**, according to the author of the "**Earldom of Garioch**," is now extinct. (From **Thanage of Formartyn**, p. 265.)

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"1674, April 11, **Janet, Marjory, Isobel, Agnes, Jean, Margaret**, (**Margaret Moir** seems to have married **Captain James Gordon** designed "of **Barnes**") **Christian**, and **Marie Moires**, are served heir-portioners of **John Moir of Barnes**, Merchant Burgess of **Aberdeen**, their father.

"**Mary Cochrane**, relect of the deceast umquhill, **John Moir**, sometime of **Barnes**, is alive, 1695-6."

Poll-book,  
Vol. ii, p. 623

## MOIR OF FERRYHILL

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

By **ANDREW J. MITCHELL-GILL** of Savock

I. **JAMES MOIRE**, who has in 1667 a lease of **Ferryhill** (but is sometime described of **Ferryhill**), married, first, I think, **JEANE MOIRE**.

1. **William**, 8 Feb., 1666; **Dr. Wm. Moire**, **Mr. Wm. Moire**, **Advocat**, and **Robert Burnet**, godfathers.
2. **James**, 19 Jan., 1667; **Prof. of Philosophy in Marischal Coll.** 1696, Apr. 2, served heir of **John Moire of Ferriehill**, his father.
3. **John**, 19 Dec., 1668.
1. **Marjorie**, 24 Dec., 1669.

**JAMES MOIR**, married secondly, **RACHELL**, dau. of **CHARLES DUN**, Litster, of **Aberdeen**, sister of **Sir Patrick Dun**, Court Physician, at **Dublin**, and niece of **Dr. Patrick Dun**, Principal of Marischal College, the munificent founder of the grammar school of **Aberdeen**. The **Dunns of Tarty** in the Parish of **Logie-Buchan**, were near relatives of this family. **James Moir** and **Rachel Dun** had:—

1. **Janet**, 21 Jan., 1673; **Robt. Forbes**, **Provost**; **Thos. Mitchell**, late **Baillie**, etc., godfathers.
2. **Margaret**, 28 Jan., 1674; **John Moir of Stoneywood**, **Patrick Gellie**, etc., godfathers.

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3. Catherine, 5 Oct. 1676.

4. Isobel, 1684, James Moir of Stoneywood, James Sandilands of Craibstone, Mr. Walter Grahame, Robert Burnet of Elrick, godfathers.

Rachel Dune or Moire, with her two daughters, Catherine and Janet, polled 1695-6. Poll-book  
Vol. ii, p. 625

## \*MOIR OF OTTERBURN

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

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"Mediocriter."—(With moderation.)

I. MR. THOMAS MOIR, minister of Morebattle, 1610-33, second son of Moir of Abergeldie, Co. Aberdeen, married Isabel Ker.

II. MR. WILLIAM MOIR of Otterburn, in the Parish of Morebattle, was served heir of his father, 29 Oct., 1639. He acquired Corbethouse; it came into the possession of his widow, Dorothy Ker, 18 Sept., 1673, who married, 6 Oct., 1672, Mr. William Galbraith, minister of Morebattle, and afterwards of Jedburgh, and he disposed Corbethouse to her son, 9 April, 1687.

III. THOMAS MOIR of Otterburn and Corbethouse, registered arms about 1676, and three sons—Thomas, Andrew, Henry.

IV. THOMAS MOIR of Otterburn, died in May, 1756, was succeeded by his son:—

V. ANDREW MOIR of Otterburn, who married ELIZABETH ELLIOT, and had a son:—

VI. THOMAS MOIR of Otterburn, whose estates were sold by judicial sale, 4 Dec., 1765, Otterburn to Gilbert Elliott in Jedburgh, Corbethouse to William Ker of Gathshaw; and Ranniaston to Adam Keir, baker in Edinburgh; he was dead *s. p.*, before 23 July, 1783, when his sisters, Sarah, Jean, Barbara, Charlotte, Christina and Elizabeth were his co-heirs of provision general.

\*For Coat of Arms, see page 14.

## MOIR OF STONEYWOOD

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

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(For an interesting and beautiful account of this family, see "A Jacobite Family" by JOHN BROWN, M. D., the talented author of "Rab and His Friends," from which the particulars given are taken.)

\*THE MOIRS OF STONEYWOOD seem, from the earliest record down to their close, to have been devotedly attached to the House of Stuart; and inherited through Bishop Patrick Scougal of Aberdeen, (the grandfather of Mary Scroggie, who married in 1683, as first wife, James Moir II. of Stoneywood) the Bible presented by Charles I., when on the scaffold, to his faithful friend Bishop Juxon. Bishop Juxon was, it is understood, a relative of the Scougal family. The grandson of John Moir I. of Stoneywood was:—

JAMES MOIR III. of STONEYWOOD, of whom, and his caird-servant John Gunn, many amusing and interesting stories are told. The best of these, perhaps, is the rescue of the Earl of Winton in 1715, then under sentence of death in the Tower of London for his concern in the Rebellion of that period. During his sojourn in the Tower, the authorities allowed his books and family papers to be carried to and from his cell in a hamper; Stoneywood who happened to be in London with his servant, went to visit his captive friend; John Gunn, who was a man of immense size and strength, undertook if the Earl put himself, instead of his charters into the hamper to convey him out of the Tower. This feat the stalwart Gunn performed with perfect success. Lord Winton retired to Rome, where he died in 1740. The son of this Laird:—

JAMES MOIR IV. of STONEYWOOD, b. 1710, was one of the Stuarts keenest supporters in the North, engaged ardently in the Royal cause, and raised the regiment known as the "Stoneywoods," of which he was Lieut. Col.; defeated at Culloden, he in common with his companions, was proscribed, and roamed for some time in the wilds of Aberdeenshire. An anecdote is told of his taking shelter with a cobbler named Clark, under the name of James Jamieson (a ready rendering of the son of James, his father), and acquitted himself so well in this new line of life, as to win commendation from the old man, who said, "Jeems my man, what for did ye no tell me, ye had been bred a sutor?" "And so I was, freend," replied the Laird, "but to tell ye God's truth, I was an idle loon, gey weel faured,

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\*The estate of Stoneywood, situated on the River Don, in Aberdeenshire, four miles from the sea, consists of properties of Stoneywood, Waterton, Clinterty and Greenburn, united in one barony. It was originally the property of Fraser of Muckills, or Muchalls, but was sold by Lady Fraser, in 1671, to John Moir, of Kermuck, or Ellon, (b. 1610, ob. 1671).

and ower-fond o' the lassies, so I joined the Prince's boys, and ye see what's come o't." It is pleasant to add that **Stoneywood** when brighter days came, never forgot the services of his old friends, and maintained the widow and five children of **Bartlett** (the cobbler in question having died) at **Stoneywood**, till the latter were able to support themselves.

After being assisted through many straits by his faithful wife, **Margaret MacKenzie**, of **Ardross**, and his equally faithful servant, **Gunn**, who with his gipsy spouse, acted as messengers between husband and wife, **Stoneywood** followed his Prince's example and escaped to **Norway** with his friends. He was protected by the King of **Sweden** who conferred on him, a patent of nobility; and becoming a naturalized subject, his lady joined him within a year from his arrival at **Gottenberg**.

In Scotland, meanwhile, **Moir** was arraigned before the Edinburgh High Court of Justiciary; but even the testimony of adverse witnesses only went to prove the honour and humanity displayed throughout his soldier life and he was allowed to return to **Stoneywood** in 1762 where he died, in 1782, leaving a widow and two daughters; his seven sons all having died before their father. **Mrs. Moir** survived till 1805, dying at the advanced age of ninety-six years.

#### MOIR OF STONEYWOOD

"Major Opima Ferat" (Let the worthiest carry off the prize.)

##### I. JOHANNES MOIR, 1470-1516.

**John Moore**, Burgess of **Aberdeen**, 24 July, 1505,  
of **James IV.**, whose son may have been:—

Registers of  
the Great Seal  
2595, p. 551

##### II. JOHN MOIR, He died before his son:—

III. **WILLIAM MOIR**, Burgess of **Aberdeen** 1560,  
served heir to **John Moir**, his grandfather.  
His son:—

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Manuscript

IV. \***WILLIAM MOIR**, M. A., Burgess of **Aberdeen**,  
married **Janet Rae**, served heir to his father  
1602, Treasurer of **Aberdeen**, 1615. Had issue:—

1. **Henrie**, bap. 28. May, 1605.
2. **John**, born 1610, (tombstone); of him again, as  
Stoneywood's ancestor.
3. **William** as **Scotstoun's** progenitor.
4. **Patrick**, 13 July 1615, Baillie, and afterwards,  
(1648,) Dean of Guild, and (1672,) Collector of  
Excise of **Aberdeen**, married 4 Jan. 1637, **Isobell  
Gray** (twice in register called **Grahame**). Issue:—
  1. **William**, 7 June, 1638.
  2. **Thomas**, 20 May, 1640.
  3. **Patrick**, 18 May, 1641.

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of Saint  
Nicholas,  
Aberdeen

\*See Mr. Burnett's article in this book.

4. James, 22 July, 1642.
5. George.
6. Issobell, 15 Dec., 1646.
7. Jean, 25 June, 1648.
8. Elspeth, 10 June, 1652.
9. Rachel, 25 Mar., 1655.
10. Margaret, 10 Mar., 1659.

Sir Robert Farquhar, John Leslie Jr.,  
etc., godfathers.

V. JOHN MOIR I. of **Stoneywood**, eldest son of **William Moir**, Burgess of **Aberdeen** and **Janet Rae**, born 1610, is said, according to **Skene's MS.** to have been first designed of **Ferryhill**, afterwards of **Kermuck** or **Ellon**, and in 1671, as before stated, of **Stoneywood**.

"1657. The two **Kennedy's** flying the country, make over their estates to **John Moir**, and his wife, \***J. Sandilands**, and the longest liver of them. He has a charter of **Cairnmucks** in 1665."

"1668. **JOHN MOIR** and his wife, make over to **Sir John Forbes** of **Watertown**, all the lands of **Ardgrain**, **Cairnmucks**, **Broomfield**, **Kirkhill** and other property, they had bought from the **Kennedy's** for £42,500. Scots." By which it would appear, the estate of **Ellon** had only been held by **John Moir** for eleven years. He married **Jean Sandilands**, b. 1636, d. 15 Aug., 1687, eldest dau. of **James Sandilands I.**, of **Cotton**, by **Marjory Burnett** of **Countesswells**, and had issue:—

1. James, 1659.
2. John, according to **Skene's MS.**, Civilist of King's Coll., and an advocate in, and Town Clerk of **Aberdeen** 1689, died young.
3. William, 15 Jan., 1669. Dr. Wm. Moir, Dr. Wm. Johnstone, Dr. Wm. Fraser and Wm. Gellie, godfathers—first of the **Moirs** of **Invernettie**.
4. Patrick, bap. Dec. 12, 1671.
5. Issobell, 31 Aug., 1660.
6. Marjorie, 5 Jan., 1665.
7. Jean, 21 Oct., 1673.

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\***Jean Sandilands** married secondly, on **Stoneywood's** death, **William Cumine** of **Auchry** and had issue. According to the genealogy of the family of **Sandilands** of **Craibstone** and **Cotton**, **Alexander Moir**, (fourth son of the above **John Moir** and **Jean Sandilands**) was Professor of Greek in the **Marischal College** of **Aberdeen**.

VI. JAMES MOIR II. of STONEYWOOD, bap. at Aberdeen 1st Sept., 1659, John Jaffray, Provost, James Moir, Mr. James Sandilands, etc., godfathers; who sat in Parliament for fifteen years as member for Aberdeenshire, 1689-1702, 1702-1707; was also one of the Commissioners appointed for settling the Union of the Kingdoms died 22 Nov., 1739.

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Members of  
Parliament,  
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JAMES MOIR, married first, 10 July, 1683, MARY, eldest dau. of the RIGHT REV. WM. SCROGGIE, Bishop of Argyll, (elected 1666, died 1675,) by his wife, a dau. of Patrick Scougal, Bishop of Aberdeen, who was a son of Sir John Scougal of that ilk, in East Lothian.

Tombstone,  
St. Nicholas  
Churchyard,  
Aberdeen

1. James, his heir.
  2. Rhoderick, bap. at Aberdeen, 25 Aug., 1689, (whose portrait, clad in armour, is amongst the Stoneywood pictures,) drowned at sea, along with his cousin James Sandilands, 1713-14.
  3. William, an Advocate (?), and probably the inheritor of the estate of Whitehill, in Midlothian, a property which had devolved by inheritance from the Scougal family to that of Stoneywood.
  4. Alexander, Principal of St. Andrew's Coll., at the abolition of Episcopacy, whose descendants are stated to have inherited the estate of Invernettie in Buchan—see Moir of Invernettie.
1. Jean, married John Abernethy, II. of Mayen.
  2. Katherine.
  3. Marjory.

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Skene's  
Manuscript

VI. JAMES MOIR II. of STONEYWOOD, married secondly, JEAN, dau. of ALEXANDER ABERNETHY I. of MAYEN, and relict of William Moir of Scotstown.

1. William of Lonmay—(see that family.)
  2. John, b. 1697, died 19 April, 1720.
  3. Patrick, 26 Feb., 1707. Alexander Moir, Regent, a witness.
1. Janet, married 14 June, 1733, Patrick Byres I. of Tonley—(see that family.)
  2. Isabella, died unmarried.

VII. JAMES MOIR III. of STONEYWOOD, (eldest son of James Moir, by his first wife, Mary



Scroggie), one of the keenest of the **Stuarts'** supporters in the North; engaged ardently in the Royal cause; raised, and was the Colonel of "**Stoneywood's**" Regiment; and as before stated, married **JEAN**, daughter of **William Erskine** of **Pittodrie**, by his wife, **Mary Grant** of **Ballindalloch**, and died 1782. Issue, five sons and two daughters:—

1. **James**, his heir, b. Sept. 29, 1710.
2. **Thomas**, who having had a quarrel with his brother **James** when they were both young men, took it so much to heart that he left his father's home clandestinely, and went to sea, having engaged himself as a sailor. He afterwards settled as a merchant in **Falmouth (England.)** Issue:—
  1. **Capt. Thomas.**
  2. **James**, a Barrister.
  3. A dau., m. **Dr. Vivian** of **Falmouth.**

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Manuscript

**JAMES MOIR IV.** of **STONEYWOOD**, having lost his own seven sons, "was very anxious to form a nearer connection by the marriage of his daughter **Maria** to her cousin **James Moir** (the Barrister). He intended to have paid a portion to his elder daughter **Mrs. Skene**, and to settle the estate of **Stoneywood** on **James Moir** and his daughter **Maria**, which upon the eve of accomplishment was defeated by the underhand machinations of **Mr. Durno** — see sequel — the as yet unrevealed enemy of the family, who feared that the marriage might become the means of bringing his base practices to light. Accordingly, he found means to persuade **Mr. James Moir** that his uncle was deceiving him, and had given a false statement of his affairs, as the estate was drowned in debt, and he only wanted the marriage to involve **Mr. James Moir** in his toils, so as to get him to relieve the burdens on the property. Upon obtaining this information, the young gentleman thought it prudent to leave **Aberdeen** and when he reached **England**, wrote to his uncle, stating the cause of his desertion. **Miss Moir** felt it very severely for a long time, and the disappointment occasioned her withdrawing herself from society; while her father was so offended as to revive again the disunion which had so long separated the two families."

3. **Alexander,**
4. **William** — both died abroad unmarried.
5. **Charles**, engaged in the Rebellion of 1745.
1. **Mary.**
2. **Clementina**, named after queen **Clementina Sobiesky**, mother of **Prince Charles Edward.**

"1745. In the beginning of November, **Lord Lewis Gordon**, who had been appointed by the **Prince**, **Lord Lieutenant** of the counties of **Aberdeen** and **Banff**, made his appearance in the town, accom-

panied by Wm. Moir of Lonmay and James Moir of Stoneywood and assumed the direction of public affairs."

IV. JAMES MOIR, IV. of STONEYWOOD, b. 1710, married at Ardross, in Ross-shire, in Sept. 1740, his cousin, Margaret, daughter of (—) Mackenzie of Ardross; and had fifteen children, who mostly died children, excepting Charles (the eighth son), b. 1752, entered the British Army and was killed in America.

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1. Jane, m. George Skene of Rubislaw, whose descendants now represent this family.
2. Maria, married Major Ramsay, of the Scotch Brigade, a son of Ramsay of Kinaldie, in Forfarshire, (without issue.)

This Laird, was, like his progenitors, a warm supporter of the Stuarts.

GEORGE SKENE of Rubislaw, left the following children by his wife JANE MOIR, who died in Edinburgh on March 29, 1820, aged 79, having been 44 years a widow:—

1. Margaret Skene, b. Sept. 4, 1767, m. Col. Ramsay of the 2d or Queen's Regiment of foot, and had issue.
2. Helen Skene, b. Aug. 13, 1768, remained unmarried, and died in Florence, Italy, in 1841.
3. Catherine Skene, b. Oct. 20, 1769, m. Sir Henry Jardine, King's Remembrancer of Exchequer, and had issue, she died in 1838.
4. George Skene, b. Dec. 14, 1770.
5. Jean Skene, b. Dec. 5, 1771, died in infancy at Rubislaw.
6. Maria Skene, b. Dec. 22, 1773, died in infancy at Aberdeen.
7. James Skene, b. Mar. 7, 1775.

## SOME CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE STONEWOOD MANUSCRIPT

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By A. J. MITCHELL-GILL of Savock

Copied from Original Letters bound into the Stoneywood MS., in the possession of W. F. Skene W. S., whose father compiled it. No. 158 (marked "from Capt. Byres").

1746 I. LETTER, Patrick Byres, of Tonley, dated from Duffus to Coll'n James Moir, of Stoneywood att Findhorn 1746, Mar. 18.

Dr. Sir, — Before I could dispatch the Carts and the Horses into Elgin, Mr. Moir arrived here, and told me you was march'd w't a part of the Battalion for findhorn, and proposed that I should meet you on the West road from Elgin. As it's impossible for me to bring the men to findhorn to-night, having sent them into Elgin w't the carts, I thought proper to send the bearer to know if I should join you tomorrow there, or continue the party at Gordonston till further orders. If I be to join you at findhorn you'll please cau'd (caused) Raeburn goe directly from you to Elgin, and cause the Lieutennatt or Ensign bring them up there, and then come to me here, but if the party be to be continued at Gordonstin he may come straight here, and I shall bring them out here. I ever, Yrs, &c.

(signed) "PAT'K BYRES."

1747 II. LETTER No. 164. — From last, addressed A. Mons. Monsieur Jacques Jameson (Stoneywood's assumed name, and a ready description of his parentage, James, son of James) Negociant, a Gottenburgh dans la Suede, dated Paris 18 May 1747.

Sir; — Some days ago I received yours of the 18th ultimo, O.S. Since my last to you the prince is returned from M—d, and lives at present in a village called Pessy, about a league from here. In consequence of yours I went there, and communicated yours to Sir Jo. Graham, who told me what I knew very well before, viz: that though the Court of France had approved of the list you and I were in, and had ordered the Pay't y'rof, and although on the faith of that Mr. Waters had advanced above 4000 Livres, yet as the demands for the campaign had been, and still continued very pressing, the intendant of the finances had not as yet pay'd in any part of the money ordered by that list of Mr. Waters, that till it was pass'd he would advance no more, but that he had writt to the — Minister the very day I spoke to him, and that he expected the money would be very soon pay'd in to Waters. That how soon that happened, he'd let me know, and I should have an order for yours and y'r broyr's. As I know very well that every word of the above was true, I could say nothing in return: only I told him that as I had writt you in Consequence of his own desire, I wish'd he'd give me an order on Waters. He said he would willingly, but he was sure Waters would not pay it (having refused severall before) till he was reimbursed of his advance, which could not be long. I likewise ment'd you and Charlie to the Prince at dinner, who expressed his satisfaction of your being safe, and seemed very well plesaed when I told him that you'd be in Scotland among the first of his friends. When that will be, God knows, tho' we hope here it won't be long. Please make my compliments to Messres Scot and Carnegie, and tell them they ere in the same list with us, and will draw 1000 Livres each when the money is pay'd, being insent as Captains. Sir James Stewart and his family have been at St. Seden since November last, Sir James Leslie is w't the army in Flanders. Lorbell is and has been here since the pr. (Prince) arrived. I beg you'll make my compliments in every particular way to Mr. Baxter, and tell him when he goes home, I hope he'll be so good as to lett my wife, and the rest of my friends know, I am well, for tho' I have writt severall times yett as the communication to Holland is now stopt, I doubt very much if we can expect to hear from Britt. by that way, and let me know if you think it more practicable y'r way. As to business, there is scarce any possibility of success here; the war has ruined that at present. So that the army is the



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only resource at present, which I am not as yet determined to follow. Shall be glad to know what scheme you're on, and how you propose to prosecute it. Several British letters insist positively that there is to be a second bill of attainder. The F. are carrying all before them in Dutch Flanders; they have taken Sluice, Sas de Grand, fort Phylipsinee and Hulst but have lost a considerable number of men before Hulst, the Dutch having defended it better than their oy'r towns since the election of a Stadhouder. We expect daily the news of a general action in Flanders, which is thought unavoidable, and if the Allies be beat, it's hard to foresee what may be the consequence. The D—ke has left this some time ago privately, and where's he gone is a secret. Remember me to young Gask. and to honest General Gordon. We drink all your healths often. L'd Lewis is on this side the water; Sr. Will Gordon is here, and is L. Coll. to L'd Ogil. I am Sir. Y'r Most Humble Servant,  
(Signed) "PAT BYRES."

P.S. When I write to Scotland, I sign Pat Robertson but there's no danger twixt this and you. I sign my own name.

III. LETTER No. 189. From last to same, dated Paris, 10 Aprile, 1747 N.S.

"Sir, — I received yours of the 7th ultimo — I suppose old style — some days ago though I have reasons enough to excuse my declining any correspondence w't you after the usage I very undeservedly met w't from you, whereof, though you make no mention I make no doubt of your being sensible, yet, as it was always my principal that of the two I'd rather any man were in the wrong to me, than I to him, I therefore thought it incumbent on me to acquaint you of some facts which concern you. You must know then that after being some time here, on hearing that your brother and you had arrived at Gotheburg, as there was a list of the prince's friends making up, in order to be given in to the Court of France. I waited on Sir Jo. Graham, who does business here, for the Duke of York, and told him that your Broy'r and you were arrived in Sweden, and desired that he would put you in the List, which he was making up of the Prince's friends. He ask'd what Quality you had served in I told him you as Coll. and your broy'r as Capt. of Lord L. Gordon's first Batt. He said he would insert you as Lt. Coll. and your Broy'r as Capt., seeing he knew that you had acted as such. Ld. Lewis having been Coll. himself, which was accordingly done; and now the Court of France have issued money for the payment of that List, so that there's 1500 livres for you, and 1000 for Charlie, which you and he may send orders to any one of your friends here to wait on Sir Jo. Graham, who will give anyone so Impowered an order on Mr. Waters, the Banq'r, for each of these sums. You'll need also, I believe send at same time y'r receipts to Mr. Waters for his exoneration in case you propose to draw the money, and directions. What way to apply or remit it after Mr. Waters pays it. I believe the Court of France may be prevailed on to make some more pay'ts in the same way, to such of the prince's friends as are not at yett oy'wise provided for, although I doubt much of their being continued. I have writt to Scotland to let Charlie know of this, in case he should be still there. I am heartily Concerned I do assure you for the loss you have suffered in your family by the death of your two sons. If Charlie come to Sweden, I'm still of opinion that he could do better here than anywhere else. However, as his best judge of that is himself, I only hint it, that he may have it in his eye. Mr. Ogilvie of Inshewan, who is just now w't me, desires to be remembered to you — I am, sir, your most Humble Servant

(sig'd) "PAT. BYRES."

P.S. I desire that Charlie may write me how soon he arrives in Sweden, and if you write to Scotland that you'd fall on some way to cause him to write me from there if he has not yett left the country.

IV. LETTER No. 190. — Patrick Byres to James Moir, Paris, 1st Aug., 1747.

Sir, — At last after being obliged to be several times at the trouble to go and come to the prince's Quarters at St. Tein, which is 2 leagues from here, I got an order from Sr. Jo. Graham on Mr. Waters for 1500 livres for you, and enoyr for 1000 for Charlie, and on giving my receipt on the back of them, Mr. Waters has pay'd me the money, which is now in my custody. I was obliged to leave your orders w't Sir Jo. as a voucher to him before he'd give me a precept on Mr. Waters, so on receipt of this you'll send me a receipt for the 1500 livres, As mine lyes with Mr. Waters, and in the meantime I shall endeavor to get a Bill for said sum on Holland, payable to Mr. Crawford, tho' I could wish to hear from you first, as possibly you may have altered your intention, it cost me about five and twenty or thirty livres in Coach hire, &c., solliciting for you, which I suppose you will not grudge. We have had here Copies of an act of the British parlt which



they pretend to dignifie w't the title of a Bill of Indemnity, tho' in my opinion it ought rather to be called a 2d Bill of Attaindre. There are in it 85 gentlemen excepted, beside those already attainted of wh. number yr. unkle, you, and I are three. Besides these, 85 Excepted by name, all abroad, all in foreign service, all transported, and all, any manner of way concerned in the late rebellion are excepted in the General Clause, so that one or oyr. Everybody is Included; tho' as to those not Excepted by name, in my opinion I think they may w'out any danger go home — and I was resolved to have done so myself had I not been Excepted. I had a letter from Robie Sandilands two or three posts ago, to which I wrote him ane answer the 23d ulto w't my thoughts anent what he should do, which I see no reasons hitherto to alter. Please remember me to him, and tell him that I have gott him marked down as a Capt. in a list they are just now making up to be given in to the Court, but when it will be given in or when pay'd is very uncertain. Had he write a post sooner, he had been in a list just now given in, and which will, I believe be soon payed. He wrote me your Lady was come over, I hope she is well; please remember me to her. The only news here are that the french have been sadly defeat in Italy, and have lost oyr 8000 men, and a number of generall off'r's; out of 28 Battal'n there are 27 Colonells slain, along with Chev'ir de Belisle, who commanded that Corps, and is said the Marschall de Belisle and the whole army have retired to the frontiers of provence, which if true, is a very great check. Glenbuckett arrived here two or three Days ago w't Mr. Menzies. In order to save postage I have writt Charlie on this. Having nothing further to add—I am Sir ,Your Most Humble Servant

(sig'd) "PAT. BYRES."

V. LETTER No. 191. — Patrick Byres to Mr. Charles Moir.

Paris 1st August, 1747.

Dear Charlie, I had yours from Gotthburgh, and was glad to (—) you had got safe. I have gott your 1000 livres, and shall remitt or employ it as you order; in my opinion you should come here, as your passage to Holland would cost you nothing. Tarriebreeks you know pay't no freight, and when in Holland you should gett yourself made Burger at Rott'd'm, and then proceed to Ostend, Dunkerque, or any oyr place of that kind and buy a prize which you can do pretty easy, and so you'll be just in your old way again, and might be usefull to y'r friends. Your being made burger at Rotterdam will cost you but a trife of 15 f. or 20 f.; or if you please, you may gett yourself made a Burger of Gottenburgh, which I believe would be better, and then you could sail your vessell as a Swedish ship, for in all probability, the Dutch will soon be in war w't the french. This is my scheme, but if you have any better of your own you know Counsel's not Command. When you write me how to order your 1000 livres, send a receipt along because mine lyes for it. I heard lately from y'r aunt all is well at home; and she writes me that you had left Scotland sometime ago. Make my compliments to all friends, and I ever am, Dear Charlie, Yours Most Affectionately,

(Sig'd) While PAT BYRES.

To MR. CHAS. MOIR.



## \*THE MOIRS OF CROMAR

1745

With an Account of a Relic of Culloden and its Associations.

By GEORGE GAULD, Braes of Cromar

About the period of the Rebellion of 1745, there lived in the near vicinity of **Loch Kinnord**, a stout yeoman of the name of Moir. Like not a few of the **Cromar** men of that eventful time, **MOIR** not only took part in the rising, but fought in the ranks of the unfortunate **PRINCE CHARLIE** at the battle of **Culloden**, under his chief, **JAMES MOIR** of **Stoneywood**. After that disastrous and decisive defeat, which for ever sealed the fate of the **House of Stuart**, **MOIR** returned to more peaceful pursuits, and appears to have settled down somewhere along the vale of the **Burn of Logie**, in his native **Cromar**. Whether he was wounded in the battle or not, cannot be ascertained at this late period, but the likelihood is that he was, seeing that the tartan plaid which he wore in the action, and which still exists in a wonderfully good state of preservation, shows quite unmistakably the mark of a bullet hole through its folds. **MOIR'S** wife seems to have died some time in advance of him, and in course of time he himself was called upon to pay the last debt of nature. On his deathbed, he confided the care of his family, consisting of two young boys, respectively, **DONALD** and **JOHN MOIR**, to a relative of his own, also residing at the time in the **Burnside** of **Logie** district. Nor did he intend his children to be a mere unpaid burden on the charity of his friend, as, at the same time, he handed over, along with the custody of the boys, what was then considered a very handsome sum of money for their proper maintenance and education and general upbringing. From the fact of the children being so young at the time of their father's death, it is evident that **MOIR** must either have married late in life or else died a comparatively young man. The latter assumption is probably the correct one, as probably his early decease might have been hastened by the privations, he was almost certain to have endured in the course of the campaign, or from the effects of having been wounded in the battle of **Culloden**.

Be that as it may, his friend appears to have been the sole and only guardian appointed by him to have charge of the boys and their effects, and before long he clearly proved himself to be most incompetent for the office. He speedily developed a far

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greater affection for the money of his dead friend than for the children, and used them so harshly, and even cruelly, that at length, the elder boy, DONALD, ran away and took refuge at a farm in the lower end of the "Howe" of Cromar, nor did his guardian — so-called — ever once take the trouble to go after him or make any inquiries concerning his welfare. Bye-and-bye, when the younger boy, JOHN, had grown up a little, he also, in order to escape the cruelty and oppression of his guardian, ran away out of Cromar altogether, into the parish of Leochel-Cushnie, and landed at a farmhouse in the evening just as the shades of night were falling. On being interrogated as to who he was and where he had come from, he was too young to give a satisfactory answer, but replied that he "Cam' in o'er the tap o' yon hill." He got supper with the family and slept with the farmer, whom, on the following morning, he assisted, as best he could, in the very necessary duty of "muckin'" the byres. The poor boy was kindly treated, and was allowed to remain at the farm as his house until he grew up. In course of time the worthy farmer, through repeated inquiries made during his visits to the markets, at Tarland — then, and for long after, gatherings of great size and importance — not only discovered the boy's history, but also the residence of his brother DONALD in Cromar. It is not recorded that any proceedings were ever instituted against their unnatural guardian, who, in all probability, was allowed to live and die in possession of his "ill-gotten gear." When the two brothers had arrived at manhood they put their earnings together and became joint tenants of the half of the farm of Bellastraid, in their native district of the Burnside of Logie, in Cromar, and later on took a lease of the adjoining farm of Logie, now known as Mains of Logie, which, together with Bellastraid, now forms a portion of the estate of Glendavan, the property of Professor Ogston, of Aberdeen University.

The name of the wife of the above DONALD MOIR, farmer in Mains of Logie, is not known, but he left, at least, a family of four children, who survived to man and womanhood—two sons and two daughters. His son, JOHN MOIR, farmer of Monandawin, married Elizabeth Henry of Dovin, but died without issue. His second son, Donald, was a cooper to trade, and his wife's name was Anne Robertson. He lived latterly in Tarland, and eventually died there. He left an only daughter, named Anne Moir, who became the wife of John Skeen, late innkeeper and general merchant in Tarland, to whom she had a family of ten children—five sons and five daughters. One of her sons, the late Deputy-Surgeon-General, William Skeen, eventually became the possessor of the tartan plaid, with the bullet-hole through it, which had done service on Culloden Muir, and which still remains a treasured relic in his family. In all probability, this old tartan plaid was the whole—or, at anyrate, the bulk—of their father's property DONALD and JOHN MOIR ever recovered from their greedy, grasping guardian.

MARY MOIR, daughter of DONALD MOIR, farmer in Mains of Logie, married George Gauld, farmer in Migvie; to whom she had a family of eleven children, nine of them surviving to man and womanhood. From this union sprung a number of large and well-known families in Cromar, namely, the Andersons of Bellamore, the Reids of Smiddyhill, the Grants of Blackmill, the Reids of Migvie, the Gaulds of Tillykerrie, the Gaulds of Milton of Whitehouse, in the Braes of Cromar; and the Gordons of Littfemill, in Glenmuick.

ISABELLA MOIR, second daughter of DONALD MOIR, farmer in Mains of Logie, married James Tawse, farmer in Strathweltie, near Tarland, to whom she had a family of four children—three sons and one daughter—all of whom died unmarried at advanced ages.

The name of the wife of JOHN MOIR, joint tenant with his brother DONALD in the farm of Mains of Logie, is not known, but he left at least one daughter of the name of ELSPET MOIR who married a man of the name of Bunch, in the county of Forfar, and she is known to be interred in the churchyard of Glamis. Previous to her marriage, MRS. ELSPET MOIR had a natural daughter named Anne Carey, but who was known all her lifetime by the Scottish border surname of Kerr, although her proper name was really the English one of Carey. Anne Carey's early experience of life was remarkably trying—beyond that of most children of her years. She used to relate in after days that, although living in her mother's house, where she might have naturally been considered safe from oppression and bad usage, her half-brother and sister treated her so harshly that, at the tender age of between seven and eight years, she ran away from her home, resolved to make a living in the world for herself rather than endure the tyranny of her youthful persecutors any longer. She may have been prompted to take this step through hearing her mother relate the adventures of her father and uncle, in this same line in their boyhood. At anyrate, she first made her way over the hills from Forfarshire to Braemar, and having, while living with her mother, frequently heard her speak about her relations in Cromar, in Aberdeenshire, she made up her mind to try and reach them. She stayed for a period in Braemar performing such light and simple duties as a child of her years might be able to execute, and then gradually worked her way down Deeside, till she reached Glentanar, where she acted as a goatherd for a considerable time. She eventually reached her mother's cousin, the good-wife of Migvie, in Cromar, in whose family she remained a valued servant till she grew to womanhood. Anne Carey was never married, and finally died in Tarland on 19th January, 1887, at the reputed age of 84, although generally supposed to have been much older. She was interred in Tarland Churchyard.

An old table-shaped tombstone in the west end of Migvie Churchyard in Cromar, bears the following inscription:—

"In memory of George Gauld, farmer in Migvie, who died January 16th, 1822, aged 70. Also of his daughters Ann and

**Mary**, who died in infancy. This stone is placed by his wife, **MARY MOIR**, daughter of **DONALD MOIR**, late in **Logie**, and surviving family, **John, William, George, Henry, Isobel, Margaret, Jean, Betty** and **Helen**. The said **William Gauld** died at **Whitehouse, Cromar**, on the 19th Nov., 1866, in the 86th year of his age. **Betty Gauld**, relict of **George Gordon**, farmer in **Littlemill, Glenmuick**, who died 16th June, 1866, in her 80th year."

The base supporting the east end of the stone gives the date of erection—1822; and that supporting the west end bears the following addition to the inscription to the memory of **George Gauld** on its face: "His father **Harry**, his grandfather **Robert**, and his great-grandfather **Alexander**, were all successively farmers in **Migvie**." At least eight generations of the family are known to be interred around this stone.

The first of the **Gaulds** to settle in **Cromar** was a native of the parish of **Glass**, where the name is still a common one. They are said to have originally been a sept of the **Clan Macpherson**, the name of **Gauld** having arisen from the term "**Gault**" (said to be Gaelic for hillmen,) being applied to them by their lowland neighbours in their intercourse together when the former descended from the hills for the purpose of trading at fairs and markets. At these and all similar public gatherings they long held the reputation of being boisterous citizens, who did not hesitate to carry matters with a somewhat high hand when they found a fitting opportunity for so doing. Be that as it may, the name was—and still is—common in the parish of **Glass**, as witness the old proverb: "**The Gaulds of Glass for fiddlers**," while nearly everyone of the name in the north of **Scotland** seems able to trace his and her descent in a more or less direct manner back to the common stock in this rather out-of-the-way northern parish.

The first of the **Migvie Gaulds** had his cattle carried off by the caterans from his farm in the parish of **Glass**—a by no means infrequent occurrence in those troublesome times. He, on discovering his loss, followed the band in pursuit as far as **Cromar**, in the farm of **Tillykerrie**, on the estate of **Pronie**, and near to the old mansion-house of that name. He was wont to relate that shortly after taking up his residence at **Tillykerrie**, he heard the caterans trying to break in through the house in the night-time, in order to take his life, for the supposed trouble he had given them in trying to recover his own property, when he followed them from **Glass** to **Cromar**. Whether he was the **Alexander** mentioned on the base of the tombstone in the churchyard of **Migvie** or not is unknown; but, if not, then his successors must have removed from **Tillykerrie** to the farm of **Migvie**, before very long, as an old receipt-book still in existence shows the **Gaulds** as tenant farmers in **Migvie**, paying rent to the **Farquharsons** of **Finzean**, the proprietors, for well-nigh two hundred years in unbroken succession.

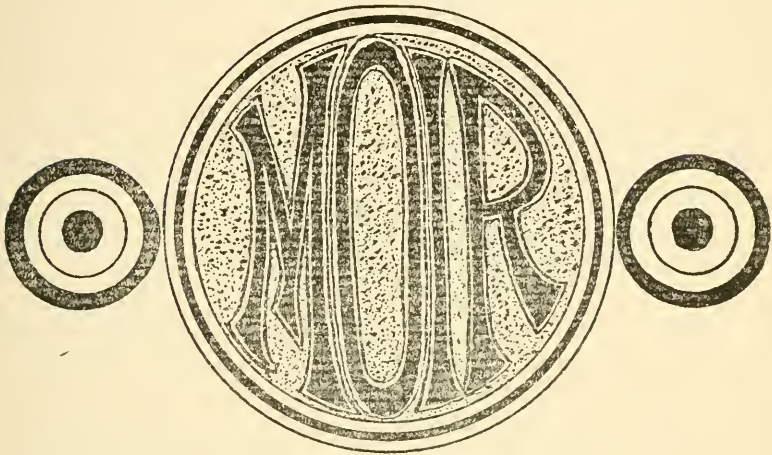
# DESCENDANTS OF JAMES MOIR

BLACKSMITH

TARVES, ABERDEENSHIRE

1696

Collected by JAMES M. A. WOOD, ESQ., Aberdeen



## I.

JAMES MOIR, BLACKSMITH, TARVES, AND HIS SON, GEORGE  
MOIR, Blacksmith, ANNET, METHLICK

JAMES MOIR, smith, in Tarves, was there in 1696 (Aberdeenshire Poll Book). That is the only reference found regarding him. As the Poll Book shows, he was married, but his wife's name is not mentioned. It is not known when they died, or what children they had other than their son:—

**George Moir**, blacksmith, Annet, Methlick. He was born about 1702. He married **Jean Fife**. He died on 12 March, 1784, aged 82, and his wife on 14 February, 1785, aged 72. They were buried in **Tarves** Churchyard where a tombstone was erected by their sons "in memory of

their regard for their deceased parents." **George Moir and Jean Fife** had children:—

1. **James Moir** (See Chapter II.)
2. **George Moir** (See Chapter III.)
3. **William Moir.**
4. \***Elspet** (or **Elsie**) **Moir**, baptised 6 April, 1740. Was married and had issue.
5. \***Elizabeth Moir**, baptised 9 March, 1743. Was married and had issue.
6. **Ann Moir**, married **George Findlater, Coultercairn**. She died December 1795, aged 56. There was issue of the marriage.

## II.

**JAMES MOIR**, eldest son of **GEORGE MOIR** and his wife **JEAN FIFE**, was baptised on 1st January, 1737, (1738?). He was twice married, (1) to **JEAN MORRISON**, and (2) to **ANN PATERSON**. He had children:—

### I. **GEORGE MOIR, Grandhome, near Aberdeen.**

Married **ANN MOIR**. Children:—

1. **William Moir**, sometime a blacksmith at **New Byth**, afterwards in **Detroit**. Was twice married, (1) to **Jean Morrison** and (2) to (———). Children of first marriage:—
  1. **Ann Moir**, married **John Hutchings, Detroit**, and had issue.
  2. **Isabella Moir**, was twice married, (1) (———) **Carey**, and (2) to **James Black, Detroit**. Issue of both marriages.
  3. **George Moir**, engineer, **Detroit**. Was in **Turriff** in 1888. On 2nd March, 1888, he served heir to his uncle **James Moir**, banker, **Portsoy**.
  4. **Mary Moir**, died unmarried.
2. **Rev. Robert Moir**, minister, of **Rothie May**. Was married, but no issue.
3. **James Moir**, banker, **Portsoy**. Was twice married, (1) to **Barbara Mor-**

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\*The Records of the Parish of Methlick show that **Elizabeth Moir** married, on 30 December, 1773, **William Riddell, Brownhill, Monquhitter**. Family memoranda have it, however, that it was **Elspet** or **Elsie Moir** who married **William Riddell**, and that **Elizabeth Moir** married **Charles Mair**. The similarity in the names may have caused some confusion. There was issue of both marriages.

rison, and (2) to (——) Findlay, daughter of Colonel Findlay, Millbank, Nairn. He died on 3rd October, 1887, but no issue.

4. Jean Moir, married George King. No issue.
5. Ann Moir, died unmarried.
6. Margaret Moir, married Alexander Morrison, merchant, Turriff, and had issue.
7. Mary Moir, was twice married, (1) to (——), (2) to James Mathieson, Hamilton, Canada.
8. Helen Moir, died young.

II. JAMES MOIR, bookseller, Bristol. Died there, unmarried.

III. JOHN MOIR, died young.

IV. MARY MOIR, died young.

V. ISABELLA MOIR, married James Daniel, farmer, Hillhead, Pitfodells, Aberdeen, and had issue.

### III.

GEORGE MOIR, BLACKSMITH, ANNAT, SON OF GEORGE MOIR, ANNAT, METHLICK

GEORGE MOIR, blacksmith, Annat, son of GEORGE MOIR, Annat, Methlick, and his wife JEAN FIFE, was twice married. (1) to ANN JACK on 1st November, 1781, she died Oct. 4, 1786, aged 36; (*Tombstone*) and (2) to JANET FLORENCE. There was a daughter of the first marriage and seven children of the second, viz:—

I. ISABELLA MOIR, born 6 October, 1782. Was twice married, (1) to GEORGE HARVEY, Aquhadley, Ellon, and (2) on 19 August, 1810, to JOHN SIM, shoemaker, Flinthills, Methlick. Children:—

1. Susan Harvey.
2. Alexander Harvey.
3. John Sim.
4. George Sim.

II. MARGARET MOIR, baptised 19 June, 1787.



Was married to **JAMES BRUCE**, banker, **Old Meldrum**. Children:—

1. **Elizabeth Bruce**, married **William Keith** and had issue.
2. **James Bruce**, banker, **Old Meldrum**. Married and had issue.
3. **John Bruce**, banker, **Old Meldrum**. Married **Jean Johnstone**, and had issue.
4. **Margaret Bruce**, married and had issue.
5. **Robert Bruce**.
6. **Jean Bruce**, married.
7. **Alexander Bruce**.

III. **BARBARA MOIR**, baptised 15 April, 1789.  
Died young.

IV. **GEORGE MOIR**, baptised 14 October, 1790.  
(See Chapter IV.)

V. **JAMES MOIR**, born 13th and baptised 16 February, 1793. (See Chapter VI).

VI. **JEAN MOIR**, baptised 11 August 1795. Was married to **JAMES WALKER**, baker, **Huntly**.  
Children:—

1. **James Walker**, died in infancy.
2. **George Walker**, bookseller, **Aberdeen**. Many years a Town Councillor, and a baillie in **Aberdeen**. Married **Jane Craig**. He survived his wife and died on 6 January, 1910, aged 89. No issue.
3. **Janet Walker**, died young.
4. **Alexander Walker**.
5. **William Patterson Walker**.
6. **John Walker**, married **Mary Ann Hay**, and had issue.
7. **Jean Walker**, died in infancy.
8. **Elspet Walker**, married **George Smith**, and had issue.
9. **Margaret Walker** married and had issue.
10. **Mary Walker** married **John Elliot**, and had issue.

VII. **ELSPET MOIR** married **JOHN BLACK**. No family.

VIII. **WILLIAM MOIR**, **Annat**, died unmarried.

#### IV.

**GEORGE MOIR**, **BLACKSMITH**, **ARDO**, SON OF **GEORGE MOIR**, **ANNAT**, AND **JANET FLORENCE**

**GEORGE MOIR**, blacksmith, **Ardo**, was son of **GEORGE MOIR**, Blacksmith, **Annat**, and his wife

**JANET FLORENCE**, and was baptized on 14 October, 1790. He carried on business for some time at **Newseat**, and latterly at **Ardo**. He married **MARGARET CALDER** on 1st July, 1813. She died on 10 November, 1866, aged 75, and her husband on 24 March, 1871. Children:—

I. **ELIZABETH MOIR**, baptised 9 June, 1814.  
Died 3 April, 1869.

II. **GEORGE MOIR**, tailor, **Methlick**, baptised 25 October, 1815. Married **BARBARA OFFICER**, on 15 November, 1849. She died 10 January, 1895, aged 67, and **GEORGE MOIR** on 10 November, 1896. Children:—

1. **GEORGE MOIR**, **Glencairn**, **Methlick**, both born 13 November, 1850. Married **MARY CHRISTIE** on 25 August, 1879. Issue:—

1. **George Moir**, born 17 December, 1887.

2. **JAMES MOIR**, born 28 May, 1852.  
Married and had issue.

3. **PETER ANDERSON MOIR**, born 18 June, 1854. Married and had issue.

4. **MARGARET MOIR**, born 28 July, 1856. Married and had issue.

5. **WILLIAM MOIR**, merchant, **Auchnagatt**, born 6 August, 1858. Married **ELIZABETH CAMERON** on 11 September, 1888. Children:—

1. **Christina Jane Smith Moir**.

2. **Georgina Moir**.

3. **Jane Smith Moir**.

4. **Elizabeth Moir**.

5. **William Moir**.

6. **Hugh Cameron Moir**.

7. **Mary Christie Moir**.

6. **MARY FRASER MOIR**, born 9 August, 1860. Married **EDWARD BURNETT** on 26 December 1896. Issue.

III. **JAMES MOIR**, blacksmith, **Fedderate**, was born 2 February and baptised 10 March, 1817. Married **AGNES DUNCAN**. He died 6 Feb-

ruary, 1890, and his wife on 28 March, 1899.  
Children:—

1. GEORGE MOIR, died young.
2. JAMES MOIR, schoolmaster, **Savoch**.  
(M.A., Marishal College, **Aberdeen**,  
1860.) Married, but no issue.
3. WILLIAM MOIR, sometime in **Aberdeen**, afterwards in **Peterhead**. Married MARGARET BIRNIE, and had issue.
4. ANN MOIR, married JAMES OGS-  
TON, wright, **New Deer**. Issue.
5. AGNES MOIR, married ROBERT  
FORBES, **Fedderate**, **New Deer**. No  
issue.
6. GEORGE MOIR, blacksmith, **Fed-  
derate**, **New Deer**, born 10 June,  
1854. Married GEORGINA SMITH.  
He died 19 June, 1895. Children:—

1. Jane Helen Moir, died young.
2. George Robert Moir, blacksmith, **Mil-  
ner, B. C., Canada**, born 10 Septem-  
ber, 1879. Married 26 Oct., 1906,  
**Chrissie Tarves**, had issue:—
  1. **Georgiana Ann Moir**, born  
Sept. 2, 1908.
  3. **Christina Agnes Moir**, born May, 1881.
  4. **James William Moir**, blacksmith, **Fed-  
derate**, born June, 1883.
  5. **Lyall Tom Moir**, born February, 1891.
  6. **Frank Forbes Moir**, born March, 1893.

7. ROBERT MOIR, engineer. Married  
and had issue.

IV. MARGARET MOIR, baptised 15 September,  
1818. Married CHARLES WILL, shoemaker,  
**Methlick**. Children:—

1. Margaret Will, married James Michie, **Northfield**,  
**Rayne**.
2. Charles Will, married Helen Ewing.

V. BARBARA MOIR, baptised 26 July, 1820.  
Died unmarried.

VI. ANN MOIR, born at **Methlick** on 12 January,  
1822. (See Chapter V.)

VII. WILLIAM MOIR, Blacksmith of Layton, Ontario, b. 1826 in Ardo, Methlick, Aberdeenshire, m. first, CHARLOTTE GRANT, dau. of JOHN GRANT, (b. 1830, d. 1872) and had issue: (Mr. Moir died in 1898.)

1. JOHN GRANT MOIR, b. Mar. 7, 1852, at Little Ardo, Aberdeenshire. Is now a clerk at Wakefield, Nebraska. M. 1881, ELIZABETH ANN SWEET, dau. of WILLIAM SWEET, of Exeter, Ontario, and had issue:—

1. Nettie Lorene Moir, b. Mar. 2, 1882, in Grand Bend, Canada.
2. John Edgar Moir, b. Oct. 4, 1883, in Thedford, Canada.
3. Harry Grant Moir, b. April 29, 1886, in Wakefield, Neb.
4. Anna Louise Moir, b. Oct. 24, 1889, in Wakefield, Neb.
5. Laura Ruth Moir, b. Nov. 20, 1891, in Wakefield, Neb.
6. Dorothy Elizabeth Moir, b. Feb. 29, 1894, in Wakefield, Neb.
7. Margaret Irene Moir, b. Sept. 25, 1895, in Wakefield, Neb.
8. Kenneth Nelly Moir, } Twins,
9. Alice Katherine Moir, }  
born Sept. 2, 1897, in Wakefield, Neb.

2. JANE or JEAN MOIR of Layton, Ontario, born Nov. 1855, in Greens, Monquhitter, Canada; m. JAMES RENNIE, farmer, of Layton, Ontario, and had issue:—

1. John Taylor Rennie.
2. David Grant Rennie.
3. Jean Ann Rennie.
4. Margaret Wilhelmina Rennie.
5. Mary Elizabeth Rennie.
6. James Charles Rennie.
7. William Alexander Rennie.

3. WILLIAM MOIR, b. 1854, d. Sept. 16, 1887.

4. JAMES MOIR, b. 1856, d. 1903.

5. MARGARET MOIR, b. 1858, d. 1885.
6. ALEXANDER MOIR, b. May 19, 1860, in Aberdeen, Scotland, m. June, 1884, (———), and had issue:—
  1. Charlotte Moir, b. Feb. 24, 1885, in Toronto, Ontario.
  2. Dugald Alexander Moir, b. March 25, 1886, in Toronto, Ontario.
  3. John Stewart Moir, b. Dec. 4, 1890, in Windsor, Ontario.
  4. George Roy Moir, b. Feb. 3, 1895, in Windsor, Ontario.
  5. Gordon Bruce Moir, b. Dec. 31, 1897, in Windsor, Ontario.
  6. Alice Robina Moir, b. Sept. 6, 1901, in Windsor, Ontario.
7. CHARLOTTE MOIR, b. 1862, m. and now (1904) living at Cresswell, Ont.
8. WILLIAM MOIR m. second, ELIZABETH RENNIE, dau. of CHARLES RENNIE, and had issue:—

1. Mary Elizabeth Moir, of Layton, Ontario, b. March 9, 1878, in Wick, Ont.

VIII. JANE MOIR, married GEORGE MILNE, tailor, Aberdeen. They had only one son, GEORGE, who died in infancy.

IX. ALEXANDER CALDER MOIR, of Oelwein, Iowa; b. April, 1828, in Ardo, Methlick, Aberdeenshire, m. June, 1847, first, JANE MILNE and had issue: (Mrs. Moir, d. Jan. 1850.)

1. Helen Moir, of Des Met, South Dakota, b. April 28, 1848, m. June, 1870, Donald Swainson, son of John Swainson, and had issue:—
  1. John Swainson, b. March 16, 1871, in Sonya, Canada.
  2. Jane Milne Swainson, b. Oct. 29, 1873, in Balsair, Canada, m (———) Grover, and had issue.
  3. Mary Swainson, b. Nov. 26, 1875, in Victory Road, Canada, m. (———) Siedschlaw, and had issue.

4. George Swainson, b. Mar. 26, 1877, in Kirkfield, Canada.
5. Margaret Swainson, b. June 23, 1879, in Kirkfield, Canada, m. (——) Newman, and had issue.
6. Alexander Calder Swainson, b. Sept. 30, 1880, in Kirkfield, Canada.
7. Flora Swainson, born Oct. 27, 1882, in Kirkfield, Canada, m. (——) Siverts, and has issue.
8. Anna Swainson b. Sept. 20, 1884, in Arkona, Canada.
9. Daniel Swainson, b. June 5, 1886, in Arkona, Canada.
10. Edward Swainson, b. April 3, 1888, in Des Met, South Dakota.
11. Helen Moir Swainson, b. Feb. 3, 1890, in Des Met, South Dakota.

ALEXANDER CALDER MOIR, m. second, Nov. 1854, ANN REID, dau. of JAMES REID of Newdeer, Aberdeenshire, and had issue:—

1. ALEXANDER MOIR, b. Sept. 19, 1856, in Ardo, Methlick, Aberdeenshire.
2. ANNA SCOTT MOIR, b. July 13, 1859, in Northville, Michigan, m. Dec. 30, 1883, WILLIAM B. JOY of Huron, South Dakota, and had issue:—
  1. William Reid Joy, b. July 4, 1885, at Huron, S. D.
  2. Ethel Alsina Joy, b. Sept. 16, 1887, at Huron, S. D.
  3. Clarence Moir Joy, b. April 25, 1890, at Huron, S. D.
  4. James Ray Joy, b. Feb. 13, 1894, at Huron, S. D.
  5. Dorothy Joy, b. Oct. 11, 1898, at Huron, S. D.
3. GEORGE EDWARD MOIR, b. Dec. 10, 1861, in Detroit, Mich., now a railway mail clerk, stationed at Dubuque, Iowa., m. Jan. 22, 1885, ANNA MAC ALLISTER, dau. of JOHN MAC ALLISTER, and had issue:—
  1. Leo Hughes Moir, b. July 12, 1888, in Plymouth, Iowa.

4. MARGARET JANE MOIR, of **Northwood, Iowa**, b. Mar. 22, 1864, in **De-  
troit, Michigan**, married WILLIS W.  
HUNTER of **Northwood, Iowa**, and  
had issue.
5. JAMES WHYTE MOIR, of **Oelwein**,  
**Iowa**, b. Feb. 6, 1868, in **Northwood**,  
**Iowa**, m, June 14, 1892, ADDIE  
BACON, dau. of Jerome Bacon of  
**Medina, Wisconsin**. No issue.
- X. JOHN MOIR, married ISABELLA LAW-  
RENCE, and had issue.
- XI. ELSPET MOIR, married JOHN SANGSTER,  
**Belhelvie**. She died on 23 January, 1891.  
They had issue.
- XII. ROBERT MOIR, Blacksmith, **Ardo**, married  
ELIZABETH CHEYNE. He died on 9 De-  
cember, 1900. They had issue.
- XIII. JESSIE MOIR, born 9 December, 1830. Died  
in infancy.

## V.

ANN MOIR, DAUGHTER OF GEORGE MOIR, BLACKSMITH,  
AND HER DESCENDANTS

ANN MOIR, daughter of GEORGE MOIR, black-  
smith, **Ardo**, and his wife, MARGARET CALDER,  
was born at **Methlick** on 12 January, 1822. She was  
married to JOHN MILNE, inspector of poor, **Bucks-  
burn, Aberdeenshire**, on 16 December, 1845. She died  
9 January, 1891, and her husband on 17 September, 1895,  
both being buried in the Churchyard of the Parish of  
**Newhills**. Children:—

- I. MARGARET MILNE, born 25 August, 1846.  
Was married to JAMES BROWN, slater, on  
18 June, 1869. Children:—
  1. Ann Milne Brown, born 12 August, 1870.
  2. John Brown, born 29 March, 1872.
  3. Margaret Brown, born, 10 July, 1874.
  4. Jane Helen Brown, born 29 August, 1876.
  5. James Brown, born 27 March, 1878.
  6. William Brown, born 1 July, 1879.
  7. Robert George Brown, born 8 June, 1881.
  8. Alexander Milne Brown, born 9 March, 1883.
  9. Joseph Alexander Brown, born 30 August, 1884.



DESCENDANTS OF JAMES MOIR  
Blacksmith, Tarves, Aberdeenshire

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|--|--------------------------------------|
| 1. George Moir and Wife                  | 5. James Moir, M. A., Schoolmaster   |
| 2. George Moir, Tailor                   | 6. James Moir, Blacksmith, Fedderate |
| 3. James Moir, Blacksmith, Annat         | 7. Ann Black, Wife of No. 6          |
| 4. William Moir, Iron Merchant, Aberdeen |                                      |

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II. JOHN MILNE, builder, **Aberdeen**, born 17 April, 1848. Married MARTHA TAYLOR VALENTINE on 21 July, 1871. Children:—

1. William Gray Milne, born 12 April, 1872.
2. Mary Ann Milne, born 21 November, 1873.
3. Robert George Milne, born 21 October, 1875.
4. Alice Milne, born 4 March, 1878.
5. Louisa Smith Milne, born 29 November, 1879.
6. John Milne, born 29 May, 1881.
7. Margaret Milne, born 9 August, 1884.
8. James Milne, born 24 October, 1886.

III. GEORGE MILNE, **Waterford, Ireland**, born 2 March, 1850. Married MARY PIRIE VALENTINE. Children:—

1. Helen Gray Milne, born 21 November, 1873.
2. Maggie Jane Milne, born 5 June, 1875.
3. Agnes Bruce Milne, born 2 August, 1876.
4. George Milne, born 20 July, 1878.
5. Edward Milne, born 20 April, 1880.
6. John Milne, born 8 December, 1881.
7. Alexander Milne, born 10 February, 1884.
8. Josephine Milne, born 11 May, 1886.
9. Robert Milne, born 1 April, 1888.
10. James Brown Milne, born 27 April, 1891.
11. Ada Valentine Milne, born 10 December, 1893.

IV. JAMES MILNE, born 22 March, 1852; died 14 February, 1867.

V. WILLIAM MILNE, **Aberdeen**, born 28 July, 1854. Married MARJORY GRANT ANDERSON. Children:—

1. Jane Ann Milne, born 27 September, 1873.
2. Marjory Brown Milne, born 21 May, 1875.
3. Williamina Grant Milne, born 5 April, 1877.
4. Margaret Helen Birnie Milne, born 27 February, 1879.
5. James Myers Danson Milne, born 10 April, 1881.
6. Mary Pirie Milne, born 15 August, 1883.
7. Joseph Reid Milne, born 21 June, 1886.
8. Martha Valentine Milne, born 18 October, 1888.
9. John Milne, born 18 November, 1890.

VI. ALEXANDER MILNE, born 10 August, 1856. Died 20 August, 1858.

VII. JOSEPH MILNE, **Dublin**, born 29 October,

1858. Married MARGARET GEDDES REID on 28 October, 1880. Children:—

1. John William Milne, born September, 1881.
2. James Milne, born November, 1882.

VIII. ROBERT MILNE, Glasgow, born 5 October, 1862. Married JANE GIBSON YOUNG on 26 December, 1883. Children:—

1. Adeline Annabella Gibson Milne, born 1 November, 1884.
2. Percy William Milne.

IX. JANE ANN MILNE, born 29 January, 1865. Died 8 August, 1865.

X. ANN MOIR MILNE, born 27 May, 1868. Married JAMES MACINTOSH on 25 April, 1894. Children:—

1. Frances Alice Macintosh, born 3 March, 1895.
2. James Archibald Macintosh, born 25 May, 1896.
3. Ernest Graham Macintosh, born 10 May, 1901.

## VI.

JAMES MOIR, BLACKSMITH, ANNAT, SON OF GEORGE MOIR, BLACKSMITH, ANNAT

JAMES MOIR, blacksmith, Annat, was born on 13 February, 1793. He married ANN BLACK. JAMES MOIR died on 13 October, 1875, and his wife on 20 January, 1885, aged 81. They had family:—

I. ANN MOIR, born 22 July, 1827; died 16 January, 1829.

II. CHARLES MOIR, bookseller, Aberdeen, was born on 15 November, 1828. He married ANN WOOD HOWARTH. He died 4 July, 1899, and his wife on 21 March, 1905. Children:—

1. Charles Moir, born 8 September, 1860.
  2. Annie Moir, born 22 May, 1862.
  3. Josephine Moir, born 26 July, 1864.
  4. Jane Walker Moir, born 28 November, 1867.  
Was married on 25 March, 1908, to Rev. John Smith, Friockheim, Forfarshire.
  5. James Moir
  6. Elsie Moir
  7. Isabella Moir
- } died in infancy.

- III. JAMES MOIR, born 2 August, 1830. (See Chapter VII).
- IV. WILLIAM MOIR, born 29 May, 1832. (See Chapter VIII).
- V. MARGARET MOIR, born 15 April, 1834. Was married to ALEXANDER ANDERSON. They have an only son:—
1. Alexander Anderson, Montreal, born 14 December, 1858. Married on 4 April, 1888, Marianne Thom. Children:—
    1. James Thom Anderson, born 25 June, 1889.
    2. Alexander John Anderson, born 29 July, 1891.
- VI. ISABELLA MOIR, born 29 June, 1836. Died 18 May, 1854.
- VII. JEAN MOIR, born 12 June, 1838. (See Chapter IX).
- VIII. GEORGE MOIR, born 27 December, 1840. Died 16 November, 1849.
- IX. JOHN MOIR, born 29 June, 1843.
- X. ELSIE MOIR, born 3 September, 1846. Was married on 30 July, 1874, to GEORGE MORRISON, merchant, Boghead, Cairnie, Huntly. Children:—
1. William Moir Morrison, born 27 June, 1875.
  2. George Alexander Morrison, born 8 November, 1877.
  3. Francis Morrison, born 16 July, 1879.
  4. James Morrison, born 15 July, 1882. Died 5 April, 1889.
  5. Elsie Morrison, born 19 October, 1884. Died 2 July, 1895.
  6. Charles Morrison, born 7 February, 1888. Died 6 November, 1899.
  7. Maggie Charlotte Morrison, born 22 April, 1890.



## VII.

**JAMES MOIR, BLACKSMITH, KEITHFIELD, SON OF JAMES MOIR,  
BLACKSMITH, ANNAT, AND HIS DESCENDANTS**

**JAMES MOIR**, blacksmith, **Keithfield**, son of **JAMES MOIR, Annat**, and his wife, **ANN BLACK**; was born on 2nd August, 1830. He married **ANN KNOX**. He died on 5 June, 1908, and his wife on 15 July, 1908. Children:—

- I. **WILLIAM MOIR**, married **MARY COUTTS**, and had issue.
- II. **ELSIE MOIR**, was married to **GEORGE PORTER**. Issue.
- III. **ANN MOIR**, was married to **JAMES THOM**. Issue.
- IV. **MARY MOIR**, was married to **JAMES GORDON**, sometime carpenter, **Insch**, afterwards in **Toronto**. Issue.
- V. **JAMES MOIR, Keithfield, Tarves**. Married twice, (1) to **ELIZA TAIT** on 13 April, 1886. She died 10 February, 1898. (2) **MAGGIE ANDREW**, on 9 June, 1903. There were eight children of first marriage and five of second, viz:—
  1. **Nellie Moir**, married **John Horne**.
  2. **James Moir**.
  3. **Charles Moir**, married **Jessie Kemp**.
  4. **Annie Moir**.
  5. **Alexander Moir**.
  6. **John Moir**.
  7. **William Moir**.
  8. **Isabella Moir**.
  9. **Mary Moir**.
  10. **George Moir**.
  11. **Alice Moir**.
  12. **Elsie Moir**.
  13. **Thomas Moir**.
- VI. **ISABELLA MOIR**, was married to **WILLIAM HORNE**. No issue.
- VII. **ALICE MOIR**, was married to **JAMES PRATT**. Issue.
- VIII. **AGNES MOIR**, was married to **JAMES STEPHEN**. Issue.

## VIII.

## WILLIAM MOIR, IRON MERCHANT, ABERDEEN, SON OF JAMES MOIR, BLACKSMITH, ANNAT, AND HIS DESCENDANTS

WILLIAM MOIR was the third son of JAMES MOIR, blacksmith, Annat, and his wife ANN BLACK. He was born at Annat on 29 May, 1832. At an early age he came to Aberdeen, and entering the business of MESSRS. GLEGG & THOMSON, iron merchants there, he ultimately became a partner of that firm. WILLIAM MOIR married at Aberdeen on 25th October, 1860, HELEN BOWMAN, daughter of ANDREW BOWMAN, plasterer. She died at Aberdeen on 10 June, 1903, aged 72. They had family:—

William Moir, Iron Merchant Aberdeen, died January 31, 1913. (From letter of Jas. M. A. Wood, Esq., his son-in-law.)

I. HELEN MOIR, born 9 June, 1865. Was married on 4 June, 1889, to FREDERIC McCRAE, Aberdeen. He died 21 October, 1908, aged 48. Children:—

1. Elsie McCrae, born 2 July, 1891. Died 8 October, 1895.
2. William Moir McCrae, born 13 June, 1894.
3. Elizabeth Wilson Thom McCrae, born 26 June, 1898.

II. JAMES MOIR, of GLEGG & THOMSON, LTD., iron merchants, Aberdeen, born 23 April, 1868. Married at Keith, Banffshire, on 3 August, 1898, ISABELLA MCGREGOR. Children:—

1. Helen Bowman Moir, born 17 July, 1899.
2. William Keith Moir, born 3 February, 1901.
3. Charles McGregor Moir, born 9 March, 1903.
4. Mary Frances Lorimer Moir, born 22 May, 1907.
5. Janet Isobel Moir, born 23, August, 1911.

III. ELSIE MOIR, born 5 May, 1870. Was married on 18 July, 1901, to JAMES M. A. WOOD, solicitor, Aberdeen. (Who collected and kindly forwarded these notes on this family.) Children:—

1. Edward James Wood, born 3 September, 1902.
2. Douglas Moir Wood, born 4 January, 1907.
3. Elsie Ethel Anderson Wood, born 11 September, 1910.

IV. WILLIAM MOIR, born 12 August, 1872. Died 15 June, 1891.



## IX.

JEAN MOIR, DAUGHTER OF JAMES MOIR, BLACKSMITH, ANNAT,  
AND HER DESCENDANTS

JEAN MOIR was born on 12th June, 1838. She was married to FRANK IRVINE, (a native of Methlick) who settled as a farmer at Seattersquoy, Stenness, Orkney. They have family:—

I. JOHN IRVINE, Aberdeen, born 26 July, 1858. He married ELSIE JANE REED. Children:—

1. Mary Ann Reid Irvine, born 3 March, 1880. Was married on 27 December, 1905, to George Coutts, Wartle. Children:—
  1. John Irvine Coutts, born 7 March, 1907.
  2. Mary Coutts, born 3 November, 1908.
  3. Alice Benzie Coutts, born 25 January, 1910.
2. Jeannie Moir Irvine, born 18 March, 1893.
3. Francis Knox Irvine, born 13 November, 1897.
4. James Moir Irvine, born 5 December, 1899.

II. JAMES MOIR IRVINE, merchant, Fordsburg, Transvaal, South Africa, born 29 January, 1860. Married ISABELLA WOOD OMAN.

III. MARGARET DAVIDSON IRVINE, born 22 May, 1861. She was married on 7 February, 1889, to WILLIAM ROBERTSON NORQUOY, who has settled as a farmer in New South Wales. Children:—

1. Francis Irvine Norquoy.
2. Jeannie Moir Irvine Norquoy.

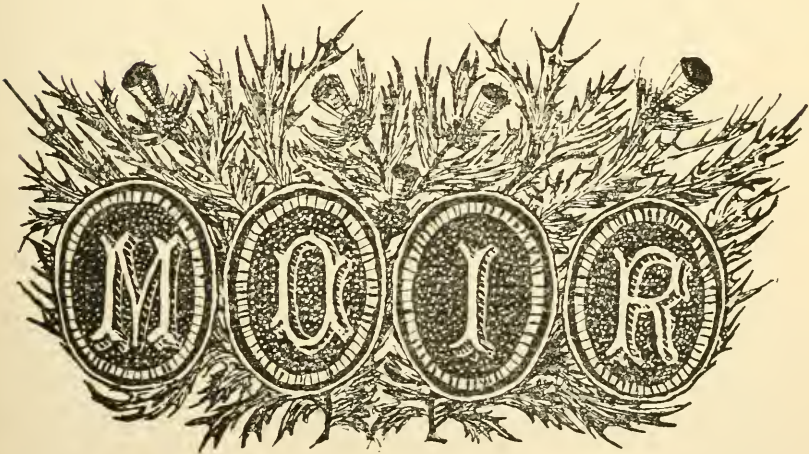
IV. MARY ANN IRVINE, born 17 May, 1863.

V. FRANCIS KNOX IRVINE, Llanglaagte Mines, South Africa; born 17 April, 1866. Married MARY McCRAE. They have issue.

VI. JANE MOIR IRVINE, born 2 June, 1868. Was married on 9 September, 1890, to the REV. GEORGE R. MURISON, minister of the Parish of Stenness, Orkney. Children:—

1. Jeannie Moir Murison, born 13 June, 1891.
2. Frank Irvine Murison, born 4 June, 1894.
3. Mary Irvine Murison, born 29 April, 1900.
4. Margaret Irvine Murison, born 3 February, 1902.

5. **Isabella Heriot Gordon Murison**, born 15 September, 1904.
  6. **Elsbeth Alexandra Murison**, born 14 September, 1907.
- VII. **WILLIAM MOIR IRVINE**, born 20 February, 1870. Died in infancy.
- VIII. **ANN ISABELLA BLACK IRVINE**, born 14 June, 1871.
- IX. **CHARLES WILLIAM IRVINE**, born 4 October, 1875. Died in infancy.
- X. **CHARLES WILLIAM IRVINE**, **Llanglaagte Mines, South Africa**, born 10 December, 1879. Married **ELNA McFAYDEN**, and has one child:—
1. **Hector McFayden Irvine**.
- XI. **WILLIAM MOIR IRVINE**, **Mashonaland, South Africa**, born 31 January, 1882.
- XII. **ROBERT BURGESS IRVINE**, **Llanglaagte Mines, South Africa**, born 31 January, 1882. Married **MARY HUGHES**. Children:—
1. **James Moir Irvine**.
  2. **Isabella Irvine**.



# DAVID MACBETH MOIR, M. D., (Delta)

SCOTTISH AUTHOR

## FAMILY AND DESCENDANTS

Kindly Furnished by His Daughter, MRS. A. M. MILLIGAN, of Edinburgh

ROBERT MOIR of Aberdeenshire, m. ELIZABETH MURRAY, and about 1730, he went south to **Ormiston, East Lothian**, where their two sons, ROBERT MOIR and JOHN MOIR, were born. What ultimately became of JOHN is not known, but ROBERT, (b. 1761, d. 1817), m. ELIZABETH MACBETH (1762-1842), and had issue, all of whom were born at **Musselburgh**:—

- I. MARGARET CHARTERIS MOIR, b. 1797, d. 1849.
- II. DAVID MACBETH MOIR, b. Jan. 5, 1798, and was a physician in active practice at **Musselburgh**, from his manhood until his death July 6, 1851. His family record follows.
- III. HUGH ROSS MOIR, 1800-1852, had two sons, both of whom are dead.
- IV. CHARLES SCOTT MOIR, 1804-1858, died unmarried.

Of the above family, DAVID MACBETH MOIR, (**Delta**), m. CATHERINE ELIZABETH BELL, and their family were:—

- I. ELIZABETH CATHERINE MOIR, b. 1830, d. 1904, m. THOMAS R. SCOTT, M. D., and had issue.
- II. ROBERT MOIR, doctor of medicine, in the **Indian Medical Service**; latterly practised in **St. Andrews, Fifeshire**; born **Musselburgh**, October 23, 1831, m. Sept. 20, 1859, ALISON PATERSON of **Aberdeen**, and had issue:—

1. David Macbeth Moir. b. June 30, 1860, in **Hyppa, India**, m. June 20, 1897, and died of blood-poisoning in **Calcutta** June 6, 1907.
2. Henry Paterson Moir, b. May 13, 1864, in **Benares, India**, and is now in business for

See personal account of this gentleman with portrait on another page.

Messrs. Balfour, Guthrie & Co., of San Francisco, Cal.

3. Catherine Moir, b. July 24, 1865, in Agra, India, and now (1912), in secretarial and school work in St. Andrews, Fifeshire.
4. Alison Moir, born Aug. 21, 1867, in Agra, India, and married M. R. Jardine, barrister-at-law in Bombay, India, and has issue.
5. Emily Elizabeth Moir, born June 4, 1872, in Simla, India, and m. May 10, 1904, E. O. E. Leggatt, (retired), of the Indian Civil Service.
6. Robert Moir, Jr., born May 24, 1873, in Simla, India, and d. in St. Andrews, Fifeshire, Oct. 14, 1881.
7. John Elliott Moir, born Aug. 13, 1875, in St. Andrew's, m. Nov. 14, 1906. He is a Captain in the Indian Army. He has issue.

III. CHARLES BELL MOIR, b. 1833, d. 1838, was one of his father's favorite children, and the one of whom the father wrote "Cassa Wappy," one of the poet's finest productions.

IV. DAVID MACBETH MOIR, JR., b. 1835, d. 1839.

V. WILLIAM BLACKWOOD MOIR, b. 1836, d. 1838.

Named for a member of the famous Publishing House.

VI. CATHERINE YOUNGHUSBAND MOIR, b. 1838, m. MAJOR GENERAL T. ORR, and has issue.

VII. ANNE MARY MOIR, b. 1840, at Musselburgh, m., 1859, REV. WILLIAM MILLIGAN, D.D., professor of divinity and biblical criticism in Aberdeen University, (b. 1821, d. 1893,) son of Rev. George Milligan, D.D., of Elie Fife, (b. 1793, d. 1858), and had issue:—

1. George Milligan, b. 1860, at Kilconquhar, Fife, now professor of divinity and biblical criticism in Glasgow University, (to whom the author of this work is indebted for the splendid list of Moirs and Mores who graduated from the University of Glasgow), m. 1891, and has issue.
2. David Macbeth Moir Milligan, b. 1861, at Musselburgh, now an advocate in Aberdeen, m. 1890.
3. Catherine Elizabeth Milligan, b. 1862, at Old

- Aberdeen, m. 1884, Y. W. H. Trail, professor of botany, in Aberdeen University, and has issue.
4. William Milligan, b. 1864, at Old Aberdeen, an M. D., (specialist in ear and throat diseases), m. 1890, and has issue.
  5. Janet Frazer Milligan, b. 1870, at Old Aberdeen, now (1912), in Edinburgh.
  6. Anne Mary Milligan, b. 1868, in Old Aberdeen, now (1912), in Edinburgh.
  7. Frederick Patterson Milligan, b. 1871, in Old Aberdeen, m. 1903. He is now (1912), a Writer to the Signet, at Edinburgh.
  8. Wyndham Anstruther Milligan, b. 1871, at Old Aberdeen, an M. D., now (1912), in London; m. 1903, and has issue.
  9. Emily Moir Milligan, b. 1873, at Old Aberdeen, m. 1910, to Ralph Hill Stewart, actuary, of Edinburgh, and has issue.
  10. Agnes Charlotte Milligan, b. 1875, at Old Aberdeen, m. 1900, to Godfrey Mohun Carey, of Sherborne, Dorset, England, and has issue.
  11. Oswald Bell Milligan, b. 1879, at Old Aberdeen, now (1912), a minister, of St. Leonard's Parish Church, Ayr.
- VIII. JANE ORR MOIR, b. 1841, m. A. OGILVIE SPENCE, and has issue.
- IX. JOHN WILSON MOIR, b. 1843, m. HELEN FOWLER, and has issue.
- X. EMILY ROBERTSON MOIR, b. April 6, 1845, at Musselburgh; m. Oct. 5, 1864, to CHARLES DUNCAN, b. Jan. 13, 1831, d. Oct. 14, 1886. Advocate and procurator-fiscal of Aberdeenshire, son of William Duncan, shipowner, Aberdeen, (b. July 28, 1788, d. June 26, 1855); and Isabella Matthews, (b. July 19, 1801, d. Sept. 19, 1884.) Emily Robertson Moir died Dec. 15, 1898. Had issue:—
1. William Oswald Duncan, b. Jan. 3, 1865, in Aberdeen, since 1887 an advocate in Aberdeen, and a soldier in the 4th Gordon Highlanders for 24 years (1912), rising to the rank of major.
  2. Macbeth Moir Duncan, b. Sept. 1, 1866, at Aberdeen, also an advocate, and a major in the H. D. R. F. Artillery, m. June, 1906. (No issue.)

3. **Katherine Moir Duncan**, b. Jan 18, 1872, at Aberdeen, a graduate of St. Leonard's and St. Andrew's Universities, m. Nov. 17, 1906, **Hugh De Maine Alexander**, (b. Edinburgh, Oct. 23, 1872), son of **William Black Alexander**, and has issue:—
  1. **Emily De Maine Alexander**, b. Nov. 1, 1907, at New Machar, Aberdeenshire.
4. **James Matthews Duncan**, b. June 17, 1874, at Fintray, Aberdeenshire, m. April 11, 1901, **Muriel Skelton Stephenson**, of Grimsby, and has issue:—
  1. **William Moir Matthews Duncan**, b. April 2, 1902, at Grimsby.
  2. **Charles Matthews Duncan**, b. Dec. 13, 1904, at Grimsby.
  3. **Delta Muriel Matthews Duncan**, b. Dec. 13, 1904, at Grimsby.
5. **Charlotte Rose Duncan**, b. Nov. 7, 1878, at Aberdeen, m. June 20, 1903, **James George Paull**, advocate of Aberdeen, and has issue.
6. **Charles Julian Duncan**, b. Nov. 17, 1881, at Murtle, died 1912.
7. **Emily Robertson Duncan**, b. Oct. 25, 1883, at Murtie, now (1912), at Aberdeen.
8. **Alexander Bell Duncan**, b. Feb. 2, 1885, at Murtle, now an Indian civil servant, in India.

XI. **OSWALD BELL MOIR**, b. 1847, (now 1912,) unmarried.



## \*OTHER ABERDEENSHIRE MOIRS

†JOHN MOIR, grocer, of **Duluth, Minn.**, b. Oct. 3, 1867, in **Bellrock, Ontario**, son of **George Moir**, of **Coldwells, Aberdeenshire, Scotland**, and **Margaret Taylor**, (died May, 1912), grandson of **John Moir**, of **Coldwells, Aberdeenshire, Scotland**, and **Elizabeth Scott**; married Nov. 30, 1890, **Florence M. Walker**, dau. of **Samuel Walker**, of **Caldwell, Kansas**, and had issue:—

1. **Ina Pearl Moir**, born Oct. 16, 1892, **Duluth, Minn.**, d. March 29, 1893.
2. **Hazel Muriel Moir**, b. Aug. 3. 1895, **Duluth, Minn.**.
3. **Florence Oliver Moir**, b. Apr. 1, 1898, **Duluth, Minn.**, d. May 17, 1898.
4. **Earl Ray Moir**, b. Sept. 5, 1899, **Duluth, Minn.**

**JAMES RIDDOCH MOIR**, electric lighting inspector and cable tester for the Corporation of **Glasgow**, b. March 1st, 1869, at **Hattencrook, Oldmeldrum, Aberdeenshire**, son of **George Moir**, gamekeeper, (b. **Whiterashes, Hattencrook, Oldmeldrum, Aberdeenshire**), and **Margaret Riddoch**; grandson of **John Moir**, blacksmith, **Hattencrook**, and **Mary Marr**. Married June 23, 1893, **Agnes Muirhead**, dau. of **Matthew Muirhead**, of **Glasgow**, (b. **Co. Armagh, Ireland**), and had issue:—

1. **Elizabeth Muirhead Moir**, b. Mar. 17, 1894, **Glasgow, Scotland**, tie and scarfmaker.
2. **George Moir**, born Jan. 16, 1899, at **Bridgeton, Glasgow**, d. Oct., 1899.
3. **Jeanie McLroy McGregor Moir**, b. Jan. 4, 1904, **Glasgow**.

**ALICE MAY MOIR**, formerly governess and trained nurse, of **San Francisco, California**, b. May 21, 1868, in **Grange, Banffshire, Scotland**, dau. of **Duncan Moir**, school-teacher, of **Mile-End, Aberdeen, Scotland**, (brother of **William M. Moir**, of **Chicago, Illinois**, and **Alexander Moir**, of **Indiana**,) and **Jane McConachie**; grand-

\*It is quite possible some of the following families may be able to trace their lineage through the material contained in this work. There certainly is a great amount of data concerning the Moirs of this county.

†This gentleman fully intended to send us for insertion in this work a group photograph containing four generations of Moirs, but the death of the elder of the four, made it so that he could not fulfill his obligation.

This lady has written some fine poetry. (W. M. Moir of Chicago.)

daughter of **Alexander Moir**, and \***Elizabeth Henderson Skene**, (who, after his wife's death, emigrated to **Indiana, U. S. A.**, having sold his property at **Mile-End, Aberdeen, Scotland.**) Married, Feb. 17, 1901, **Dr. August Fred Reinhold**, of **Berlin, Germany**, and had issue:—

1. **August Fred Skene Rienhold**, b. Mar. 31, 1902, in **New York City, N. Y.** (Dr. Reinhold died about 1905, in **San Francisco, Cal.**)

†**WILLIAM M. MOIR**, carpenter, (was three years a private in the **Scottish rifle volunteers**) of **Chicago, Illinois**, b. 13 Sept., 1838, son of **Alexander Moir**, of **Aberdeenshire, Scotland**, and **Elizabeth Mennie**; grandson of **Alexander Moir**, of **Mile-End, Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire, Scotland**, and **Elizabeth Henderson**; m. Dec. 30, 1861, **Emma Milne**, dau. of **Andrew Milne**, and had issue:—

1. **William M. Moir, Jr.**
2. **Elizabeth Moir.**
3. **Nellie Moir.**
4. **Alfred Moir.**
5. **Emma Moir.**
6. **Alexander Moir** }
7. **Andrew Moir** } twin children.

**ALEXANDER MOIR**, travelling salesman, of **Chicago, Ill.**, b. Sept. 19, 1856, in **Peterhead, Aberdeenshire, Scotland**, son of **Alexander Moir**, of **Aberdeen**, and **Ann** (—); married Nov. 14, 1878, **Ellen May Kinyon**, dau. of **Benjamin Kinyon**, of **Randolph, Wisconsin**, and had issue:—

1. **Myrtle A. Moir**, b. Nov. 3, 1880, **Britt, Iowa.**
2. **Madeline A. Moir**, b. Aug. 26, 1886, **Waterloo, Iowa.**

**JOHN MOIR**, (son of **John Moir**), b. 1804, in **Aberdeen, Scotland**, died in **New York City** in 1895. His two sons and three daughters were all born in **Aberdeen**, on the spot where the **Aberdeen Carnegie Library** now stands; he m. **Agnes Jane Moir**, (born **Moir**), who died in **New York City**, in 1865. Had issue:—

1. **John Moir**, m. **Mary Jane Van Hoesen**, of **Calkill**, and had issue:—

\*The above **Elizabeth Henderson Skene** was a sister of **Alexander J. C. Skene, M. D. LL.D.**, of **Brooklyn, N. Y.**, president of and Dean of the **College hospital**, one of the **Skenes of Skene**, the first of whom slew a wolf in the path of **King Malcolm**, and did some other brave acts for which he was rewarded by getting from the king "as much land as that crow flies over," which proved to be an extent of some 270 miles.

(From letter of Mrs. Reinhold.)

†The above **W. M. Moir** had a brother **John Moir** who was named after a **John Moir** of **Beniche mountain**, near **Aberdeen**, and **Wm. M. Moir** was also named after another estate owner, — "**lang Willie Moir**" of **Begossie**, in the **Highlands**, who always wore kilts, and who "tied his garters below the knee, without bending his back."



1. **Mary Moir.**
2. **Jane Agnes Moir**, who m. **Rev. Henry R. Wilson.**  
Now (1905,) deceased.
3. **John Moir, Jr.**, died young.
2. **Margaret Moir**, m. **Thomas Ward**, now, (1904,) deceased.
3. **Jane Moir**, who died unmarried.
4. **Agnes Victoria Moir**, m. **John Smith**, both, (1904,) deceased,  
and had issue:—
  1. **Agnes Victoria Smith**, married **John Hobart**, (now  
deceased.)
  2. **Frances Preston Smith.**
  3. **William Moir Smith**, (killed in civil war, 1861-1865,)  
m. and had issue:—
    1. **Agnes Victoria Smith**, (alive 1904),  
m. to **Robert Cratur**, 1902.
  4. **James Davis Smith**, m. (———), and had six chil-  
dren, three of whom are living (1904), including  
one daughter married.
5. \***William Moir**, born Aug. 15, 1826, died in **New York  
City**, March 21, 1896; m. **Emily Hun Sexton**, and had  
issue:—
  1. **Emily Moir**, died in infancy.

**GEORGE MOIR**, **Aberdeen**, son of **William Moir**  
and **Helen Alexander**, b. June 16, 1848; m. June 6, 1871,  
**Elizabeth Brebner**, now (1912), deceased, dau. of **George  
Brebner of Whitehill, Aberdeenshire**; and had issue:—

1. **George Moir**, b. Sept. 9, 1872, at **Whitehill**, now at  
**Johannesburg, South Africa.**
2. **Isabella Helen Moir**, b. April 1, 1874, at **Stripeside, Aber-  
deenshire**, now (1912), at **Toronto, Canada.**
3. **William Moir**, b. Jan. 9, 1875, at **Stripeside, Aberdeenshire**,  
now at **Killarney, Ireland.**
4. **Robert Moir**, b. Sept. 26, at **Stripeside**, now deceased.
5. **James John Moir**, b. April 16, 1878, at **Stripeside**, now  
deceased.
6. **Jane Moir**, b. July 14, 1880, at **Stripeside**, now at **Aberdeen.**
7. **Alexander Moir**, b. Feb. 1, 1882, at **Ballhill**, now at **Barre,  
Vermont.**
8. **Elizabeth Moir**, b. Mar. 20, 1885, at **Ballhill, Logie-Buchan**,  
now at **Aberdeen.**
9. **John Shand Moir**, b. June 1, 1897, at **Aberdeen.**

**WILLIAM WILSON MOIR**, of **Toronto, Ontario**,  
born Feb. 14, 1851, in **Toronto**, son of **George Moir**, of  
**Aberdeen**, (and **Canada**), and **Agnes Petrie**; m. Nov. 10,  
1880, **Frances Maria Rainey**, daughter of **David Rainey**,

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\*This **William Moir**, was for many years treasurer of the **Fifth Avenue Presbyterian  
Church of New York City**, and a beautiful memorial window was there erected to his memory  
by his widow; a photo-engraving of the window is published in this book under **Memorials.**

of Cookstown, Ontario, and had issue:—

1. William Petrie Sylvester Moir, b. Aug. 21, 1881, Cookstown, Ont.
2. Mary Olive Moir, b. Mar. 19, 1883, Cookstown, Ontario.
3. David Wesley Moir, b. June 25, 1885, Cookstown, Ontario.
4. Frances Florence Charlotte Moir, b. July 19, 1898, Toronto, Ont.

JAMES ALEXANDER MOIR, business manager, of London, Ontario, b. May 4, 1877, in Princeton, Ontario, son of James Moir, of Elora, Ontario, and Agnes Winters; and grandson of James Moir, of Aberdeen, Scotland, and (———), m. Nov. 11, 1903, Addie Calbeck, daughter of James Calbeck, of Brantford, Ontario, and had issue.

JAMES MOIR, formerly of Aberdeen, afterwards of Brantford, Ontario, m. (———), and had issue:—

1. William Henry Moir.
2. Laura May Moir.
3. James Alexander Moir.

FORBES MOIR, of West Garafraxa, Ontario, b. July 13, 1851, Crathie, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, son of Forbes Moir and Elizabeth McGregor; and grandson of William Moir, of Inch, Aberdeenshire, and Janet Copland; m. Nov. 25, 1878, Agnes Gerry, daughter of John Gerry, of Fergus, Ontario, and had issue;—

1. Elizabeth Moir, born July 30, 1881, in West Garafraxa, Ontario.
2. Florence Edna Moir, born March 2, 1884, in West Garafraxa, Ontario.
3. Forbes Byron Moir, b. May 24, 1886, in West Garafraxa, Ontario.
4. Mary Moir, b. Oct. 12, 1888, in West Garafraxa, Ont.
5. John Charles Moir, b. Feb. 19, 1891, in West Garafraxa, Ontario.
6. James Gerry Moir, b. May 20, 1893, in West Garafraxa, Ontario.
7. Alexander Leith Moir, b. Dec. 7, 1898, in West Garafraxa, Ontario.

GEORGE MICHIE MOIR, of Sunnidale Corners, Ontario, b. Sept. 18, 1839, in York, Canada, son of George Moir, of Aberdeen and Agnes Petrie; grandson of George Moir, of Aberdeen and Catherine MacIntosh; m. Jan. 26, 1869, Mary Jane McLennan, daughter of Alexander McLennan, of Innisfail, Ont., and had issue:—

1. Elizabeth Ann Moir, b. Nov. 26, 1869, in Sunnidale Corners, Ont.
2. Agnes Petrie Moir, b. Dec. 21, 1871, Sunnidale Corners, Ont., died there, Mar. 5, 1895.
3. George Moir, b. Sept. 7, 1873, in Sunnidale Corners, Ontario.
4. James Alexander Moir, b. Sept. 18, 1875, in Sunnidale Corners, Ontario, married Dec. 28, 1904, Miss Lillian Townley, of Toronto, dau. of John A. Townley, of Aurora, Ontario, by the Rev. J. T. Morris, of Toronto.
5. Mary Emily Moir, b. Sept. 24, 1877, in Sunnidale Corners, Ontario.
6. John Archibald Moir, b. Nov. 28, 1879, in Sunnidale Corners, Ontario.
7. Walter Gordon Moir, b. July 18, 1883, in Sunnidale Corners, Ontario.

WILLIAM BOWMAN MOIR, of Hamilton, Ontario, b. 1858, at Aberdeenshire, Scotland, son of John Moir and Barbara Ratray, both of Ballater, Aberdeenshire, married 1874.

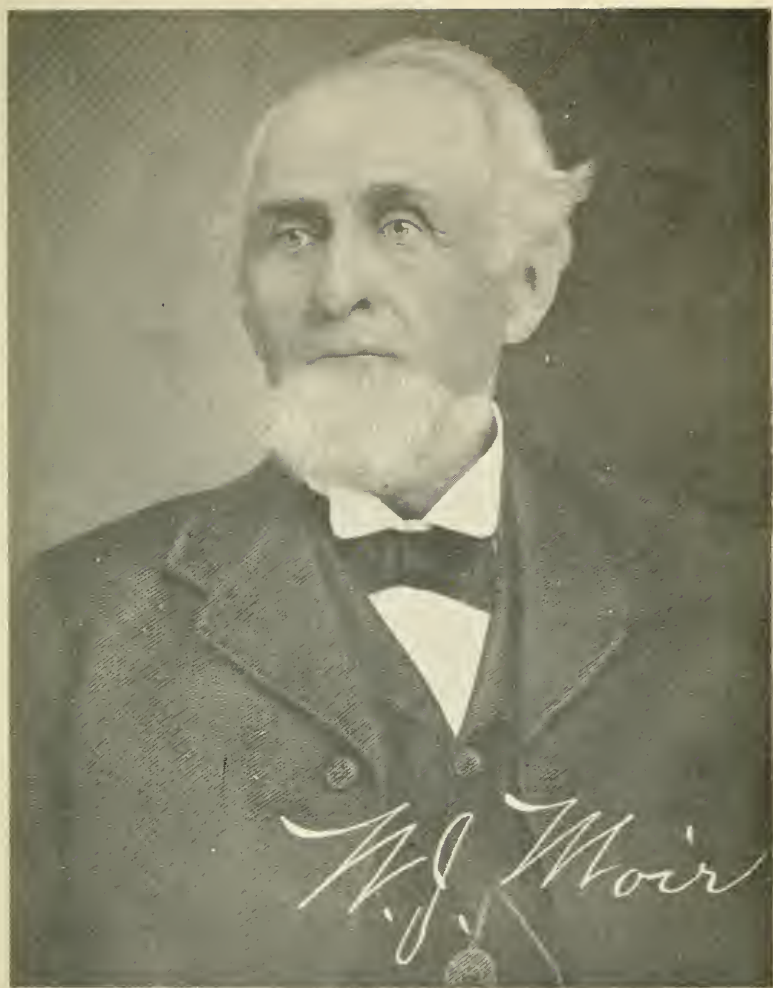
SARAH MOIR of Nichol, Ontario, b. Jan. 21, 1864, in Nichol, Ontario, daughter of Alexander Leith Moir, of Nichol, Ontario, and Joan Wilson; and grand-daughter of Alexander Moir, of Rayne, Aberdeenshire, and Isabella Bannerman.

JOHN SHAW MOIR, of Elora, Ontario, b. Dec. 11, 1848, in Township of Nichol, Ontario, son of Alexander Leith Moir and Joan Wilson, grandson of Alexander Moir, of Old Rayne, Aberdeenshire, and Isabella Bannerman; m. Elizabeth Cooper, daughter of James Cooper, of Wellington, Ont., and had issue:—

1. James Alexander Moir, b. Mar. 22, 1881, in Nichol, Ont.
2. John Frederick Moir, b. July 20, 1883, in Nichol, Ont.
3. Mary Elizabeth Moir, b. Aug. 22, 1885, in Nichol, Ont.
4. William Walter Moir, b. Jan. 31, 1888, in Nichol, Ont.
5. Florence May Moir, b. July 30, 1890, in Nichol, Ont.
6. David Nelson Moir, b. Jan. 19, 1893, in Nichol, Ont.
7. Forbes Edward Moir, b. Aug. 30, 1895, in Nichol, Ont.
8. Annie Catherine Moir, b. Aug. 24, 1898, in Nichol, Ont.

ALEXANDER MOIR, of Township of Nichol, Ontario, b. June 19, 1855, son of Alexander Leith Moir, of Nichol, Ont., and Joan Wilson; and grandson of Alexander Moir of Old Rayne, Aberdeenshire, and Isabella Bannerman.

ELSIE MOIR, nurse, of Baltimore, Maryland, b. June 4, 1822, in Keith Hall, Aberdeenshire, Scotland; daughter



HON. WILLIAM J. MOIR  
of Eldora, Iowa





**ROBERT MOIR**  
of Forres, Elginshire

Progenitor of a long list of Moirs of  
North Carolina  
(See page 191)



**MARK W. MOIR**  
Eldora, Iowa  
(See page 187)



of **Alexander Moir**, woodsawyer, of **Aberdeen, Scotland**, and (——) **Cassie**, dau. of **John Cassie**; and granddaughter of **Alexander Moir**, of **Aberdeen, Scotland**, and (——). (Alive 1910.)

**ALEXANDER MOIR**, millwright, of **Los Angeles, California**, b. Oct. 7, 1845, son of **James Moir**, of **Aberdeen, Scotland**, and **Ann Henderson**, and grandson of **James Moir**, of **Aberdeen, Scotland**, and (——) **Williams**; m. Dec. 25, 1878, **Harriet Marcia Allen**, dau. of **Abner W. Allen**, of **Highgrove, California**, and had issue:—

1. **Joseph William Moir**, b. Sept. 14, 1880, **Worthington, Minn.** (See below.)
2. **Abner Allen Moir**, b. Dec. 21, 1882, **Nonesuch, Mich.**, d. Sept. 6, 1886.
3. **John James Moir**, b. Sept. 29, 1884, **Worthington, Minn.**
4. **Reuben Crawford Moir**, b. Oct. 19, 1885, **Sioux City, Iowa**, d. 1888.
5. **Jessie Ann Moir**, b. Oct. 1, 1887, **Pasadena, Cal.**
6. **Charles Raymond Moir**, b. Nov. 29, 1892, **Highgrove, Cal.**
7. **Margaret Jean Moir**, b. Dec. 6, 1897, **Highgrove, Cal.**
8. **Mildred Ethel Moir**, b. Nov. 7, 1902, **Highgrove, Cal.**

**JOSEPH WILLIAM MOIR**, mechanic, of **Los Angeles, Cal.**, b. Sept. 14, 1880, in **Worthington, Minn.**, son of **Alexander Moir**, of **Los Angeles, Cal.**, and **Harriet Marcia Allen**; and grandson of **James Moir**, of **Aberdeenshire, Scotland**, and **Ann Henderson**; m. June 14, 1903, **Alice Catherine Payne**, dau. of **Richard E. Payne**, of **Colorado Springs, Colorado**.

**ALEXANDER MOIR**, stone cutter, of **Quincy, Mass.**, b. 1852, in **Aberdeen, Scotland**, son of **James Moir**, of **Aberdeen, Scotland**, and **Helen Pirie**; m. 1874, **Isabella Moir**, of **Aberdeen, Scotland**, and had issue:—

1. **Isabella Moir**, b. Mar. 11, 1875, **Aberdeen, Scotland**, school teacher.
2. **John Moir**, b. Nov. 2, 1878, **Aberdeen, Scotland**, lawyer.
3. **William Reed Milne Moir**, b. Oct. 16, 1880, **Aberdeen, Scotland**, book buyer.
4. **Helen Rowena Moir**, b. Oct. 15, 1884, **Quincy, Mass.**, music teacher.
5. **Frederick Ernest Moir**, b. 1886, **Quincy, Mass.**, student **Harvard College** (1905).

**DAVID ANDREW MOIR**, bookkeeper, of **Fitchburg, Mass.**, b. 1873, in **Aberdeen, Scotland**, son of **Alexander Moir**, of **Aberdeen, Scotland**, and **Eliza Jane Webster**



**Milne Moir**; m. \***Barbara Russell**, dau. of **Patrick Russell**, of **Aberdeen, Scotland**, and had issue:—

1. **Jean Moir**, b. 1895, **Aberdeen, Scotland**.
2. **Lavinia Robertson Moir**, b. 1897, **Aberdeen, Scotland**, d. 1899.
3. **Cecilia Ann Moir**, b. 1898, **Aberdeen, Scotland**.

**CHARLES H. MOIR**, having a large sugar and coffee plantation in **Guatemala City, Guatemala**, born in **Aberdeen, Scotland**, having two brothers and one sister living (1913), as follows:—

1. **John Munro Moir, M.D.**, practicing in **Inverness**.
2. **William Moir**, civil engineer, in **India**.
3. **Grace A. Moir**, in **Aberdeen**, unmarried.

**C. H. Moir** married 1904, **Concha**, elder daughter of **Doctor and General †Francisco Anguino**, and had issue:—

1. **Charles Moir**, born 1906.
2. **Graciela Moir**, born 1908.

#### ABERDEENSHIRE

From the **County Directory of Scotland**, for 1901-1904.)

**Rev. A. F. Moir**, **Baillie's Wells, Cults, Aberdeen**.  
**Alexander Moir**, farmer, **Brae, Kintore**.  
**Alexander Moir**, farmer, **Holland Bush, Glassel**.  
**Alexander Moir**, farmer, **North Artrochie, Ellon**.  
**Alexander Moir**, **Snipfield, Colpy, Inch**.  
**Alexander Moir**, farmer, **Waterton, Ellon**.  
**Andrew Moir**, **Wardhouse, Mains, Inch**.  
**George Moir**, **Fedderate, New Deer**.  
**George S. Moir, Jr.**, **Knockhall, Newburgh**.  
**James Moir, M. A.**, **Firs, Kinharrochie, Ellon**.  
**Robert Moir**, **Tarty, Ellon**.

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\*This lady is a noted Scottish singer, with a good reputation in her own circle, which includes several states.

†**Doctor and General Francisco Anguino** is one of the principal personages in the Republic of Guatemala; speaking politically, legally and socially. He has served under several administrations, as Magistrate, Minister successively of War, Foreign Relations, Justice and the Interior. He has been Vice-President of the Republic, Minister in Washington, U. S. A., and in Mexico, and is actually Vice-President of the National Assembly, and President of the Council of State.

## BANFFSHIRE MOIRS

\*WILLIAM J. MOIR, attorney-at-law since 1856, member of legislature two terms; mayor of Eldora, Iowa, two terms; treasurer and trustee of the State Industrial School of Iowa, for thirty years (1904) and on the first day of July, 1903, made his 69th semi-annual report as treasurer of Eldora lodge, I. O. O. F.; was born October 19, 1824, in Buchan, Scotland, son of John Moir of Buchan, Scotland, (who came to Stanstead, P. Q., Canada, in 1830, and who died recently) and Mary Morrison. Married October 27, 1847, Olive Jane Ball, of Stanstead, Province of Quebec, and had issue:—

Particulars mostly taken from "Annals of Iowa," July, 1904.

1912.

I. MARCUS WILLIAM MOIR, tax ferret, now of Eldora, Iowa, b. May 11, 1851, in Bristolville, Ohio; m. 1872, Frances Augusta Graves, dau. of Harvey Graves, of Eldora, Iowa, and had issue:—

1. Clara Luella Moir, of Aberdeen, South Dakota, b. 1873, in Eldora, Iowa; m. 1895, Samuel Sherman Foster, hotelkeeper, son of William Harrison Foster, of Mason City, Iowa.
2. Harriet Jane Moir, of Eldora, Iowa, b. May 14, 1878, in Eldora, Iowa; m. Sept. 20, 1897, George Harold Brooks, farmer, son of William Brooks, of Joplin, Missouri, and had issue:—

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\*William J. Moir was born in Banffshire, Scotland, October 19, 1824. He came to this country with his parents in 1830. He was educated at Derby Academy, Vt., and was naturalized at Plymouth, Ind., in August, 1854. At the latter place he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1856. He settled in Eldora, Hardin county, the same year, where he has since resided and practiced his profession. He has twice served—in 1862 and 1864—in the Iowa House of Representatives, where he proved himself a useful and conscientious member. He also served twelve years on the Eldora school board, and was twice elected mayor of that city. Mr. Moir was the leader in the work of founding the State Reform School at Eldora, and one of its foremost friends and promoters. He served as one of the Board of Trustees—with the exception of two years—from the beginning, until it was taken in charge by the Board of Control in 1898. He was many years treasurer of the institution, during which time he disbursed the sum of \$1,228,557.25, for which he never asked nor received any compensation whatever. His services in connection with the Reform School have always met with hearty approval, and he is well known to the people of Iowa from his long and efficient work in building up that institution.

He is a well-known author of articles for the press, and has written for the "Annals of Iowa," an historical magazine published by the Historical Department of Iowa, an article on "Enoch Worthen Eastman." William John Moir, had several uncles, (brothers of his father,) viz:—William, David and James or Robert Moir.

(See portrait inserted.)

(From "Annals of Iowa," July, 1904.)

1. Margery Frances Brooks, b. Jan. 18, 1898, Eldora, Iowa.
2. Vivian Harriett Brooks, b. Apr. 7, 1900, Eldora, Iowa.
3. Marcus William Moir Brooks, b. Apr. 26, 1901, Eldora, Iowa.

3. Mabel Charlotte Moir, born Oct. 27, 1881, in Eldora, Iowa.

II. GEORGE J. MOIR, painter and decorator, of Eldora, Iowa, born Oct. 14, 1861, in Eldora, Iowa; m. 1883, (———), and had issue:—

1. \*William J. Moir, Jr., b. 1884, Eldora, Iowa, and (1905) is attending college in Des Moines, Iowa.

(Buchan) JOHN NICOL MOIR, of Graniteville, Quebec, b. May 28, 1835, in Beebe Plain, Quebec, Canada; son of John Moir, of Banff, Scotland, a stone mason, (b. Nov. 6, 1797; d. Oct. 26, 1879,) and Sophia Nicol. Married Sept. 28, 1863, Emma Tryon, of Clarenceville, Quebec, and had issue:—

1. Mary Ella Moir, b. Dec. 20, 1866, in Graniteville, Quebec, Canada.

CHARLES MOIR, physician, of Louisville, Kentucky, b. 1858, in London, Ontario, son of James Moir of Banffshire, Scotland, and Mary Manderville, daughter of (———) Manderville, of County Louth, Ireland; m. 1880, Clara Jacques, dau. of Louis Jacques, of Belgium, and had issue:—

1. Charles Louis Moir, b. 1882, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Both father and son are graduates of the Medical College of the University of Louisville, Kentucky. The father has three brothers living, one John Moir, in London, Ontario, one Frank Moir, in Los Angeles, California, and one James Moir in St. Mary's, Ontario.

#### BANFFSHIRE

(From the County Directory of Scotland, for the years 1901-1904.)

David Moir, Berrydrum, Cornhill.

Mrs. Moir, Haugh, Aberlour.

#### NAMES OF RESIDENCES

Moir Clochan, } at Clochan, Banffshire,  
Moir Homie, } two and one-half miles from Port Gordon.

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\*A note from this young man's grandfather, dated Sept. 10, 1912, states that William J. Moir Jr., is now teaching in Lake Forest College, near Chicago, Illinois.

## CLACKMANANSHIRE MOIRS

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EDWARD MOIR, farmer, of Coalsnaughton, Clackmananshire, married Janet Sharpe, and had issue among others:—

Alexander Moir, miner, b. 1810, of Coalsnaughton, Tillicoultry; m. Margaret Harley, and had issue. (He died 1882, and she died 1872).

1. Margaret Moir, b. in Scotland, now (1912) in Clinton, Mass.
2. Janet Moir, b. in Scotland, now (1912) in Clinton, Mass.
3. Edward Moir, engineer, b. 1844 in Tillicoultry; m. 1871; Ann Ramsay, dau. of James Ramsay of Dumfries, and had issue:—

1. James Alexander Moir, engineer, for 15 years, (1912) in Clinton, Mass., for 8 years a blacksmith, in Scotland, b. 1872, in Dumfries; m. Feb. 22, 1899, Margaret Harrower, and had issue:—

1. Edward Alexander Moir, born Dec. 4, 1902, in Clinton, Mass.
2. Margaret Ramsay Moir, born May 30, 1911, in Clinton, Mass.
2. Mary Margaret Moir, born 1874, at Edinburgh, now (1912) in Tillicoultry.
3. Robert Ramsay Moir, engineer, (stationary) b. 1876, in Edinburgh; m. 1909, and was killed accidentally by an engine, Feb. 1911, at Glasgow.
4. Elizabeth Hamilton Moir, b. at Dollar, Scotland; m. 1909, Robert R. Moir.

### CLACKMANANSHIRE

(From The County Directory of Scotland, 1902.)

JAMES MACARTHUR MOIR, Hillfoot, Dollar, Clackmananshire.

S. H. MOIR, Rowanbrae Cottage, Garelohead.

MISSES MOIR, Benvue, Kilcraggan.

## EDINBURGH AND LEITH MOIRS

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PETER MOIR, mariner, of Newport, Rhode Island, b. 1857, Glasgow, Scotland, son of Edward Moir of Portobello, Scotland, and Margaret Dawson; grandson of Edward Moir and Eliza Burns, of Leith, Scotland; m. 1897, Annie Pullin, dau. of Samuel Pullin, of Dublin, Ireland.

WILLIAM RALSTON SOMERS MOIR, for 10 years captain 15th Sept. Co., of New York regiment, subway builder, of New York City; b. 1867, in New York, N. Y., son of William Somers Moir, of Edinburgh, Scotland, and Elizabeth Chinscola; grandson of William Moir, of Edinburgh, Scotland, and Jane Somers; m. 1889, first, Mabel Afton of Rochester, New York, who d. 1899, and had issue:—

1. Jesse Moir, b. 1891, Bloomfield, New Jersey.
2. William Moir, b. 1895, New York City, d. 1895.

W. R. S. Moir, married secondly, Johanna Geneva Eberhardt, of Germany, dau. of Eide H. Eberhardt.

The above W. R. S. MOIR, had a brother and sister as follows:—

1. Jesse T. Moir, b. 1871, in New York City, m. 1898; he is a custom house weigher; has issue.
2. Jane Somers Moir, b. 1869, in New York City, m. 1888 (——) Knapp, of Newark, New Jersey, and has issue.

### EDINBURGSHIRE

(From Scottish County Directory, 1902.)

See page 179.

OSWALD B. MOIR, The Elms, Hillhead, Laswade.

## ELGINSHIRE MOIRS

### DESCENDANTS OF ALEXANDER MOIR AND MARGARET FORSYTH OF FORRES

The family of ALEXANDER MOIR and MARGARET FORSYTH of Forres, Elginshire, Scotland, were at least three sons, and one daughter, namely:—

1. AGNES MOIR, who married a Mr. Petrie.
2. WILLIAM MOIR.
3. JOHN MOIR, who married Mary Lyle.
4. ALEXANDER ANDERSON MOIR.

This branch is quite possibly related to the "More" family described in article following this family.

Of this family, three are known to have been born in Forres, Elginshire, and to have come to America early in the Nineteenth century; John Moir and Alexander Anderson Moir went south, settling in Virginia, and North Carolina. John did not have many children, but Alexander Anderson Moir has a large number of descendants now scattered throughout the territory named.

Alexander Moir, father of this family, had a younger brother Robert, who also has a large posterity in Virginia and North Carolina, many of whom are prominent in public affairs, and successful in business. Of this family, one a son of John, met another Moir (said to have been a cousin) in the American Civil War, one as a soldier from the South, and one as a prisoner from the North, and through their surname, became fast friends, the soldier aiding the prisoner at every opportunity. And there is a record of friendliness between the two, which has strengthened family relations to this day.

ALEXANDER ANDERSON MOIR, b. Forres, m. Mary Holt Cogbill, and had issue:—

1. Lucy Ann Elizabeth Moir, b. Apr. 26, 1826, at Leaksville, North Carolina, m. July 29, 1846, Henry Tuggle, sheriff of Patrick County, Virginia, son of John Tuggle, and had issue:—

1. James Edwin Tuggle, b. Mar. 13, 1848, in Stuart, Virginia, died July 31, 1865, unmarried.
2. Henry Irving Tuggle, born Sept. 1, 1849, in Stuart, Va., m. Dec. 27, 1877.
3. Thomas Alexander Tuggle, b. Aug. 16, 1851, in Stuart, Va.
4. Mary Elizabeth Tuggle, b. May 22, 1853, in Stuart, Va., m. May 23, 1875, Rev. D. Johnson Scales and had issue, six children:—

1. Jessie Evelyn Scales, born Apr. 4, 1879, in Patrick County, Va., married

- Sept. 9, 1900, (——) **Wood**, and had issue.
2. **Harriet Mae Scales**, b. Feb. 14, 1880, in **Henry County, Va.**
  3. **Marguerite Lucy Scales**, born May 11, 1882, in **Henry County, Va.**
  4. **Thomas Henry Scales**, b. Sept. 27, 1886, in **Henry County, Va.**
  5. **Nellie Noel Scales**, b. Apr. 1, 1889, in **Henry County, Va.**
  6. **Robert Emmett Scales**, b. Sept. 11, 1893, in **Henry County, Va.**
5. **John William Tuggle**, deputy sheriff and county treasurer of **Portsmouth, Virginia**, b. May 7, 1855, in **Patrick County, Va.**, m. **Mary Ann Putzel**, dau. of **Sigmund Putzel of Germany**, and had issue:—
1. **William Henry Tuggle**, b. Jan. 2, 1882, in **Martinville, Va.**
  2. **John Edward Tuggle**, b. Nov. 22, 1884, in **Martinville, Va.**
  3. **James Beverly Tuggle**, born Mar. 30, 1887, in **Martinville, Va.**
  4. **Mary Lucy Tuggle**, b. Jan. 23, 1890, in **Martinville, Va.**
6. **Lucy Emma Tuggle**, b. Aug. 16, 1868, in **Stuart, Va.**
7. **Robert Emmett Tuggle**, born June 3, 1861, in **Stuart, Patrick County, Va.**
8. **Walter Lee Tuggle**, born Sept. 21, 1863, in **Stuart, Patrick County, Va.**
9. **Caroline Margaret Tuggle**, born Oct. 28, 1865, in **Stuart, Patrick County, Va.** m. Feb. 9, 1887, **Charles H. Hudspeth**, and had issue, one child:—
1. **Bessie Reed Hudspeth**.
10. **Penelope Noel Tuggle**, born Oct. 4, 1871, in **Stuart, Patrick County, Va.**, m. Oct. 26, 1898, **Charles James Lightly**. (No issue.)

II. **ALEXANDER THOMAS MOIR**, merchant and soldier, of **Westfield, North Carolina**, b. 1828, in **Leaksville, N. C.**; m. 1856, **Elizabeth Jane Smith**, dau. of **Jabez H. Smith**, of **Floyd, Va.**, and had issue:—

1. **Mary Alice Moir**, b. 1857, in **Westfield, N. C.**, married Oct. 12, 1892, **Henry Clay Allen**, son of **Baldwin Allen**, of **Louisa, Virginia**, and had issue:—

1. **Henry Moir Allen**, born Feb. 18, 1897, in Roanoke, Va.
2. **Edgar Percival Moir**, born 1859, in Westfield, N. C., m. 1883, and had issue.
3. **Lucien Alexander Moir**, b. 1861, in Westfield, N. C., and died when two years old.

III. **WILLIAM WALLACE MOIR**, public commissioner of accounts, of **Stuart, Va.**, b. 1835, in **Stuart, Va.**; m. 1859, **Carolina Virginia Martin**, dau. of **Thomas S. Martin**, of **Caroline, Va.**, and had issue:—

1. **Edwin L. Moir**, b. 1860, in **Stuart, Va.**
2. **Henry M. Moir**, b. 1861, in **Stuart, Va.**
3. **Virgil Pearson Moir**, b. 1864, in **Stuart, Va.**, m. 1888, **Minnie McCrary**, dau. of **Thomas Witt McCrary**, of **Nelson, Va.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Marion McCrary Moir**, born 1890, in **Stuart, Va.**
  2. **Virginia Branch Moir**, b. 1892, in **Stuart, Virginia.**
  3. **William Wallace Moir**, b. 1900, in **Winston-Salem, N. C.**
  4. **McCrary Moir**, born 1903, in **Winston-Salem, N. C.**
4. **Mary E. Moir**, b. 1866, in **Danbury, Va.**
5. **Thomas Alexander Moir**, b. 1868, in **Stuart, Va.**, and died 1885.
6. **Percival Mac Pherson Moir**, master of laws, attorney-at-law, 1st Sergeant, of Co. D, 2d regiment of **Virginia**, in the Spanish-American War, later was treasurer of **Cavite Province, Philippine Islands**, and the prosecuting attorney **Mountain Judicial District**, in the same islands. Now, (1912,) of **Cervantes, P. I.**, b. 1870, in **Stuart, Va.**, m. Dec. 28, 1902, **Maude H. Kirtland**, dau. of **Edward Mansfield Kirtland**, of **St. Louis, Mo.**
7. **Jepie Moir**, b. 1870, in **Stuart, Va.**
8. **William Wallace Moir, Jr.**, b. 1872, in **Stuart, Va.**
9. **Charles R. Moir**, b. 1874, in **Stuart, Va.**

IV. **CYBELLA SUSAN MOIR**, of **Chatham, Va.**, b. Dec. 3, 1840; m. 1866, **Walker Timberlake Noel**, of **Fluvanna, Va.**, and had issue:—

1. **Julia Fenwick Noel**, b. 1868, in **Stuart, Va.**, and died in 1870.
2. **\*Moir Alexander Noel**, b. April 23, 1870, in

\*Moir Alexander Noel, Sr., in 1899, was in Co. F. 43rd U. S. V. Infantry, and later went to the Philippines where the regiment served for nearly two years. Afterwards followed the printer's trade, and was for some time editor of a newspaper at Dawson Springs, Kentucky, (The Weekly Oracle).



Stuart, Va.; m. June 22, 1904, **Laura S. Ligen**, dau. of **Robert C. Ligen**, and had issue:—

1. **Moir Alexander Noel, Jr.**, b. June 29, 1905.
2. **Robert Walker Noel**, b. Jan. 18, 1907.
3. **Lotta Margaret Noel**, b. May 27, 1908.
3. **Charles Wallace Noel**, b. Apr. 2, 1872, in **Stuart, Va.**, now a farmer of **Chatham, Va.**; m. Aug. 25, 1895, **Annie Laurier**, dau. of **John E. Laurier**, of **Pittsylvania, Va.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Anna Wallace Noel**, b. Dec. 30, 1896, in **Chatham, Va.**
  4. **Robert Boisseau Noel**, b. Feb. 24, 1874, is a railroad employee, of **Chatham, Va.**; m. Feb. 8, 1898, **Anna Virginia Shields**, dau. of **Thomas Langhorn Shields**, and had issue:—
    1. **Herbert Moir Noel**, b. Oct. 1, 1899, in **Chatham, Va.**
    2. **Helen Moir Noel**, b. Mar. 1, 1901, in **Chatham, Va.**
  5. **Walker Timberlake Noel**, b. 1877, in **Stuart, Va.**, and m. 1902, (—), and had issue.
  6. **Clayson Beason Noel**, b. 1880, in **Stuart, Va.**
  7. **John Forsyth Noel**, b. Feb. 17, 1882, in **Stuart, Virginia.**

V. **JOHN WILLIAM MOIR**, of **Rocky Mount, Virginia**, son of **Alexander Anderson Moir**, and **Mary Holt Cogbill**; m. **Barbara Adeline Burnette**, and had issue:—

1. **Margaret Moir**, of **Kingston, N. C.**, m. 1887, **Walter Holdersby**, son of **Richard Holdersby**, of **Danville, Va.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Elise Holdersby**, born 1891, in **Chase City, Va.**
2. **Ida Moir**, who married a **Mr. Stephens**. She died shortly after the birth of her only son:—
  1. **Moir Alexander Stephens**, b. 1892.
3. **James Cogbill Moir**, merchant, of **Roanoke, Va.**, b. 1857, in **Elamsville, Va.**; m. 1887, **H. May Turnbull**, dau. of **Louis Edward Turnbull**, of **Retreat, Va.**
4. **John William Moir**, of **Kingston, N. C.**, merchant, b. 1860, in **Rocky Mount, Va.**; m. 1903, **Lula Maud Duncan**, dau. of **William Duncan** of **Amherst, Virginia**, and had issue.

VI. **JAMES COGBILL MOIR**, who m. **Louisa E. Carter**, was a merchant of **Leaksville, N. C.**,

they had at least two children:—

1. **Mary Alice Cogbill Moir**, of **Rocky Mount, Va.**, b. 1850, in **Elamsville, Virginia**.
2. **John Alexander Moir**, merchant and farmer, of **Rocky Mount, Va.**, b. 1853, in **Elamsville, Va.**; m. 1887, **Bertha Lee Richards**, dau. of **William A. Richards**, of **Pittsylvania, Va.** No issue.

**SANDY (?) ALEXANDER MOIR**, physician, merchant and farmer, of **Francisco, North Carolina**, graduate of the **University of North Carolina**, b. **October 17, 1862**, in **Francisco, N. C.**, son of **Robert Forsyth Moir**, of **Leaksville, N. C.**, and **Serena Jane Clark**, grandson of **Alexander Anderson Moir**, of **Forres, Scotland**, and **Mary Holt Cogbill**. Married, **June 2, 1893**, **Alpha Dunkley**, dau. of **Samuel Dunkley**, of **Patrick County, N. C.**, and had issue:—

The full name is exactly as written by himself, and is the name he has always been known by.

1. **Robert Dunkley Moir**, b. **April 18, 1894**, in **Limerick, N. C.**
2. **Lucy Serena Moir**, b. **Oct. 28, 1897**, in **Limerick, N. C.**
3. **Samuel Alexander Moir**, b. **Nov. 18, 1898**, in **Limerick, N. C.**
4. **Emma Lillian Moir**, b. **Jan. 31, 1901**, in **Francisco, N. C.**

**ROBERT MOIR**, tailor, afterwards farmer, large planter and manufacturer, was a brother of **ALEXANDER MOIR** who married **MARGARET FORSYTH**, both of whom were born in **Forres, Elginshire, Scotland**. At the close of the Civil War, (1861-1865) **Robert** was the owner of over fifty slaves. **Robert** was born, **Oct. 15, 1796**, in **Forres**, he came to **America** early in the Nineteenth century, and settled in **Rockingham County, North Carolina**. He m. **Elizabeth Perray Porter**, on **July 1, 1819**, and had issue, eleven children as follows:—

- I. **MARGARET MOIR**, b. **Mar. 23, 1820**, in **Rockingham Co., N. C.**, and m. **Burrell Roberts**. (No issue.)
- II. **JANET MOIR**, b. **Feb. 19, 1822**, in **Rockingham Co., N. C.**; m. **George Reynolds**, and had issue, one son, who died without issue.
- III. **ELIZABETH MOIR**, b. **Dec. 28, 1823**, in **Rockingham Co., N. C.**, m. **N. D. Sullivan** of **Forsyth Co., N. C.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Sallie Sullivan**, b. in **Forysth Co., N. C.**, m. **P. N. Booe**, and had issue:—
    1. **Sarah Clement Booe**.

2. Sullivan Booe.
3. Elizabeth Booe.
4. Lucy Hodgkin Booe.
5. Phillip Booe.
6. Alexander Booe.

2. Elizabeth Sullivan, born ———, m. W. N. Poindexter, and had issue:—
  1. Nat. S. Poindexter.
  2. Elizabeth Poindexter.
  3. William Poindexter.

IV. DE WITT CLINTON MOIR, b. Jan. 14, 1826, in Rockingham Co., N. C., was a Confederate soldier in the Civil War (1861-65), and was killed in battle.

V. PENELOPE GEE MOIR, b. Nov. 23, 1827, in Rockingham Co., N. C., m. 1850, Walter B. Johnson (who d. June 29, 1885). She d. April 4, 1912. No issue from this union.

VI. LUCY PARTHENA MOIR, b. Feb. 24, 1832, in Rockingham Co., N. C., m. S. H. Hodgkin, and had issue:—

1. Anna Hodgkin, b. in Forsyth Co., N. C., and m. J. W. Hanes, of Winston-Salem, N. C., and had issue.
2. James Moir Hodgkin, born in Forsyth Co., N. C., m. Daisy Maroney, of Salisbury, N. C., and had issue, one child:—
  1. Moir Hodgkin.
3. George D. Hodgkin, b. in Forsyth Co., N. C., now of Winston-Salem, N. C.
4. Mary Hodgkin, died unmarried.

VII. ROBERT ALEXANDER MOIR, was a Confederate soldier, 1860-1863, served in the 57th N. C. Regiment, now a farmer (1905), of Rockingham, Va., b. 1834, in Rockingham, N. C., m. 1858, Sarah Elizabeth Allen, dau. of James Allen, and had issue:—

1. Mary Elizabeth Moir, m. 1879, (———), d. 1896.
2. Jennie Moir, d. 1890.
3. Robert Alexander Moir, Jr., d. 1898.
4. Lena Tabitha Moir.
5. Samuel Whitfield Moir.
6. James Allen Moir.
7. John Fletcher Moir.
8. Sallie Dora Moir.
9. Walter Nathaniel Moir.

VII) ANNA DELIGHT MOIR, b. Aug. 4, 1836; died young.

IX. JAMES STEWART MOIR, farmer, of Walkers-  
town, N. C., born 1838, in Leaksville, N. C.,  
m. 1867, Melvina Van Hoy, dau. of Abram  
Van Hoy, of Walkerstown, N. C., and had  
issue:—

(J. S. Moir was a Confederate soldier, 1860-  
1863, (is alive 1912), 3d Cavalry, N. C.)

1. De Witt Clinton Moir, b. 1869, in Walkers-  
town, N. C., m. 1902, Lillie May Dicks, dau.  
of Dr. W. P. Dicks, of Walkerstown, N. C.,  
and had issue:—

1. Margaret Malvina Moir, b. 1903, in  
Walkerstown, N. C.

2. Lillie Demarius Moir, born 1870, in  
Walkerstown, N. C.

3. Betty Sullivan Moir, born 1873, in  
Walkerstown, N. C., and married  
Robert Christian, and had issue.  
(She died 1898.)—

1. Bettie Christian.

4. Thomas Robert Moir, b. 1878, in  
Walkerstown, N. C.

X. ROBINA MOIR, b. May, 1840, in Rockingham  
Co., N. C., and died young.

XI. TÖBITHA INGRAM MOIR, born October 25,  
1829, in Rockingham County, N. C., married  
Charles B. Ogburn, of Forsyth County, N. C.,  
and had issue:—

1. Cora Elizabeth Ogburn, b. in Forsyth Co., N.  
C., m. William P. Hill, of Forsyth Co., N. C., and  
had issue:—

1. Charles Gideon Hill, b. in Forsyth Co.,  
N. C., m. Mary E. Cannon, of Con-  
cord, N. C., and had issue, two chil-  
dren.

2. William P. Hill, Jr.

3. Eugene Hill.

4. Elizabeth Hill.

5. Ashton Hill.

2. Robert Edward Ogburn, b. (—) m. Ella  
Masten, and had issue:—

1. Robert M. Ogburn.

2. Nathaniel Ogburn.

3. J. Fred Ogburn.

4. **Henley Ogburn.**
3. **Charles De Witt Ogburn**, tobacco manufacturer and merchant, of **Winston-Salem, N. C.**, born April 25, 1861, in **Forsyth Co., N. C.**, m. Feb. 12, 1895, **Carrie C. Shelton**, dau. of **John F. Shelton**, of **Forsyth Co., N. C.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Carl De Witt Ogburn**, b. Dec. 23, 1895.
  2. **Ralph Belo Ogburn**, b. Dec. 14, 1897.

**JOHN MOIR** of **Forres, Scotland**, and **MARY LYLE** had at least two children:—

I. **MARGARET MOIR**, of **Rockingham County, N. C.**, b. **Forres, Scotland**, Feb. 10, 1831; m. Mar. 2, 1852, **Thomas William Field**, son of **Rev. Benton Field**, of **Randolph, N. C.**

1. **Mary Lyle Field**, b. Feb. 6, 1853, in **Rockingham Co., N. C.**, m. Sept. 20, 1879, **James Madison Price**, farmer, tobacconist and insurance, son of **John Pryor Price**, of **Rockingham, N. C.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Edgar Field Price**, born June 30, 1872 **Rockingham Co., N. C.**, m. 1899.
  2. **Mary Eleanor Price**, b. Dec. 27, 1874, **Rockingham Co., N. C.**, a music teacher.
  3. **Margaret Moir Price**, b. Mar. 16, 1877, in **Henry Co., N. C.**
  4. **Martha Price**, b. March 22, 1879, in **Henry Co., N. C.**, died July 22, 1880.
  5. **William Pryor Price**, b. Aug. 5, 1881; in **Henry Co., N. C.**, a student (1904), at the **Philadelphia Textile School**.
  6. **John Moir Price**, b. Dec. 31, 1886, in **Rockingham Co., N. C.**
  7. **James Bruce Price**, born July 22, 1888, in **Rockingham Co., N. C.**
2. A daughter, married and died without issue.
3. **John Benton Field**, of **New York City**, b. Nov. 11, 1868, in **Rockingham Co., N. C.**, now (1905) a bookkeeper for the **American Cigar Co.**, at **New York City**; m. Nov. 27, 1890, **Kate Collins**, of **Pilot Grove, N. Y.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Henry Roe Field**, b. Sept. 7, 1891, in **Rockingham, N. C.**

II. **HENRY CLAY MOIR**, formerly a Confederate soldier, of the **93rd North Carolina Regiment**, in the **American Civil War** of 1861-1865, b. April

27, 1844, in Leaksville, N. C.; m. April 27, 1898, Fannie Wilson, dau. of George Griggs, of Henry County, Va. (No issue.)

This soldier was one of those who on being taken prisoner, met another soldier of the same name, (said to have been a cousin) a Union soldier, of whom he writes, "He was more than kind to me while I was in prison at Point Lookout, Maryland, for thirteen months during the war."

\*ROBERT MOIR, of Burlington, Iowa, son of WILLIAM MOIR and AGNES PETRIE, both of Forres, Elginshire, Scotland, born October 30, 1824, came to America, in 1833, and afterwards settled in Oquawka, and Burlington, Iowa, he m. 1849, Mary Nicol, and had issue:—

1. John Moir, b. Mar. 2, 1850, in Oquawka, Ill., married (———), and had issue, (he d. Oct. 13, 1896):—
  1. John Moir, Jr., now deceased (1904).
  2. Mabel Moir.
  3. Robert Moir, now deceased (1904).
2. Martha Moir, b. 1852.
3. William Moir, b. Feb. 23, 1854, d. Dec. 28, 1882.
4. Mary Moir, b. 1856, m. C. B. King, of Peoria, Ill., and had issue, two daughters:—
  1. Helen King.
  2. Marie King.
5. Robert Moir, b. 1858, married (———), and had issue:—
  1. Margery Moir.
6. James Moir, b. 1860.
7. Alexander Moir, b. 1862, m. (———), and had issue:—
  1. Martha Moir.
8. Ida Moir, b. Aug. 17, 1866, in Oquawka, Ill., m. Oct. 9, 1895, George Stone Tracy, of Burlington, Iowa. (No issue.)



\*See extended account of this gentleman on another page.

## \*A GREAT AMERICAN FAMILY



See pages 56  
and 57 for  
records of  
births, etc.

JOHN MORE, of Roxbury, New York, was born Feb. 24, 1745, in Forres, †Elginshire, Scotland; died Jan. 1, 1840, in Roxbury, New York; son of JOHN MOIR, and ISOBEL DUNCAN; grandson of GREGOR MOIR and ISOBEL GRANT. He m. June 9, 1770, in Elgin, Scotland, (by Rev. David Rentoul) BETTY, dau. of ROBERT TAYLOR and JEAN INNES. She was born 1738, in Elgin, and d. Oct. 13, 1823, in Roxbury, New York. John came to America in 1772, (the two elder children of his family having been born in Scotland.) He settled shortly after in Roxbury, New York. Had issue:—

I. JOHN TAYLOR MORE, b. Feb. 27, 1771, d. June 23, 1857, married 1792, ELEANOR LARAWAY, and in the record of the MORE FAMILY printed in 1893, there were 187 descendants, recorded as follows:—

12 children,  
48 grandchildren,  
101 great-grandchildren, and  
26 great-great-grandchildren.

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\*The particulars given in this article are taken from the "More Family History," published in Binghamton, N. Y., 1893.

†Forres, County of Elgin, Scotland, near there, a famous monument—no one knows its origin—25 feet in height, made of the hardest granite in Scotland.

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- II. ROBERT MORE, b. July 8, 1772, d. Feb. 19, 1849, m. SUSANNA FELLOWS, and in the records of the MORE FAMILY of 1893, there were **147 descendants**, as follows:—
- 9 children,
  - 36 grandchildren,
  - 64 great-grandchildren, and
  - 38 great-great-grandchildren.
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- III. ALEXANDER TAYLOR MORE, b. January 5, 1775, died March 11, 1854, married 1795, NANCY HARLEY. According to the MORE FAMILY HISTORY in 1893, their **descendants numbered 204**, as follows:—
- 14 children,
  - 57 grandchildren,
  - 96 great-grandchildren, and
  - 37 great-great-grandchildren.
- DO.  
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- IV. JONAS MOIR, b. March 22, 1778, d. March 5, 1852, married DEBORAH PERSON. In 1893, there were **records of 148 descendants**, in the MORE FAMILY HISTORY as follows:—
- 9 children,
  - 34 grandchildren,
  - 65 great-grandchildren, and
  - 40 great-great-grandchildren.
- DO.  
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- V. JEAN MORE, b. April 3, 1780, d. June 5, 1861; m. in 1795, DAVID SMITH of **Forres, Scotland**, and there were in 1893, according to the MORE family history, a total of **202 descendants** of this couple, as follows:—
- 12 children,
  - 57 grand-children,
  - 96 great-grand-children, and
  - 37 great-great-grand-children,
- DO.  
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- VI. JAMES MORE, b. Jan. 10, 1782, d. May 19, 1866; m. ROXANNA BENJAMIN, and according to the **family history printed** in 1893, there were a **total of 93 descendants**, recorded as follows:—
- 7 children,
  - 25 grand-children,
  - 41 great-grand-children, and
  - 20-great-great-grand-children.
- DO.  
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VII. DAVID MORE, b. Jan. 11, 1786, d. Nov. 29, 1873; m. ELIZABETH GOULD, and in the MORE history of 1893, there is a record of **119 descendants**, as follows:—

13 children,  
51 grand-children,  
50 great-grand-children, and  
5 great-great-grand-children.

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VIII. EDWARD LIVINGSTONE MORE, b. Aug. 1st, 1778, d. Aug. 13, 1867; m. Jan. 1, 1808, CHARITY STANLEY, and there were **re-  
corded** in the **genealogical record** of the **family** in 1893, **125 descendants**, as follows:—

13 children,  
52 grand-children, and  
60 great-grand-children.

This makes a total of 1225 descendants of JOHN MORE and BETTY TAYLOR recorded in 1893, in the family record—most remarkable figures for one family. The record is illuminated with many famous names, some of whom are known world-wide, professional men, doctors, lawyers, clergymen, men who have been leaders in the finances of the world.

The complete record of this family fills a good sized book, and it has been gotten up so finely, and there have been a number of supplements printed, appearing periodically, that it would be out of place to more than just barely mention the family in this manner. The family are widely scattered now, over the **United States** principally. From first to last this is an honorable and upright family and a credit to the **Moirs** from whom they are descended.

The Gould Memorial Church at Roxbury, New York, was presented by a descendant of Jay Gould, and is a memorial to his mother—Mary More Gould. (See illustration.)

The More family had a great re-union in 1890 at **Roxbury, New York**, at which time an immense granite shaft was erected over the graves of JOHN MORE and BETTY TAYLOR. A representation of the monument is shown herewith.

Since 1890 the family have fully organized, and meet at **Roxbury** every five years. They also issue periodically, as already mentioned, "**The Historical Journal of**

the MORE family," containing full historical information, as well as bringing the genealogy up to the time of publication.

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Representatives of the MORE family of AMERICA, who continue to spell the name MOIR in SCOTLAND

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JOHN MOIR and ISABEL DUNCAN, were married at Forres, Elginshire, Scotland, Dec. 22, 1735. They had issue:—

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1. JEAN MOIR, b. Aug. 29, 1739, m. Nov. 12, 1766, JOHN TORRIE, and had issue.
2. ALEXANDER MOIR, b. July 31, 1740, married but date and wife's name is uncertain.
3. MARGARET MOIR, b. Apr. 3, 1743.
4. JOHN MORE, b. Feb. 24, 1745, m. 1770, BETTY TAYLOR, dau. of ROBERT TAYLOR, and had issue.
5. CHRISTIAN MOIR, b. May 12, 1748.
6. ISABEL MOIR, b. Jan. 26, 1750.
7. JAMES MOIR, b. Mar. 8, 1752, m. 1778, probably, HELEN WILSON.
8. DAVID MOIR.

(It will be noticed that JOHN in the above family is the only one who spells his name **More**, we are taking the privilege of naming the others **Moir**, because, 1st, the father's name is **Moir**; and 2d, subsequent descendants of most of the others continue to spell the name **Moir**. Even in the parish registers, some of these are spelled **More**; but this is not to be wondered at, when the name, whether spelled **Moir** or **More** is pronounced **More**, especially in the lowland **Scottish** dialect.)

DAVID MOIR, a brother of the above-described JOHN MORE, had two sons, GREGOR and PETER, and two daughters.

PETER had six sons, JAMES, JOHN, GREGOR, PETER, DAVID, and ALEXANDER, and three daughters, ELLEN, BARBARA and JANET. BARBARA married JAMES GRANT, and her grandson, WILLIAM GRANT, now (1906), resides in New York City.

JAMES had one son PETER, and one daughter, BELLA JEAN.

GREGOR, son of PETER, came to and settled in America.

DAVID MOIR, brother of JOHN MOIR, who married ISABEL DUNCAN, (both of Forres) married HELEN GRANT, dau. of GREGOR GRANT, and the pair were styled "of Drumcork," December 1788, and they had issue, at least two children:—

1. Gregor Moir, b. Dec. 1788.
2. John More, b. June 28, 1790.

In Aug. 3, 1838, there was married at Lynlish, by the Rev. John Clark, PETER MOIR and JANET ROBERTSON, both in Balnaan of Muckrach, and on Aug. 19, 1839, there was born, GREGOR MOIR to this couple.

The above PETER, was probably a son of the DAVID mentioned on page 203.

DAVID MOIR of Liverpool, England, fourth son of PETER MOIR and JANET ROBERTSON of Balnaan of Muckrach, Grantown-on-Spey, m. ANNIE FRANKLIN, and had issue:—

1. Annie Ellen Moir, b. July 5, 1879.
2. Ernest Franklin Moir, b. Nov. 25, 1880.
3. James B. Moir, b. Mar. 2, 1882.
4. Frederick William Francis Moir, b. Oct. 30, 1884.
5. Barbara Helen Moir, b. Dec. 11, 1887.
6. John Malcolmson Moir, b. Jan. 20, 1890.
7. Thomas Amos Moir, b. May 1st, 1892.
8. Jessie Irene Moir, b. Feb. 15, 1895.

Of the above family, JAMES B. MOIR, obtained a Bachelor of Science degree from the Liverpool College, and he is now, (1911), assistant master of the Council School at Liverpool.

FREDERICK W. F. MOIR also won a degree of Bachelor of Science, and also a Bachelor of Arts degree at London.

JOHN M. MOIR, also won a Bachelor of Science degree.

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#### MOIRS' IN ELGINSHIRE

(From Scottish County Directory for 1902.)

J. MOIR, Aden Villa, Elgin.

JAMES MOIR, farmer, Balnaan, Dulnain Bridge, Grantown-on-Spey.

## JAY GOULD'S INTERESTING FAMILY

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Great-great-grand-parents — JOHN MOIR—ISABEL DUNCAN. Maternal  
Side

Great-grand-parents — JOHN MORE — BETTY TAYLOR.

Grand-parents — ALEXANDER T. MORE—NANCY HARLEY.

Parents — JOHN B. GOULD—MARY MORE.

JAY GOULD'S great-grand-parents came from **Forres, Elginshire, Scotland**, in 1772, and landed in **America**; shortly afterwards were pioneers in the then wilds of western **New York** state, at **Moresville**, now a part of **Rochester, New York**. JAY GOULD was b. May 27, 1836; m. Jan. 22, 1863, HELEN DAY MILLER, and d. Dec. 2, 1892. His family follows:—

I. GEORGE JAY GOULD, born 1864, m. 1886, EDITH KINGDON and had issue:—

1. Kingdon Gould, b. 1887.
2. Jay Gould, b. 1888, m. April 1911, Annie Douglas Graham. Issue:—
  1. Eleanor Gould, b. Jan. 31, 1912.
3. Marjorie Gwynne Gould, b. 1890, m. April 19, 1910, Anthony Drexel, Jr., and had issue:—
  1. Edith Kingdon Gould Drexel, b. 1911.
  2. A son, born Dec. 9, 1912.
4. Helen Vivien Gould, b. 1892, m. Feb. 7, 1911, Lord Decies. Issue:—
  1. Elleen Vivien de la Poer Beresford, born Aug., 1912.
5. George Jay Gould, Jr., b. 1896.
6. Edith Kingdon Gould, b. 1901.
7. Gloria Anna Gould, b. Mar. 31, 1906.

II. EDWIN GOULD, b. 1866, m. 1892, SARAH SHRADY, and had issue:—

1. Edwin Gould, b. 1893.
2. Frank Miller Gould, b. 1899.

III. \*HELEN MILLER GOULD, b. 1868, m. Jan. 22, 1913, FINLEY J. SHEPARD, son of a Clergyman, and Assistant to the President of the Missouri Pacific Railroad.

IV. HOWARD GOULD, b. 1871, m. 1898, KATHERINE CLEMMONS.

V. ANNA GOULD, b. 1875, m. 1895, COUNT PAUL MARIE BONIFACE DE CASTELLANE and had issue:—

1. Boniface de Castellane, b. 1897.
2. George de Castellane, b. 1898.
3. Jay de Castellane, b. 1902.

Married second, 1908, DUKE DE TALLEYRAND PERIGORD, PRINCE DE SAGAN, and had issue:—

1. Charles Maurice Jason Howard, Duke de Sagan, b. 1909.

VI. FRANK JAY GOULD, b. 1877, m. 1901, HELEN MARGARET KELLEY, and had issue:—

1. Helen Margaret Gould, b. 1902.
2. Dorothy Gould, b. 1904.

Married second, 1909, EDITH KELLEY.




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\*Helen Gould. A name to conjure with among the enlisted men of the Army and Navy. A woman of great wealth, regarding herself as a trustee of her riches for the use and benefit of others. One who prompted by the wholesome dictates of a kindly heart and a sweet nature, has quietly and unostentatiously brought sunshine and happiness into the lives and homes of thousands. A philanthropist who has aroused no antagonisms and encountered no adverse criticism. Patriotic, generous and devoted to the uplift of humanity, she has won the admiration of the American people, and richly merits the tokens and expressions of appreciation which on the occasion of her marriage have come to her from people in all walks of life, and from the press of the land.

From "The Human Factor," March, 1913.

## ORKNEY AND SHETLAND MOIRS

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ALBERT EDWARD MOIR of Albany, New York, hotel clerk, b. April 1, 1877, in Buffalo, New York, son of Rev. David Stewart Moir of Kirkwall, Orkney Islands, Scotland, Episcopal minister, (formerly bookbinder), who claimed distant relationship to Washington Irving, the author, and had three sisters, who all died unmarried. He left Edinburgh when about 16, soon after the second marriage of his father Richard Moir, and Elizabeth Golding; grandson of Richard Moir of Edinburgh, Scotland, and ——— Stewart; m. Dec. 25, 1893, to Maude Almeda Dalmadge, dau. of Jacob J. Dalmadge of Milford, Ontario. No issue.

JAMES MOIR of Scranton, Pennsylvania, merchant tailor; member of the city council 10 years, mayor 3 years, at present (1911), municipal judge. B. Oct. 17, 1839, in Forgue, Aberdeenshire, Scotland; son of John Moir, b. 1800, in Stromness, Orkney, Scotland, and Elspet Robertson, grandson of John Moir of Stromness, Orkney, and Elizabeth Shurey; m. Dec. 1865, Frances L. Flint, dau. of Francis Flint, of Birmingham, England, and had issue:—

1. James Smith Moir of Buffalo, N. Y., b. Dec. 1866, in London, England, m. 1889.— —.
2. John William Moir of St. Louis, Missouri, b. 1868, in Philadelphia, Pa., blacksmith and now detective.
3. Helen F. Moir, trained nurse, b. 1870, in Philadelphia, Pa., 1893, (— —) living in Philadelphia.
4. Robert Burns Moir, b. 1872, in Scranton, Pa., d. Feb. 1896, was civil engineer, and a cadet at West Point military academy. (See official letter from Washington, D. C., on another page.)
5. Wallace Moir, b. 1874, in Scranton, Pa., m. 1897 —; he is a civil engineer.
6. Franklin Taylor Moir, of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, b. 1877, in Scranton, Pa., a steam fitter and plumber.
7. Wilfred Stanley Moir, born 1880, in Scranton, Penn., a surveyor.



8. **Flora M. Moir**, b. 1884 at **Scranton, Pa.**
9. **Elsie Sarah Moir**, b. 1886, in **Scranton, Pa.**
10. **Fannie L. Moir**, b. 1889, in **Scranton, Pa.**

**MR. MOIR** belongs to a number of societies, among which may be mentioned:—

**Peter Williamson** Lodge, F. and A. M.; A. A. Scottish Rite; Mystic Shrine; **Robert Burns** Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Scrantonia Canton; Columbus Commandery, Knights of Malta; Knights of Honor; ex-president **North American** United Caledonian Association; a winner of Champion cup for being the best dressed highlander; was a captain in the 13th **Pennsylvania** regiment, for over seventeen years.

**John Moir**, father of **James**, had at least two brothers, **Robert** and **David**, the latter was never married, the first had two sons, but their present residence is not known.

**James** mentions one peculiarity of the **Moirs**, especially of his own branch, and those in the northeast of **Scotland**—their dark hair and swarthy complexion.

**JOHN MOIR**, blacksmith, of **Minneapolis, Minn.**, b. July 1, 1852, in **Lerwick, Scotland**, son of **John Moir**, of **Lerwick, Shetland Islands, Scotland**, and **Margaret Robertson**, m. Apr. 7, 1881, **Margaret Harkness**, dau. of **Francis Harkness** of **Greenock, Scotland**, and had issue:—

1. **John F. Moir**, b. Mar. 12, 1882, in **South Bend, Ind.**
2. **Robert C. Moir**, b. Nov. 5, 1884, in **Yorkville, Ill.**, d. Dec. 19, 1889.
3. **James T. Moir**, b. Dec. 14, 1886, in **Bolivia, Ill.**
4. **Margaret E. Moir**, b. Oct. 4, 1889, in **Minneapolis, Minn.**
5. **Lilly M. Moir**, b. May 6, 1893, in **Minneapolis, Minn.**



SOME MOIR HEAD CRESTS

## MOIRS OF ENGLAND

DAVID MOIR, of Yonkers, New York, b. 1867, in Northumberland, England, son of David Moir of Northumberland and Elizabeth Wilson; married Sept. 14, 1889, Isabella Dickinson, daughter of Peter Dickinson, of Northumberland.

HANNAH MOIR, of Oakland, California, b. 1833, in Falmouth, England, dau. of Alexander Moir of Falmouth, Cornwall, England and Elizabeth Rice Pomeroy, grand-daughter of — Moir of Falmouth, England. Married 1859, Thomas Gardner, son of Thomas Gardner of Kippen, Stirlingshire, Scotland, and had issue:—

1. Thomas Moir Gardner, cashier firemen's insurance fund of San Francisco, California, b. 1860, in Sacramento, Cal., m. 1887 and again in 1897.
2. Robert Kirk Gardner, cashier Wells-Fargo Express Co., San Francisco, b. 1862, m. 1890, d. 1902.
3. Hannah Elizabeth Gardner, b. 1863, in Sacramento, Cal., d. 1866.
4. Charles Harrison Gardner, private sec'y to Pres., Wells-Fargo Exp. Co., New York City, b. 1867, in Sacramento, Cal., m. 1892.
5. Frank Pomeroy Gardner, b. 1869, in Sacramento, Cal., d. 1874.
6. George Hamilton Gardner, broker, of Cleveland, Ohio, b. 1871 in Sacramento, Cal.
7. Florence Althia Gardner, b. 1875, in Sacramento, Cal.

\*EDWARD JAMES MOIR, letter carrier, of Phila-

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\*The above Mr. E. J. Moir, had an uncle who lived at Cowes, Isle of Wight, England, who was the principal jeweler, watch and clockmaker there. He also had charge of and regulated the town clock, and all the clocks in the royal palace on the island. Some of his descendants still reside there. His son, Thomas Alexander Moir, in 1870, lived in Omaha, Nebraska; a daughter, Mrs. Louis Bochmer, lived at Council Bluffs, Iowa. He also had children living in Australia. One son, Robert, wanted to see the world, and as a sailor, became mate on an English vessel bound for Philadelphia; on the voyage the crew mutinied, killed the captain and one mate, but as Robert was well-liked by the most of the crew they gave him the privilege of walking the plank overboard; he came up directly under the stern and got hold of the rudder chains, and hours afterwards, got through a window into the cabin, and hid in the hold, where one of his sailor-friends found him and fed him until the ship reached Philadelphia. All hands were there arrested and finally sent to England for trial, Robert as a witness. They were all convicted. Robert afterwards returned to Philadelphia for a short time as a house and sign painter, and was doing well; when he suddenly decided to go to New Orleans. This was previous to 1861. He was never after heard from.

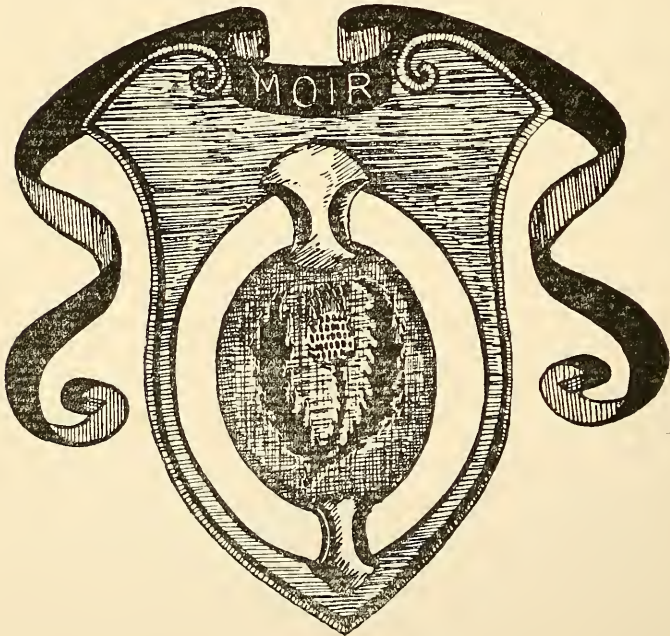
delphia, Pennsylvania, b. May 4, 1840, Falmouth, England. Possibly a descendant of Thomas Moir, who left Stoneywood, Aberdeen, early in the eighteenth century, and settled in Falmouth, who had issue there:—

See page 150.

1. Capt. Thomas Moir.
2. James Moir, a barrister.
3. A daughter; married Dr. Vivian of Falmouth.

Son of Alexander Moir, of Falmouth, England, and Elizabeth Pomeroy; m. Jan. 7, 1864, Eleanor Klonegar, dau. of John Campbell Klonegar, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and had issue:—

1. Hannah Moir, b. Aug. 25, 1865, in Philadelphia, Pa., married Feb. 8, 1893, ——— Fee.
2. John Alexander Moir, b. Jan. 22, 1868, in Philadelphia, Pa., d. May 29, 1873.
3. Sallie Klonegar Moir, b. Apr. 30, 1873, in Philadelphia, Pa., d. Dec. 20, 1889.
4. Eleanor Francis Moir, b. Jan. 13, 1879, in Philadelphia, Pa., d. Apr. 15, 1881.



## •OTHER MOIRS

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**WILLIAM MOIR**, of **Winnepeg, Manitoba**, b. 1846, in **Elora, Ont.**, son of **James Moir of Elora, Ont.**, and **Margaret Pellek**, grandson of **John Moir** and (— — —.) Married 1873, **Elizabeth Livingston McQueen**, dau. of **John Duncan McQueen**, and had issue:—

1. **Arthur Homewood Moir.**
2. **William Reginald Moir.**
3. **James Bruce Moir.**
4. **Isabella Maude Moir.**
5. **Jacqueline Annie Moir.**
6. **John Duncan Moir.**
7. **Harold Wilson Moir.**
8. **Alexander Gartshore Moir.**
9. **Leslie Moir.**

A brother of **James Moir**, father of **William**, is a **British** officer in **New Zealand**, and has a family there.

**GEORGE MOIR**, marine engineer, of **Manilla, Philippine Islands**, b. **Glasgow, Scotland**; son of **David Moir of "Scotland,"** and **Helen Stewart**; m. 1883, **Christian MacPherson**, daughter of **John MacPherson**, of **Prince Edward's Island** and had issue:—

1. **William Fred Moir**, b. June, 1885, in **Taison, California.**
2. **Anna Margaret Moir**, b. 1886, in **Taison, California**, a music teacher.

**WILLIAM JOHN MOIR**, of **Bondhead, Ontario, Canada**, born Nov. 30, 1874, in **Essa, Canada**, son of **John Moir** and **Sarah J. Coleman**, of **Cookstown, Ont.**, and grandson of **George Moir** and **Agnes Petrie**, who came to **Canada** from **Scotland** about 1855. **William J. Moir** was a captain in the 36th **Peel** regiment of **Ontario**, in the **Boer War**.

**PETER CAMPBELL MOIR**, jewelry salesman, of **Montreal, Quebec, Canada**, b. 1883, in **Lachute, Canada**, son of **George Littel Moir**, of **Beauharnois, Quebec, Can-**

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\*It may be that under this heading some of the Moirs may find connections with other families in other parts of the Genealogy. But we are not in a position to place them there, especially when the writers mention "Scotland" only as the place their forbears originally came from.

**ada**, a past master of freemasons, of **Lachute, Quebec**, and **Nellie Armstrong**; grandson of **Peter Campbell Moir** and (—) **Littel**, of **Beauharnois, Quebec, Canada**.

**WILLIAM HENRY MOIR**, merchant, (traveling hat salesman) of **Antigo, Wisconsin**, b. 1872, in **Princeton, Ontario**, son of **James Moir**, (wholesale saddlery) of **Elora, Ontario**, and **Agnes Winters**; grandson of **James Moir**, (retired farmer) of **Elora, Ontario**, and ———; m. **Belle Lyon**, dau. of **Wallace L. Lyon**, of **Brushton, New York**, and had issue:—

1. **Wallace Lyon Moir**, b. 1900, in **Antigo, Wisconsin**.
2. **Mildred Moir**, b. 1904, in **Antigo, Wisconsin**.

**MR. MOIR** was formerly three years in the **Wisconsin National Guard** and was first sergeant.

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### AN INTERESTING CANADIAN BRANCH

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**BENJAMIN MOIR**, who stood beside **SIR JOHN MOORE** at the battle of **Waterloo**, and one of the early settlers at **Halifax, Nova Scotia**, pioneer in the biscuit and confectionery business in **Canada**, one of the largest in their line, their goods being sold all over **Canada**, had the contracts for years to supply the **British Government**, (Army and Navy) at **Halifax**, with bakery supplies—among others had a son:—

**BENJAMIN MOIR**, who succeeded to the business; he married **ISABEL CHURCH**, and had issue, (all born in **Halifax, N. S.**)

1. } Two sons, who died young.
2. }
3. **BENJAMIN MOIR**, died when about 30 years of age.
4. **W. C. MOIR**, who succeeded to his father's business, and died 1897.
5. **JOHN ALEXANDER MOIR**, died aged 39, was married and had issue among others:—

1. **Isabel Moir**, b. **Halifax, N., S.**, m. 1876, **John Archibald**, son of **William Archibald**, of **Musquodoh, N. S.**, and had issue:—

1. **Howard Moir Archibald**, b. Jan. 18, 1884, at **St. John's, Newfoundland**, an architect.
2. **Louise Victoria Archibald**, b. Feb. 18, 1887, in **Montreal**.

6. \*HENRY MOIR, a piano manufacturer, who left for the U. S. previous to the Civil War in 1861, and never was heard from afterwards, probably killed in battle.
7. GEORGE MOIR, a piano manufacturer, pioneer in the line, in Nova Scotia, died about 1892, in **Truro, Nova Scotia**. He married **Adeline Phinney** and had issue, among others, one son, **Charles C. Moir**, music teacher, dealer in pianos and accessories, now at 830 Massachusetts Avenue, **Cambridge, Mass.** He m. 1909, **Laura Lamprey** of **New Hampshire** and had issue; one child born 1911.
8. JAMES MOIR, who went to **Colorado** about 1877, and has not been heard from afterwards.
9. ANNIE MOIR, died unmarried at the age of 19 years.
10. ISABEL MOIR, married a military man, paymaster, named **Swabrick**, and died shortly afterwards without issue.

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**ALEXANDER MOIR**, engineer, of **Halifax, N. S.**, pioneer in the business of making marine engines and shipping tackle of all kinds, making marine engines for the

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\*The following notes from a Halifax (Nova Scotia) newspaper (1912) refer to this family:—

In a notice of the recent death in Truro of a prominent musician there, who, some years ago — in the sixties — had been engaged in the manufacture of piano-fortes in Halifax, the statement was made that he had taken a part in the manufacture of the first piano-forte made in Nova Scotia. It may be of interest to recall the fact that there was a piano manufactory in Halifax upwards of sixty years ago. H. & G. Moir, had warerooms at the corner of Barrington and Duke streets, opposite the general post office.

In asking the public to encourage native industry, the Moirs called the attention of music lovers to some new pianos of their own manufacture, which for beauty of style, delicacy of touch, power and quality of tone, surpassed all others ever made in this country or imported. Their tone was so rich, round and powerful, as entirely to preclude the possibility of being appreciated without being heard. These instruments were of remarkable strength, made in the most durable and substantial manner, of the best seasoned material, with improvements made by the Morison, their own patent, which rendered their instruments more substantial and kept them in tune longer than any imported article.

All instruments of this firm were warranted to stand any climate, were claimed to be equal to any in the known world, and the Moirs professed their willingness to give security to any amount to the same effect. They sold pianos 20 per cent lower than could be imported, either from England or the United States. They could supply pianos from \$35 to \$100. The Moirs labored for some years in trying to induce the public to give their articles a generous appreciation, but it was all in vain. At last they threw up the trade in disgust, and wiping "the dust from their shoes," departed for other lands where the policy of encouraging home industries had gained a deeper foothold.

The Moirs had a brother, William C., who, like them, was filled with an enterprising spirit. He was engaged in the trade of bread-making. The frowns of fortune did not dismay him. Meeting with untoward circumstances that would have crushed the average man, he grasped them with a hand of mettle and threw them under his feet. He set out in life to lift up to a high plane in Halifax the all-important business of making bread for the people — a good, clean article, wholesome in every particular. He established a manufactory into which he introduced every feature of machinery that inventive genius had devised, to improve the making of "the staff of life." The establishment which he firmly fixed in our city is justly the pride of our citizens to this day.

British Government, starting when the business was in much demand, when it was young. He died previous to 1893, and the business is now carried on by two of his sons, **Alexander** and **William Moir**. The author of this Genealogy called in 1897 on these parties, and was entertained there.

## \*ABERNETHY OF MAYEN

BY A. J. MITCHELL-GILL

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

"Salus per Christum."—(Safety through Christ.)

- I. **ALEXANDER ABERNETHY**, (a cadet of the **Abernethies, Lords Saltoun**) of **Auchencloch**, in the parish of **Rothiemy, Banffshire**, m. **Isobel**, (contract dated 30 Nov., 1658,) daughter (and co-heir with her sisters, **Christian Hacket**, wife of **Robert Gordon** of **Chapel-toune**, and **Elizabeth Hacket** of **Archibald Dunbar** of **Newton**.) of **Walter Hacket** and his wife, **Janet Leslye**, who had a charter of the lands of **Mayen** in 1649. **Mr. Abernethie** bought up the interests of his sisters-in-law in **Mayen**, and became sole proprietor. Issue:—
1. **John**, his heir.
  2. **William**.
  3. "Master" **George**.
1. **Jean** or **Joan**, m. first, **William Moir** of **Scots-toun**, and secondly, **James Moir** of **Stoney-wood**.
  2. **Christian**, m. **Alexander Hay** of **Arnbath**, who also owned the estate of **Tonley**; from him it was bought by the ancestors of the **Byres** family, 8 April, 1720. **Mr. Hay** engaged in the rebellion of 1715, and was forfeited; although he had a family of eight children, his descendants are now extinct.

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\*Most of the facts about the Abernethys of Mayen were sent me by Captain Dunbar-Dunbar of Sea Park, and were taken by him from original documents in the Mayen Charter Chest. In two documents therein is mentioned,—"1643, 4 July, Captain Thomas Moore, son of the deceased Thomas Moore in Peterhead, when James Abernethie, servitor to Mr. Robert Bruce, Advocat, is appointed factor and commissioner for him, 1644, 20 July—Thomas Moore is designed 'General Adjutant of ye Scots Cavilrie,' in England, when he gives full power to James Abernethie, Writer and Advocate, to arrest James Ore (Orr) in the Canongate."

3. Janet.
4. Elizabeth.
5. Isobel, m. Rev. Alexander Shand, of Inch.

ALEXANDER ABERNETHY died 1683, and his widow **Isobel Hacket**, thereafter married **Alexander Forbes of Blackstone**.

II. JOHN ABERNETHY II., of **Mayen**, m. **Jean**, dau. of **James Moir II.**, of **Stoneywood**, by his first wife. **Mary Scroggie**, while his sister, **Jean Abernethie**, is the second wife of his father-in-law.

1. James, his heir.
1. Jean or Joan, m. **William Moir**, of **Spittal**.
2. Elizabeth m. the Rev. **Hugh Innes**, of **Mortlach**.

III. JAMES ABERNETHY III., of **Mayen**, m. **Jane**, dau. of **Alexander Duff I.**, of **Hatton**. Having unfortunately shot **John Leith**, of **Leith Hall**, in a duel fought in the streets of **Aberdeen** in Dec. 1763, he fled to the continent, and was outlawed. Issue:—

I. James, his heir, IV., of **Mayen**, died unmarried, and intestate, 1785, had four daughters, viz.:—

1. **Jane**, (b. 1751, died 1805), m. **Major**, afterwards **Colonel Alexander Duff**, 58th Regt., generally known as "**Tiger Duff**" so-called from a deep seam in his face inflicted in an encounter in **India** with a tiger. Their son, **Capt. William Duff**, of **Mayen**, sold that property; d. 1857.
2. **Isobel** m. **Captain William Graham**, 42d Regt., sometime "**Master of Ceremonies at Edinburgh**" and had issue.
3. **Helen**.
4. **Anne**.

**Arms.**—Or, a lion rampant, gules, surmounted of a ribbon, sable.

**Crest.**—A parrot feeding on a bunch of cherries, proper.





## POWIS PAPERS—MOIR REFERENCES

By JOHN GEORGE BURNETT, Esq., of Aberdeen.

- Nov. 27, 1602. Instrument of resignation by **Andrew Brabner junior**, Burgess of **Aberdeen**, of that portion of the Commonty of the Burgh called Calseyseatt, in favour of **Mr. William Moir**, Burgess of the said Burgh.
- Sept. 20, 1603. Charter by the Provost Baillies, etc., of **Aberdeen** to **Mr. William Moir** and his heirs male of Calseyseatt; and Instrument of Sasine following thereupon of the same date.
- May 2nd, 1623. Precept of Sasine on the lands of Calseyseatt in favour of **Mr. William Moir**, legitimate and nearer heir of his Father, the late **Mr. William Moir** and instrument of sasine following thereupon of the same date.
- May 10, 1656. Contract Matrimonial between **Mr. William Moir** and Margaret Skene, only daughter of Gilbert Skene of Dyce.
- May 31, 1656. Instrument of resignation **Mr. William Moir**, Principal, to **Dr. William Moir**, his eldest son, and Gilbert Skene, of Dyce, on behalf of his daughter of lands of Calsieseat.
- June 3, 1656. Charter by the Provost, etc., of lands of Calsieseat to **Dr. William Moir**, Doctor of Medicine, and instrument of sasine following thereupon of the same date.
- Oct. 20, 1688. Disposition by **Dr. William Moir**, in favour of George Gordon, Burgess of Aberdeen, second lawful son of Henry Gordon, of Auchlyne of the lands of Calsieseat.
- Nov. 8, 1688. Instrument of resignation by George Keith, Advocate, **Aberdeen**, on behalf of **Mr. William Moir** of Scotstoun, hereditary proprietor, to John Gordone Baillie, on behalf of the Provost, etc., superiors, of the lands of Calsieseat in favour of George Gordone.
- June 18, 1688. Heritable bond George Gordone, 2nd son to Henry Gordon of Auchlyne, to **Mr. William Moir** of Scotstoun, Doctor of Medicine, for 3500 merks Scots furth of the croft of land called Calsieseat.
- July 20, 1688. Bond of provision **Dr. William Moir** to **Elizabeth Moir**, his youngest daughter of the sum of 2000 merks Scots being part of heritable land of 3500 merks Scots, reserving to himself and Margaret Skeine, his spouse, the annual rent of the said 2000 merks.
- Nov. 21, 1691. Receipt **Dr. William Moir** from George Gordone of Kirktone of Dyce of 1000 merks Scots, being part payment of the above bond. Witness **John Moir**, son to the said **Doctor Moir**.
- July 24, 1711. Decreet of adjudication at instance of **Elizabeth Moir** and Mr. John Mulligan, minister of the gospel at Methlick,



JOHN RUSSELL AND FAMILY  
GLASGOW, SCOTLAND

(See page 242.)

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against **Alexander Moir**, eldest son of **Mr. William Moir**, Doctor of Medicine in Elgin, eldest son of the late **Dr. William Moir** of Scotstoun of above-mentioned 2000 merks, Scots.

Aug. 5. 1707. General charge at instance of **Elizabeth Moir** and **Mr. John Mulligan**, her spouse, against **Alexander Moir** his tutors and curators to enter heir to his grandfather **Dr. William Moir** within forty days.

May, 1703. Contract matrimonial between **Mr. John Mulligan**, minister of the gospel at Methlick and **Elizabeth Moir**, youngest daughter of **Dr. William Moir** of Scotstoun.

Dec. 23, 1713. Disposition and assignation **Mr. John Mulligan** and **Elizabeth Moir** to **Alexander Fraser** of the above-mentioned heritable bond on Calsieseat.

Oct. 24, 1691. Matrimonial contract between **Master Alexander Fraser**, Regent of King's College Aberdeen and **Christian Moir**, daughter and one of the co-heirs of the deceased **John Moir** of Barnes, with the consent of **Mary Cochrane**, relict of the said **John Moir**. (**Mary Cochrane** binds herself to pay certain sums to **Mr. A. F.** and **Christian Moir**, and for further security to have herself duly and lawfully infest in "All and hail that sixth pairt of the sunne-half of the maines of Barnes. Extending to three pleughes of land, the sixth pairt of the sun half of the milne milnelands mulbures and sequells thereof. The sixth pairt of the sunne-half of the lands of Daes and sun half of the lands of west bigging with the manner place of Barnes, town and lands of Earlsfield, houses, biggings, yeards, and ofts, Crofts, outsetts, insetts, annexes, connexes, commonly common pasturage, mosses, mures, meadows, tennants, tenandrys and service of free tennents pairts, pendicles, and pertinents, whatsomever Lying within the parochin of Premney and Shredome of Aberdein which fell and appertained to the said **Christian Moir** and of the airs, Portioners of the said deceit **John Moir** of Barnes, her father . . . . And sicklyke in all and hail that sixth pairt of the Town and lands of Sunniesyde, with the pairts, pendicles, and pertinents of the same, lying within the Barony and regality of the Spitthill.")

Disposition made on the advice and consent of **Mr. George Fraser**, sub-principal King's College, (brother) **Mr. William Fraser**, minister at Kilmorah; (eldest brother) for **Mr. Alexander Fraser**, and of **Mary Cochrane**, **George Gordon** of Rothmey and **Mr. George Chalmers**, Parson off floord in England for **Christian Moir**.

## FIFESHIRE MOIRS

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### A REMARKABLE BRANCH

JAMES MOIR, M. D., of **Edinburgh**, b. 1780, son of JAMES MOIR of Fife, and WINNIFRED JOHNSTONE; married 1805, to MARGARET LAING STENHOUSE; volunteered his services as medical officer at the time of the **British** wars against **Napoleon I.**, of **France**. His brig going down channel, was driven ashore on the coast of **France**, and all hands were captured. He was taken prisoner to **Verdun**. An officer got permission to have his wife sent there, with an attendant, who happened to be MRS. MOIR; while still practicing his calling, and a prisoner, the mother gave birth to JOHN INNES ALLAN MOIR, (afterwards M. D. of **Edinburgh**) born April, 4, 1808. In 1814, immediately after the decisive battle of **Waterloo**, all the prisoners were liberated, and returned to **Scotland**. He had at least three sons:—

I. JOHN INNES ALLAN MOIR, M. D., of **Edinburgh**, president of the College of Physicians at **Edinburgh**, b. April 4, 1808, at **Verdun, France**; m. MARGARET LOUISA MAITLAND-HERIOT, and had issue, at least two sons:—

1. John William Moir, who with his younger brother, was a pioneer in **British Central Africa**, (see extended account) b. 1851, at **Edinburgh**; m. Helen Elizabeth Tod, dau. of Henry Tod, Writer to the Signet, of **Edinburgh**, and had issue:—

1. } Two born in Africa and died young there.
2. }
3. Henry Maitland Moir, b. 1887, at **Edinburgh**, a medical student.
4. Margaret Louisa Maitland Moir, b. 1891, at **Edinburgh**.

2. **Frederick Lewis Maitland Moir**, now of **Glasgow**, secretary and director of the **African Lakes Corporation**; (an extended account of this worthy and interesting gentleman, and his elder brother **John W. Moir**, appears in this volume) born later than 1851, at **Edinburgh**; m. Oct. 4, 1885, to **Jane Fordyce Beith**, dau. of **Gilbert Beith, M.P.**, for **Glasgow**, **Indian** merchant, (born **Glenelg**, near **Oban**) and had issue:—

1. **Annie Maitland Moir**, b. Feb. 2, 1887, at **Blantyre, British Central Africa**.
2. **Dorothy Caroline Moir** } Twins. Born
3. **Margaret Louise Moir** }  
Oct. 9, 1891, at **Edinburgh, Scotland**.

II. **JAMES MOIR**, merchant of **Edinburgh**, later coming to **America** in 1836, landing at **New York City**, where he m. **MARY McELROY**, dau. of **REV. JOSEPH McELROY, D.D.**, for over fifty years pastor of the **Scotch Presbyterian Church, New York City**. He had at least one son: **JOSEPH McELROY MOIR**, a retired engineer, of **Minneapolis, Minnesota**, b. March 18, 1846, in **New York City**. He m. March 18, 1874, **AGNES POND**, dau. of **REV. GIDEON HOLLISTER POND**, pioneer missionary to the **Indians** of **Minnesota**, and had issue:—

1. **Marion Walker Moir**, b. April 28, 1875, at **Bloomington, Minn.**
2. **James Moir**, cashier in the offices of the **New York Central and Hudson River Railroad**, at **Mount Vernon, New York**; born Sept. 15, 1876, at **Bloomington, Minn.**, m. April 11, 1901, to **Sarah Charlotte Spence**, dau. of **William Spence**, of **New York City**, and had issue:—
  1. **Ruth Spence Moir**, born April 18, 1902, at **Mount Vernon, New York**.
3. **Joseph McElroy Moir, Jr.**, b. Jan. 15, 1878, at **Bloomington, Minn.**
4. **William Wilderming Moir**, b. March 26, 1881, at **Bloomington, Minn.**, now an **M. D.**



5. Dougald Stuart Moir, b. Aug. 26, 1884, at Bloomington, Minn., d. May 23, 1888.
6. Arthur Duncan Moir, b. Feb. 21, 1887, at Bloomington, Minn.
7. Agnes Pond Moir, born Dec. 12, 1888, at Bloomington, Minn.
8. John Moir, b. Nov. 6, 1890, at Bloomington, Minn.

III. \*ALEXANDER WILSON MOIR, C.M.G., Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, created in 1877; Club St. Georges; for over 40 years, civil service (British) in H. M. customs at Bahamas; President of Turks Islands, Virgin Islands, Dominica, and St. Kitts, all in the West Indies; b. March 28, 1825, at Edinburgh, married 1852, ISABELLA DOBSON WATSON, daughter of REV. JAMES WATSON, Presbyterian minister, and died April 6, 1897. Had issue:—

1. Isabella J. H. Moir } Twins.
2. Margaret A. A. Moir }

Born April 7, 1854, at Kingston, Jamaica. Both live at St. Mawes, in Cornwall, England, the latter has been married twice, in 1879 and in 1887, and has issue. The former never married.

3. Elizabeth Catherine Moir, born Oct. 21, 1855, at Belize, Honduras, (Brit.) was twice married, 1876-1885—now (1912) a widow.
4. Amy Alice Anna Moir, b. 1857, at Belize, Honduras, d. 1866.
5. James F. William Moir, b. 1859, at Belize, Honduras, married 1886; an engineer now (1910) in London.
6. Constance M. Louise Moir, b. 1860, at Kingston, Jamaica, d. 1861.
7. Alexandra Bertha Christina Moir, b. 1864, at Turks Islands, W. I., m. July, 1883, d. at Antigua, W. I., April 17, 1884.

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\*His daughter Isabella, who is an invalid and is living at St. Mawes in Cornwall, writes of her father, "I am sure my father would never have considered himself a 'prominent person,' or seek a place among such.—He was just an ordinary man though tall and good-looking, and with a very pleasant voice."

## FORFARSHIRE MOIRS

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JOHN MOIR of Arbroath, Forfarshire, Scotland; m. Mar. 13, 1802, MARTHA HARRIS, and had issue:—

1. John Moir, b. May 10, 1803, Arbroath; d. May 24, 1803.
2. Alexander Moir, b. March 24, 1804, Arbroath. (Baker and pastry cook, see below.)
3. David Moir, b. Oct. 7, 1805, Arbroath; d. May 22, 1807.
4. Thomas Moir, b. Mar. 3, 1808, Arbroath.
5. Isabella Moir, b. June 11, 1810, Arbroath.
6. Margaret Moir, b. Aug. 20, 1812, Arbroath; d. Mar. 29, 1814.

ALEXANDER MOIR, baker and pastry cook, of London, England; b. March 24, 1804, in Arbroath, Forfarshire, Scotland; son of JOHN MOIR and MARTHA HARRIS of Arbroath, Scotland; m. Sept. 23, 1830, SUSAN WURR, dau. of RICHARD WURR, and had seven children, of whom the following are the two who lived longest:—

1. Alexander G. Moir, b. March 6, 1837, London, England, and had issue. (See below). Christened at St. Luke's Church, Chelsea.
2. Thomas John Moir, b. London, England; christened at Trinity Church, Sloane.

\*ALEXANDER G. MOIR, carpenter, builder, painter, decorator, for 35 years Assessor and Highway Commissioner, has prospered, having a large farm of 300 acres, well supplied, at Temple, New Brunswick; b. Mar. 6, 1837, in London, England, son of ALEXANDER MOIR, of Arbroath, Forfarshire, Scotland, and SUSAN WURR; grandson of JOHN MOIR, of Arbroath, Scotland, and MARTHA HARRIS; m. Dec. 26, 1864, HULDAH INGRAHAM, daughter of MANUEL INGRAHAM of Canterbury, England, and had issue:—

1. Frances Mary Moir, b. Dec. 9, 1865, in Temple, N. B., m. June 15, 1892, John Alfred Patterson, of Woodstock, N. B., and had issue.
2. George Alexander Moir, b. Dec. 8, 1867, in Temple, N. B.

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\*Alexander G. Moir had a brother, John Moir, who left London, England, many years ago, and although efforts had been made to locate him, he has not been found.

3. **Annie Gertrude Moir**, b. Apr. 11, 1870, in Temple, N. B., m. Oct. 15, 1902, **Asaph H. Faxon**, of Cambridgeport, Mass.
4. **Edith Maud Moir**, b. Aug. 8, 1872, in Temple, N. B., m. Apr. 10, 1891, **Merrill David Green**, d. Aug. 8, 1897, had issue.
5. **Susan Isabella Moir**, b. Sept. 14, 1874, in Temple, N. B., m. **John Murdoch MacDonald**, of St. Louis, Missouri, and has issue.
6. **Charles William Moir**, b. April 15, 1877, in Temple, N. B., died Feb. 15, 1901.
7. **Percy Miles Moir**, b. Mar. 20, 1882, in Temple, N. B.

\***DAVID MOIR**, wine merchant, of **Edinburgh, Scotland**, served 34 years in the **Queen's Regiment** of the **Edinburgh Rifle Volunteers**, and held the rank of **Colour-Sergeant**, b. Sept. 5, 1864, in **Earlsferry, Fifeshire**, son of **JAMES WILKIE MOIR**, schoolmaster, of **Keir Parish School, Dumfries-shire**, (b. **Dundee, Forfarshire**, July 1, 1839), and **MARGARET GLOVER**, a poetess, (for a biographical notice and poems, see "**Modern Scottish Poets**," fourth series, published by **D. H. Edwards, Brechin**, 1882.) Grandson of **DAVID MOIR**, iron-founder, and **ANNA WILKIE**, both of **Dundee, Forfarshire**. Married **JANE MILLER STEWART**, dau. of **JOHN STEWART**, butler, of **Rait, Perthshire**, and had issue:—

1. **James Wilkie Moir**, b. May 22, 1891, in **Edinburgh**.
2. **Jean Duncan Moir**, b. Sept. 5, 1895, in **Edinburgh**.

**DAVID MOIR, SR.**, engineer, of **Buffalo, New York**, b. June 22, 1849, in **Dundee, Forfarshire, Scotland**; m. Jan. 1st, 1874, **FRANCES** (———), and had several children. **MR. MOIR** died, July 14, 1903.

**JOANNA JARVIS MOIR**, of **St. Joseph, Missouri**, b. Jan 23, 1857, in **Dundee, Scotland**, daughter of **JAMES MOIR**, of **Dundee, Scotland**, and **MATILDA GRAHAM**, and grand-daughter of **JAMES MOIR**, of **Dundee, Forfarshire, Scotland** and **ANNIE PETRIE**, (has a half-brother **JAMES MOIR**, in **Harbor Springs, Michigan**, and a nephew **WILLIAM J. MOIR**, in **Houghton, Michigan**.)

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\*The above **David Moir** had 5 brothers and 5 sisters, as follows —3 brothers in **Edinburgh**, 1 in **India**, and 1 in **Ceylon**; 3 sisters in **Scotland**, and 2 in **South Africa**.

GEORGE MACLEAN MOIR, clerk, of 14 Roseneath Place, **Edinburgh**, son of PETER MOIR, of **Kinreich Mill, Forfarshire**, and ISABELLA ROBERTS, grandson of WILLIAM MOIR, farm overseer, of **Nether Hayston, Forfarshire**, and (—) NORRIE; b. Dec. 20, 1866, at **Kincaldrum Mill, Forfarshire**; m. June 6, 1901, MARY MACINTYRE, dau. of PETER MACINTYRE, of **Virginia, U. S. A.**, and had issue:—

1. Elizabeth Stuart Moir, b. Sept. 3, 1902, at **Edinburgh**.
2. George Edward Moir, b. Aug. 16, 1904, at **Edinburgh**.
3. David Roberts Moir, b. Nov. 26, 1906.
4. Isabella Roberts Moir, b. Mar. 3, 1909, at **Edinburgh**.
5. Andrew Hill Moir, b. Dec. 11, 1910, at **Edinburgh**.

JAMES MOIR, bank agent of **Lenzie, Glasgow, Scotland**; b. Mar. 5, 1859, at **Kirriemuir**, son of WILLIAM MOIR, (b. 1834, d. Aug. 30, 1885) and ESTHER MAIDEN, dau. of JAMES MAIDEN; grandson of ROBERT MOIR, of **Brechin, Forfarshire**, (died Jan. 1850,) and ELIZABETH STEWART. Married Dec. 9, 1884, JANE MUIR PATON, dau. of ROBERT PATON, of **Kilwinning, Ayrshire, Scotland**, and had issue:—

1. Jane Muir Moir, born Sept. 10, 1885, at **Pollokshaws**. (School teacher.)
2. William Moir, b. Dec. 18, 1886, at **Pollokshaws**. (Bank clerk.)
3. Robert Paton Moir, b. July 26, 1888, at **Pollokshaws**. (Mercantile clerk.)
4. Esther Maiden Moir, b. May 28, 1890, at **Pollokshaws**.
5. Elizabeth Stewart Moir, b. Dec. 12, 1891, at **Pollokshaws**.
6. Janet Ramsay Paton Moir, b. June 16, 1893, at **Glasgow**.
7. Catherine Paton Moir, b. Aug. 28, 1895, at **Stepps Rd., Cadder**.
8. Mary Paton Moir, b. July 1, 1897, at **Lenzie, Cadder, Lanarkshire**.
9. Agnes Paton Moir, b. Feb. 8, 1899, at **Lenzie, Cadder, Lanarkshire**.

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#### FORFARSHIRE

From the **Scottish County Directory, 1902**.

**PETER MOIR, New Grange, Kincaldrum, Forfarshire.**

## INVERNESSHIRE MOIRS

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GREGOR MOIR, upholsterer and bagpiper of New York, N. Y., born Aug. 9, 1840, in Carrbridge, Invernesshire, Scotland, married Aug. 21, 1880, SARAH ZULIEKA, of Kidderminster, England, came to America in 1883. He died June 24, 1903, in New York City. He was a member of the Scottish Clans. Had issue:—

1. Harriet Moir, b. Oct. 30, 1882, in Liverpool, England.
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## KINCARDINESHIRE MOIRS

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JAMES ERNEST PETERKIN MOIR, travelling agent, of Toronto, Ontario, b. 1878, in Aberdeen, Scotland, son of GEORGE MOIR, of Drumlithie, Kincardineshire, Scotland, and MARY PETERKIN, grandson of GEORGE MOIR and ELIZABETH BARCLAY, both of Scotland; m. 1902, ELIZABETH LINALL, daughter of HARRY LINALL, of Toronto, Canada, and had issue.

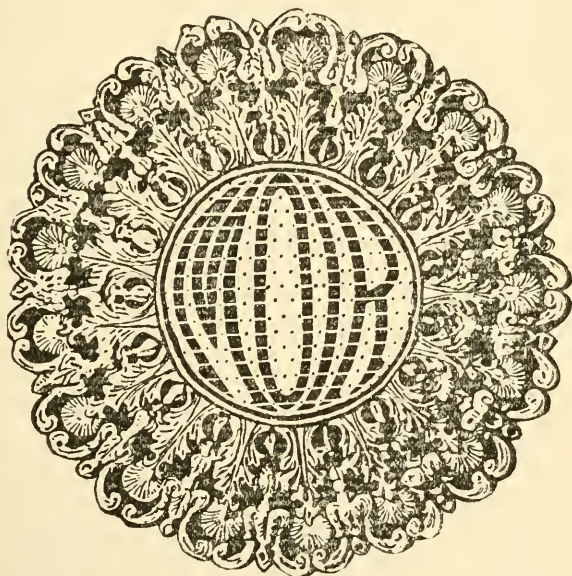
GEORGE FOREST BARCLAY MOIR, assistant cashier of Railway Dept. of the International Correspondence Schools, of Chicago, Ill., b. Oct. 3, 1875, in Erin, Ontario, son of JAMES MOIR, of (———), Scotland, and MARY M. HUGHSON; grandson of GEORGE MOIR, of Drumlithie, Kincardineshire, Scotland, and (———) BARCLAY.

GEORGE MOIR, clerk to the French Consulate at Glasgow, Scotland; b. 1855, in Glasgow, eldest of three children of DAVID MOIR, who was born near Lawrencekirk, (Kincardineshire), about 1825, he died in Lawrencekirk in 1874, and was buried in the family lot at Fettercairn. GEORGE was a grandson of DAVID MOIR, who was married twice.

DAVID, father of GEORGE, was from the first wife, and was brought up by the grandmother, he came to Glasgow in 1853, there were several brothers and sisters in the family.

GEORGE MOIR, paving block cutter, of Brooklyn, N. Y., b. 1868, at Kennay, Aberdeenshire, son of JAMES MOIR, of Newton Hill, Kincardine, (paving block cutter) and Helen Morris, grandson of ALEXANDER MOIR, farmer, of Stonehaven, Kincardineshire, and CHRISTINA MOIR, m. 1897 (———), and had issue:—

1. Helen Moir, born 1899, at Furnace, Argyleshire, now (1912), at Woodside, Aberdeen.



## LANARKSHIRE MOIRS

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**WILLIAM MOIR**, carpenter, inventor, of **New York City**, b. Dec. 20, 1854, at **Glasgow, Scotland**, son of **WILLIAM MOIR** of **Garnkirk, Lanarkshire**, near **Glasgow**, and **Isabella Paterson**.

**ROBERT HORN MOIR**, hotel-keeper of **New York City**, b. Nov. 13, 1865, in **Helensburgh, Scotland**, son of **WILLIAM MOIR** of **Garnkirk, Lanarkshire, Scotland**, and **ISABEL PATERSON**; m. 1883, **ANNA M. HANNAFIELD**, dau. of **BERNARD HANNAFIELD**, of **Scarsdale, New York**, and had issue:—

1. **Isabella Paterson Moir**, b. Sept., 1884, in **Philadelphia, Pa.**
2. **William Bergen Moir**, b. April, 1886, in **Philadelphia, Pa.**
3. **Robert Moir, Jr.**, b. 1888, in **New York City**.

**ALEXANDER MOIR**, mechanical engineer, of 255 **Brunswick St., Halifax, Nova Scotia**; son of **ALEXANDER MOIR**, mechanical engineer, (b. Jan. 13, 1821; d. Dec. 30, 1889), and **HELEN MOODIE**; grandson of **ALEXANDER MOIR**, of **Lanark, Scotland**, and **MARY McPHERSON**; m. Oct. 28, 1878, first, **MARGARET S. HURLEY**, and had issue:—

1. **Mary Alice Moir**, b. Nov. 11, 1879, at **Halifax N. S.**, d. Mar. 23, 1887.
2. **John Alexander Moir**, b. Mar. 11, 1881, at **Halifax, N. S.**, (mechanical engineer).
3. **Elizabeth B. Moir**, b. Dec. 24, 1882, at **Halifax, N. S.**
4. **Helen M. Moir**, b. Sept. 9, 1884, at **Halifax, N. S.**

**MR. MOIR** m. second, July 3, 1889, **MARGARET A. GAULT**, dau. of **JOHN GAULT**, and had issue:—

1. **Katherine W. Moir**, b. Nov. 28, 1891.

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## LANARKSHIRE

(From the **County Directory of Scotland, 1902.**)

**GEORGE MOIR**, **Westmount, Dullatur, Castlecary Station, Glasgow.**

**JAMES MOIR**, **Well Bank Cottage, Campsie Glen, Glasgow.**

## \*DOUNE, PERTHSHIRE

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The town of **Doune**, in **Perthshire**, where the river **Teith** is spanned by a noble bridge, the work of one who though by craft a tailor, was truly noble in heart. An inscription on the left parapet, and transcribed more legibly on the other side, tells us that "**In the year of God 1535, founded was this bridge by ROBERT SPITTEL, tailor to the most noble princess MARGARET, Spouse to JAMES IV.**" Along with the narrative, he boldly blazons a pair of scissors, en saltier.

About half a mile below the bridge, on a peninsula formed by the junction of the **Ardoch** burn with the **Teith**, stands the old castle of **Doune**, still a majestic pile, with its two massive, square towers, its turrets, and high embattled walls.

**Sir Walter Scott** spent several summers in his youth at **Cambusmore**, in this neighborhood; and naturally he speaks of its beauty. In the "**Lady of the Lake**," he sketches this district, mentioning "**Landrick**," and "**Deanstoun**," where **Moirs** resided for several generations:—

"Along thy banks, swift **Teith!** they ride,  
And in the race they mock thy tide;  
**Torry** and **Landrick**, now are past,  
And **Deanstoun** lies behind them cast:  
They rise, the bannered towers of **Doune**,  
They sink in distant woodland soon."

Canto Fifth,  
XVIII.

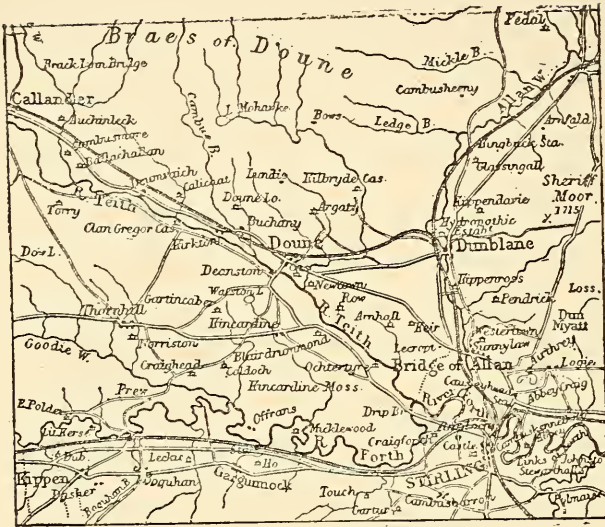


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\*From "Picturesque Guide to the Trossachs, &c.," Edinburgh, Adam & Charles Black, 1889.



## DOUNE AND THORNHILL



Doune, Thornhill and Neighborhood

### THE ORIGIN OF PLACE-NAMES OF ESTATES

Formerly Occupied by MOIRS

(By the late W. B. COOK, Esq., of Stirling)

SAUCHENS,— is the saughs or willows.

DEANSTON,—was formerly Sauchentum.

LOCHFIELD,—so called from its being near the Loch o' Watson of an old name. It is mentioned in a document of 1492, along with other estates in the locality.

\*GARTINCABER,—is "the enclosure of poles or specks." What the tower was erected for is unknown. It is well known that this estate is the geographical centre of Scotland.

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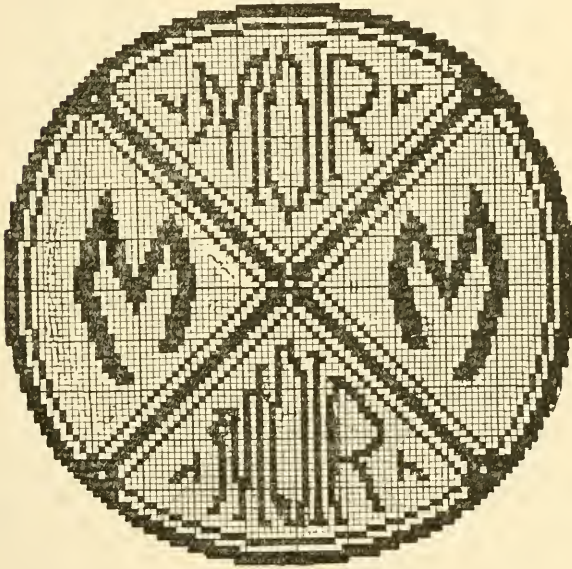
\*The site of the centre of Scotland, like many other things, is a disputed point, but the common belief is that the spot is in the neighborhood of Gartincaber, which is situated 2 1-2 miles southwest of Doune, in Perthshire. A tower erected there, on an eminence, is held to mark the exact centre. (From the "Scottish American.")

**MOSS-SIDE**,—named from the soft moss lands, characteristic of this part of the Forth river.

**BOQUHAPPLE**,—owes its name to the chapel,—“the bothy of the Chapel,” both capel. It is said this name suggested to Sir Walter Scott, his “Laird of Balmawhapple.”

**MEADOWHEAD**,—at the head of the meadow.

**NETHERTON**,—is the lower town, and why I am unable to say. This farm is made up of feuars acres and a number of small holdings. One of the fields is known as “Nether-ton of Moss-Side,” another is the “Three Neukit Lea” and a third is “Dalwhilpert.” There was once a road leading from this farm to the village, but it is now closed, and there is not much sign of it left, although it can still be traced.



\*DESCENDANTS OF JAMES MOIR  
1625  
OF DOUNE, PERTHSHIRE



The early baptismal records, and also the marriage registers of **Doune**, (parish of **Kilmadock**) and **Thornhill**, (parishes of **Kincardine** and **Tulliallan**) are very incomplete, as will be seen by referring to the extractable records in this book; there are a great many omissions, and at places, they are in bad shape—especially is this so of the marriage registers.

They prove, however, that about 1625 there were in **Doune**, **ROBERT**, **JOHN**, **JEAN**, **MARGARET**, **WALTER**, **AGNES**, and **JAMES MOIR**. There is no record of the birth or baptism of **DAVID MOIR** who was born at **Doune**, and was the first of the **MOIRS** of **Leckie**, (1668), an account of whom is given under that head. Probably, each of these personages were related to the others.

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\*The account of this numerous and interesting family are taken from Private Family Records as well as the account of Births, Marriages &c., given in this book, pages 58 to 89. Many individual records can be verified.

Of the above, JAMES married, but the name of his wife is not known, (the estate where they lived, is called **Newton-of-Doune**,) he was probably an uncle of DAVID MOIR, afterwards "**of Leckie.**" It is recorded in the **Kilmadock Kirk Session Records**, that JAMES and his brother WALTER were members of the **session of Kilmadock Parish Church**, in 1652, and later. (From the "**Stirling Antiquary**," by W. B. Cook.) This couple had at least seven children, as follows:—

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1. JOHN MOIR, b. Aug. 30, 1629.
2. JAMES MOIR, b. Aug. 21, 1631, he m. and had issue.
3. ROBERT MOIR, b. Jan. 29, 1638, he witnessed a baptism, (**Andrew Duncanson**), 1671.
4. ARCHIBALD MOIR, b. Mar. 12, 1643, afterwards of "**Glenwhilk.**" (Of whom again.)
5. MARGARET MOIR, b. June 6, 1647.
6. WALTER MOIR, b. Aug. 12, 1649; he m. JANET OTE, and had issue, at least three of a family:—
  1. **Robert Moir**, born Mar. 13, 1677, afterwards of "**Lochfield**," m. (—) **Stewart**, in **Doune**, and had issue:—
    1. **Anna Moir**, b. July 29, 1702.
    2. **Alexander Moir**, b. Oct. 19, 1705.
  2. **Harrie Moir**, b. Feb. 8, 1679, m. **Agnes Moir**, **Doune**; and had issue, at least two children.
    1. **Henry Moir**, b. Jan. 14, 1708.
    2. **Agnes Moir**, b. May 1, 1712.
  3. **Agnes Moir**, b. Sept. 4, 1680.
7. MARIE MOIR, b. Feb. 2, 1652, m. HARRIE MOIR, of **Newton of Doune**, and had issue, at least six of a family:—
  1. **Jane Moir**, b. Aug. 15, 1679, m. **Lieutenant Colin Fairfoull**, and had issue, several children, among whom:—
    1. **Susanna Fairfoull**, b. Jan. 9, 1706.
  2. **Agnes Moir**, b. Nov. 22, 1682.
  3. **Marjorie Moir**, b. Dec. 1, 1684.
  4. A daughter, b. Oct. 8, 1687.
  5. **Margaret Moir**, b. Nov. 20, 1689.
  6. **Robert Moir**, b. Sept. 9, 1691.

Of the above family, ARCHIBALD married, and there is no record of the name of his wife, they had issue, at least three, as follows:—

1. **Jean Moir**, b. Jan. 26, 1669.
2. **William Moir**, b. Sept. 27, 1673.
3. **David Moir**, b. Dec. 20, 1676; who m. **Janet Caddell**, the marriage register being blank from 1650 to 1717, with

few exceptions, there is no official record of the date of the marriage, they had issue:—

1. **John Moir**, b. July 8, 1703, who m. **Anna Murdoch**, and had issue:—a child, b. March, 1719. They had at least four other children:—
  1. **Robert Moir**, b. Apr. 7, 1723, and m. **Grizzall MacArthur**, (of whom afterwards).
  2. **Alexander Moir**, b. July 20, 1735.
  3. **Margaret Moir**, b. Dec. 7, 1738.
  4. **Ann Moir**, born Dec. 28, 1740, m. **Nicol MacLaren** and had issue.

The elder son of this family, **ROBERT MOIR**, m. **GRIZALL MACARTHUR**, and had issue:—

1. **Jean Moir**, b. April 26, 1741, and m. Nov. 12, 1768, **James Graeme**, and had issue.
2. **James Moir**, b. Feb. 27, 1743, and m. May 26, 1780, **Isabel Thompson**.

**GEORGE MOIR**, third child of **ROBERT MOIR** and **GRIZALL MACARTHUR**, b. Feb. 6, 1748; m. **JANET ADAM**, and this couple had at least eight of a family, as follows:—

1. **Alexander Moir**, b. Nov. 24, 1776.
2. **Robert Moir**, b. Mar. 8, 1778; m. **Elizabeth Moir**, (of whom again).
3. **Jean Moir**, b. Dec. 29, 1782; m. **Duncan MacPherson**, (of whom again).
4. **George Moir**, b. Aug. 22, 1784; m. **Jane Stirling**, (of whom again).
5. **Janet Moir**, b. Apr. 30, 1786; m. **John Stewart**, (of whom again).
6. **Andrew Moir**, b. Feb. 14, 1788; m. **Isabella Dougall**, (of whom again).
7. **James Moir**, b. Jan. 26, 1794; m. **Elizabeth Forsyth**, (of whom again).
8. **Elizabeth Moir**, b. Dec. 4, 1796; m. **John MacQueen**, (of whom again).

**HENRY MOIR**, b. 1680, it is not known who his parents were, as the record is partly illegible. He is also called **HARRIE**. He m. **AGNES** (—), of **Doone** and had at least three of a family:—

1. **JAMES MOIR**, b. Jan. 8, 1702, m. **HELEN LENOX**, in "Hole of Cambus," and had issue:—
  1. **Henry Moir**, b. Jan. 8, 1734.
  2. **James Moir**, b. May 10, 1738.

Her maiden name was Agnes Moir, see p. 61



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of Denny, Stirlingshire





2. HENRY MOIR, b. Jan. 4, 1708, m. AGNES MOIR, and had issue, at least one child:—
  1. Anna Moir, b. June 3, 1733.
3. AGNES MOIR, b. May 1, 1712.

JAMES MOIR, son of JAMES, of the above family, m. ELIZABETH MAC EWAN, and had issue:—

1. JANET MOIR, born Sept. 16, 1758, and m. ALEXANDER DUNCANSON, and had issue.
2. HENRY MOIR, b. Jan. 25, 1761.
3. JAMES MOIR, b. July 24, 1763; m. ISABEL MAC KENZIE, (of whom afterwards). See below
4. ANN MOIR, b. Mar. 1, 1767, and m. ALEXANDER STEWART, and had issue:—
  1. Mary Stewart, b. April 25, 1784.
  2. Elizabeth Stewart, b. Feb. 15, 1786.
  3. Isabel Stewart, b. Oct. 27, 1793. (*Note in the record*,—"there is no entry of children to this couple between 1786 and 1793.")
  4. Katherine, b. Mar. 12, 1797.
  5. John Stewart, b. June 17, 1802.
  6. Agnes Stewart, b. Aug. 5, 1804.
5. MARGARET MOIR, b. May 27, 1770, m. WILLIAM JUNKINE, and had issue.
6. DAVID MOIR, b. June 14, 1772. He removed to Campsie.

JAMES MOIR, third of the above family m. Nov. 27, 1784, \*ISABEL MAC KENZIE, and had issue, at least seven children:—

1. James Moir, b. Feb. 12, 1786.
2. William Moir, b. Sept. 23, 1787, was married, and went to London, was coachman to Rev. Alexander Fletcher, there; both he and his wife died of cholera, at the time of the great plague.
3. Elizabeth Moir, b. Oct. 15, 1789, m. Robert Moir. (See Page 242 account of his ancestry, of whom again).
4. Janet Moir, b. July 31, 1791.
5. Isabel Moir, b. Feb. 24, 1793, m. Jan. 19, 1817, John Bryce of the parish of Renfrew, (a copy of the marriage cer-

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\*Isabel MacKenzie had a brother who lived in India, and who amassed a large fortune, when he died suddenly, leaving forty thousand pounds sterling; several of the family at the time hired a lawyer, (who was a relative), at Edinburgh, to see what could be done towards securing the fortune; he collected several fees and after several years, he died, without securing any results to the family. Nothing has since been done about the matter. Meantime the money is in Chancery and has grown to prodigious proportions.

tificate is in possession of the author) and had issue, at least two:—

1. **Isabella Bryce**, m. to **James Work**, an engineer on one of the ocean steamships crossing the Atlantic.
2. **Helen Bryce**, who married **James Lyle**, Glasgow, carpet manufacturer.
6. **Katherine Moir** } Twins, b. Feb. 1795.
7. **Jean Moir** }

GEORGE MOIR and JANET ADAM, had:—

- I. **ALEXANDER MOIR**, born Nov. 24, 1776. (Of whom again.) See page 236
- II. **ROBERT MOIR**, born March 8, 1778; married **ELIZABETH MOIR**; and had at least 12 children. (Of whom afterwards.) See page 242
- III. **JEAN MOIR**, born Dec. 29, 1782, in **Thornhill**, m. **DUNCAN MACPHERSON**, we have not been able to trace this branch.
- IV. **GEORGE MOIR**, b. Aug. 22, 1784, in **Thornhill**, married **JANE STIRLING**. **George** came to **America** in 1844, and settled later in **Hensall, Ontario**. From the twelve children mentioned below, there were 80 direct children in 1904, and many of these have families of their own. More complete family records follow later on
  1. **George Moir**, born Oct. 2, 1817; married **Elizabeth Buchanan**.
  2. **Margaret Moir**, born Oct. 2, 1817; m. **Alexander Buchanan**.
  3. **John Moir**, b. Aug. 20, 1819; m. **Mary Anderson**.
  4. **Alexander Moir**, b. Aug. 15, 1821; m. **Jessie Russell Ross**.
  5. **Robert Moir**, b. Aug. 12, 1823.
  6. **James Moir**, b. April 30, 1825; m. **Isabella Murray**.
  7. **Jean Moir**, b. July 31, 1827; m. **James Murray**.
  8. **Janet Moir**, b. Apr. 29, 1829; m. **Robert Murray**.
  9. **Peter Moir**, b. May 25, 1831.
  10. **Andrew Moir**, b. June 28, 1833.
  11. **Thomas Robertson Moir**, b. Dec. 1, 1835; never was married, now (1904), living.
  12. **William Moir**, b. 1837.
- V. **JANET MOIR**, b. April 30, 1786, in **Thornhill**, m. to **JOHN STEWART**, had a family, but we have not been able to trace this branch.
- VI. **ANDREW MOIR**, b. Feb. 14, 1788, in **Thorn-** See later page

**hill**, married to ISABELLA DOUGALL, lived at **Callandar, Perthshire**, and had a large family, most of whom later settled in **America**.

VII. JAMES MOIR, born Jan. 26, 1794, in **Thornhill**, m. to ELIZABETH FORSYTH, and had issue; **James** came to **New Brunswick**, in 1818, and was accidentally drowned in **St. John's** ice-bound harbour, in 1833, one stormy night, while trying to board a vessel:—

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1. Robert Moir.
2. James Moir.
3. Mary Moir.
4. Ruth Moir.
5. George Moir.
6. Sarah Moir.

VIII. ELIZABETH MOIR, born Dec. 4, 1796, at **Thornhill**, m. 1819, JOHN MACQUEEN, and had issue:—

1. Janet MacQueen, b. Jan. 2, 1820, at **Thornhill**.

There was a large family born to this couple, probably all the others were born in **America**, to which place they emigrated. The descendants are mostly scattered throughout the **Province of Ontario**. We have tried to follow up this line, but members have refused to reply to enquiries sent.

IX. HELEN MOIR, }  
X. MARY MOIR. } The date of birth of these two have not been ascertained, but it is known that the former never was married, and the latter died young.



## DOUNE AND THORNHILL MOIRS

(CONTINUED)

The descendants of GEORGE MOIR, b. February 6, 1748, son of ROBERT MOIR and GRIZALL MAC ARTHUR; who m. July 6, 1776, JANET ADAM, of **Boquhapple Moss**, and **Moss-side farm, Thornhill**. (There are a great many descendants of this couple, mostly distributed throughout the **United States** and **Canada**, although there are several families of this branch still in Scotland.) They had issue.

### I.

ALEXANDER MOIR, b. Nov. 24, 1776, at **Mains, Thornhill**, m. March 7, 1807, JEAN HUTTON, dau. of WILLIAM HUTTON. He was a burghess of **Dunfermline**, (see extracts on another page) and was admitted October 24, 1809. Had issue:—

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I. CATHERINE MOIR, born April 30, 1809, at **Thornhill**, she m. Oct. 13, 1844, ROBERT HUTTON, and had issue, she died in **Ireland**.

II. GEORGE MOIR, b. Nov, 14, 1810, at **Thornhill**.

III. WILLIAM MOIR, b. Jan. 29, 1813, at **Thornhill**, (**Moss-side farm**,) married May 24, 1846, GRACE MACFARLANE, daughter of JOHN MACFARLANE, of the **Parish of Port, Kerbuck, Dunblane**, and had issue:—

1. } Two sons, who died in infancy.

2. }

3. ALEXANDER MOIR, farmer, b. June 28, 1850, at **Moss-side farm, Thornhill**, m. Mar. 22, 1874, ELIZABETH PATTERSON DICK, daughter of James Dick, b. **Gartincaber**, near **Thornhill**, and had issue:—

1. \*William Moir, farmer, b. April 30, 1875, at **Moss-side farm, Thornhill**.

2. James Moir, clerk, born Nov. 6, 1876, at **Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch**.

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\*William, Alexander and Jean G. Moir of this family have hired another farm called Capel Church farm, at Folkstone, and are doing well, according to report.

3. \*Alexander Moir, farmer, b. Jan. 6, 1879, at Nethercarse, Gargunnoch.
4. John Moir, draper, b. Aug. 20, 1880, at Nethercarse, Gargunnoch. (He served about 2 years in the South African war in the Imperial Yeomanry.) He is now 1912, at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.
5. \*Jean Galbraith Moir, b. Aug. 20, 1882, at Nethercarse farm.
6. Robert Moir, farmer, b. June 27, 1884, at Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch, he died May 21, 1904.
7. George Moir, b. March 8, 1886, at Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch.
8. Elizabeth Grace Macfarlane Moir, born Jan. 12, 1888, at Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch.
9. Isabella Ann Moir, b. Jan. 1, 1890, at Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch.
10. David Moir, b. Jan. 1, 1891, at Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch, died there, Dec. 20, 1905.
11. Andrew Moir, born April 19, 1892, at Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch.
12. Mitchell Archibald Moir, b. Feb. 3, 1895, at Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch, now farming with an uncle at Park of Keir, Dunblane, Perthshire.
13. Peter Moir, b. March 5, 1897, at Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch.
14. Isaac Dick Moir, born July 17, 1898, at Nethercarse farm, Gargunnoch.
4. JOHN MOIR, b. at Thornhill, died March 15, 1892, at Warquami, New Zealand.
5. A daughter, who married GEORGE ADAM, now of 11 Alexandria Place, Partick, Glasgow.
6. WILLIAM MOIR, a farmer and live-stock merchant, having a farm of over 900 acres, at Thornhill, called "Nether-ton farm," (where the author spent a day in 1910.) He was b. at Thornhill, and married 1st, JANE SANDS, and had issue:—
  1. William Moir, born 1892, at Nether-ton farm, Thornhill.
  2. Alexander Moir, born 1894, at Nether-ton farm, Thornhill.
  3. A daughter, now deceased.

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\*See footnote on page 236.

MR. MOIR m. 2nd, JANET SANDS, a sister to the first wife, and had issue:—

4. **Margaret Moir**, born 1901, at **Netherton, Thornhill**.
5. **Grace Moir**, born 1903, at **Netherton, Thornhill**.
6. **John Moir**, born 1906, at **Netherton, Thornhill**.

JANET SANDS-MOIR died in 1909.

IV. **ALEXANDER MOIR**, born Nov. 11, 1814, m. **Jessie Morrison**, and had issue:—

1. **Alexander Moir**, who is m. and living (1912) in **Glasgow**. He has a family. One son, **Alexander Moir**, is now in **London, Ontario**.
2. **Jessie Morrison Moir**, who m. **Apr. 12, 1862, Archibald MacNicol**, in **Scotland**, and who came to the **United States**, and died in **Pawtucket, Rhode Island**, **Mar. 9, 1886**; had issue.
3. **Jane Moir**, who m. **Alexander Montgomery**, died **April 15, 1910**, and had issue, several children, among whom, one daughter, **Jane Montgomery**, who married as a second wife, **Archibald MacNicol**, (who had previously married **Jessie M. Moir**, her sister), in **Lowell, Mass.**, later going to **Jewett City, Conn.**, and had issue, several children, among whom:—
  1. **Archibald MacNicol, Jr.**, who died 1910, unmarried.
  2. **Alexander MacNicol**, b. **Jewett City, Conn.**
4. **George Moir**, who died unmarried, at **Thornhill, Perthshire**.
5. **Sophia Moir**, who m. 1860, **John MacDonald**, who was accidentally killed in a boiler-yard in **Glasgow** in 1861. She came to **America** in 1866, and married, secondly, **George Kenyon** 1868, living (1912) at **Pawtucket, R. I.**, and has issue.
6. **Margaret Moir**, who m. **Mr. Alexander Nelson**, and lived in **Paisley, Scotland**.

V. **ANDREW MOIR**, born **Sept. 1, 1816**, at **Thornhill**, married **Feb. 16, 1845, MARY SMITH** of **Thornhill**, and had issue.

VI. **JEAN MOIR**, born **Oct. 10, 1818**, at **Thornhill**; she died in **New Zealand**.

VII. **ROBERT MOIR**, born **Oct. 10, 1820**, at **Thornhill**, he m. and has issue.

VIII. **JOHN MOIR**, born **Dec. 31, 1822**, at **Thornhill**, he also m. and left issue.

IX. JAMES MOIR, b. Dec. 21, 1825, at **Thornhill**, he m. firstly, (—), and had issue, at least one son **James**, who is living (1912) in **Glasgow, Scotland**.

He married secondly, 1869, **Catherine Drummond**, both husband and wife died within a year of the birth of a son:—

1. **Alexander James Moir**, b. April, 1870, at **Thornhill, Perthshire**, at the decease of both his parents, he was brought up by the grandmother on the mother's side. He afterwards came to the **United States**, settled at **Worcester, Mass.**, where he learned the dry and fancy goods business, with the **John C. MacInnes Company**, where by strict attention to business, and other good qualities, he rose to become a partner in the firm; later enlarging and doing a complete department store business. He m. 1893, **Bertha Day**, dau. of **Edward Day** of **Chester, Mass.**, had issue:—

1. **Bertha Day Moir**, b. 1898, at **Worcester, Mass.**, she died there in 1909.
2. **Chester Drummond Moir**, b. 1901, at **Worcester, Mass.**

## II.

JAMES MOIR, stone mason, of **Port Glasgow, Scotland**, afterwards of **New Brunswick**, son of **GEORGE MOIR**, of **Thornhill**, and **JANET ADAM**; b. Jan. 26, 1794, at **Thornhill**, m. 1822, **ELIZABETH FORSYTH**. (MR. MOIR was accidently drowned one stormy night in 1833, while attempting to board a vessel in the ice-bound harbor of **St. John's, New Brunswick**.) Had issue:—

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I. **ROBERT MOIR**, who died young.

II. **JAMES GILBERT MOIR**, b. Nov. 11, 1822, in **New Brunswick**, m. **ANN CATHERINE CHAPPEL**, and d. Mar. 19, 1901, had issue, at least one son:—

1. **Robert Arthur Moir**, farmer, of **Mount Whatley, New Brunswick**, b. Dec. 11, 1878, in **Tidnish, Nova Scotia**, he married 1904, **Mabel Gertrude Carter**, dau. of **Samuel Cyrus Carter**, of **Westmoreland Point, New Brunswick**, and had issue.



III. MARY MOIR, m. ROBERT JACKSON of St. Martin's, New Brunswick, and had issue.

IV. RUTH MOIR, b. New Brunswick, 1826, died aged 69, was m. and had issue.

V. GEORGE BYRON MOIR, b. July 5, 1828, in Sussex, New Brunswick, m. Feb. 26, 1861, ANNA BRANDER, daughter of JAMES BRANDER, of Huntley, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, and had issue:—

1. Joseph William Moir, born Dec. 5, 1861, in Mount Whatley, New Brunswick; died there, Nov. 13, 1865.
2. Mary Elizabeth Moir, b. Jan. 13, 1863, in Goose River, Nova Scotia, d. Mar. 6, 1867.
3. Lilla Ann Moir, b. Jan. 10, 1865, in Nappan, N. S., d. Nov. 7, 1865.
4. Lilly Ada Moir, b. Oct. 2, 1866, in Nappan, N. S., m. Nov. 5, 1889, Hugh Armour, son of Hugh Armour, of Johnstone, Scotland, and had issue:—
  1. George Hugh Armour, b. Sept. 12, 1890, Banff, N. W. T.
  2. John Armour, b. Nov. 25, 1892, in Regina, N. W. T.
  3. William Armour, born April 17, 1896, in Regina, N. W. T.
  4. Martha Armour, b. July 5, 1898, in Regina, N. W. T.
  5. Robert Armour, b. June 22, 1900, in Regina, N. W. T.
  6. Alexander Armour, born June 19, 1904, in Regina, N. W. T.

VI. SARAH ELIZABETH MOIR, born May 17, 1833, in Shepardy, New Brunswick, m. 1850 DAVID FLINN, of Kentville, Nova Scotia, and had issue:—

1. Ella Flinn, born Jan. 10, 1851, in St. John's, New Brunswick, married a mechanic, had issue, and died in 1899.
2. William Flinn, b. Dec. 9, 1853, in St. Johns, N. B., married, had issue, and is now (1904,) at Villard, Minnesota.
3. Mary Flinn, b. Dec. 16, 1857, in St. John's, N. B., married a mechanic, and is now, (1904,) living in Norwich, Conn.
4. Sarah Flinn, b. Dec. 16, 1857, Woodville, N. S., and d. 1858.

5. George Moir Flinn, born Mar. 8, 1860, in Woodville, N. S., now (1904,) living at Medford, Minnesota.
6. Everett Richardson Flinn, born Dec. 10, 1862, in Woodville, N. S.
7. Hermon Alton Flinn, b. June 6, 1865, in Woodville, N. S., d. 1885, in Norwood, Mass.



Descendants of ROBERT MOIR, (b. 1778) who married (1811), \*ELIZABETH MOIR, at **Thornhill, Perthshire**. See page 234.

### I.

GEORGE MOIR, farmer and veterinary surgeon, of **Alpena, Michigan**, born October 13, 1811, at **Doune, Perthshire**, he came to **America** about 1840, settling in the eastern province of **Quebec**, afterwards going west to **Alpena, Michigan**, where he m. 1868, ELIZABETH O'BRIAN. MR. MOIR died Mar. 6, 1893. Had issue:—

1. Elizabeth Moir, dressmaker, born Nov. 5, 1869, **Alpena, Michigan**.
2. Robert Moir, b. May 24, 1871, in **Alpena, Mich.**, died March 26, 1896.
3. Isabella Moir, b. Sept. 9, 1873, **Alpena, Mich.**

### II.

ISABELLA MOIR, born Nov. 1, 1812, in **Doune, Perthshire**, married ROBERT MONTEITH; no issue; died in **Glasgow** in 1852, the same year as the death of her mother in **America**.

### III.

JAMES MOIR, of **Denny, Stirlingshire**, gardener and beadle, b. January 27, 1814, at **Doune, Kilmadock** parish, and m. July 10, 1845, MATILDA MacKELLAR, **Denny**. (Mr. Moir d. May 19, 1894.) Had issue:—

I. ———

II. ELIZABETH MOIR, b. Feb. 20, 1849, at **Denny**, m. July 14, 1871, JOHN RUSSELL, plumber, of **Glasgow** (b. **Campsie**), and had issue:—

1. Matilda MacKellar Russell, b. July 20, 1872.
2. John Russell, b. July 4, 1874.
3. Elizabeth Russell, b. July 22, 1876.

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\*See account of her ancestry and lineage.

4. **James Moir Russell**, b. Dec. 13, 1878.
5. **Robert Moir Russell**, b. July 6, 1881; m. Aug. 28, 1901, and has issue.
6. **William Russell**, b. Sept. 24, 1883.
7. **Jeanie Russell**, b. Dec. 11, 1885, m. 1911, a **Mr. MacPherson**, and has issue, one daughter. She afterwards removed to **Auckland, New Zealand**.
8. **Jessie Russell**, born Oct. 29, 1888, m. 1910, **John Payton**, of **Lowell, Mass.**, and has issue:—
  1. **Elizabeth Payton**.
9. **Andrew Moir Russell**, b. April 20, 1892.
10. **Jenny Russell**, b. Sept. 9, 1894.

III. **ROBERT MOIR**, blacksmith and engineer, of **Denny, Stirlingshire**, born Mar. 27, 1851, **East Boreland, Denny**, married **MARTHA SMITH**, Aug 22, 1873. (Mr. Moir d. 1912. Mrs. Moir d. Oct. 9, 1911.) Had issue:—

1. **James Moir**, ironmoulder, b. Feb. 17, 1874, m. July 17, 1895, **Mary Mac Kerracher Kemp, Denny**, and had issue:—
  1. **Catherine Moir**, b. Oct. 11, 1896.
  2. **Robert Moir**, b. May 15, 1898.
  3. **James Moir**, b. May 8, 1900; d. Jan. 21, 1901.
  4. **John Moir**, b. May 8, 1900.
  5. **James Moir**, b. Oct. 14, 1902.
2. **Robert Moir**, b. April 3, 1875; d. Aug. 15, 1881.
3. **Elizabeth MacDonald Moir**, b. Dec. 23, 1876, m. **Charles Grant**, a police officer of **Kinrosshire** and had issue:—
  1. **Martha May Grant**, b. June 26, 1900.
  2. **Jessie Clark Grant**, b. Nov. 2, 1904.

And two others.
4. **Matilda Mac Kellar Moir**, b. Nov. 25, 1878; married **James Grant**, a contractor and builder, now of **New Haven, Conn.**, and has issue.
5. **John Moir**, a moulder, b. May 16, 1881, now (1912), in **Hamilton, Ontario, Canada**.
6. **George Moir**, b. Dec. 29, 1883, m. and has issue:—
  1. **Robert Moir**, b. April, 1911, now (1912), at **Rainy River, Ontario, Canada**.
7. **Robert Moir**, born Oct. 1, 1888, now at **Rainy River, Ontario, Canada**.
8. **Alexander Moir**, born Feb. 13, 1891, now at **Rainy River, Ontario, Canada**.

IV. **JANET MOIR**, born Oct. 4, 1855, at **East Boreland, Denny**, married Sept. 15, 1879, **HUGH SMELLIE** and had issue:—

1. David Smellie, b. Sept. 23, 1880.
2. James Alexander Smellie, b. April 30, 1883.
3. Hugh Smellie, b. June 14, 1887.
4. Robert Smellie, b. Feb. 7, 1891.
5. William Smellie, b. Aug. 4, 1893.

## IV.

JANET MOIR, of Vernon, Mich., b. Oct. 2, 1815, in Thornhill, Perthshire, Scotland, m. 1842, JAMES MACLAREN, of St. John's, New Brunswick, and had issue:— (She died 1905. He died some years previously.)

1. Elizabeth MacLaren, born July 29, 1843, in Corunna, Mich., married Oct. 12, 1872, Michael Carland, of Kinsale, Ireland, and had issue:—
  1. Bessie Carland, born April 22, 1878, Corunna, Michigan.
  2. Charles Sumner Carland, b. Oct. 9, 1882, in Corunna, Mich.
2. Archibald, born 1848, in Vernon, Michigan, (deceased, unmarried.)
3. Catherine, b. 1851, in Vernon, Michigan.
4. Mary, b. 1853, in Vernon, Michigan.
5. Robert, b. 1858, in Vernon, Michigan.

## V.

ROBERT MOIR, blacksmith and farmer, born April 27, 1817, in Kilmadock parish, Doune, Perthshire, Scotland, m. May, 1846, in Province Quebec, Canada, MARGARET DAWES, dau. of THOMAS DAWES of Montreal, P. Q., Canada, and had issue as follows:— (MR. MOIR died Mar. 12, 1901). (MRS. MOIR died Dec. 27, 1904.)

1. Robert Moir, (teacher), b. 1847, in Port Daniel, P. Q., m. Helen Blake, and had issue:—
  1. Eva Jane Dawes Moir, born Miramichi, New Brunswick, married Dec. 22, 1900, James Hamilton, and had issue:—
    1. James Blake Hamilton, born Oct. 15, 1902.
    2. James Douglas Hamilton, born June, 1904.
    3. Thomas Dawes Millar Hamilton, b. Aug., 1906; died Sept., 1907.

2. **Thomas Dawes Moir**, (farmer), born April, 1849, in **Lance Aux Beaufls, P. Q., Canada**. Unmarried.
3. **Charlotte Amelia Moir**, born 1852, in **Lance Aux Beaufls, P. Q., Canada**; married 1874, **Peter Gordon Simpson**, carpenter, (died 1897), and had issue:—
  1. **Annie Elizabeth Simpson**, born July 26, 1875, in **Leamington, Ontario**; married March 26, 1901, to **Lemuel Sloane**, and had issue:—
    1. **Bessie Sloane**, born June 12, 1902, in **Leamington, Ont.**
    2. **Mildred Sloane**, born July 11, 1905, in **Leamington, Ont.**
    3. **Baby boy**, b. Oct. 31, 1911, in **Leamington, Ont.**
  2. **Allan Gordon Simpson**, printer, of **Pittsburg, Pennsylvania**, born 1878, in **Leamington, Ontario**, married 1st, (—) **Wilson**, and had issue:—
    1. **Mildred Simpson**, b. 1905.

**Mr. Simpson**, married 2d. **Eva Hodgkins**, of **Leamington, Ontario**, and had issue, one son:—

    2. **James Simpson**, born April, 1907, in **Detroit, Michigan**.
  3. **Bert James Simpson**, telegraph operator, born 1881, in **Leamington, Ont.**, married 1906, to **Jean McCurdy** and had issue:—
    1. **Donald Simpson**, born July, 1903, in **Glendale, Oregon**.
    2. **Allan Simpson**, born Jan. 1905, in **Glendale, Oregon**.
4. **Elizabeth Moir**, b. April 5, 1852, **Lance Aux Beaufls, P. Q.**, died June 15, 1865.
5. **Mark George Moir**, of **Eberts, Ontario**, farmer, born 1853, in **Lance Aux Beaufls, P. Q., Canada**, married 1881, **Judith Lenfesty**, of **Perce, P. Q., Canada**, and had issue:— (**Mrs. Moir** died Dec. 18, 1904.)
  1. **William Alexander Moir**, born July 1882, in **Perce, P. Q.**
  2. **Ethel Susan Moir**, b. Dec. 31, 1883, in **Perce, Gaspé, P. Q.**

3. Myrtle Edith Moir, born Feb. 4, 1886. Turnerville, Ont., married Sept., 1909, William Oliver Bower of Eberts, Ontario, who shortly afterwards removed to Saskatchewan.
  4. Ernest Raymond Moir, born May 11, 1888, in Turnerville, Ont.
  5. Lloyd James Moir, b. June 26, 1890, in Turnerville, Ont.
  6. Ida Amelia Moir, b. June 20, 1892, in Turnerville, Ont.
  7. Wilson Irvin Moir, b. May 2, 1896, in Turnerville, Ont.
  8. Amy Christina Moir, b. July 21, 1898, in Turnerville, Ont.
6. James Moir, born Sept. 24, 1855, in Lance Aux Beaufils, P. Q., Canada, died there Jan. 31, 1881.
  7. Joseph Dawes Moir, of Turnerville, Ontario, merchant, b. July 18, 1857, in Lance Aux Beaufils, P. Q., Canada, m. June 24, 1885, Ida Adelia Turner, (born July 16, 1861, Prince Edward County, Ontario), and had issue:—
    1. James Percival Moir, born April 1, 1886, in Turnerville, Ont.
    2. Helen Beryl Moir, b. June 16, 1887, in Turnerville, Ontario, married Dec. 1909, to Samuel Herbert Davies of Oxbow, Sask., and had issue:—
      1. Marion Hathaway Davies, born Sept., 1910, in Oxbow, Sask.
    3. Josie May Moir, born Jan. 16, 1889, in Turnerville, Ont., married Dec., 1908, to Clarence Junk, in Oxbow, Sask., and had issue, one son:—
      1. James Moir Junk, born 1910, in Oxbow, Sask.
    4. Sarah Margaret Moir, born Oct. 9, 1891, in Turnerville, Ont. Married 1910, to Thomas Halliwell of England, at Oxbow, Sask., and had issue, one daughter:—
      1. Madge Halliwell, born 1910, at Oxbow, Sask.
    5. Annie Marion Moir, b. Oct. 31, 1896, in Turnerville, Ont.
    6. Thomas Dawes Moir, b. Jan. 22, 1898, in Turnerville, Ont.

7. **Malcolm Moir**, born Nov. 9. 1906, in **Oxbow, Sask.**
8. **Lily Jane Moir**, of **Eberts, Ontario**, b. Feb. 16, 1859, in **Lance Aux Beaufils, P. Q., Canada.**
9. **Margaret Moir**, b. Dec. 15, 1860, in **Lance Aux Beaufils, P. Q., Canada**, and died there, Sept. 1, 1896.
10. **Alexander William Moir**, merchant and postmaster, of **Dawn Mills, Ontario**, born Dec. 6, 1863, in **Lance Aux Beaufils, P. Q., Canada**; m. Oct. 30, 1888, to **Elizabeth Cassie Turner**, of **Turnerville, Ont.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Raymond Earl Moir**, born Jan. 31, 1890, in **Chatham, Ont.**
  2. **Robert Claire Moir**, b. May 25, 1895, in **Dawn Mills, Ont.**
  3. **Allan Leo Moir**, b. Mar. 2, 1897, in **Dawn Mills, Ontario.**
  4. **Kate Veronica Moir**, born Feb. 2, 1899, in **Dawn Mills, Ont.**
11. **Edmund Head Moir**, merchant and postmaster of **Eberts, Ontario**, born Mar. 13, 1864, at **Lance Aux Beaufils, P. Q., Canada**; m. Sept. 27, 1894, to **Estella Grooms**, daughter of **John Grooms**, and had issue:—
  1. **Lillian Daisy Marguerite Moir**, b. Sept. 19, 1895, in **Eberts, Ontario.**
12. **Phoebe Isabella Moir**, b. Aug. 22, 1866, in **Lance Aux Beaufils, P. Q., Canada**, married **Walton Weddington Grooms**, of **Eberts, Ontario.**
13. **Annie Moir**, of **Eberts, Ontario**, b. June 28, 1868, in **Lance Aux Beaufils, P. Q., Canada**; married Aug. 22, 1904, to **F. James Ball**, of **Goderich, Ontario**, and had issue:—
  1. **Annie Evelyn Ball**, born Feb. 27, 1908, in **Eberts, Ontario.**



## VI.

**WILLIAM MOIR**, school teacher, of **Cascapedia, Province of Quebec**, born 1819, in **Thornhill, Perthshire, Scotland**, married 1862, **JANE TAYLOR**. Had issue:— (Mr. Moir died Sept. 18, 1902.)

1. **Robert William Hastwell Moir**, b. Dec. 2, 1862.
2. **Grace Rebecca E. Moir**, born Jan. 22, 1865; married 1890, to **William Carmichle**, and had issue:—
  1. **March Carmichle**, born Mar. 3, 1891; died July 7, 1894.
  2. **Ethel Jane Carmichle**, b. July 13, 1892.
  3. **Eleanor Sidgrave Carmichle**, born November 28, 1893.
  4. **William Clifton Carmichle**, b. Oct. 29, 1895.
  5. **Duncan Forrest Carmichle**, b. May 8, 1898.
  6. **Robert Hastwell Carmichle**, b. Feb. 28, 1900.
  7. **Mary Mildred Carmichle**, born May 6, 1902, died May 3, 1903.
3. **David Gordon Moir**, b. Jan. 31, 1867, married June 2, 1903.
4. **John Wilby Moir**, b. June 23, 1869; d. 1882.
5. **George Evenly Moir**, b. Dec. 23, 1870.
6. **William A. Moir**, b. Apr. 3, 1873.
7. **Lavinia Jane Moir**, b. Aug. 10, 1875; married April 4, 1900, to **Isaac Starrak**, and had issue, one son:—
  1. **John Starrak**, b. Jan. 12, 1903.
8. **James Sydney Moir**, sawyer, b. Sept. 23, 1877.
9. **Lindsay Moir**, b. Oct. 15, 1881.
10. **John A. Moir**, station agent, b. July 30, 1884.

## VII.

**SUSAN MOIR**, b. 1822, at **Denny, Scotland**; m. **JOSEPH KELLEY** (who died 1878), in **Caledonia, Michigan**. No issue. She died in 1905, in **Vernon, Michigan**.

## VIII.

**JOHN MOIR**, b. 1823, at **Denny, Scotland**, died in infancy.

## IX.

**DUNCAN MOIR**, blacksmith, afterwards marine engineer, of **Glasgow, Scotland**, (where he died 27th



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August, 1880), b. Feb. 10, 1824, at **Carronhall**, near **Denny, Stirlingshire**; married 1849, **ANN SMILLIE**, of **Polmont**, (she died in **Glasgow**, Dec. 1910,) and had issue, as follows:—

1. **Robert Moir**, boat-builder, of **Govan**, b. Nov. 21, 1849, in **Polmont, Stirlingshire**, married June 27, 1879, **Elizabeth Hardie**, daughter of **Robert Hardie**, farmer, of **Fouldubs, Falkirk**, and had issue:—

1. **Mary Nimmo Moir**, born Aug. 2, 1880, in **Northgate, Livingstone, Linlithgow, Scotland**, m. June 6, 1905, (—) **Brebner**; and had issue:—

1. **Elizabeth H. Brebner**, born April 10, 1906, in **Govan**.

2. **Arthur G. Brebner**, b. Nov. 6, 1907, in **Govan**.

3. **Jane C. Brebner**, born July 28, 1909, in **Govan**.

4. **Mary Brebner**, b. May, 1911, in **Govan**.

2. **Duncan Robertson Moir**, born June 6, 1882, in **Howden, Midcalder, Midlothian**, a boat-builder, bridge-builder and engineer, at present making new railways and building bridges in **Cape Colony, South Africa**; m. 18 Dec., 1906, at **Cape Town**, **Letitia Craig-Caldwell**, dau. of **James Craig-Caldwell**, Supt. Carting Department, Co-Operative, **Glasgow**, and had issue.

3. **Ann Smillie Moir**, b. Oct. 25, 1883, in **Govan, Glasgow, Scotland**.

4. **Robert Hardie Moir**, born Nov. 28, 1887, in **Govan, Glasgow, Scotland**.

5. **Alexander Moir**, b. Jan. 13, 1891, in **Govan, Glasgow, Scotland**.

2. **Alexander Smillie Moir**, marine engineer, and for many years chief engineer of the steamship **Alps**, one of a line of steamships plying between **New York** and **South America**. Born July 26, 1851, at **Coatbridge**, m. August, 1878, **Margaret Hardie**. He died about 1898, in **New York City**; no issue.

3. **Annie Moir**, b. Aug. 17, 1854, at **Coatbridge**, m. 1881, **George Fraser**, hotel proprietor and manager, of **Ayr, Ayrshire**. (She died Nov. 25, 1904.) Had issue:—

1. **John Fraser**, b. Dec. 21, 1882.
2. **Annie Smillie Fraser**, b. July 9, 1884.
3. **Duncan Moir Fraser**, b. July 16, 1886.
4. **Edith Elizabeth Fraser**.
5. **Alfred George Fraser**, b. 1891, d. Apr. 22, 1893.
4. **Elizabeth Moir**, born 9th October 1858, at **Calderbank**; m. July, 1882, **Robert Smith**, draper, merchant, house-factor, and insurance agent, of **Glasgow**, and had issue:—
  1. **Annie Binnie Smith**, b. Oct. 9, 1885, in **Glasgow**.
  2. **Catherine A. Smith**, b. Jan. 17, 1888, in **Glasgow**, married Sept. 29, 1909, at **Glasgow**, **John M. Milne**, an artist in photo-engraving work, now in **Boston, Mass.**
  3. **Elizabeth Moir Smith**, b. April 2, 1890, in **Glasgow**, now a school-teacher at **Kilmarnock, Ayrshire (1912)**.
  4. **Jeanie D. Smith**, b. April 13, 1892, in **Glasgow**.
  5. **Mary Moir Smith**, born Sept. 17, 1893, in **Glasgow**.
  6. **Robert L. Smith**, born July 9, 1895, in **Glasgow**.
  7. **Duncan Robertson Moir Smith**, b. July 21, 1897, in **Glasgow**.
  8. **George W. Smith**, b. Aug. 20, 1899, in **Glasgow**.
5. **Duncan Moir**, draper, merchant, b. July 10, 1864, in **Glasgow, Scotland**; m. Mar. 5, 1890, **Jeanie Kelso**, daughter of **James Kelso**, of **Govan**, and had issue:—
  1. **Martha Moir**, b. June 21, 1893, in **Govan**.
  2. **Annie Moir**, born Sept. 18, 1895, in **Glasgow**.
  3. **Duncan Moir**, born Aug. 15, 1897, in **Glasgow**.
6. **William Moir**, draper's clerk, of **Glasgow**, born May 12, 1873, in **Glasgow**, m. June 26, 1902, **Margaret Downs**, dau. of **John Rae Downs**, of **Uddingston**, and has issue:—
  1. **Margaret McDonald Moir**, b. May 24, 1904, in **Glasgow**.
  2. **Annie Smillie Moir**, b. April 14, 1907, in **Ibrox, Glasgow**.
  3. **Duncan Rae Moir**, b. Mar. 5, 1909, in **Ibrox, Glasgow**.
  4. **John Downs Moir**, b. Nov. 8, 1911, in **Ibrox, Glasgow**.

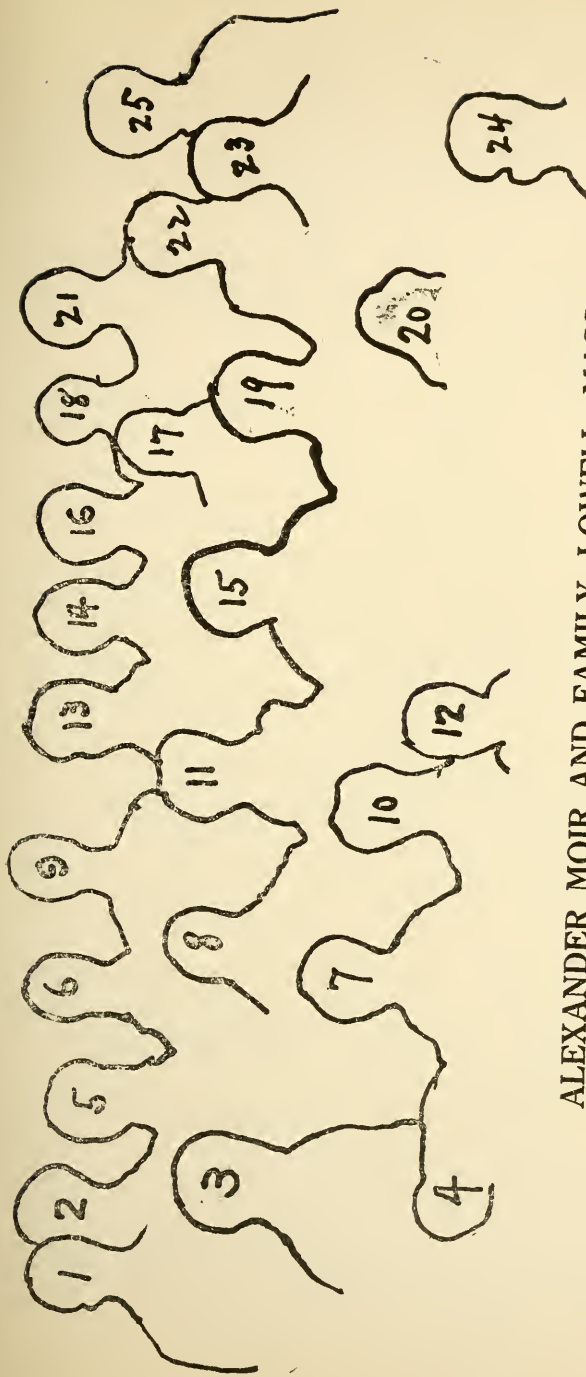
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- 3 MRS. JOHN S. MOIR
- 4 ALEXANDER H. MOIR
- 5 MRS. ROBERT MOIR
- 6 ALEXANDER L. MOIR
- 7 HARRY T. MOIR
- 8 ROBERT MOIR
- 9 MRS. ALEXANDER L. MOIR
- 10 JOHN S. MOIR, D. O.
- 11 ISABEL M. MOIR
- 12 HAROLD D. MOIR
- 13 GEORGE MOIR
- 14 ALEXANDER G. FORSYTH
- 15 ALEXANDER MOIR
- 16 ALEXANDER T. MOIR
- 17 ISABELLA H. MOIR
- 18 FREDERICK J. HART, D. M. D.
- 19 MRS. JAMES MOIR
- 20 CHRISTINA I. MOIR
- 21 JOSEPH JOHNS
- 22 ROBERT F. MOIR
- 23 JAMES MOIR
- 24 MALCOLM A. MOIR
- 25 ANNIE (MOIR) JOHNS

**Scotland**; m. Mar. 13, 1856, \***ISABELLA MAC LARTY**, b. Paisley, Scotland, Nov. 15, 1831, dau. of **DUNCAN MAC LARTY**, of Campbelltown, Argyleshire. Mr. Moir died Feb. 3, 1911, and his wife Oct., 1896, and had issue:—

1. **Robert Moir**, brass-finisher, of Lowell, Mass., b. Apr. 16, 1857, in Denny, Stirlingshire, married 1883, **Florence S. Crowther**, dau. of **Thomas Crowther** and **Emma Jones**, and had issue:—
  1. **Alexander Thomas Moir**, of Ithaca, N. Y., born Lowell, Mass., June 17, 1884, he is assistant professor of husbandry in Cornell University, at Ithaca, N. Y.
  2. **William Duncan Moir**, b. Dec. 5, 1886, in Lowell, Mass., d. there Aug. 9, 1890.
  3. **Isabel Henrietta Moir**, born July 1, 1891, in Lowell, Mass.
2. **Annie D. Moir**, of Lowell, Mass., born Sept. 12, 1858, in Denny, Stirlingshire; m. firstly 1882, **John Houston Forsyth**. He died May. 5, 1884, and had issue:—
  1. **Alexander George Forsyth**, born Lowell, Mass., July 1st, 1884.

\***Duncan, John, Lionel, Edward, William, Alexander and Martha**, were children of **Edward MacLarty**, of Campbelltown, Argyleshire, Scotland.

**Alexander MacLarty**, of this family was a sea captain, and m. **Nancy** (———).

**Martha MacLarty** married **Matthew Gemmell**, of Paisley, Scotland, and their descendants now live there.

**Duncan MacLarty** married **Ann Durrrough**, dau. of (———), and **Marion Durrrough**, and had issue:—

1. **Isabella Mac Larty**, b. Oct. 15, 1831, in Paisley, Scotland, m. Mar. 13, 1856, at Denny, Stirlingshire, **Alexander Moir**, and had issue as noted above.
2. **Edward MacLarty**, b. 1833, Paisley, Scotland, came to America in the early 50's, and was last heard from in 1857 at Carlton, Indiana.
3. **Margaret MacLarty**, b. 1835, at Rothesay, Scotland, m. **Robert Wild**, and had issue, one son:—**Robert Wild**. She died about 1890, at Denny.
4. **Duncan MacLarty**, b. 1836, at Denny, Scotland, and died at the age of five years at Paisley.
5. **John MacLarty**, block printer on linoleum oil cloth, and master mechanic, b. 1838, at Denny, m. Nov. 22, 1867, **Mary Galbraith**, dau. of **Peter** and **Marion Galbraith**, and had issue, at least four children, as follows:—
  1. **Marion MacLarty**, b. Oct. 29, 1869, in Linoleumville, Staten Island, New York; m. **Conrad Zurcher**, and had issue, four daughters:—**Anna Z.**, **Marion**, **Flora**, and **Helen Galbraith**.
  2. **Annie MacLarty**, b. Linoleumville, New York, m. **James Jeffrey**.
  3. **John D. MacLarty**, of the Department of Education, New York City, b. Linoleumville, New York, m. **Margaret Sidgreaves**, and had issue, two daughters:—**Margaret** and **Thelma MacLarty**.
  4. **Florence MacLarty**, b. Linoleumville, New York, married **Charles Decker**.

She m. 1888, secondly, **Joseph Johns**, carpenter, no issue.

3. **Elizabeth Moir**, born August 12, 1860, in **Thornliebank, Renfrewshire**; married Oct. 6, 1880, **William James Hart**, master-mechanic, son of **James and Elizabeth Hart**, of **Lowell, Mass.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Frederick James Hart**, dentist, b. Jan. 3, 1882, graduated from **Tufts Medical College**, with the degree of **D. M. D.**, class of 1904, now practising his profession in **Boston, Mass.**
  2. **Belle Hart**, born 1884, in **Lowell, Mass.**, now deceased, died young.
4. **Duncan Moir**, b. Sept. 8, 1862, in **Thornliebank, Renfrewshire, Scotland**, and died Oct. 12, 1892, in **Lowell, Mass.** One of the firm of **Moir Brothers**, in the dry and fancy goods business; a very promising young man. (See memorials on another page.)
5. **Alexander L. Moir**, of **Lowell, Mass.**, civil servant, born April 17, 1864, in **Thornliebank, Renfrewshire**, is the author of this genealogy; married Feb. 27, 1889, **\*Christina Morrison**, daughter of **Finley Morrison**, of **Inverness, Scotland**, and **Isabel Mac Kinnon**, of **Cape Breton, Nova Scotia**, and had issue:—
  1. **Robert Finley Moir**, b. May 1, 1890, in **Lowell, Mass.**

\***Duncan Morrison** m. **Catherine MacPhail**, and had issue, among others:—

**Malcolm Morrison**, who m. **Margaret Morrison**, dau. of **Finley Morrison** and **Catherine Mac Donald**, and had issue among others:—

**Finley Morrison** of **Cape Breton, Nova Scotia**, (coming from **Inverness, Scotland**, with his parents when two years of age in 1822), who m. first, **Isabel Mac Kinnon**, b. 1822, and had issue:—

1. **Margaret Morrison**, m. **Henry Long**, of **Dracut, Mass.**
2. **Flora Morrison**, m. **Thomas Gray**, of **Lowell, Mass.**
3. **Annie Morrison**, m. **Robert H. Canavan**, of **Windsor, Nova Scotia.**
4. **Effie Morrison.**
5. **Christina Morrison**, m. **Alex. L. Moir**, of **Lowell, Mass.**

**Finley Morrison** m. secondly, **Mary Graham**, and had issue:—

1. **Malcolm Morrison**, m. **Susan Ashley**, of **Lowell, Mass.**
2. **Donald John Morrison.**
3. **Duncan Archibald Morrison**, m. **Rebecca MacPherson**, now at **Whycocomagh, Cape Breton, N. S.**
4. **Isabel Margaret Morrison**, m. **Charles Gilford** of **Concord, New Hampshire.**

2. **Malcolm Alexander Moir**, born Jan. 25, 1892, in **Lowell, Mass.**
3. **Isabel Morrison Moir**, born Nov. 25, 1893, in **Lowell, Mass.**
4. **Kenneth Eliot Moir**, b. May 27, 1908, in **Lowell, Mass.**
6. **George Moir**, of **Providence, Rhode Island**, b. April 15, 1866, at **Thornliebank, Renfrewshire**, department store manager; m. Sept. 26, 1894, **Jennie MacIntosh**, daughter of **Andrew MacIntosh**, and **Frances Thompson**, and had issue:—
  1. **Wallace Andrew Moir**, born Nov. 22, 1897, in **Lowell, Mass.**, now deceased.
  2. **Helen Marie Moir**, b. Jan. 26, 1900, in **Lowell, Mass.**, now deceased.
  3. **Lucille Jeanette Moir**, born in **Lowell, Mass.**, Apr. 21, 1902.
  4. **George Moir**, b. in **Lowell, Mass.**, 1905.
7. **John Stuart Moir**, of **Lowell, Mass.**, optician, born May 9, 1868, in **Parkhead, Glasgow**, a graduate of **Dr. Kline's Optical College**, of **Boston, Mass.**, and now practicing as an optician in **Lowell, Mass.**; m. Nov. 25, 1891, **Margaret Thomas**, dau. of **Hugh Thomas**, of **Lowell, Mass.**, and had issue:—
  1. **Harry Thomas Moir** } Twins, born July 11, 1900,
  2. **Harold Duncan Moir** } at **Lowell, Mass.**
  3. **Alexander Hugh Moir**, born June 28, 1903, at **Lowell, Mass.**
8. **James Moir**, of **Roxbury, Mass.**, travelling salesman, for the **Yale and Towne Mfg. Co.**, b. Oct. 15, 1870, in **Bridgeton, Glasgow, Scotland**; m. Sept. 22, 1897, **Catherine F. Young**, dau. of **Thomas Young**, and had issue:—
  1. **Christina Isabel Moir**, b. May 28, 1903.

## XI.

**ANDREW MOIR**, of **Glasgow, Scotland**, b. 1828, in **East Boreland, Denny, Stirlingshire**; married 1853, **MARGARET STEWART**, and had issue:—

1. **Robert Moir**, marine engineer, of **West Kilbride, Ayrshire**, born Oct. 22, 1854, in **Neilston**,

**Renfrewshire, Scotland**; married first, 1881, **Grace Marie Whannell**, daughter of **Robert Whannell**, of **Glasgow**. (He died March 19, 1910.) Had issue:—

1. **Grace Whannell Moir**, born Aug. 21, 1894, in **Hong Kong, China**.
2. **Robert Stewart Moir**, born Aug. 27, 1896, in **Hong Kong, China**. (The father was in business there for several years.)

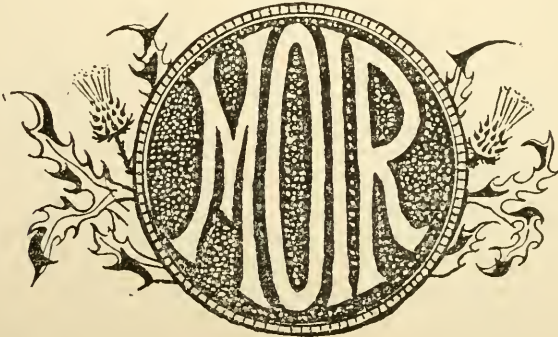
**Mrs. Moir**, died Nov. 28, 1898.

**Robert Moir**, married secondly, 1901, **Margaret Craig Boyd**, dau. of **Thomas Boyd**, of **West Kilbride, Ayrshire**, and had issue:—

1. **Margaret Craig Moir**, b. Sept. 12, 1902, in **West Kilbride**.
2. **George Allan Moir**, b. Mar. 2, 1904, in **West Kilbride**.
2. **Allan Moir**, died unmarried.
3. **Jeannie Moir**, married **Mr. King** and had issue.
4. **Margaret Moir**, married **Mr. Allan Cunningham**, no issue.
5. **Andrew Moir**.
6. **Elizabeth Moir**, married **Mr. MacAdam** and had issue.

## XII.

**JOHN MOIR**, b. 1830, **Denny, Scotland**, and died at the age of seven years. (There were two of this name in the family, the first one was dead before the second was born.)



**DOUNE AND THORNHILL MOIRS**  
(CONTINUED)

See page 234      **GEORGE MOIR**, farmer, of **Huron, Ontario**, b. **Thornhill, Perthshire, Scotland**; married, (———) **JANE STIRLING**; came to **America**, in 1845, and settled in **Huron County, Ontario**, had issue:—

- See below      1. **George Moir**, b. Jan. 7, 1816, **Thornhill, Scotland**, m. in Scotland to **Elizabeth Buchanan**.
- See page 259      2. **Margaret Moir**, b. Oct. 2, 1817, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. in Scotland to **Alex. Buchanan**, died Apr. 19, 1901.
- See page 262      3. **John Moir**, b. Aug. 20, 1819, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. in Scotland **Mary Anderson**, died 1870.
- See page 261      4. **Alexander Moir**, b. Aug. 15, 1821, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. **Janet Ross**, died Sept. 18, 1898.
5. **Robert Moir**, b. Aug. 12, 1823, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. in Scotland, to **Katie McMartin**.
6. **James Moir**, b. Apr. 30, 1825, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. **Isabella Murray**.
7. **Jean Moir**, b. July 31, 1827, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. **James Murray**, died June 31, 1903.
8. **Janet Moir**, b. Apr. 29, 1829, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. **Robert Murray**, died June 12, 1863.
9. **Peter Moir**, b. May 25, 1831, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. **Catherine Elder**.
10. **Andrew Moir**, b. June 28, 1833, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. **Isabel Dougall**, died June 5, 1860.
11. **Thomas Robertson Moir**, b. Dec. 1, 1835, in **Callander, Scotland**, never married, (alive 1906.)
12. **William Moir**, b. Oct. 28, 1837, in **Callander, Scotland**, m. **Marion Gibson**.

Each branch of this family is represented further on.

**GEORGE MOIR**, farmer, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, b. Dec. 28, 1815, son of **GEORGE MOIR** and **JANE STIRLING**, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, m. 1841, **ELIZABETH BUCHANAN**, dau. of **COLIN BUCHANAN**, of **Callander, Scotland**, and had issue:—

- See page 261      1. **Jane Moir**, b. 1842, m. **James Armstrong**, **Crystal City, Man.**
2. **Margaret Moir**, born (——), m. **William Trann**, **Crystal City, Man.**
3. **James Moir**, b (——), deceased.
4. **George Moir**, b. (——), **Traverse City, Mich.**
5. **John Moir**, b. (——), **Glendinning, Manitoba.**
6. **Peter Moir**, b. (——), **Hurondale, Ontario.**
7. **Isabella Moir**, b (——), **Hay, Ontario.**
- See page 262      8. **Janet Moir**, b. (——), m. **John Traquair**, of **Hensall, Ont.**
- Do.              9. **Agnes Moir**, b. (——), m. **John Stewart**, of **Hensall, Ont.**

JANE MOIR, of **Port Haney, British Columbia**, b. May 19, 1846, in **Kildare, Ireland**, dau. of GEORGE MOIR, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, and ELIZABETH BUCHANAN; grand-daughter of GEORGE MOIR and JANE STIRLING, of **Thornhill, Scotland**; m. Dec. 22, 1870, JOHN REITH, son of WILLIAM REITH, of **Kincardineshire, Scotland**, and had issue:—

1. Isabella Reith, b. Nov. 3, 1871, in **Hensall, Ont.**, a school teacher.
2. George Reith, b. Feb. 9, 1874, **Middlesex, Ontario**; m. June 21, 1903, to Jessie Wyland. (Mr. Reith is chief clerk to Gen. Supt. of the **Chicago and Great Western Railroad**, at **St. Paul, Minn.**)
3. Elizabeth Reith, b. Oct. 7, 1875, in **Middlesex, Ontario**, m. June 28, 1897, Dr. C. E. Stewart, of the **Battle Creek Sanitarium, Battle Creek, Mich.** (Mrs. Stewart was formerly matron of this Sanitarium.)
4. Jane Reith, b. Nov. 15, 1877, in **Huron Co., Ontario**. Nurse at **Sanitarium, Battle Creek, Michigan**.
5. William Reith, b. Aug. 28, 1881, in **Huron Co., Ont.**, m. (—) to Alice Nelson.
6. John Reith, b. Sept. 10, 1883, in **Huron Co., Ont.**, at **Walla Walla College, Wash.**
7. Margaret Reith, b. Mar. 23, 1886, in **Huron Co., Ont.**
8. Eleanor Reith, b. Apr. 1, 1889, in **Hensall, Ont.**
9. Harold James Reith, b. Aug. 26, 1891, in **Hensall, Ont.**

MARGARET MOIR, of **Bonnington, Assinobia, Canada**, b. May 25, 1848, in **Kildare, Ireland**, (came to **Canada** in 1862), dau. of GEORGE MOIR, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, and ELIZABETH BUCHANAN; grand-daughter of GEORGE MOIR and JANE STIRLING, of **Thornhill, Scotland**. M. Jan. 1, 1878, RICHARD WEIR, son of JAMES WEIR, of **Middlesex, Ontario**, and had issue:—

1. Elizabeth Moir Weir, b. Dec. 8, 1878, in **Meadow Lea, Manitoba**.
2. Susan Sutton Weir, b. Aug. 9, 1880, in **Carmen, Manitoba**.
3. Mary Weir, b. Jan. 30, 1882, in **Carmen, Manitoba**.
4. James Weir, b. May 8, 1883, in **Carmen, Manitoba**.
5. George Weir, b. May 10, 1885, in **Miami, Manitoba**.
6. Archie Weir, b. Apr. 6, 1888, in **Balmoral, Manitoba**.
7. Richard Weir, b. July 13, 1892, in **Ardock, North Dakota**.
8. John Alexander Weir, b. Dec. 13, 1894, in **Ardock, North Dakota**.

JOHN MOIR, carpenter, of **Winnepeg, Manitoba**, b. May 6, 1850, in **County of Kildare, Ireland**. Came to



**Canada** in 1862, son of **GEORGE MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, and **ELIZABETH BUCHANAN**; grandson of **GEORGE MOIR** and **JANE STIRLING**, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, m. **MARGARET LANG**, daughter of **JAMES LANG** and **ANN SIMPSON**, of **Scotland**, and had issue:—

1. **George Glendinning Moir**, b. Aug. 13, 1879, in **Grand Bend, Ontario**, a photo-engraver, went to **South Africa**, in the **Boer** war, with **Baden-Powell's** mounted police, and served eighteen months' active service there.
2. **James Hilton Moir**, b. Feb. 28, 1882, in **Glendinning, Manitoba**, a school-teacher.
3. **Elizabeth Lavinia Moir**, b. Jan. 10, 1885, in **Virden, Man.**
4. **Annie Winifred Moir**, b. Apr. 5, 1888, in **Glendinning, Man.**
5. **Jessie Lang Moir**, b. Apr. 16, 1892, in **Glendinning, Man.**
6. **Colin Argyle Moir**, b. July 10, 1894, in **Glendinning, Man.**
7. **David Alexander Moir**, b. Sept. 30, 1896, in **Glendinning, Manitoba**.
8. **Melvin Russell Moir**, b. Apr. 3, 1901, in **Glendinning, Manitoba**.

**JANET BUCHANAN**, of **Detroit, Michigan**, b. 1845, in **Toronto, Ontario**, dau. of **ALEXANDER BUCHANAN** and **MARGARET MOIR**, of **Hensall, Ontario**; m. 1863, **WALTER SCOTT GRIFFIN**, son of **ALFRED GRIFFIN**, of **Gonanoque, Ontario**, and had issue:—

1. **Margaret Griffin**, b. 1864, in **Rodgerville, Ontario**.
2. **Jennie Griffin**, b. 1865, in **Peterborough, Ontario**.

**JANE BUCHANAN**, of **Hensall, Ontario**, b. Oct. 18, 1849, in **Usborne, Ontario**; dau. of **ALEXANDER BUCHANAN**, of **Glasgow, Scotland**, and **MARGARET MOIR**; m. Jan. 4, 1871, **BENJAMIN SMILLIE**, son of **STEWART SMILLIE**, of **Belfast, Ireland**; and had issue:—

1. **Mary Ann Smillie**, b. Oct. 2, 1871, in **Hensall, Ontario**, m. July 6, 1892, **John Elder**.
2. **James Smillie**, b. Aug. 23, 1873, in **Hensall, Ontario**.
3. **Margaret Alice Smillie**, born Oct. 3, 1875, in **Hensall, Ontario**.
4. **Jane Smillie**, b. Feb. 10, 1878, in **Hensall, Ontario**.
5. **Alexander Buchanan Smillie**, b. Mar. 6, 1880, in **Hensall, Ontario**.
6. **Emmaline Eva Smillie**, b. Feb. 28, 1882, in **Hensall, Ontario**.
7. **Benjamin Stewart Smillie**, b. April 11, 1884, in **Hensall, Ontario**.

CHRISTINA BUCHANAN, of **Ashfield, Ont.**, b. Apr. 29, 1853, in **Usborne, Ontario**, dau. of ALEXANDER BUCHANAN, of **Glasgow, Scotland**, and MARGARET MOIR; m. July 13, 1882, JOHN COWAN, son of DAVID COWAN, of **Ashfield, Ontario**; and had issue:—

1. William Arnold Cowan, b. Oct. 18, 1883, in **Ashfield, Ontario**.
2. Margaret Clarissa Cowan, b. Jan. 12, 1885, in **Ashfield, Ontario**.
3. John Cowan, b. Jan. 15, 1888, in **Ashfield, Ontario**.
4. David Mervin Cowan, b. Mar. 11, 1891, in **Ashfield, Ontario**.
5. Annie Jane Cowan, born Apr. 25, 1893, in **Ashfield, Ontario**.
6. Christian Pearl Cowan, b. Oct. 23, 1894, in **Ashfield, Ontario**.
7. Luella Elizabeth Cowan, b. June 8, 1897, m. in **Ashfield, Ontario**.

DUNCAN MOIR BUCHANAN, B. A., clergyman, of **Lanark, Ontario**, b. May 3, 1857, in **Usborne, Ontario**, son of ALEXANDER BUCHANAN and MARGARET MOIR; m. Feb. 23, 1881, AMANDA ELIZA PERKINS, dau. of CHARLES PERKINS, of **Torquay, Devonshire, England**; and had issue:—

1. Mabel Amanda Buchanan, b. Dec. 16, 1881, in **Kintail, Ontario**.
2. Charles Garfield Buchanan, b. Aug. 24, 1886, in **Exeter, Ontario**.
3. Blanche Oreanna Buchanan, b. Feb. 3, 1890, in **Toronto, Ontario**.
4. Victor Alexander Buchanan, b. May 24, 1891, in **Toronto, Ontario**.
5. George Randolph Buchanan, b. July 6, 1896, in **Lanark, Ontario**, d. Aug. 6, 1902.

Mr. Buchanan is a graduate of **Toronto University**, and **Knox College of Toronto**, in 1891.

JOHN MOIR, stone mason, of **London, Ontario**, b. 1819, in **Callander, Scotland**, son of GEORGE MOIR, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, and Jane Stirling; m. 1844, MARY ANDERSON, dau. of DAVID ANDERSON, of **Caithness, Scotland**; and had issue:— (Mr. Moir died in 1870.)

1. **George Stirling Moir**, b. **Glasgow, Scotland**, m. (———), and now lives in **Kansas City, Missouri**. He has one child:—

1. **David Anderson Moir**, he is also married, and has one child:—

1. **David Stirling Moir**.

2. **David Anderson Moir**, b. 1853, **Glasgow, Scotland**; m. 1883, **Amy Lavina Adams**, daughter of **Dr. John G. Adams**, of **Acton, Ontario**. **Mr. Moir** in 1904, had been for 28 years a **Methodist Episcopal Clergyman**, a graduate of **Wesleyan Theological College**, and **McGill University, Montreal**; has been **President of Hamilton Conference** of the **M. E. Church**; also has filled nearly every prominent position in the **Conference**. (No issue.)

**GEORGE MURRAY**, farmer, of **Le Mars, Iowa**, born **Nov. 27, 1852**, at **Hensall, Ontario**, son of **JAMES MURRAY** and **JEAN MOIR**, of **Hensall, Ontario**; m. **Sept. 28, 1881**, **MATILDA McLAREN**, dau. of **ROBERT McLAREN**, of **Glasgow, Scotland**; no issue.

**ROBERT WELLESLEY MURRAY**, school teacher, of **Toronto, Ontario**, b. 1855, in **Tuckersmith, Ontario**, son of **JAMES MURRAY** and **JEAN MOIR**, of **Hensall, Ontario**; married 1881, **JAMESINA ROSS**, daughter of **WILLIAM ROSS**, of **Caithness, Scotland**; and had issue:—

1. **James Ross Gillespie Murray**, b. 1882, **Pictou, Ontario**.
2. **Robert McCheyne Murray**, b. 1884, **Pictou, Ont.**, d. 1894.
3. **George Wilfred Murray**, b. 1890, **Toronto, Ont.**, d. 1894.
4. **John Grant Murray**, b. 1893, **Toronto, Ontario**.
5. **Lawrence McCheyne Murray**, b. 1895, **Toronto, Ontario**.

**JANE MURRAY**, school teacher, of **Hensall, Ontario**, b. 1861, in **Hensall, Ont.**, dau. of **JAMES MURRAY** and **JEAN MOIR**, of **Hensall, Ontario**.

**THOMAS MURRAY**, high school teacher, of **Owen Sound, Ontario**, b. **Aug. 28, 1869**, in **Rodgerville, Ontario**, son of **JAMES MURRAY**, of **Hensall, Ontario**, and **JEAN MOIR**, (dau. of **GEORGE MOIR**, and **JEAN STIRLING**); m. **Dec. 19, 1900**, **EDITH REDFERN** dau. of **JOHN WESLEY REDFERN**, of **Owen Sound, Ontario**.

**JAMES MOIR**, farmer, of **Hay, Ontario**, b. Apr. 30, 1825, in **Callander, Scotland**, son of **GEORGE MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Perthshire, Scotland**, and **JEAN STIRLING**; m. Aug. 25, 1852, **ISABELLA MURRAY**, dau. of **JAMES MURRAY**, of **Hay, Ontario**; and had issue:—

1. **Jean Moir**, born July 26, 1853, in **Paris, Ontario**; m. See below  
**James Armstrong.**
2. **Margaret Moir**, b. July 8, 1855, in **Osborne, Ontario**; m.  
**William Trann.**
3. **James Moir**, b. Oct. 16, 1857, in **Osborne, Ontario**; died  
June 12, 1883.
4. **George Moir**, b. July 26, 1859, in **Osborne, Ont.** (Do.)
5. **John Moir**, b. Oct. 13, 1861, in **Osborne, Ont.**
6. **Peter Moir**, b. July 18, 1863, in **Osborne, Ont.** (Do.)
7. **Isabella Moir**, b. June 25, 1865, in **Osborne, Ont.** See p. 262
8. **Janet Moir**, b. Oct. 11, 1867, in **Osborne, Ont.**, m. Nov. (Do.)  
9, 1887, **John Traquair.**
9. **Agnes Moir**, born May 30, 1870, in **Osborne, Ont.**, m. Feb. (Do.)  
22, 1893, **John Stewart.**

**JENNIE MOIR**, of **Crystal City, Manitoba**, b. July 26, 1853, in **Paris, Ontario**, dau. of **JAMES MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, and **ISABELLA MURRAY**; married **JAMES ARMSTRONG**, son of **GEORGE ARMSTRONG**, of **Ireland**; and had issue:—

1. **James Armstrong**, b. July 4, 1877, in **Usborne, Ontario.**
2. **Naomi Armstrong**, b. July 22, 1879, in **Usborne, Ontario**;  
m. July 22, 1898, **Sidney Tarras**, and had issue:—  
1. **Earl Moir Tarras**, b. July 21, 1900.
3. **George H. Armstrong**, b. June 29, 1881, **Usborne, Ontario.**
4. **John W. Armstrong**, b. Sept. 15, 1883, **Usborne, Ontario.**
5. **Agnes Leona Armstrong**, b. Aug. 18, 1891, **Goodland, Mich.**

**JOHN MOIR**, farmer, of **Glendinning, Manitoba**, b. Oct. 13, 1861, **Osborne, Ontario**, son of **JAMES MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, and **ISABELLA MURRAY**; m. 1888, **MARTHA SCOTT CLEMENTS**, dau. of **JAMES CLEMENTS**, of **Ireland**; and had issue:—

1. **Lulu Violet Moir**, b. Aug. 18, 1889, **Glendinning, Man.**
2. **Clifford James Moir**, b. Mar. 13, 1894, **Glendinning, Man.**
3. **Gordon John Burnett Moir**, b. Dec. 27, 1898, **Glendinning, Manitoba.**

**PETER MOIR**, of **Usborne, Ontario**, b. July 18, 1863, **Usborne, Ont.**, son of **JAMES MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Scotland** and **ISABELLA MURRAY**; m. Jan. 23,

1894, JANET CLARK, daughter of MATTHEW CLARK, of Yorkshire, England; and had issue:—

1. James Ira Moir, b. Apr. 16, 1895, Usborne, Ontario.
2. Peter Alvin Moir, b. Sept. 29, 1896, Usborne, Ontario.
3. Jessie Lila Moir, b. Mar. 27, 1898, Usborne, Ontario.
4. John Harold Moir, b. Jan. 26, 1900, Usborne, Ontario.
5. Oran Clark Moir, b. Sept. 16, 1902, Usborne, Ontario.

See p. 261 ISABELLA MOIR, of Hay, Ontario, b. 26 June, 1865, in Usborne, Ontario, dau. of JAMES MOIR, of Thornhill, Scotland, and ISABELLA MURRAY, unmarried (1904).

See p. 261 JANET MOIR, of Tuckersmith, Ontario, b. Oct. 11, 1868, Usborne, Ontario, dau. of JAMES MOIR, of Thornhill, Scotland, and ISABELLA MURRAY; m. Nov. 9, 1887, JOHN TRAQUAIR, son of JOHN TRAQUAIR, of Scotland; and had issue:—

1. Roy Moir Traquair, {born Aug. 13, 1889, Tuckersmith, Ontario.
2. Melvyl John Traquair, b. May 6, 1891, Tuckersmith, Ontario.
3. James Albert Traquair, b. Dec. 15, 1893, Tuckersmith, Ontario.

See p. 261 AGNES MOIR, of Hensall, Ont., b. May 30, 1870, in Usborne, Ontario, dau. of JAMES MOIR, of Thornhill, Perthshire, Scotland, and ISABELLA MURRAY; m. Feb. 22, 1893, JOHN STEWART, son of JAMES STEWART, of Thornhill, Scotland.

See p. 234 for parentage ROBERT MOIR, farmer, of Usborne, Ontario, b. Aug. 12, 1823, at Farm of Boquhapple, near Callander, Perthshire, Scotland; son of GEORGE MOIR, of Thornhill, Scotland, and JEAN STIRLING; m. Jan. 9, 1846, CATHERINE McMARTIN, (b. 1820), of Killen, Ireland; and had issue:—

1. George Milton Moir, b. 1846, at Callander, Scotland, was principal of St. Mary's College, and was for nine years editor of a newspaper at Exeter, Ontario. He m. 1871, N. McCarter, and had issue, at least three children:—
  1. Mary Felicia Moir, a nurse.
  2. Helen Moir, also a nurse, at Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, New York.

3. **Robert Huntington Moir**, of **Ottawa, Ontario**, b. Aug. 18, 1873, in **Blanchard, Ontario**; he was in **Lord Strathcona's Mounted Rifles**, and saw service in the **Boer war, 1900-1903**, mentioned in despatches—medal and five clasps. He m. July 31, 1901, **Annie Tolton**, dau. of **Albert Tolton**, of **Geulph, Ontario**, and had issue:—

1. **Douglas Stewart Moir**, b. May 30, 1902, at **Thornwall, Ontario**.
2. **Mary Moir**, b. 1849, at **Doune, Perthshire, Scotland**, and m. 1874.
3. **Jane Moir**, b. 1851, at **Usborne, Ontario**, and m. 1877.
4. **John Moir**, b. 1853, at **Usborne, Ontario**, and m. 1881.
5. **Daniel Moir**, b. 1855, at **Usborne, Ontario**, and m. 1886.
6. **Catherine Moir**, born 1857, at **Usborne, Ontario**, and m. 1879.
7. **Margaret Moir**, born 1860, at **Usborne**, and m. 1881.

**GEORGE ROSS MOIR**, formerly teacher, now farmer, of **Orange City, Iowa**, b. April 17, 1855, in **Usborne Ontario**, son of **ALEXANDER MOIR** and **JANET RUSSELL ROSS**, of **Thornhill, Scotland**; m. **MARY FLORENCE TUCKER**, dau. of **RUFUS K. TUCKER**, of **Oakland, California**; and had issue:—

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parentage

1. **George Alexander Moir**, born Mar. 21, 1884, in **Orange City, Iowa**.
2. **Grace Ella Moir**, b. Nov. 3, 1885, in **Orange City, Iowa**.
3. **William Rufus Moir**, b. Oct. 9, 1887, in **Orange City, Iowa**.
4. **Bertha Florence Moir**, b. June 15, 1894, in **Orange City, Iowa**.
5. **Carl Raymond Moir**, b. May 19, 1897, in **Orange City, Iowa**.
6. **Leroy Edison Moir**, b. Oct. 21, 1899, in **Orange City, Iowa**.
7. **Hugh Mervin Moir**, b. Sept. 20, 1902, in **Orange City, Iowa**.

**JANE MOIR**, of **LeMars, Iowa**, b. Feb. 6, 1857, in **Usborne, Ontario**, dau. of **ALEXANDER MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, and **JANET RUSSELL ROSS**; grand-dau. of **GEORGE MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Scotland**, and **JEAN STIRLING**; m. Dec. 27, 1878, **RICHARD HAWKINS**, son of **WILLIAM HAWKINS**, of **Wicklow, Ireland**; and had issue:—

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1. **William George Hawkins**, b. July 23, 1880, **Usborne, Ont.**
2. **Jessie Amelia Hawkins**, b. Mar. 14, 1882, **Usborne, Ont.**, m. (—), Sept. 2, 1903.

3. **Richard Alexander Hawkins**, b. Oct. 8, 1885, **Usborne, Ontario**.

4. **Martha Jane Hawkins**, b. Apr. 30, 1890, **LeMars, Iowa**

5. **Albert Thomas Hawkins**, b. Mar. 22, 1897, **LeMars, Iowa**.

Page 234 **JANET MOIR**, formerly teacher, of **Barnesville, Minnesota**, b. Oct. 27, 1860, dau. of **ALEXANDER MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Scotland** and **JANET RUSSELL ROSS**; m. 1888, **FRANK T. EASON**, son of **JAMES EASON**, of **England**, and had issue:—

1. **Alexander F. Eason**, b. Jan. 8, 1890, in **Iowa**.

2. **George Thomas Eason**, b. Dec. 23, 1896, in **Iowa**.

Page 234 **GAVIN MOIR**, farmer of **Kent, Minnesota**, b. July 10, 1862, in (—), **Canada**, son of **ALEXANDER MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Scotland** and **JANET RUSSELL ROSS**; m. **ELLA TUCKER**, dau. of **R. K. TUCKER** of **Ohio**, and **Oakland, California**; and had issue:—

1. **George Rufus Moir**, b. Sept. 27, 1887, in **Iowa**.

2. **Robert Alexander Moir**, b. Dec. 15, 1890, in **Iowa**.

3. **Jessie Olive Moir**, b. Jan. 15, 1895, in **Iowa**.

4. **Gavin Albert Moir**, b. Dec. 23, 1898, in **Iowa**.

5. **Eugene Moir**, b. April 21, 1901, in **Kent, Minn.**

Page 234 **AGNES MOIR**, of **Barnesville, Minn.**, b. May 6, 1864, in **Usborne, Ontario**, dau. of **ALEXANDER MOIR**, of **Thornhill, Scotland** and **JANET RUSSELL ROSS**; m. May 22, 1885, **IRA VAN WECHEL**, of **Wisconsin**; and had issue:—

1. **Jessie Lavina Van Wechel**, b. July 19, 1886, in **Sioux Co., Iowa**.

2. **Eunice Ida Van Wechel**, b. Jan. 16, 1888, **Plymouth Co., Iowa**.

3. **Frank Alexander Van Wechel**, b. Dec. 26, 1890, **Plymouth Co., Iowa**.

4. **Clarence Aaron Van Wechel**, b. Dec. 8, 1892, **Plymouth Co., Iowa**.

5. **Floyd Lee Arie Van Wechel**, b. July 24, 1894, **Plymouth Co., Iowa**.

6. **Ethel Margaret Van Wechel**, b. Oct. 1, 1896, **Barnesville, Minn.**

Page 234 **RUSSELL JOHN MOIR**, farmer, of **LeMars, Iowa**, b. May 4, 1868, in **Exeter, Ontario**, son of **ALEXANDER MOIR**, of **Callander, Scotland** and **JANET RUSSELL ROSS**; m. Sept. 27, 1894, **LILLIE HARRIMAN**, of **Sioux Rapids, Iowa**; and had issue:—

1. **Jessie Lillie Moir**, b. May 2, 1896, in **Maurice, Iowa**, and d. Feb. 5, 1902.



HOUSE OF ROBERT MOIR - GOVAN.









**ROBERT MOIR AND FAMILY**  
West Kilbride, Ayrshire  
(See page 254)

MARY LUCY MOIR, of Larchwood, Iowa, b. Aug. 7, 1870, at Hensall, Ontario, dau. of ALEXANDER MOIR, of Thornhill, Scotland and JANET RUSSELL ROSS; m. Nov. 30, 1892, MERRIT CASH McMULLEN, son of CALVIN McMULLEN, of Unionville, New York; and had issue:—

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Jessie (?)

1. Jessie Sarah Mc Mullen, b. Jan. 1, 1894, in Carnes, Iowa.
2. Alexander Edison Mc Mullen, b. Sept. 5, 1895, in Larchwood, Iowa.
3. George Dewey Mc Mullen, b. Jan. 6, 1898, in Larchwood, Iowa.
4. Iva Mae Mc Mullen, b. Sept. 22, 1903, in Larchwood, Iowa.

ROBERT STIRLING MOIR, farmer, of Kimball, South Dakota, b. Aug. 22, 1872, son of ALEXANDER MOIR, of Thornhill, Scotland, and JANET RUSSELL ROSS; m. Oct. 26, 1898, FLORENCE D. LADENBERGER, dau. of CHARLES H. LADENBERGER, of Glenbeulah, Wisconsin, and had issue:—

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1. Robert Roy Moir, b. Sept. 25, 1899, in Maurice, Iowa.
2. Floyd Eugene Moir, b. May 25, 1901, in Maurice, Iowa.

PETER WILLIAM MOIR, farmer, of Exeter, Ontario, b. Mar. 8, 1877, son of ALEXANDER MOIR, of Thornhill, Scotland, and JANET RUSSELL ROSS, dau. of GAVIN ROSS; m. Mar. 14, 1900, ALICE OSBORNE, daughter of DAVID OSBORNE, of Seney, Iowa; and had issue:—

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1. William Lawrence Moir, b. June 28, 1902, in Carnes, Iowa.

\*ANDREW CLARKSON MOIR, farmer, of Cavite, South Dakota, b. Feb. 14, 1880, Usborne, Ontario, son of ALEXANDER MOIR, of Thornhill, Perthshire and JANET RUSSELL ROSS; m. (—), NELLIE WINTER, daughter of MARTIN WINTER, and had issue:—

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1. Elmer Edwin Moir, b. April 8, 1901, at Cavite, S. D.
2. Walter Wilfred Moir, b. June 19, 1903, at Cavite, S. D.

GEORGE MOIR, farmer, of Hensall, Ontario, b. May 21, 1819, in Thornhill, Perthshire, Scotland, son of ANDREW MOIR, of Thornhill, and ISABELLA DOUGALL; m. (—), AGNES ROSS, dau. of GAVIN ROSS, of Carluke, Scotland, and had issue:—

1. Andrew Moir.

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\*This A. C. Moir is a pioneer farmer, on the plains of South Dakota, taking a homestead in 1903; and mentions starting a church in his house, the first in the neighborhood.

2. **Gavin Moir.**
3. **George Ross Moir.**
4. **Jane Moir**, b. Oct. 30, 1857, at **Hensall, Ontario**, m. Sept. 24, 1891, **Richard Munroe**, son of **William Munroe**, of **Woodstock, Ontario**, and had issue:—
  1. **George Moir Munroe**, born July 29, 1892, at **Inwood, Ontario**, d. Aug. 7, 1892.
  2. **Agnes Ella Munroe**, born August 14, 1895, at **Inwood, Ontario**.
  3. **Ethel Coutts Munroe**, born Nov. 13, 1898, at **Inwood, Ontario**.
5. **James Moir.**
6. **William C. Moir**, of **Huntsville, Ontario**, b. Feb. 9, 1863, in **Hensall, Ontario**, married May 23, 1888, **Margaret Murray**, daughter of **James Murray**, of **Perthshire, Scotland**, and had issue:—
  1. **Cassie Jane Ross Moir**, born March 7, 1890, at **Lamblin, Ontario**.
  2. **Agnes Winnifred Moir**, born January 24, 1893, at **Lamblin, Ontario**.
7. **Isabella Moir**, b. (— — —), m. **Robert Dalrymple**.
8. **Agnes Moir**, b. (— — —), m. **Robert D. Young**.

Page 234 **THOMAS ROBERTSON MOIR**, retired farmer, of **Hensall, Ontario**, b. Dec. 1, 1835, in **Callander, Scotland**, son of **GEORGE MOIR** and **JANE STIRLING**, of **Thornhill, Perthshire, Scotland**; and grandson of **GEORGE MOIR**, and **JANET ADAM**, of **Thornhill, Perthshire, Scotland**; came to **Canada** in 1845, never married, living 1904.

Page 234 **JANE MURRAY**, of **Blythe, Ontario**, b. Oct. 14, 1865, in **Hay Township, Ontario**, dau. of **ROBERT MURRAY** and **JANET MOIR**; m. May 10, 1882, **THOMAS WANLESS**, son of **JAMES WANLESS**, of **Varna, Ontario**, and had issue:—

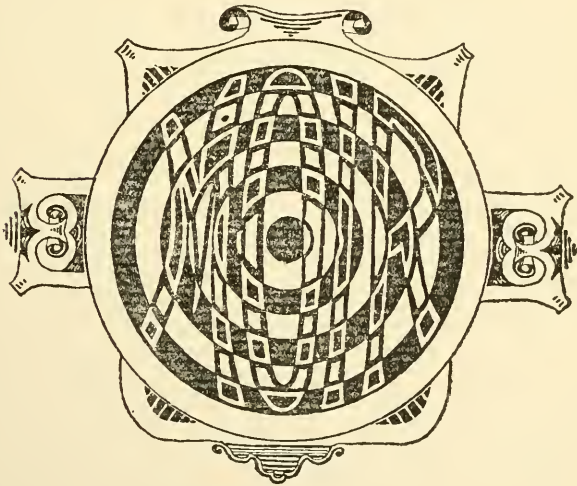
1. **Henry Arthur Wanless**, born February 21, 1883, in **Exeter, Ontario**.
2. **Etta May Wanless**, b. June 11, 1885, in **Exeter, Ontario**.
3. **Robert Murray Wanless**, born August 16, 1890, **Paisley, Ontario**.
4. **Lily Maud Wanless**, b. Nov. 7, 1892, **Blythe, Ontario**.

Page 234 **WILLIAM MOIR**, retired farmer, of **Hensall, Ontario**, b. 1837, in **Callander, Scotland**, son of **GEORGE MOIR** and **JANE STIRLING**, of **Callander, Scotland**; m. 1876, **MARION GIBSON**, dau. of **ROBERT GIBSON**, and had issue:—

1. Jessie Stirling Moir, b. 1878, in Hensall, Ontario.
2. Louise Jane Moir, b. 1880, in Hensall, Ontario.

ALEXANDER MOIR, lace and muslin manufacturer, (the first to endeavor to get lace manufacturing in Scotland,) of Bearsden, Dumbartonshire, Scotland, b. 1833, in Maryhill, Lanarkshire, son of JOHN MOIR, contractor, of Campsie, Stirlingshire and MARGARET STEWART; grandson of ALEXANDER MOIR, builder, of Doune, Perthshire, and JANE MACPHERSON; m. July 20, 1872, JANE BOYD, dau. of Robert Boyd, coal-master, of Langside, Lanarkshire, and had issue:—

1. Jessie Margaret Moir, b. 1873, Glasgow, Scotland; m. Apr. 6, 1899.
2. Jane Alexandrina Moir, b. 1875, Glasgow, Scotland.
3. Florence Adamson Moir, b. 1876, Glasgow, Scotland.
4. John Stewart Moir, b. 1878, Glasgow, Scotland.
5. William Boyd Moir, b. 1880, Glasgow, Scotland.



## OTHER PERTSHIRE MOIRS

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ALEXANDER MOIR, of Muthill, Perthshire, Scotland, m. JANET MCLEICH; and had issue:—

I. JAMES MOIR, who m. ELIZABETH DRUMMOND and had issue with others:—

1. A daughter, who died young, from a burning accident.

2. Alexander Moir, who married and lived in Ayr, and raised a large family. His grand-children and great grand-children are still there.

3. James Moir, m. (—) Graham, and came into possession of property through his wife's mother, a Janet Graham, the property having been in that family since 1488, and had issue:—

1. Helen Moir, who m. (—) Maxwell, of Doune, Perthshire, and had issue.

4. John Moir, who came to America, in 1790, married, and had a family, and afterwards changed his name to Muir. John went into the lumber business, in Alexandria, Virginia, and furnished free to the U. S. Government, the mahogany wood for the coffin of George Washington, the American Patriot, who died in 1799. The family have been quite prominent in Alexandria, at least one of the sons being mayor of the city.

Married  
Christine  
Prennan

The author called on this lady in 1910. She was the means of adding a great amount of information to this book.

He married a Miss Wilson, see page 269.

See Alexander Moir above

JAMES MOIR, consulting engineer and ship-surveyor, of Pollokshields, Glasgow, Scotland, b. Dec. 12, 1853, in Ayr, son of JOHN MOIR, of Muthill, Perthshire, Scotland, and MARGARET LEVEN; grandson of ALEXANDER MOIR, of Muthill, Perthshire, and CHRISTINE PRENNAN; great-grandson of ALEXANDER MOIR, of Muthill, Perthshire, and JANET

MCLEICH; m. 13 March, 1889, ALICE CHALMERS, dau. of ALEXANDER CHALMERS, of **Bankfoot, Perthshire.**

ALEXANDER MOIR, b. 1770, d. Dec. 8, 1863; grandfather of the above JAMES MOIR, had three brothers born in **Muthill**, viz: JAMES, (b. 1768 and d. 1840), JOHN and WILLIAM. John married a **Wilson** at **Blantyre**, near **Glasgow**, and settled in **America**, and changed his name to **MUIR**. WILLIAM was a miller in **Dunblane, Stirlingshire**, afterwards enlisting as a soldier, and marched to the continent of **Europe**, and was never heard from after.

See page 268,  
article,  
John Moir.

\***DAVID MOIR**, of **Roxbury, Mass.**, born **Glasgow, Scotland**, 1844, son of **WILLIAM MOIR**, of **Perthshire, Scotland**, and **JANE KAY**, a grandson of **DAVID MOIR** of **Perthshire, Scotland**, and **JANE LENOX**; m. 1877, **MARGARET CRAWFORD BOYD**, dau. of **CRAWFORD BOYD**, of **Largs, Ayrshire, Scotland**, and had issue:—

1. **Alice Wood Moir**, born 1878, in **Dunoon, Argyleshire, Scotland.**
2. **William Moir**, b. 1879, in **Dunoon, Argyleshire, Scotland.**
3. **Jane Kay Moir**, b. 1881, in **Largs, Ayrshire, Scotland**, m. **Conrad Sorenson**, of **Norway**, and had issue:—
  1. **Dorothy Hope Sorenson**, b. May 19, 1903, in **Roxbury, Boston, Mass.**
4. **Janet Dickie Moir**, b. 1883, in **Roxbury, Boston, Mass.**
5. **Mary Boyd Moir**, b. 1884, in **Roxbury, Boston, Mass.**
6. **Crawford Boyd Moir**, b. 1886, in **Roxbury, Boston, Mass.**
7. **David Moir, Jr.**, born 1887, in **Roxbury, Boston, Mass.**, died 1890.
8. **Margaret Boyd Moir**, b. 1889, in **Roxbury, Boston, Mass.**
9. **David Moir, 2d**, b. 1891, in **Roxbury, Boston, Mass.**
10. **Charles Sutherland Moir**, b. 1893, in **Roxbury, Boston, Mass.**, d. 1894.

**JOHN STEWART MOIR**, flour miller, of **Minneapolis, Minn.**, b. 1853, in **Perthshire, Scotland**, son of †**HENRY MOIR**, of **Aberfoyle, Perthshire**, and **CHRISTINE STEWART**, grandson of **JOHN MOIR**, of **Aberfoyle** and (—) **McNAB**; married 1884, **ELLEN ROCHFORD**, dau. of **JOHN ROCHFORD**, of **Kildare, Ireland**, and had issue:—

1. **Mary Stewart Moir**, b. 1885, **Minneapolis, Minn.**

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\*Mr. David Moir was a baker, died in Roxbury March 13, 1912.

†A brother of the above Henry Moir, namely John, went to California in 1848, at the time of the discovery of gold, and had not been heard from since.



I. **JAMES MOIR**, of **Alloa**, a banker and factor for **Lords Mar** and **Abercrombie**, etc., who with his younger brother **Archibald**, are more fully described in another article in this book, both were sons of **JAMES MOIR**, (b. about 1760) and **MARGARET WHITEHEAD**, of **Kippenrait farm**, near **Sherrifmuir**, afterwards of **Dunblane**, **Perthshire**. **James Moir**, was born 1801, and at an early age his family removed to **Alloa**. He m. **Janet Strang**, of **Alloa**, dau. of **John Strang**, sea captain, ("who was imprisoned in **France** during the **Napoleonic wars**, his ship being captured,") of **Charleston-on-the-Forth**, **Scotland**, and had issue, at least three sons:—

1. The elder son died while quite a youth, through a shooting accident.
2. The second son, **James Moir, Jr.**, died in 1882, leaving four of a family:—

1. **James Philip Moir, D. S. O.**, a major of the **Royal Engineers**, (an extended account of whom with portrait is given in another article), b. April 28, 1872, in **Alloa**, m. Oct. 26, 1910, **Ida Muriel Goodwin**, dau. of **Harry Arthur Goodwin**, clergyman, of **Sheffield**, **England**, and had issue:—

1. **Jane Morse Moir**, born Oct. 25, 1911, at **Lorraine, Farnsboro Park, Hants, England**.

2. A second son is a commander in the royal navy (1911).

3. **William Moir**, now at **Alloa** (1911).

4. **Mary Jean Moir**, now at **Alloa** (1911).

3. **William Moir**, third son of **James Moir** and **Janet Strang**, b. May 8, 1843, at **Alloa**, "first studied law, and ended at the fine arts;" he was "highly cultured and a great conversationalist." Married Nov. 29, 1906, **Maude Orlebar Moir**, dau. of **Robert Moir**, who was b. April 1, 1838, at **Dunblane, Perthshire**, a civil service surveyor of taxes, of **Bowden, Cheshire, England**, where he died Jan. 11, 1898. No issue.

II. ARCHIBALD MOIR, brother of JAMES came to **Alloa** from **Dunblane**, about 1835, married **SUSAN MAIN**, dau. of **DAVID MAIN** and **GRIZELL BEGGS**; he had at least two sons:—

1. **J. W. Moir.**

2. **Archibald Patrick Moir**, (both of whom, now carry on in even larger measure, the business of their father and uncle;) b. Oct. 25, 1860, at **Alloa**, he m. June 4, 1889, **Margaret Gifford**, daughter of **Robert Gifford**, gentleman, of **Balburnock**, **Wigtownshire**, and had issue:—

1. \***Archibald Gifford Moir**, b. **Alloa**.
2. **Margaret Gifford Moir**, b. **Alloa**.
3. \***Robert Gifford Moir**, b. **Alloa**.

From "Alloa, 60 years ago," by James Archibald, Buchan Bros. Publishers, Alloa, 1911.



Arms of St. Andrew's Society, New York City

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\*Archibald G. Moir and Robert G. Moir, are both athletes at Fettes College, Edinburgh, and cricket and football players. The former won a gold medal for being the best all round athlete of his year, and the latter holds the record for 200 yards run, and also many athletic events and sports.—(From letter of the young men's father, 1912.)

## RENFREWSHIRE MOIRS

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**RICHARD MOIR**, of **Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire, Scotland**, b. in 1808 there, (died April 17, 1866), son of **JOHN MOIR**, married twice, the first family was:—

1. **Mrs. George Maitland Ingersoll.**
2. **Agnes**, died some years ago.
3. **John Moir of Haldimand Co., Ontario**, b. Jan. 22, 1836.  
(See below.)
4. **Mrs. James Patterson, of Oxford Co., Ontario.**
5. **Mrs. Lawrence Ruddick, of Dorchester Station, Ontario.**

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The second family was:—

1. **William Moir of Toronto.**
2. **Richard Moir of Streetsville, Ontario.**
3. **Sarah Ann Moir**, died some years ago, unmarried.

**JOHN MOIR**, farmer, of **Haldimand Co., Ontario**; b. Jan. 22, 1836, in **Orange Co., New York**; son of **RICHARD MOIR**, of **Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire, Scotland**, and **AGNES CLARK**; grandson of **JOHN MOIR**; m. Jan 23, 1860, **ANN SILLARS**, dau. of **DONALD SILLARS**, of **Argyle, Scotland**, and had issue:—

1. **Catherine Elizabeth Moir**, born Oct. 28, 1860, **Wellington, Ontario.** Teacher.
2. **Agnes Moir Clark**, b. Aug. 24, 1862, **Wellington, Ontario**, m. Aug. 23, 1892.
3. **Margaret Moir**, b. June 2, 1864, **Wellington, Ontario**, m. Jan. 1, 1889.
4. **Mary Ann Moir**, b. May. 27, 1866, **Wellington, Ontario.** Teacher.
5. **Isabella Moir**, born Dec. 11, 1867, **Wellington, Ontario.** Teacher.
6. **John Alexander Moir**, b. Mar. 11, 1870, **Wellington, Ontario.** Clergyman.
7. **Archibald Moir, M. D.**, born April 14, 1872, **Wellington, Ontario**, m. Oct. 1, 1903.

**WILLIAM MOIR**, grocer, of **Boston, Mass.**, b. Jan. 31, 1862, in **Pollokshaws, Scotland**, son of **THOMAS MOIR**, of **Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire, Scotland**, and **MARY HETHERINGTON**, grandson of **WILLIAM**

MOIR of Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire, Scotland, and MARY McLEAN. M. July 2, 1891, MARGUERITE WINNIFRED BATTERSBY, daughter of JOHN BATTERSBY, of Liverpool, England; and had issue:—

1. William Stuart Moir, b. May 20, 1892, in Boston, Massachusetts.

MARION MOIR, of Scarboro Township, York County, Ontario, b. June 18, 1841; dau. of RICHARD MOIR, (a power loom weaver, who came to N. Y. City, in 1830, and removed in 1840 to Scarboro, Ontario, where he died in 1866,) of Pollokshaws, Renfrewshire, Scotland, and AGNES CLARK, m. Dec. 5, 1861, LAWRENCE RUDDICK, farmer, of Scarboro, Ontario, son of JOHN RUDDICK, of Armagh, Ireland, and had issue:—

1. John Archibald Ruddick, b. Sept. 3, 1862, Oxford, Ont., cheese and dairy inspector, (see next article), he m. Sept. 8, 1886, to Harriet E. Congdon, and had issue.
2. Agnes Moir Ruddick, b. Mar. 10, 1864, Oxford, Ont., m. Nov. 3, 1893, to (———), and died June 4, 1903.
3. Richard Albert Ruddick, b. Jan. 21, 1866, Oxford, Ont., a minister of the Gospel, now (1904), in Wisconsin; m. Oct. 1900, to (———).
4. Mary Ellen Ruddick, b. Oct. 19, 1867, in Oxford, Ont, m. Oct. 31, 1888, to (———).
5. James Harrington Ruddick, born Oct. 27, 1870, in Oxford, Ont., m. Oct. 10, 1894, to (———); he is a tailor by trade in New York state.
6. Margaret Isabelle Ruddick, b. May 8, 1876, in Oxford, Ont. A school-teacher.
7. Lawrence Ruddick, b. Dec. 10, 1879, in Oxford, Ont., m. Sept. 30, 1902, to (———).

JOHN ARCHIBALD RUDDICK, engaged in the dairy business all his life, becoming expert dairy commissioner for the Canadian Government, at Ottawa, as he describes,—“the most important position in the world in my line;” b. Sept. 3, 1862, in Oxford, County, Ontario, son of LAWRENCE RUDDICK of Scarboro, Ontario, and MARION MOIR; grandson of RICHARD MOIR, of Glasgow, Scotland, and AGNES CLARK. M. Sept. 8, 1886, HARRIET EMILY CONGDON, daughter of HENRY CONGDON, of Fort Covington, New York, and had issue:—

1. Marion Ruddick, b. July 4, 1887, in Lancaster, Ontario.

MARGARET MOIR, of **Canfield, Ontario**, b. June 2, 1864, dau. of JOHN MOIR, farmer, of **Orange, New York**, and ANNE SILLARS; grand-dau. of RICHARD MOIR, of **Pollokshaws**, (weaver on power loom, who came to **New York City**, about 1830, and removed in 1840, to **Scarboro, Ontario**; b. 1810, m. 1830, d. April, 1866,) and AGNES CLARK; m. Jan. 1, 1889, to JOHN TURNBULL, (b. Dec. 14, 1857,) of **Canfield, Ontario**, son of ANDREW TURNBULL and AGNES SWAN, and had issue:—

1. John Andrew Turnbull, b. July 22, 1890, in **Seneca, Ontario**.
2. Alexander Turnbull, b. Jan. 12, 1893, in **Seneca, Ontario**.
3. Archibald Moir Turnbull, born Dec. 3, 1895, in **Seneca, Ontario**.

JOHN MOIR, farmer, of **Dunnville, Ontario**, b. 1836, in **New York**, son of RICHARD MOIR, of **Pollokshaws**, (who came to **New York City** in 1830, was a power loom weaver, and 10 years later removed to **Scarboro, Ont.**, where he died in 1866), and AGNES CLARK; m. 1860, to ANNE SILLARS, of **Scotland**, and had issue:—

1. Archibald Moir, born (———), of **Dunnville, Ontario**, physician and surgeon; married Edna Margaret Byres, dau. of James Douglas Byres.
2. Catherine Elizabeth Moir, teacher high school, **Port Hope, Ont.**
3. Agnes Clark Moir Porteous, (widow) **Dunnville, Ontario**.
4. Margaret Moir Turnbull, **Canfield, Ontario**.
5. Isabella Moir, teacher, **Dunnville, Ontario**.
6. John Alexander Moir, Presbyterian minister, now (1904), studying in **Scotland**.
7. Mary A. Moir.

The above John Moir, has two brothers, one of whom, William Moir, of **Toronto, Ont.**, m. Miss Sangster, and has a daughter, Bella, b. 1882; another brother, Richard Moir, residence unknown, has three or four of a family.

He also has four sisters younger than himself as follows: 1. Mrs. George Maitland, who had three sons and one daughter; two of who, were married in 1904. 2. Mrs. J. Patterson, who has a large family, now mostly married, one son is a professor at **McGill University**. 3. Mrs. L. Ruddick, who also has a family. 4. Agnes Moir, who died unmarried many years ago. Several of these are recorded in this book.

## LECKIE HOUSE AND ESTATE

By the late W. B. COOK, of Stirling

(See illustration)

The estate of **Leckie** comprises a large area of rich carse land along the river **Forth**, behind which there is a stretch of dryfield land, while still further to the south the property rises over moorland and hill ground to a height of 1600 feet above sea level. The slope of the hill ground, which is very steep, and at places precipitous, is intersected by a number of streams, which in their progress towards the **Forth**, produce a very beautiful and diversified landscape. The estate extends to about 3038 acres, whereof about 260 acres are woodland, 1778 acres areable, and 1000 acres rough pasture and hill ground. The old house of **Leckie** is situated about 300 yards from the mansion-house, and forms an interesting and picturesque feature of the property. There are twelve farms on the estate, and eight of the grass parks, extending to 155 acres, are let for the grazing season to the farmers in the neighbourhood. Three of the old place-names on the estate are interesting from an antiquarian point of view. "**Carleatheran**" probably indicates the site of an ancient fort on the hill slope, or on the shore of the loch, while "**Craigmakessock**" is associated with **St. Kessock**, or **St. Kessag**, and the well on the craig was not improbably considered a holy well on that account. Another Celtic saint, **St. Columba**, (or is it **St. Colmoc**?) is commemorated by **St. Colme's Glen**, behind the present mansion-house.

The place-name, **Leckie**—**Leky**, **Lekke**, **Lekky**, are old forms of the name—is not to be found in **Johnston's "Place-Names of Scotland,"** and it is also omitted from the same writer's "**Place-Names of Stirlingshire**," for what reason it is impossible to guess, as its derivation is simple enough. The first known owner of **Leckie**, is said to have been a certain **Malise de Leggie**, during the invasion of **Edward I. of England**, but he is a rather mythical personage, and besides, at that period owners more usually took their surname from the lands than the lands from their owners. **Sir Herbert Maxwell**, in his, "**Scottish Land Names**," (p. 152) says: "**Leacan**, a derivation of **leac**, a flag-stone, is occasionally used to denote a sloping hillside. From another variant, **leacach**, comes **Leckie** in **Stirlingshire**, most appropriately named from its position on the north flank of the **Lennox range**," We should be inclined to derive **Leckie** from the substantive **leacann**, the side of the hill, rather than from the adjective **leacach**, but the root-word is the same. **Mr. Matheson**, in the his "**Place-Names of Elginshire**," derives **Lekin** in the parish of **Knockando**, from the Gaelic **leacann**, steep, shelving ground on the side of a hill. **Leac**, the root, originally means a large flat stone, especially a stone placed to mark a grave—a smooth, bare hillside.

"Celtic Place-Names," by John Milne, M. A., LL. D.

The lands of **Leckie** were **Crown** property till the reign of **Robert the Bruce**, who granted the west half nearest **Boquhan**, to **Malcolm**, fifth Earl of **Lennox**, in recompense for the lordship of a carucate or ploughland, of **Cardross**, in **Dumbartonshire**, where the **King** erected a castle, in which he died in 1329. The terms of the original charter of **Wester Leckie**, are repeated in a charter granted by **David II.** in favour of **Malcolm**, son of **Duncan**, and grandson of **Murdoch**, who was the son of **Corc**, one of the younger sons of **Alwyn**, second Earl of **Lennox**. This charter, dated 31st March, 1352, narrates the excambion above referred to, and states that the lands were surrendered by **Donald**, Earl of **Lennox**. \*The reddendo is a pair of gilt spurs at the feast of Pentecost (or Whitsunday,) if demanded. †Another charter by **King David** to the same effect and dated 12th March, 1356, is preserved at **Leckie**.




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\*Fraser's the Lennox ii — 409.

†Fraser's the Lennox ii — 411.

## THE MOIRS OF LECKIE

From "THE LAIRDS OF LECKIE"

By the late W. B. COOK, of STIRLING

DAVID MOIR, sheriff clerk, of Stirling, had assisted in a monetary way, JOHN LECKIE of that ilk, to tide over financial difficulties, and in 1668, MOIR was probably his law agent. At all events, the crisis ended in the transference of the estate of Leckie to the lawyer, and there is no longer a Leckie of that ilk, although the dispossessed laird continued to be so designed. With this laird, therefore, ends the long line of LECKIE of Leckie.

\*David Moir of Craigarnhall, seems to have originally belonged to Doune. A Walter Moir, writer there, who flourished at the same period, may have been his brother. †John Moir, eldest son of this Walter, succeeded David Moir in Craigarnhall, and his near relatives, (probably uncles) were James Moir in Newton-of-Doune, and Robert Moir in Lanrick. ‡"Craigarnhall," was originally "Craigarnnot." It is included among the lands formerly in the Earldom of Strathern, and granted 8th February, 1442-3, to Michael, Bishop of Dunblane, and his successors in office, and the Chapter of the same place. It afterwards formed part of the Deanery lands. At the Reformation, these lands were feued out to different persons, who subsequently became their proprietors, and it appears from an entry in a manuscript volume in the Register House, Edinburgh, entitled "Charge of the Temporalities of Kirklands, north and south of the Forth, 1569," that the lands of Cragarnall and wood thereof, lying within the parish of Dunblane, were set in feu to James Sinclair, yr. of Bankis Row, the yearly feuduty amounting to £16 8s 4d Scots. \*\* A royal charter, dated 2nd December, 1594, grants to this James Sinclair, the lands of Craigarnall, with wood, formerly possessed in feu by the Dean of Dunblane, the reddendo being twenty-five merks. †† The place-name is changed in the next recorded charter, which is dated 26th December, 1642, and grants to James Stirling of Balwill, and William Stirling, his eldest son, the lands of Craigarnhall, with wood, in the parish of Balmaddock (*sic*) and county of Perth, which were formerly held by the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Dunblane. The name of the parish may be Kilmaddock in the original, but the lands are now in parish of Lecropt. It is possible that some fancied connection with Arnhall, an old mansion belonging to the Stirlings of Keir, and situated

See reference,  
page 230.

\*The records of Doune are incomplete, and do not mention David's birth.

†Dunblane Deceets. Also, see page 227.

‡Reg. Mag. Sig.

\*\*Reg. Mag. Sig.

††Reg. Mag. Sig.



a short distance to the south-west, suggested to the **Stirlings of Balwill**, cadets of the **Keir** family, the above-noted change of the place-name to **Craigarnhall**, but at a later period it re-appears in official deeds as "**Cragarnal**." We do not again meet with what was probably the original name, "**Cragarnot**."

**David Moir** was owner of **Craigarnhall**, when on 21st January, 1659, he, together with **Marie Stewart**, his spouse, were infeft in **Stirling** of **Keir's** ludging, at the foot of **Broad Street, Stirling**. \*By a sasine dated 8th May, 1665, **David Moir** had himself infeft in this tenement in life-rent, and his second son, **James**, in fee. †From certain legal proceedings which were necessary in 1687, we learn that a royal charter was presented in favour of **David Moir**, elder, and his heirs, dated 12th June, and instrument of sasine dated 27th June, 1668, granting to them **Easter Leckie** and **Shirgartane**, with half of **Wester Leckie**; also charter by **Charles II.** in favour of the said **David Moir**, elder, and **Marie Stewart**, his spouse, in life-rent, and **David Moir**, their eldest lawful son, in fee, of the half of **Wester Leckie**, dated 12th July, 1670. **David Moir**, senior, likewise obtained seisin of the lands of **Cambusbarron**, on a wadset on 3rd August, 1672. †One of the new **Laird's** first actions was to protest against the proportion of men the parish of **Gargunock** was required to furnish to the **Stirlingshire Militia**, which protest the **Commissioners** admitted. It appears that the parish had also to supply 17 horses out of 73 required for the regiment, the **Barony of Leckie's** share being one horse. \*\***David, Moir of Leckie** is named as a **Comissioner of Supply for Stirlingshire** in 1678 and again in 1685. Both the **Laird of Leckie** and his eldest son were dead before 16th August, 1687, when **James Moir**, the second son was served heir to his father in **Easter Leckie** and **Schirgartane**, and to his brother **David** in **Wester Leckie**, but these services were not extended or retoured with **Chancellarie**, "in regard that ten days thereafter the person so served was deceased." ††**James Moir**, who was thus so suddenly cut off, was joint **Sheriff-Clerk** along with his father. They were also joint-Clerks of the **Lordship of Stirling** and **Bailliery of the Water of Forth**. On 11th January, 1688, ††**George Moir**, third son of **David Moir of Leckie** and **Marie Stewart**, was served heir to his father and his eldest brother, in **Easter** and **Wester Leckie**. \*\*\***David Moir**, **chirurgeon, Stirling**, a near relative of the **Laird of Leckie**, obtained seisin from him of **Keir's** ludging in **Stirling**, with life-rent to **Marion Moir**, his second wife, the instrument bearing date, 25th June, 1698, but this property reverted to

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\***Stirling Burgh Sasines.**

†**County Court Book.**

‡**Minutes of Commissioners of Militia for Stirlingshire.**

\*\***Acts of Parliament.**

††**County Court Book.**

‡‡**George Moir of Leckie** serves heir special to **David Moir**, his brother-germain. Both were sons of **David Moir of Leckie**, **George** being the second son. On this date, 11 Jan., 1688, he serves heir to the lands of **Easter** and **Wester Leckie**. (**Special Ser. II, Stirling.**) He also serves heir in general to his father on same date.

(**Gen. Ser.**)

\*\*\***Stirling Burgh Sasines.**

the Laird a few years later. Isabel Moir, sister of George Moir, of Leckie, married John Graham, of Aberuthven, afterwards of Boquhapple, through which marriage the Leckie estate eventually came to the Grahams, as will afterwards be seen. \*The Laird of Leckie was a Commissioner of Supply in 1696, but after this date, there is no record of him. He married and had a family, but the name of his wife has not been ascertained. †He died in September, 1710, and was succeeded by his eldest son, James.

††James Moir of Leckie was probably under age when he succeeded to the estate; certainly, he was but a young man, as three years previously he was under the tutorship of Mr. John Graham, of Boquhapple, his uncle, and others. He had a younger brother, George, but whether his father left any more of a family we do not know. †The Moirs must have been related by marriage to the Setons of Touch, as in 1738 the Laird of Leckie is named as tutor-in-law to James Seton, and on the death of the latter, unmarried, in 1742, ††George Moir, brother of the Laird, was appointed one of the curators of Elizabeth Seton, heiress of Touch.

Owing to physical infirmity, James Moir, who remained unmarried, felt himself obliged to surrender Leckie to his brother. By a conveyance, dated 1st May, 1739, he disposed his heritable estate in favour of George Moir, his brother-german, who was then in Jamaica, and as his (James's) debts and funeral charges, and other privileged debts, might not be so well looked after as if the heir had been in this country, he authorized and appointed Moses Buchanan of Glins, to take care of, manage, and regulate all the affairs that might concern the estate, until his brother's return to the kingdom, or a commission or factorage under his hand should be executed. \*\*\*He also nominated John Stirling of Garden, William Govan of Drumquhassel, and William Graham of Boquhapple his commissioners to give instructions to Buchanan. The date of James Moir's death has not been discovered, but he did not long survive the demission of his estate.

†††The new Laird of Leckie, after settling down at home, married a wife who brought him a considerable tocher. The facts are disclosed in a process of separation and aliment, rendered necessary by the bad conduct of George Moir. The lady was Anne Montgomery, niece of Sir Walter Montgomery, of Kirktonholm, in Dumfries-shire, who gave her a marriage portion of £2000, and made a settlement by which she was entitled to £6000 after his death, but only, it appears, if she had any family. It was also a condition in the marriage contract, which was dated 25th February, 1745, that the Laird of Leckie should assume the name and arms of Montgomery, in addition to his own. Two of the witnesses to the contract, are Home, of Argaty, his first

\*Acts of Parliament.

†Services of Heirs.

††Stirlingshire Bonds.

‡Stirlingshire Bonds.

‡‡Reg. of Curatories.

\*\*\*Stirlingshire Bonds.

†††Session Papers.

cousin, and **Wm. Govan, Jr.**, of **Drumquassel**, his second cousin. In accordance with the condition contained in this marriage contract, the Laird assumed his wife's name, styling himself **George Montgomery-Moir**, of **Leckie**. There was no issue of the marriage, and it is not unlikely that the vanishing of all chance of receiving the £6000 bequeathed to **Anne Montgomery**, accounts in some degree for the behaviour of her husband, which compelled her to institute the action for separation and aliment.

An important event marked the first year of this unhappy marriage. The **Jacobites** were in arms under the leadership of **Prince Charles**, and the Laird of **Leckie** was in strong sympathy with the movement. On the 13th September, the Highland army, on their way south, crossed the river **Forth** at the **Fords of Frew**, and made a halt while the **Prince** went up to **Leckie House**. The Laird, however, was not there to receive him. The **Hanoverian General, Blakeney**, had been informed by spies that **Moir of Leckie** was preparing to entertain the **Prince**, and on the night before his expected arrival, the Laird was seized in his bed by a party of dragoons and carried prisoner to **Stirling Castle**. Notwithstanding this *contretemps*, the **Prince** and his suite were welcomed to dinner at **Leckie**, and not only they, but many of the **Prince's** friends, who followed soon after, were entertained in a most hospitable manner. From **Leckie House**, **Prince Charles** addressed his famous message to the **City of Glasgow**, demanding a sum of £15,000, besides what was due to the Government, and whatever arms could be found in the city.

\*The **Magistrates** paid no attention to the demand; but shortly afterward they received a visit from a body of the insurgent cavalry, accompanied by **Glengyle**, and his clansmen the **MacGregors**, which made them fain to compromise the claim by paying £5000 and contributing about £500 worth of goods. The **New Statistical Account of Gargunnock Parish**, and also the local histories, state that the **Prince** slept at **Leckie House** on the night of the 13th September, but that is a mistake. The account given by one of the **Prince's** followers, and published in the †**Lockhart Papers**, says:—"This night we lay at **Touch**," from which place the army resumed its march southwards next morning. On the retreat to the north early in 1746, the **Prince's** baggage sent on in advance, was deposited at **Leckie** on the 25th January, and on the 1st February, the army recrossed the **Forth** by the **Fords of Frew**, but on this occasion, there was no time to spare for dinner at **Leckie House**. Everything was in confusion, for the **Duke of Cumberland** was on the **Prince's** track, and several guns and carriages had to be left behind.

‡**George Moir**, who dropped the name **Montgomery**, after the legal proceedings above narrated, was a witness in a will case, tried in 1765, when his age is given as 50 years and upwards. He lived till 1792, when he must have reached his 78th year. Having no children, he executed

\*Historic Scenes of Stirlingshire.

†Vol. ii., 486.

‡Morrison's Decisions.



JOHN MOIR AND FAMILY  
of Winnipeg, Manitoba  
(See page 257)





JOHN S. MOIR, D. O.  
Lowell, Mass.



five years before his death, an entail of the estate of Leckie, under which **Dr. Robert Graham**, of Boquhapple, grandson of Isabel Moir, succeeded as heir of tailzie and provision.





## THE GRAHAM-MOIRS OF LECKIE

From "THE LAIRDS OF LECKIE"

By the late W. B. COOK, of Stirling

According to the family pedigree, **Dr. Robert Graham** of **Boquhapple**, represented a cadet branch of the great **House of Montrose**. **George Graham** of **Callander**, brother of the first **Earl of Montrose**, had, by a daughter of **Moray of Abercainey**, four sons, of whom the third was **Laurence**, who married a daughter of **Drummond of Borland**, by whom he had a son and a daughter. **Giles**, the daughter, married her kinsman, **Graham of Garvock**. Her brother, **John**, entered the ministry, and was parson at **Aberuthven**. He was a member of the **General Assembly** of 1636, which deposed the Bishops. He himself married a grand-daughter of **Archbishop Hamilton**, of **St. Andrews**. — **Giles**, daughter of **Hamilton of Blair**. By this lady, he had two sons and a daughter. The eldest son, **John**, was killed in assisting to rescue his chief, the **Marquis of Montrose**, when he came over from **France** to restore **Charles II.** to the throne. His second son, **Robert Graham**, of **Aberuthven**, married **Margaret Hay**, of **Stronevay**, whose brother became the husband of **Robert's** sister. Two sons and a daughter were the issue of **Robert's** marriage. Both the sons, **John** and **James**, were bred to the **Church**, but gave it up. **John** succeeded to the wadset of **Aberuthven**, with burden of his brother and sister's portions. This estate was purchased by the **Marquis of Montrose** in 1702, and two years after, **John Graham** bought the estate of **Boquhapple**, which had previously belonged to a branch of the **Menteith Grahams**. This circumstance has led to mistakes in certain **Graham** pedigrees, the **Montrose Grahams** being confounded with **Menteith Grahams**, but into this matter there is no occasion to enter here. **John Graham**, of **Boquhapple**, as we have already seen, married **Isabel Moir**, daughter of **David Moir**, of **Leckie**, by whom he had a family of four sons and four daughters. **James Graham**, the eldest son, married **Catherine**, daughter of **William Govan**, of **Drumquassel**, by whom he had three sons and nine daughters. **John**, the eldest son, died unmarried in the **East India Company's** service, and the youngest son, **William**, also died a bachelor. **Robert**, the second son of **James Graham** of **Boquhapple**, studied medicine, and took the degree of **M.D.**\* He appears to have practised in the town of **Stirling**.

Under a deed executed by **George Moir** of **Leckie**, on 22nd December, 1789, his heir of entail, **Dr. Robert Graham** of **Boquhapple**, physician in **Stirling**, was appointed his sole executor, and a disposition of moveables was made in his favour.\*\* In accordance with the deed of entail, **Dr. Graham**, on succeeding to the estate of **Leckie**, dropped

\*Family Pedigree.

\*\*Stirlingshire Bonds.

the name of **Graham** and took that of **Moir**, but was unable to assume the arms of **Moir of Leckie**, because none had been registered. \*The terms of the entail rendered it necessary for the heir of **Leckie** to raise an action in the Court of Session against his own son, **Dr. Charles Alexander Graham**, and others, to have certain questions decided, and the record of the case in **Morrison's "Decisions"** supplies the following interesting particulars:— "**George Moir**, in 1787, executed an entail of the estate of **Leckie**, with strict irritant and resolute clauses, amongst others, that it should not be in the power of the heirs male of his body, or others, heirs substituted to them, to increase the rental above £1000. On his death in 1792, the rental amounted to £1123, without including rent for 150 acres in his natural possession. **Dr. Robert Moir** succeeded him under the entail, and brought an action against the substitutes concluding that he should be at liberty to keep up and augment the rent of the entailed estate, as if this clause had not been inserted. It was held by the Lords that the clause was to be held as discharged by the entailer. The entail likewise contained a clause that the heirs of tailzie should be bound to use the name and title of **Moir of Leckie** exclusive of every other name and title, and to carry the arms of **Moir of Leckie** without any addition, diminution, or alteration of any kind. After the action came into Court it was discovered that there were no arms of **Moir of Leckie** matriculated in the Lyon Office. The pursuer being the heir *alioque successoris*, only in one-fourth of the estate as representative of one of the four heirs portioners, it was likewise doubted whether they were ascendible to heirs of entail, or whether they necessarily descended *jure sanguine* to **Mr. Moir's** heir of line. The Lords found it incumbent on the pursuer and other heirs of entail to follow out the tailzier's appointment in carrying the name and arms of **Moir and Leckie**, and for that purpose to obtain from the Lyon Office, arms of that description descendible to heirs of entail of **Leckie**."

**Dr. Robert Graham's** arms, blazoned, confirmed, and assigned, 14th December, 1764, are thus described in the family pedigree:—**Argent**; a man's heart **gules**, ensigned with an imperial crown **proper**; on a chief **sable** three escallops **or**; above the shield a helmet befitting his degree with a mantle **gules** doubling **argent**. On a wreath of his colours is set for crest, an escallop as the former. This motto, *Spero meliora*. \*\*In accordance with the Lords' decision of 1794, the **Leckie** arms were matriculated in 1796, as follows:—(1st and 4th quarters)—**Argent**; three Mauritanian heads coupé and distilling three drops of blood **ppr.**, banded of the first, a pearl in each ear of the second, in the centre a mullet **gu**, for **Moir**; (2nd quarter) **argent**, a head crowned **ppr.** in a chief **sable** three escallops **or**, for **Graham**. (1st and 4th quarters of 3rd quarter) **argent**; a galley, sails furled, oars in action, **sable**. This quarter indicates a **Stewart and Campbell** connection, **Dr. Robert Moir's** wife being a **Stewart** of **Ardsheal**. The **Moir** arms are similar to those of **Moir of Hilton**. **Moir of Leckie's** crest was a falcon **proper**,

\*p. 15,537.

\*\*Balfour Paul's Ordinary of Scottish Arms, pp. 84, 117, 146, 150.

armed or belted, or, perched on a heron lying on its back proper, beaked and membered gu, with the motto, \*"Ne Oublie."

**Dr. Robert Moir of Leckie** married **Anne**, daughter of **Charles Stewart of Ardsheal**, chief of the **Stewarts of Appin and Lorn**, by whom he had five sons and six daughters:—**James Lennox Moir**, the eldest son, died in infancy. **Charles Alexander** the second son, succeeded his father, and will be noticed below. Of **James**, the third son, no particulars are given in the family pedigree. **Robert**, the fourth son, was **Professor of Botany** in **Edinburgh University**, and died 7th August, 1845. He married **Elizabeth Belches**, second daughter of **David Hamilton of Drumpellier**, and left a family. The fifth son of **Dr. Moir of Leckie**, was **John**, a captain in the **Royal Navy**. The **Laird of Leckie** died in August, 1819, and was buried in **Leckie**. The **Grahams** seem to have had a right of burial in **St. Andrew's Chapel**, or **Garden Aisle**, at the **West Church, Stirling**, but none of the **Lairds of Leckie** are buried there.

**Charles Alexander Graham** took the surname of **Moir** on succeeding to **Leckie**, in the **Barony** of which he was infeft on 8th June, 1820.\*\* He was a doctor by profession, and practised up till his father's death. He built the new mansion-house of **Leckie** on the plan of an old **English baronial mansion-house**. It stands on a higher situation than the old house, and has a commanding view of the **Vale of Menteith**. **Dr. C. A. Graham-Moir** married **Henrietta**, second daughter of **Robert Hay**, of **Drumelzier** and **Dunse Castle**, and **Janet Erskine**, eldest dau. of **James Erskine**, of **Cardross**, and **Lady Christian Bruce**, daughter of the **Earl of Elgin**. The issue of this marriage was an only son and three daughters:—

1. **Robert Graham-Moir.**
2. **Janet Erskine Graham.**
3. **Ann Stewart Graham**, who died 1846.
4. **Isabella Matilda Graham.**

The **Laird** died 18th August, 1845, aged 73, and was buried in the family burying ground at **Leckie**; his widow died 6th Aug., 1854.

**Robert Graham Moir**, the next **Laird of Leckie**, was a justice of the peace and **Deputy Lieutenant of Gargunnoch**; he m. **Anne Elizabeth**, third dau. of **William Hay of Dunse Castle, Whittingham**, and **Drumelzier**, by whom he had two sons and four daughters as follows:—

1. **Charles William Graham-Moir**, b. 26 July, 1858, and d. 9 March, 1861.
2. **Alastair Erskine Graham-Moir**, justice of the peace, b. 18 July, 1863, m. Nov. 11, 1897, **Winnifred Edith**, second dau. of **Right Hon. Sir Herbert Maxwell, Baronet, P. C., M. P.**, and has issue:—
  1. **Charles William**, b. 30 Oct. 1898.
  2. **A son**, born Feb. 24, 1905.
 And others.

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\*Kirkwood's Crests, p. 53, and Fairbairn's Crests, 335.

\*\*Stirlingshire Sasines.

1. Henrietta Florence May Graham-Moir.
2. Evelyn Annie Graham-Moir.
3. Marion Clementina Graham-Moir.
4. Mabel Christian Hay Graham-Moir, d. Dec. 24, 1882.

Robert Graham-Moir died Mar. 3, 1864, and was succeeded by his infant son, \*Alastair Erskine Graham-Moir, who lived on the estate until 1906, when he sold the property to Mr. George Younger, of Valleyfield, Kinross, in the spring of that year. He was the last of the Lairds of his line, and seemed to be in want of the usual thriftiness of the Moirs.

Shortly afterwards, he advertised that he intended to drop the name of Moir. The estate of Boquhapple still remains in the family.

Mr. Graham-Moir removed to Edinburgh, after selling the property.

#### STIRLINGSHIRE

(From the Scottish County Directory, 1902.)

MR. MOIR, Airth Mains, Airth, Larbert.

ALEXANDER MOIR, Farmer, Nethercarse, Gargunnoch.

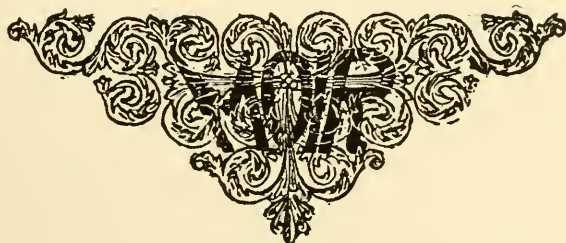
DAVID MOIR, Farmer, Gateside, Balfron, Balfron Station.

DAVID MOIR, Lednabra, Balfron Station.

JAMES MOIR, Park of Auchintroig, Balfron Station.

JOHN MOIR, Carse of Mac Orriston, Thornhill, Kippen Station.

WILLIAM J. MOIR, Nether-ton, Thornhill, Kippen Station.




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\*The Tutors of Alastair Erskine Graham-Moir, (then a minor) were assessed £3,077 as the valuation of the estate of Leckie in 1880. There were twenty-six estates in Gargunnoch, which is six miles long and four broad. Leckie being the largest.

From Nimmo's History of Stirlingshire.

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## ABERDEEN SASINE REGISTER AND MINUTE BOOK

### MOIR REFERENCES

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- July 9, 1608. Sasine to **Mr. William Moir** on the Interior land on the east of the Gallowgate conquered from William Norie, son and heir of the late Robert Norie.
- May 2, 1623. Sasine to **Mr. William Moir** on the Interior land on the east of the Gallowgate conquered from William Turing of Foveran. (Witness **Mr. John Moir**, brother of the said **William Moir**) for implement of his marriage contract with Agnes, daughter of Patrick Gordon of Gordonesmylnes.
- May 24, 1615. Sasine **Mr. William Moir**, Burgess of Aberdeen to his second son **John Moir**, on a tenement and garden on the east of the Gallowgate, where the road goes to Aberdeen.
- June 29, 1638. Sasine. **Mr. William Moir** on the tenement of Janet Forbes. (Minute book.)
- May 1, 1646. Sasine. **Mr. William Moir** and Janet Forbes, his spouse. (Minute book.)
- Jan. 3, 1650. Sasine. **William Moir** on the tenement of James Robertson. (Minute Book.)
- Jan. 4, 1651. Sasine. **John Moir**, eldest son of the late **Mr. John Moir**, burgess of Aberdeen, and heir of **Mr. Henry Moir** immediate younger brother of the said **Mr. John Moir**, and so uncle of the said **John** of a tenement of land on the East side of the Gallowgate.
- Jan. 4, 1651. Sasine. **John Moir** hereditary proprietor of the above land with consent of Baillie **Patrick Moir** his curator of the above-mentioned lands in favour of **Mr. William Moir**, Principal of Marischal College.
- Jan. 12, 1655. Sasine on marriage contract between **John Moir** eldest son of the deceased **John Moir** and Marjorie Beans, his relict, and Mary Cochrane, second daughter of Walter Cochrane, late Baillie of Aberdeen, disposing the tenement on the East of the Gallowgate, reserving to Marjorie Beans her life-rent.
- June 4, 1656. Sasine. **Mr. William Moir** and Margaret Skein, his future spouse, of the inland of **Mr. William Moir**.
- July 24, 1657. Sasine. **Patrick Moir** of the lands of Master Thomas Smith. (Minute book.)
- Reg. Aug. 15, 1657. Sa. to Mariore Beanes and **John Moir**, her son, off ye Pendicle called Corriedoune.
- Reg. Aug. 27, 1658. Sa. to **John Moir**, eldest laull sone to **Wm. Moir** of Ferriehill off ye lands of Ardgraine.
- Reg. Aug. 28, 1658. Sa. to **John Moir**, eldest laull sone to **Wm. Moir** of Ferriehill, of ye lands of Carnmucks.

- Reg. Aug. 12, 1657. **Sa.** to Walter Cochrane, lait Bailzie of Abd., John Leslie, burges Yr. and Issobell Cochrane, his spous **John Moir** Meht Yr. and Marie Cochrane his spous off ye barronie of Meanie. Al. forbes, not.
- Reg. Oct. 29, 1656. **Sa.** to **Mr. Wm. Moir**, Doctor of Medicine off thrie rigis or croftis of land. — John Sandilands, not.
- Reg. Oct. 11, 1656. **Sa.** to Mariore Beanes off anc ploughe of the lands of Auchintoull. James — not.
- Reg. July 18, 1656 — **Sa.** to **John Moir**, Meht, in Abd. and Marie Cochrane his spous, off twa ploughes of land of wast fintray.—Al. Forbes, notary.
- Reg. June 6, 1656.—**Sa.** Inst. of Resign. be **Mr. Wm. Moir** In favours of **Doctr. Wm. Moir** his sone, of the Lands of Scottistoun,—Al. Forbes, Nott.
- Reg. June 6, 1656. **Sa.** Inst. of Resign. be **Mr. Wm. Moir** In favours of **Doctr. Wm. Moir** his sone, Off tenements in parochin of St. Machar.
- Reg. June 6, 1656. **Sa.** to **Doctr. Wm. Moir** doctor of medicine, and Margaret Skeine, his spous of the Lands of Kirkton of Dyce. — Alex. Irvine, Nott.
- Reg. April 19, 1656. **Sa.** to **Mr. James Moir** in Wast Atarive, Off the Lands and Mains of Auguhorthies.—George baird, nott.
- Reg. Apr. 2, 1655. **Sa.** on charter to Mariorie Beanes, relict of the deceist **John Moir**, burges of Abd., of the toune and lands of Brodland.— Wm. Chalmer, nott.
- Reg. Sept. 8, 1654. **Sa.** to Mariorie Beanes, relict of **Mr. John Moore** of the lands of brodland. Wm. Chalmer, nott.
- Reg. Jan. 28, 1654. **Sa.** to **Mariorie Moir**, spous of Thomas Mitchell, merchand in Abd. of the half nettes salmond fishing on the water of Done. Wm. Chalmer, nott.
- Reg. Oct. 4, 1652. **Sa.** to **Mr. Wm. Moir**, prinll. of the Colledge of new Abd., and his spous. off the north Lands of the Kirktone of hospitall.—Patrick Cruickshank, nottar thereto.
- Reg. Mar.. 18, 1651. **Sa.** to **Mr. James Moir**, minister of God's word at the kirk of Tarves, of the tounelands of Wedderlaires. George baird, not.
- Reg. Feb. 3, 1663 **Sa.** **Mr. William Moir** and his spouse of the lands of Kirktonne of Dyce.—(54.)
- — 1664. **Sa.** **Mr. William More**, of the toun and lands of Wedderlaire (son of **James Moir**, minister of Tarves.) (539) and (541.)
- Jan. 1, 1644. **Sa.** **Dr. William More**, and Margaret Skene, his spouse, of the lands of Scotston. (568.)
- — 1665. **Sa.** **John Moire** and his sons of the lands and baronie of argrais. (456.)
- March 1666. **John Moir** the lands of Kinnellor (403), (406.)
- Reg. May 15, 1672. **Sa.** **Pairick Moir** son to **Mr. Wm. Moir**, prin'll off the colledg Maraschell, Aberdene, off the lands and baronie of Spittill. registrat 15 May, 1672. (505.) (512.)

- 2 May, 1671. **Sa. Joha Moir**, of Cairmucks and Joan Sandilands his spous, and **John Moir** her sone of Lands of Stoneywood regrat 2 May 1671 (298).
- Aug. 1, 1672. **Sa. John Moir** of Kermucks of the half lands of Torre. 1 Aug. 1672.
- Nov. 26, 1673. **Sa. John Moir** of Barns, of Milne and Milne lands of Corstrie. 26 Nov. 1673.
- On the 29th July 1673, there is a disposition by Andrew Skene of Rudrieston, and Christian Skene, his spouse, and Robert and Andrew Skene his lawful sons, to **John Moir**, of the lands of Rudrieston.
- Sept. 30, 1674. **Sa. John Moir**, lands of Cooklaw.
- Nov. 21, 1677. **Sa. Mr. Wm. Moir** of Scotstoun the lands and barony of Spittell.
- March 3, 1635. **Sa.** to Archibald Beanes, burges of Abd. of the toune and landis of Auchmenzie, 3 Marche, 1635.
- July 27, 1633. **Sa.** to **Mr. William Moir**, burges of Aberdene, of the landis and milne of gordonsmilne 27 July, 1633.
- Sept. 25, 1628. **Sa.** to **Mr. William Moir**, burges of Abd. on the lands of Spittall.—**Mr. Alex. Reid**, not.
- Sept. 25, 1628. **Sa.** to **Mr. John Moir**, burges of Abd. and Meriore beanes hisspouse, On the toune and Lands of Sonysyd Sept. 25, 1628. **Mr. Alex. Reid**, not.
- Aug. 30, 1602. **Sa.** to **Mr. Wm. Moir**, burges of Aberdeen be Andro hervie of denstoun. On the tua pt. Lands of Scottistoun dait 12 July, 1602. **Notter Mr. Wm. Chalmer.** Put Peves Augt. 1602.
- Aug. 20, 1602. **Sa.** to **Mr. Wm. Moir**, burges of Abd., be Magr. Fduid rait, Prinll. of the King's College of auld Abd., on ye sone half of the Spittell in auld Abd. dait 7. Augti., 1602. **Nottar, Mr. Wo. Clark Pnt.** 20 Augti. 1602.
- June 1, 1604. **Sa.** to **Mr. Wm. Moir**, burges of Abd. on the lands of sonysyde and spittihill, as also on the croftis besyde ye calseyseat, dait 1, Junij 1604. **Notar, Mr. Wm. Chalmer.**
- May 14, 1608. **Sa.** givin to Archbald beanes Litster and Christian Anand his spous One ye — and haul yards of Cukstoun. **Pnted.** 14 May, 1608. **nor. George Barrone.**
- Sept. 7, 1620. **Renun** of the toune of Scottistoun maid be George peacock to **Mr. Wm. Moir** 7 Sept. 1620.
- Nov. 22, 1620. **Sa** to **Mariorie Moir**, relic of umqll. Andro forbes glasswright, On ane tenement of land in Abd. 22 Novr. 1620. **Mr. Thomas Mollesone, Not.**
- March 8, 1626. **Sa.** to **Mr. Johne Moir**, burges of Abd. to Mariorie beanis his spous, on the landis of sonysyd, 8 March, 1626. **James Davidsone.**
- May 15, 1679. **Sa. Janet, Marjorie, Isobell, Jean, Margaret and Christian Moires**, as aires, portioners, to umqtt **John Moir**, burges of Abd., of the lands of Sunniesyd. regrat. 15. May, 1679.

- June 27, 1679. **Sa. Janet, Marjorie, Isobell, Jean, Margaret and Christian Moirs**, Laull daughters and airs portioners to umqll. **John Moir**, merehant burgess of Aberdeine, of three pleughes of the sunn halfe of the maines of the Lands of Barnes wt the crofts yrof and sunn halfe of dues the manner place of Barnes, and sunne halfe of the milne of Barnes and sunn halfe of west bigging fra the prinll, and in warrandice yrof of the Lands of Rothney and Hillocks, Reprat 27 June, 1679.
- April 20, 1680. **Sa. Mr. William Moir** of Scotstoune doctor of medicine, of the Lands and Barronie of Spittel, called the hospitall of Sanct. Peter,—reprat 20 April 1680.
- December 23, 1680. **Merjorie Moir**, spous to George Gorden of Rothney, of the Lands of Drumrossie, both sunn and shadow halves yeof. reprat 23 December 1681.
- May 11, 1681. **Sa. to Wm. Moir**, eldest Laull sone to **Mr. Wm. Moir** of Scotstoun, of all and hail the kirktone of Spittill Lyand within the regalite of the King's Colledge of Abd. . . . etc.
- October 13, 1681. **Sa. James Moir** of ferriehill of all and hail the Tenement of Lands rigg or croft, consisting of the twelve ells of breedth Lyand in the east side of the citie of old aberdeine.
- August 23, 1683. **Sasine. Wm. Moir**, eldest sone to **Doctor William Moir**, of Scotstoune and Jeane Abernethie his spous, of the sunne south pairt of ye kirktoune of Spithill Lie the hospitall of sant peter Lie the outfaulds thereof as also the shadow and northmost pairt of the lands of Kirkkoune of Spithill Lyand as sd is — reprat, etc.
- June 16, 1685, **Sasine, William Moir** younr. of Scotstoune, of the Lands thereof. Reprat the 3d. day.
- August 3, 1693. **Sa. Wm. Moir**, writer in Aberdeen, off Two Crofts, about Aberdein called Langlands and Cuttings. — Reprat. ye 3d. of August Leif 368,369. John Anderson N. P.
- Dec. 6, 1697. **Sa. Mr. Alexander fraser**, one of the Regents of ye King's Colledge of Aberdeine Off twelve Ruids, of Land (called Pouis) In old Aberdeine . . . . Reprat in ye 1 Leif.
- December 6, 1697. **Sa. Christian Moire**, spouse to Mr. Alexander ffraser . . . . (as above) . . . . Reprat in ye 4 leif.
- November 28, 1699. **Sa. James Gordon** of Barnes and **Margaret More**, his spouse of the Lands of Barnes and oysr. (and Rothey in warrandice.) registrat in the 410 leaff — William Johnston, nottar yrto.
- April 16, 1701. **Mr. James Moir** of Ferriehill and Patrick Milne f'ter in Aberden, of ane a rent out of Langlands and Cutting.— Alex Leslie — N. P.
- June 18, 1705. **Marjorie More**, spouse to George Gordon of Knockespoock, one Three pleughes of Newtoun of Knockespoock, produced the eighteenth day of June 1705. Be Robert Irvine



- writer in Aberdein, and registrat in the 18 leaf. Mr. Alex. Innes, nottar yrto.
- December 15, 1712. **Sa. Alexander Moir** of Scotstown on the sun and shadow halves of Kirktown of Spithill produced the fifteenth day of December 1712 . . . . be John Gordon writer in Aberdein and registrat 10, 11, and 12 leafs. Patrick Sandilands, nottar.
- February 3, 1663. Instrument of **seisin** following on charter to **Dr. Wm. Moir** and Margt. Skene, his wife of lands of Kirktown of Dyce, 3, Feb. 1663.
- June 23, 1721. **Sa. Mary Chalmers**, spouse to **Alexander Moir** of Scotstoun in a rent on the sun or south side of Kirktown of Spithill . . . And during the conjunct lityme of Jean Abernethie, spouse to **James Moir** of Stoniewood, and the said Mary Chalmers, after the said **Alexr. Moir's** decease in case they happen to survive him on Scotoun Thackheterhill and Dubfoord with the pendicle yrof called silverburn and Caniecroft with their pertinents Lying within the parioch and shereffdome forsaid. Presented by John Maule writer in Aberdeen,—and registrate the 139 and 140 leaves. Wm. Hay, Nottar thereto.
- Dec. 11, 1728. **Sa. William Moir**, son to **Jas. Moir** of Stonywood on toun and lands of Whitehill, reserving to sd. **James Moir** his life rent right of one-half nets salmon fishing proceeding on ch from crown in favours of sd. **Wm. Moir**.
- July 2, 1741. **Sa. Wm., Isobel and Janet Moir**, children of deceist **James Moir** of Stonywood and nearest and laull Joint Heirs of Provision to the deceist **Patrick and Elizabeth Moirs** their brother and sister dated the 25 June, 1741. In all and hail Lands of **Muir (?)** of Stonywood.
- May 10, 1745. **Sa. to James Moir**, now of Invernettie, heir served and retoured to **Wm. Moir** of Invernettie, his uncle of a rent on Stonywood.
- August 29, 1746. **Sa. Mrs. Jannet Moir**, spouse to Patrick Byres of Tonley, of town and lands of Findlatrie.
- August 3, 1752. **Sasine, George Moir** of Scotstoun and Alexr. McDonald mercht. in Abd., of towns and lands of Arduthie.
- Dec. 12, 1752. **Sa. George Moir** of Scotstoun of all and hail lands and toun of Scotstown.
- May 17, 1757. **Sa. Wm. Moir** of Lonmay as heir of decd. **William Moir** of Lonmay.
- June 19, 1757. Contract of March 9, dated the 15th of June betwixt **George Moir** of Scotstoun, Proprietor of the lands of Sunnyside, and James Bartlett Farmer in Abdeen. Proprietor of the Croft of Causewayend.



**Epitaphs and Burial Records of St. Clement's Churchyard  
Footdee, Aberdeen**

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(Jan. 1st, 1855, to Dec. 31, 1911.)

ALEXANDER MOIR, \*Oyne, Aberdeenshire, aged one and one-half years, buried 4th July, 1878.

ANN MOIR or Allardyce, 30 Park St., Aberdeen, aged 76, buried 10th December, 1887.

†ANN MOIR, who resided in 67 Frederick St., Aberdeen, died 4th June, 1910, at the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, aged 71, and was buried 7th June, 1910.

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\*Oyne is a parish.

†She was a daughter of Robert Moir and Ann Allardyce, but her name has not been inscribed on the family tombstone. She was a bright woman and a devoted church worker.

- ANNIE REID MOIR, Neptune Terrace, Aberdeen, aged four and one-half weeks, buried 10th November 1884.
- CALDER MOIR, 128 Gallowgate, Aberdeen, aged 50, buried 25th May, 1855.
- \*DANIEL MEARN'S MOIR, Neptune Terrace, Aberdeen, aged 23, buried 19th August, 1886.
- DANIEL MEARN'S MOIR, Neptune Terrace, Aberdeen, aged 10 months, buried 3d April, 1888.
- GEORGE MOIR, 24 James St., Aberdeen, aged 86 years, buried 22nd October, 1855.
- GEORGE S. MOIR, 3 Rosemont Place, Aberdeen, aged 48, buried 26th November, 1885.
- HENRY A. MOIR, 26 Hill St., Aberdeen, aged 10 months, buried 9th October, 1884.
- H. MOIR, Lamont Place, Aberdeen, had a child buried 31st October, 1906.
- ISABELLA MOIR, 13 York St., Aberdeen, aged 22, buried 6th May, 1879.
- JAMES MOIR, 12 Links St., Aberdeen, aged 78, buried 27th August, 1855.
- JAMES MOIR, 156 West North St., Aberdeen, aged one and two-third years, buried 11th May, 1878.
- JAMES MOIR, ropemaker, 74 Skene Square, Aberdeen, died 10th November, buried 14th November, 1908.
- MARGARET BAXTER MOIR, 96 John St., Aberdeen, aged one and one-half years, buried 9th December, 1871.
- MARGARET MOIR, King's Crescent, Aberdeen, aged 72, buried 13th April 1885.
- MARGARET MOIR, aged 86, buried 3rd February, 1886.
- MARGARET MOIR, 21 James St., Aberdeen, aged 60, buried 1st October, 1865.
- MARY MILNE MOIR, 19 York St., Aberdeen, aged five and one-quarter years, buried 4th January, 1865.
- MARY MOIR, Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, aged 51, buried 24th April 1895.
- †MAUDE UNDERWOOD MOIR, 87 Urquhart Road, Aberdeen, died 27th December, 1902, buried 30th December, 1902.
- MOIR'S CHILD was buried from 46 Virginia St., Aberdeen 26th May, 1871. (No age given.)
- ROBERT MOIR, 169 Gallowgate, Aberdeen, aged 52, buried 13th June, 1855.
- SUSAN MOIR, James St., Aberdeen, aged 96, buried 11th February, 1888.
- THOMAS MORE, 26 St. Clements St., Aberdeen, aged 45, buried 15th March, 1864.

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\*This child and that mentioned below was named after Daniel Mearns who was Lord Provost of Aberdeen 1895-1898. A brother of this Daniel Mearns died at Aberdeen February, 1913.—*Scottish American*.

†She was the wife of John Moir, Jr.

- WILLIAM MOIR, aged 74, buried 27th April 1855.  
 WILLIAM B. MOIR, 13 Neptune Terrace, Aberdeen, aged 20, buried 29th October, 1881.  
 WILLIAM KENNEDY MOIR, 21 Carmelite St., Aberdeen, aged 5 months, buried 12th November, 1862.  
 WILLIAMINA MOIR or PETRIE, 15 Allan Street, Aberdeen, aged 34, buried 10th January, 1888.  
 WILLIAM MOIR GOLDIE, 43 Jopps Lane, Aberdeen, aged one and one-half years, buried 20th March, 1866.  
 WILLIAM MOIR, 21 Berry Lane, Aberdeen, aged 47, buried 13th June, 1857.  
 WILLIAM MOIR, 21 Spring Garden, Aberdeen, aged 21, buried 26 Sept., 1864.  
 (Note.) The burial records are missing, 7th July, 1857, to 22 Aug., 1862.

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## EPITAPHS ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCHYARD ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND

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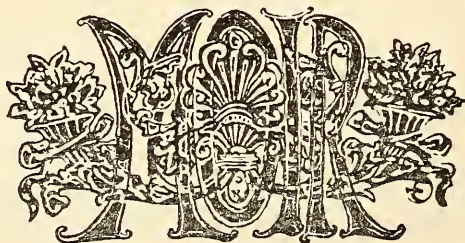
- I. A granite headstone is inscribed:—  
 "Erected by loving friends, in memory of WILLIAM W. MOIR, who died 22nd September, 1864, aged 21 years; also his father, ROBERT MOIR, who died 11th June, 1855, aged 52 years, and his mother, ANN ALLARDYCE MOIR, who died 7th December, 1887, aged 76 years."
- II. A granite headstone, bears the following:—  
 "The burying ground of JAMES MOIR, rope-maker, Aberdeen."
- III. A headstone, the lettering at base of which on the *obverse* side is much decayed, bears:—  
 "Erected by Henry Jamieson, late in the 78th Regiment of Foot, in memory of his step-children—JOANNA MOIR, who died in 1805; JEAN, died 1813; JESSY, died 1820; all in the 7th year of their age; and Mary who died 28th Sept., 1828, aged 14 years; also of his nephew — John Harrower, who died in 1825, aged 3 years. The aforesaid Henry Jamieson died 9th May, 1850, aged 51 years. Ann Wilson, his spouse, died 17th Nov., 1843, aged 67 years. JAMES MOIR who died 14th August, 1847, aged 56 years. WILLIAM MOIR died 11th June, 1857, aged 47 years."
- The *reverse* side is inscribed:—  
 "Also SYMON MOIR, who died 6th Decr., 1830, aged 11 months; JAMES MOIR died 15th July, 1848, aged 7 years. ANN MOIR died 25th July, 1848, aged 15 years;

WILLIAM MOIR died 29th August, 1848, aged 13 years; ISABELLA MOIR died 7th September, 1848, aged 1 year and 6 months; HENRY MOIR who died 13th May, 1862, aged 33 years, and MARY, died in infancy. W. K. MOIR, aged 5 months, grandson of the aforesaid WILLIAM MOIR; CATHERINE F. MOIR, died May, 1862, aged 60. MARY A. D. MOIR, died 10th Dec., 1884, aged 48, also her children—MAGGIE and JAMES. Her husband, G. S. MOIR, died Nov. 22, 1885, aged 48."

#### THE BURYING GROUND OF GEORGE S. MOIR

#### IV. A Tablestone bears:—

"In memory of Ann Ross, spouse of GEORGE MOIR, vintner, 'Old Ship,' Aberdeen, who died 29th April, 1792, aged 38 years. Also GEORGE and ISOBEL their infant children. Also Mary Baxter, from Wigton in Cumberland, second spouse of the said GEORGE MOIR, who died 13th of March, 1797, aged *about* 44 years. Likewise the said GEORGE MOIR, died 27th May 1813, aged 63 years. Also his daughter, JANE MOIR, widow of William Maxwell Shaw, sometime teacher of music in Aberdeen, who died 24th February, 1850, aged 72 years. This tribute to the memory of a most amiable and affectionate sister, is inscribed by her surviving brothers, GEORGE (afterwards Sheriff of Stirlingshire,) and ROBERT MOIR."



## \*GEORGE MOIR, LL.D., Sheriff of Stirlingshire

By JAMES FORBES GEORGE, Journalist

In none of the biographies of this distinguished Aberdonian that I have seen is the occupation of the father stated. Mr. A. F. Pollard, in the "Dictionary of National Biography," simply says, "he was the son of GEORGE MOIR, of Aberdeen." Now this GEORGE was neither an obscure nor impecunious citizen. He however, belonged to a calling which like that of "General Merchant," and messenger-of-arms, has not maintained its ancient repute, and is now, "sair awa' wi't," in the estimation of the "genteel." Hence, possibly, the suppression. MOIR was in fact, a member of "the trade," a prosperous vintner, and landlord of the "Old Ship," who thought very well of himself and his environment, and was able to "count kin" to his own satisfaction, with the MOIRS of Stoneywood.

GEORGE MOIR, the younger, graduated M. A. at Marischal College in 1817, at the age of 17; ROBERT MOIR, a brother, was a *bajan* in Waterloo year, but did not graduate. In 1824, ROBERT was a wine merchant, carrying on business in Adelphi Court, and living in Peacock's Close. This address now sounds like a music hall joke. So do the addresses of many other and more eminent citizens of that period. The Close, which became notoriously "deboshit," in its old age, was then in its infancy, dating from about 1820, when the first house was built by Frances Peacock, the celebrated dancing-master. One of ROBERT MOIR'S class-fellows, was Alexander Tower, son of Baillie George Tower, and subsequently a merchant at Santa Cruz. Another was George Ronald, Junior, son of the host of the far-famed "Lemon Tree," in Huxter Row. The house with the kindly hostess, Mrs. Ronald, is still a pleasant memory to the older citizens, and is even known to such of the younger generation as had fathers and grandfathers not averse from cards, late hours, and whisky-punch. Some of the associations are amusing if not edifying. One morning, after a long sitting in this inn, might have been seen the interesting spectacle of one baillie staggering home, with a liquor-logged brother magistrate on his back. It is to be hoped that history will not repeat itself in this fashion. ROBERT MOIR was afterwards a banker in Teignmouth.

The "Dictionary of National Biography" does not give the name of SHERIFF MOIR'S wife. Carlyle, in a letter written in 1833, with several characteristic depreciatory snarls, mentions ROBERT MOIR was then living in Northumberland St., Edinburgh, with a wife and two or three infants. MRS. MOIR was Flora Tower, who belonged

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J. F. George,  
April 1902.  
Page 150.

to the influential Aberdeen family of that name. The sheriff's daughter, ANNE TOWER MOIR, is the present Countess of Drogheda, having married in 1879, Ponsonby William Moore, who in 1892, succeeded to Moore Abbey, with the earldom and other minor honours, on the death of his kinsman, Henry, 3rd and last Marquis of Drogheda.

Of the Sheriff's brother-in-law, WILLIAM MAXWELL SHAW, we have received the following facts of his musical career from MR. ROBERT MURDOCH LAWBRANCE, a promising young author and genealogist in Aberdeen.

"After competitive trial on 13th December, 1797, MR. WILLIAM MAXWELL SHAW, who came to Aberdeen from Dingwall, was elected to the office of precentor of the West Parish Church, Aberdeen, and teacher of vocal music in the city, at a salary of £20 for precentor and £5 as teacher of vocal music." It is somewhat doubtful whether Mr. Shaw was a native — some authorities maintain he was, while others seem equally determined he was not — but he at least was of Scottish extraction. For about eight years, Mr. Shaw "took up the line," in the West Kirk, and then left for America, where at Boston, Mass., in July, 1805, — the year in which he resigned office — he died. He is spoken of as "one of the first vocalists of his time, as well as an excellent instrumentalist." His singing of the Psalms was so much admired that "the Congregation accompanied him very softly, that they might be able to hear his beautifully round and manly voice, which appeared to fill the church without any exertion or disagreeable hardness." MR. SHAW edited, about 1800, a collection of Church Tunes, — thirty-one in number — of which six were composed by himself. Everything points to the precentor having been a really cultured musician, and considerably ahead of his time. MR. SHAW was a pupil of Urbani.

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## OBITUARIES

From "MUSGRAVES OBITUARY" prior to 1800.

By SIR WILLIAM MUSGRAVE, 6th Baronet, Cumberland, England

ALEXANDER MOIR, Bursar at King's College, Aberdeen, died 1766.  
(S. M. 615.)

GEORGE MOIR, of Leckie, died 27 Oct., 1792, aged 85.  
(G. M. 1056.)

JACOB MOIR, painter at Rome, died 1793.  
(S. M. IV. 619.)

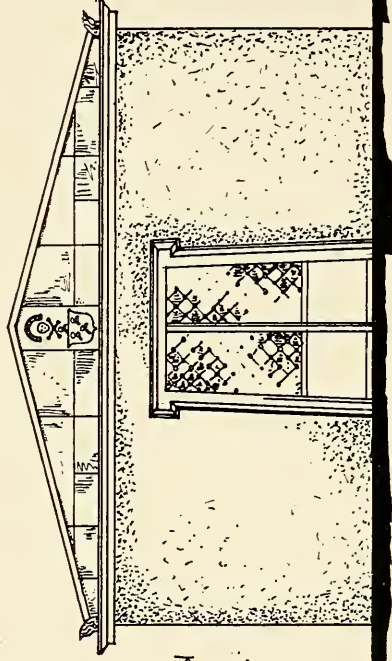
JAMES MOIR, at Kensington, (London), 16 May, 1752.  
(G. M. 241.)

REV. JOHN MOIR, (Anecdotes, Living Authors.) (No date given.)  
(E. M. IV. 126.)





: SKETCH OF FRONT ENTRANCE  
 : TO MAUSOLEUM  
 : ST. PETERS. CEMETERY.  
 : ABERDEEN.



Note. All walls  
 are harled, and  
 dressings are  
 of Freestone.

W. S. Milne, <sup>MASS. EXPERT ARCHT.</sup>  
 Aberdeen.

: FRONT. ELEVATION :

**METHLICK (ABERDEENSHIRE), BURIALS**

Kindly furnished by JAMES M. A. WOOD, Esq., Solicitor, Aberdeen

- 12th Feby., 1675. GEORGE MORE, husband of Marion Byres, was buried. See Genealogy of this Branch, pages 159 to 175
- 29th Septr., 1677. JANET MORE was buried.
- 25th Jany., 1755. WILLIAM MOIR, a child in Meikle Methlick, was buried ——. Died of small pox.
- 22 June, 1756. BEATRIX MOIR, spouse of Robert Gibb, in Balnagoak, was buried.
- 13th March, 1762. ROBERT MOIR, Tarves parish, was buried. (He must have been a native of Methlick parish.)
- 26th July, 1777. ALEXANDER MOIR, son of WILLIAM MOIR, Brainjohn, was buried.
- 3rd Jany., 1782. MARGARET MOIR, daughter of ALEXANDER MOIR, Brainjohn, was buried.
- 18th June, 1795. WILLIAM MOIR, in Brainjohn, was buried.

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**In Loving Memory**

of

**MARGARET STEWART MOIR**

Beloved Wife of Andrew Moir,

who died on

Saturday, 28th February, 1903;

Aged 71 years.

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Glasgow, Scotland.

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See reference,  
page 254

'Twill comfort mourning hearts to know  
Her sufferings all are o'er,  
And in her Saviour's presence  
She doth dwell for evermore.

Whate'er we fondly call our own  
Belongs to heav'n's great Lord,  
The blessings lent us for a day  
Are soon to be restor'd.

## \*SCOTSTOWN MAUSOLEUM

Kindly Transcribed and Furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE of Aberdeen

According to Mr. William Brodie's "Aberdeen, Its Traditions and History," p. 26, "the site of the Mausoleum of the Moirs of Scotstown in St. Peter's Cemetery in Old Aberdeen, was formerly the site of the chapel that formed part of the hospital buildings, founded by Matthew Kyninmonde, Bishop of Aberdeen, about the year 1197." An illustration of the Mausoleum will be found in this book.

### ST. PETER'S CEMETERY MAUSOLEUM

The illustration is a sketch of the front entrance to the Mausoleum in St. Peter's Cemetery, Aberdeen, as obligingly drawn by Mr. William Stuart Milne, architect, Aberdeen.

The following is a complete transcript of the inscriptions on the tombstones, etc., within the enclosure, to members of the family of MOIR of Scotstown.

A wall monument on the north side bears:—

Sacred to the memory of **George Charles Moir, Esq.**, of Denmore. Born A. D. October 10th, 1771, died January 12th, 1851. **Mary Agnes Bruce**, widow of the above, only daughter of the late **Sir William Bruce, Baronet of Stenhouse**. Born 11th May, 1803; died at Leamington, 28th January, 1882.

**George Charles Moir**, was the eldest son of **George Moir** of Stoneywood, and his wife, **Margaret**, daughter of **George Cumine**, of Pitulie. (Temple's "Thanage," p. 646.)

There are four wall tablets on the south side as follows:—

(1.)

To the memory of **George Moir, C. B.**, of Scotstown, Colonel of the Royal Bengal Horse Artillery. Born at Aberdeen, 13th March, 1820, died at Umballah, India, 5th February, 1870.

**Colonel George Moir**, was the eldest son of **William Moir** of Park, brother of **George Charles Moir** (1771-1851).

\*This article has been printed in the "Notes and Queries" of the *Aberdeen Weekly Journal*. See Genealogy of this branch, pages 133 to 140.

(2.)

Sacred to the memory of **William Moir**, who died 25th May, 1843, aged 63. Also of his widow, **Mary Elizabeth**, died 6th January, 1868, aged 72. And of their children — **Alexander**, died 30th January, 1826, aged six weeks; **Charles**, died 20th March, 1845, aged 15; **Anne Isabella**, died 10th February, 1848, aged 25; **Margaret**, 20th January, 1903.

**William Moir** was the father of **Colonel George Moir, C. B.**, Scotstown, mentioned on page 298. He married **Mary Elizabeth Forbes**, daughter of **John Forbes**, of Blackford. (Temple's "Thanage," p. 646.)

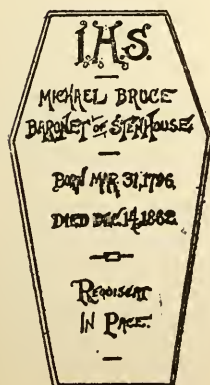
(3.)

In memory of **Louisa Moir**, wife of **John Bell Sedgewick**, died in London, 18th February, 1883. Also of **Isabella Moir**, wife of **Wellwood Maxwell**, died at Holmfield, Liverpool, 4th June, 1898.

(4.)

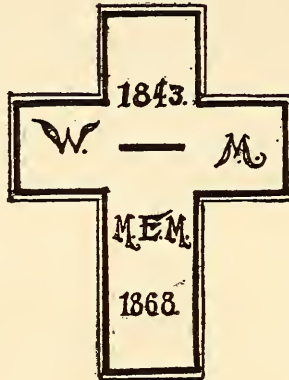
In memory of **William Moir**, born in Aberdeen, 9th May, 1824; died in London, 24th March, 1872. And of **John Forbes Moir**, born in Aberdeen, 5th June, 1821; died in London, 28th April, 1890.

A sarcophagus on the east side has at base:—



"Non Sibi Sed Cunctis"

On the right-hand side of the sarcophagus, facing the east, there is a small cross, inscribed:—



The initials "W. M." stand for **William Moir** of Park, son of **George Moir** of Stoneywood, who died 29th April, 1789, and "M.E.M." for **Mary Elizabeth Moir**, daughter of **John Forbes** of Blackford. (See inscription on south side No. 2, page 299.)

A wall tablet on the east side, surmounted by the **Moir** coat-of-arms and motto, "Non sibi sed cunctis," (Not for one, but for all) bears the following inscription:—

"Sacred to the memory of **Alexander Moir, Esquire**, of Scotstown, Sheriff of Aberdeenshire, who died 21st June, 1824, aged 64. And **Isabella Moir**, only child of **Alexander Moir**, of Scotstown, and wife of **Sir Michael Bruce**, Baronet of Stenhouse, born 14th May, 1799; died 19th November, 1867."

**Alexander Moir** of Stoneywood, born 1760, (not 1764 as inadvertently stated by Mr. A. J. Mitchell-Gill and Rev. William Temple) was the only son of **George Moir** of Scotstown and Spittal, whose first wife's name cannot be ascertained from the Burial Registers, as these covering the period 1730 to 1769 have been lost.

In any case, she died 1760, (see plan furnished on page 302), probably after having given birth to her illustrious son.

Interesting information concerning the connection of **Alexander Moir** of Scotstown, with the old volunteer force, is given by Mr. Donald Sinclair in "The History of the Aberdeen Volunteers," published by the "Aberdeen Journal" Office, 1907. An excellent portrait reproduced in that serviceable volume, belonged to Lieutenant-Colonel

Knight Erskine, of Pittodrie, who married his niece, **Mary Anne Moir**. The original portrait is now in the possession of Rev. James Smith, minister of St. George's in the West, Aberdeen.

I find that **Sheriff Moir**, as a patron of local literature, subscribed to the first edition of Francis Douglas's "General Description of the East Coast of Scotland," published by Alexander Weir, Paisley, 1782; and to "Poems of Ossian," edited by Hugh and John McCallum, published at Montrose, 1816.

A small granite cross on the west side is inscribed:—



"G. C. M." represents **George Charles Moir**, and "M. A. M." **Mary Agnew Moir**, his wife, only daughter of **Sir William Bruce**, of Stenhouse. (Temple's "Thanage of Fermartyn," p. 646.) They were married 10th June, 1828.

At the end of the second register of St. Peter's Churchyard, Aberdeen, there is a finely drawn bird's eye plan of the old **MOIR MAUSOLEUM**, which occupies a prominent position on the mound in the centre of the older portion of the graveyard. It is headed:—

PLAN OF SCOTSTOWN'S BURIAL PLACE, AT  
ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ABERDEEN

(1) A dead born child of Scotstown, 1777.	Jean, Scotstown's second daughter, 1731. Mary, his third daughter, 1735. Janet, eldest daughter 1738.
Mrs. Jean Ramsay, 1751. Mrs. Jean Innes, 1765.	(5) Mrs. Gordon of Glas- tirus, 1811.
(2) Mrs. Mackenzie, 1785. Lady Scotstown, 1760.	Scotstown, 1732. Lady Scotstown, 1767.
(11) Scotstown, 1789.	(6) Lady Scotstown, 1800.
(3) Lady Scotstown, 1819.	(7) Scotstown, 1824.
	(8) Alexander Moir, infant son of William Moir, Esq., of Park, 1826.
	William Moir of Scots- town, 1737.
Mrs. Betty Chalmers, 1763.	(9) Lady Pitully, 1785.
(4) Mrs. Janet Chalmers, 1783.	(10) Miss Lidderdale, 1786.
	(12) Lady Dudwick, 1805.

In order to identify the persons here mentioned, I have examined the first register, 13th April, 1769, to 30 December, 1797; and the second register, 5th January, 1798, to 31st July, 1831. The following is the result:—

(1) 1777. December 21. A dead born child of **George Moir, Esq.**, of Scotstown.

(2) **Mrs. Mackenzie** (I can not identify this personage in the register).

(3) 1819. January 23. **Mrs. Margaret Cumine**, 75 years, relict of **George Moir** of Scotstown. (She was the second wife of **George Moir** of Scotstown, who died 29th April, 1789.—(Temple's "Thanage of Fermartyn," p. 646.) The name of **George Moir's** first wife, who apparently, died in 1760, is not known to me.)

(4) 1783. December 29. **Mrs. Janet Chalmers** interred in the tomb.

(5) 1811. March 1. **Mrs. Isabel Gordon**, 80 years, relict of **James Gordon**, of Glastirum, and mother of the late **Mrs. Margaret Moir**.

(6). 1800. January 22. **Mrs. Moir** of Scotstown. (**Margaret Gordon**, daughter of **James Gordon** of Leicheston, Morayshire.)

(7) 1824. June 26. **Alexander Moir, Esq.**, of Scotstown, Advocate 1782, Sheriff Depute of Aberdeenshire from 1795 to 1822.

(8) 1826. February 4. **Alexander Moir**, 2 months, son of **William Moir, Esq.**, of Park.

(9) 1785. March 26. **Mrs. Cummine** of Pitully.

(10) 1786. **Mrs. Lidderdale**. (I can not identify this person in the register.)

(11) 1789. May 2. **George Moir, Esq.**, of Scotstown interred in the tomb. (He was the second son of **Alexander Moir** of Scotstown and his wife, **Mary Chalmers** (Temple's "Thanage of Fermartyn," p. 646).

(12) 1805. April 13. **Mrs. Mary Guthrie**, 87 years, relict of the late **John Fullerton, Esq.**, of Dudwick, in tomb.

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#### JOHN MOIR, FARMER, MONQUHITTER

MR. JOHN MOIR, farmer, Millfield, Monquhitter, died on Saturday afternoon. Deceased, who was 52 years of age, had been in indifferent health for some time.

Mr. MOIR was a native of Monquhitter parish, having been born in Cuminstown Village. At a comparatively early age he commenced a carting business on his own account. Gradually his connection extended, and subsequently he acquired the small farm of Kirkton of Teuchar, which he held for a number of years in conjunction with his hiring business. Eleven years ago when the extensive and desirable farm of Millfield came in the market, MR. MOIR leased the holding, and, ever of a progressive turn, he soon converted it into a dairy farm, keeping a herd of some 50 cows. Millfield was considered to be one of the best equipped milk distributing agencies in the district, supplying as it did the neighbouring villages, besides sending a regular daily supply to Aberdeen. Some years ago MR. MOIR added the farm of South Teuchar to his already extensive acreage, thus becoming the largest tenant farmer in the parish.

The deceased took an active interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of the community. In politics he was a staunch Conservative, and for a time was a member of Monquhitter School Board. He was also a leading member of Garmond Athletic Society, and was repeatedly made the recipient of presentations from that body. MR.



MOIR'S striking personality and courteous manner, will be missed by a wide circle of agricultural friends as well as by his extensive clientele with whom he was daily coming in contact.

Deceased leaves a widow, daughter of the late Mr. Charles Sangster, Burnside of Teuchar, and a large family. The funeral takes place to-day, to Monquhitter Cemetery.

From the "Aberdeen Journal," Jan. 19, 1912.

## MR. PATRICK MOIR

From the "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"

By ANDREW J. MITCHELL-GILL, of Savock

Eldest son of DR. GEORGE MOIR, parish minister of **Peterhead**, died in **India**, in 1810. The **Aberdeen Journal** of 12 August, 1812, contains the following reference to him:—

### THE LATE PATRICK MOIR, ESQ.

This highly respected gentleman, the eldest son of the REV. DR. MOIR of **Peterhead**, died at **Calcutta** more than two years ago. His friend and patron, LORD MINTO, paid the last tribute to his worth in the following epitaph, in which his character and merits are most happily dedicated:—

*Sacred to the Memory of*  
**Patrick Moir, Esquire.**

*Who died at Calcutta on the 5th February,  
A. D. 1810,  
in the 41st year of his age.*

In 1806 he filled the office of Secretary of LORD MINTO, at that time President of the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of **India**, whom he accompanied to **Bengal** in the year 1807, and was appointed a Commissioner of the Court of Requests, at **Calcutta**, in the same year, a trust which he discharged with Integrity, Assiduity and Ability, to the time of his decease.

His Virtues, Talents, and Accomplishments,  
all of the highest order,  
enhanced by a singular Simplicity  
and Modesty of Character,  
had attracted in an eminent degree  
the Esteem and Regard  
of the World.

His gentle but cheerful Manners,  
his benevolent and warm Affections  
endeared him to numerous Friends,  
whose tender but sorrowful Recollections  
will long survive him.

He lived Respected and Beloved,  
and died Deservedly and Universally Deplored.

Also named  
Peter in  
Register. Refer  
to page 121

Soft on thy Tomb, shall fond Remembrance shed  
 The warm but unavailing Tear,  
 And purple Flowers, that grace the virtuous dead,  
 Shall strew thy loved and honored Bier.

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MOIRS IN THE "ABERDEEN JOURNAL" OBITUARY  
 1748-1889

(Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ., of Aberdeen)

- 1749, Nov. 7, On Saturday, died in the 85th year of her age, much regretted, **Jean Abernethie (Lady Stoneywood)**, eminent through the course of a well-spent life, for all the Christian and social virtues.
- 1766, Nov. 6, Died here, of this date, **Jean Erskine (Lady Stoneywood)**, in the 84th year of her age.
- 1768, Feb. 1st, Died of this date, **Mr. Alexander Moir**, merchant.
- 1774, July 10, Died of consumption, of this date, **Mr. Charles Moir**, preacher of the gospel.
- 1775, Jan. 28, Died at **Invernettie**, of this date, **Mrs. Moir** of **Invernettie**, relict of **James Moir, Esq.**, of **Invernettie**, and sister of the viscount of **Arbuthnot**.
- 1777, Feb. 15, Died here of this date, in the 79th year of her age, **Mrs. Isabel Moir**, daughter of the deceased **James Moir**, of **Stoneywood**.
- 1778, March 22, Died of this date, at his house, near **Peterhead**, **William Moir**, of **Invernettie**.
- 1784, Oct. 1st, Died at **Stoneywood**, of this date, **James More, Esq.**, of **Stoneywood**.
- 1789, April 29th, Here, **George Moir, Esq.**, of **Scotstown**.
- 1792, Nov. 14th, At **Invernettie**, **James Moir, Esq.**, of **Invernettie**.
- 1794, Mar. 19th, **Rev. William Moir**, minister of the gospel, at **Fyvie**.
- 1798, Jan. 19th, Here, **Mr. Robert Moir**, stocking manufacturer.
- 1800, Jan. 17th, Here, **Mrs. Moir**, of **Scotstown**.
- 1807, Sept. 11th, At **Essingham, Surrey**, **George Moir, Esq.** of **Kingston, Jamaica**, only son of the late **Rev. William Moir**, minister of **Fyvie**,
- 1805, Dec. 6th, Here, **Mrs. Moir**, of **Stoneywood**.
- 1815, Jan. 9th, Here, in her 43rd year, **Mrs. More**, wife of **Alexander More, Esq.**, Collector of Customs, **Aberdeen**, and daughter of the late **Alexander Innes, Esq.**, of **Cowie**.
- 1817, Jan. 26th, Here, **Mrs. Helen (Constable) Moir**, relict of **Rev. William Moir**, minister of the parish of **Fyvie**.

- 1819, January 18th, Died here of this date, **Mrs. Moir**, of **Scotstown**.
- 1824, March 7th, Here, **James Moir**, aged 101, he was brother-in-law to the **Veteran McDougall**, who supported **General Wolfe**, after he received his mortal wound on the **Plains of Abraham** at **Quebec**. The wife of **James Moir** was buried on Sunday last, aged 81, and her husband died within an hour after she had been laid in the grave.
- 1824, June 21st, At **Scotstown**, **Alexander Moir, Esq.**, of **Scotstown**.
- 1828, March 14th, Here, **George More, Esq.**, of **Ralden**, in his 77th year.
- 1828, July 20th, Here, **Miss Helen More**, daughter of the late **Gilbert More**, of **Ralden**.
- 1836, April 29, At **Sunnybank**, **Alexander More, Esq.**, late Collector of Customs, aged 80.
- 1839, Feb. 1st, **Mr. Robert Moir, Tarty**, farmer, aged 67.
- 1843, Nov. 10th, At **Asseeghur**, **Major George More**, 24th Regiment, **Bombay, H. I.**, eldest surviving son of the late Provost, **George More**, of **Aberdeen**.
- 1851, Jan. 31st, At 36 Schoolhill, **Crombie More**, daughter of the late **Mr. George More**, of **Ralden**.
- 1851, Nov. 10th, At his house, 103 Gallowgate, **Mr. Alexander Moir**, late hosier, in his 84th year.
- 1855, Mar. 31st, **Mrs. Urquhart** (Isabella, daughter of **George Moir**, of **Scotstown**), widow of **John Urquhart, Esq.**, of **Craigston**, aged 79.
- 1857, Feb. 28th, At St. Catherine's Cottage, near **Peterhead**, **John Moir, Esq.**, aged 82.
- 1862, Dec. 14, At **Scotstown**, **Sir Michael Bruce, Bart.** of **Stenhouse**, in his 67th year.
- 1870, Feb. 5th, At **Umballah, India**, **Colonel Moir**, of **Scotstown**, Royal Horse Artillery.
- 1878, April 20, At 150 Crown Street, **Aberdeen**, **Helen**, eldest daughter of the late **Alexander More**, Collector of Customs, aged 80.
- 1881, November 6, At **Aberdeen**, **James Gregory Moir-Byres, Esq.**, of **Tonley**, in his 78th year.
- 1883, June 27th, At **Aberdeen**, **James Moir**, surgeon, aged 65.
- 1886, August, At **Ellesmere Lodge, Malvern**, **Alexander More, Esq.**, only son of **Alexander More**, sometime Collector, H. M. Customs, **Aberdeen**, aged 89.
- 1888, September 22, At Free Church Manse, **Woodside**, **Elsie Hay**, wife of **Rev. Alexander Forbes Moir**.
- 1882, Jan. 28, At **Leamington**, **Mary Agnew**, widow of **George Moir, Esq.**, of **Denmore**, in her 79th year.
- 1880, March 17, At the manse, **Rothiemy**, **Rev. Robert Moir, M. A.**, aged 78.

## NELLFIELD CEMETERY, ABERDEEN

(Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRANCE, ESQ., of Aberdeen)

A wall monument, lair 46, section 1; a square granite slab, inserted into wall:—

“ALEXANDER MUIR of LOIRSTON, Advocate, **Aberdeen**, born 21st Novr. 1793; died 13th Novr. 1850; and several of his family P. K. M.,—M. A. C. K.,—J. B. F.”

(Alexander Muir of Loirston, died at Loirston, Nigg, Kincardineshire, aged 57, and was buried 18th November, 1850. He was a son of GEORGE MUIR, Slains, Aberdeenshire, became an advocate in Aberdeen, 1817. He was a fiars juror in 1840. His son, Patrick Kilgour Muir, born at Aberdeen, died at Queen Street, Aberdeen, aged 3 years, 10 months, buried 18th May, 1836. Alexander Muir of Loirston was twice married; (1) Mary Ann Catherine Kilgour, born at Montrose, died at Queen Street, Aberdeen, aged 29, buried 3d May, 1837. (2) Jane B. Ferguson, born at Old Machar Parish, Aberdeen, died at Bon-Accord Street, Aberdeen, aged 26; buried 26th January, 1849.)

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A finely carved granite wall monument, lair 50, section 1, is inscribed:—

“In memory of JOHN MOIR, manufacturer, **Aberdeen**, who died 8th December 1833, aged 67 years. Also his children, PETER MOIR, surgeon, **East Linton**, who died here, 6th February, 1837, aged 33 years; ELIZABETH MOIR who died 2nd February, 1867, aged 72 years; BENJAMIN MOIR, manufacturer, **Aberdeen**, who died 27th March, 1872, aged 65 years; and AGNES MOIR, who died 3rd April, 1876, aged 77 years.” At foot of each base “B. M.” in monogram.

(PETER MOIR, surgeon, was born at **Inveresk**, and died at Canal Terrace, **Aberdeen**. ELIZABETH MOIR, was described as “ELIZABETH MOIR or ERSKINE,” in burial register.)

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A freestone memorial at lair 761, section 1, bears:—

“Erected in memory of CHARLES MOIR, who died 25th August, 1881, also his wife ELSPET BADENOCH, who died May 1867, and their son JAMES, who died Feb. 1846.”

(CHARLES MOIR, who was 68 years of age, was buried 27th August, 1881.)

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A granite headstone, lair 896, section 1, bears:—

“Sacred to the memory of ANN, daughter of FRANCIS and JULIA MOIR, late Mains of **Cookney**, who died 15th June, 1859, aged 2 years. Also, AGNES, wife of WILLIAM ANDERSON, **Burnhead, Cookney**, who died 10th February, 1890, aged 38 years.

Also the said FRANCIS MOIR, who died 25th July, 1891, aged 72 years. Also his wife JULIA TROUP, who died 26th March, 1910, aged 80 years."

"MOIR"

(FRANCIS MOIR was the father of ALEXANDER A. S. MOIR, merchant, **Aberdeen**, JULIA TROUP, widow of FRANCIS MOIR, farmer, **Muchalls, Kincardineshire**, died at Paradise Gardens, **Inverurie, Aberdeenshire**. **Cookney** is in **Kincardineshire**.)

A headstone, on lair 1246, section 1, has:—

(*Obverse*)

"Erected by WILLIAM MOIR, merchant in the Green, **Aberdeen**; in memory of his sons, JOHN, died at **Keith**, aged 6 years; NORMAN, carpenter, died at **Honkong**, aged 28 years; ANDREW, carpenter, lost in **Algoa Bay**, with the ship, "Princess Charlotte," aged 33 years; JAMES, carpenter, lost with the ship "John Taylor," on her passage from **China**, aged 29 years. Also his wife \*ANN LAWRENCE, who died 16 March, 1868, aged 70; also WILLIAM MOIR who died 26 Jan., 1884, aged 86 years."

(*Reverse*)

"Also JOHN MOIR, merchant, died 4 Octr., 1868, aged 37; JESSIE, died 14th December, 1869, aged 40 years; ELIZABETH, died 31st Decr., 1877, aged 51 years; JOHN HAY MOIR, who died at **Kimberley, South Africa**, 24 July, 1882, aged 20 years. Also MARY B. MITCHELL, wife of ALEXANDER MOIR, who died 22 March, 1885, aged 25; also the said ALEXANDER MOIR, who died 6th October, 1888, aged 30 years; also \*\*MARGARET MUCKLE, wife of WILLIAM D. MOIR, who died 25th Decr., 1901, aged 72 years."

A headstone, lair 254, section 2, bears:—

"In memory of CONSTANCE NISBET MALCOLM, born 9th July, died 18th December, 1883; daughter of ALEXANDER MALCOLM, merchant in **Aberdeen**, and in memory of his son ANDREW MOIR MALCOLM (died at 30 Skene Ter., **Aberdeen**), student of medicine, born 13th April, 1875, died 5th April, 1893. And of the said †ALEXANDER MALCOLM, born at **Kemnay**, 12th June, 1835, died at **Aberdeen**, 18th March, 1897, and of his wife ‡LOUISA MOIR, born at **Aberdeen**, 5th July, 1841, died at **Foveran**, 17th May, 1907."

\*ANN LAWRENCE was a cousin of Jessie Lawrence, wife of WILLIAM SPEEDMAN, Sacrist, King's College, **Aberdeen**.

\*\*Died at 35 Forbes Street, **Aberdeen**.

†Died at 30 Skene Terrace, **Aberdeen**, wine merchant at John Street, **Aberdeen**. He was for many years a traveller to Mr. A. Ogston and Sons, Loch Street, **Aberdeen**, and in 1874 he started business on his own account in John Street, **Aberdeen**. In 1893, he disposed of the provision business to Hurry and MacPherson, **Aberdeen**. He was an excellent business man, of the most sterling qualities, and while he was of a rather reserved disposition, he had a host of friends, by whom he was held in the highest respect and esteem. He was survived by a son and a daughter.

‡Died at United Free Church Manse, **Foveran, Aberdeenshire**.

A headstone in lair 454, section two, bears:—

"The last resting place of SARAH WHITE, relict of the late ALEXR. MOIR, ESQ., of **Granitehill**, who died 4th January, 1882, aged 81 years."

(**Granitehill** is near **Aberdeen**. MRS. MOIR was buried 9th January, 1882.)

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A small stone on lair 572, section 2, bears the simple inscription, "Never Forgotten, 1886." The lair belonged to

JOHN MOIR, who died at the Royal Infirmary, **Aberdeen**, 28th Sept. 1893, aged 54, buried 1st October, 1893. Of this family, (1) ALEXANDER DUNCAN MOIR, 10 months, buried 28th September, 1870; (2) JOHN MOIR, 9 months, buried 24th April, 1872, (3) — MOIR, non age, buried 18th April, 1876; (4) WILLIAM MOIR, 8, buried 5th April, 1886.

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A headstone on lair 612, section 2, bears:—

"In memory of JANE MOIR, who died Octr. 30, 1897." (She was 68 years of age, and was buried 3d November, 1897.)

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A wall monument, lair 163, section 3:—

"The Burial Ground of WILLIAM MOIR. In memory of his mother-in-law MARY LEONARD, who died at **Perth**, 4th Aug., 1905, aged 83."

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A wall monument, lair 165, section 3:—

"The family burying ground of ALEXR. A. S. MOIR, merchant, **Aberdeen**. Francis, who died in infancy." (FRANCIS MOIR, aged 2 days, was buried 3rd November 1896.)

JAMES MOIR, baker, **Aberdeen**, is lairholder of lair 333, section 3. His wife, MARY A. MILNE, died at 55 Esslemont Avenue, **Aberdeen**, aged 56, buried 15th November, 1910. His son, **William Moir**, aged 1 year, 1 month, buried 8th May, 1885.

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There is a memorial in lair 983, section 3:—

"ALEXANDER MOIR, engine driver, Caledonian Railway, **Aberdeen**, died 15th March, 1909. Buried 18th March, 1909. EVA MOIR, 3 days, buried 30th December, 1893; and CHRISTINA MOIR, aged 23, died at 51 Balmoral Place, **Aberdeen**, 9th Dec., 1909, buried 12th December, 1909."

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CHARLES MOIR, is lairholder of lair 1643, section 3.

Of his daughters:—

JANE TOUGH MOIR, aged 1 year, 10 months, was buried 10th May, 1893.

EDITH DAVIDSON MOIR, died at "The Bush", Peterculter, **Aberdeenshire**, aged 1 year and 3 months, 4th May, 1900; buried 5th May, 1900.

## BURIALS IN ALLENVALE CEMETERY, ABERDEEN

(Transcribed by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ., Aberdeen)

The first interment in this cemetery took place 17th March, 1874; and up to 8th September 1912, there has been 9,731 interments.

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1879. **Isabella Michie**, wife of **Alexander Moir**, stonedresser, born at **Echt, Aberdeenshire**, 24th March, 1841, died at 205 Barron Street, **Woodside**, 15th February, buried 17th February, 1879.
1879. **Jemima Horne Moir**, daughter of **James Moir**, farm servant, South Mile End Avenue, **Aberdeen**, born there, February, died there 4th May, buried 6th May, 1879.
1881. **James Moir**, insurance agent, born at **Brechin**, 29th March, 1820, died at Prospect Cottage, **Holburn Place, Aberdeen**, 20th April, buried 25th April, 1881.
1882. **Isabel Moir**, wife of **T. H. Moir**, 60 Powis Place, **Aberdeen**; born at **King Edward, Aberdeenshire**, 2nd March, 1863, died at 60 Powis Place, **Aberdeen**, 4th March, buried 8th March, 1882.
1886. **Mary Moir**, at school, born at **Millbrex, Aberdeenshire**, 10th August 1876, died at 5 Mount street, **West Aberdeen**, 31st January, buried 3rd February, 1886.
1886. **James Moir**, merchant, **Aberdeen**, born 1853, died at Isla cottage, **Broomhill Terrace, Aberdeen**, 4th July, buried 7th July, 1886.
1887. **Christina Moir**, late dressmaker, born at **Insch, Aberdeenshire**, 1815, died at 27 Skene street, **Aberdeen**, 19th June, buried 22nd June, 1887.
1887. **Alexander Moir**, clerk, born at **Glasgow**, 1842, died at 216 Union Street, **Aberdeen**, 17th October, buried 21st October, 1887.
1887. **Elsie Ross or Moir**, wife of **Alexander Moir**, **Granitehill, Cairncry, Aberdeenshire**, born at **Premnay, Aberdeenshire**, 1845, died at **Granitehill**, 30th November, buried 3rd December, 1887.
1889. **Jane Moir**, residing at 19 Richmond Terrace, **Aberdeen**; born at **Millbrex, Aberdeenshire**, 1838, died at **Drumlithie, Kin-cardineshire**, 15th February, buried 19th February, 1889.
- See next page 1891. **Forbes Fraser Maitland Moir, M. B., C. M.**, died at 143 Union Street, **Aberdeen**, 26th July, buried 29th July, 1891. He was the second son of the late respected **Mr. James Moir, Blinkbonny, Keith**; whose death, at the age of 77 years, occurred 1890. **Dr. Moir** was born in the **Parish of Kil-**

- drummy, Aberdeenshire**, 1st September, 1847, and graduated **M. B., C. M.**, at **Aberdeen University** in 1873. He married a **Miss Cruickshank**, by whom he had an only son,—**Forbes Maitland Moir**, who died at **Aberdeen**, 2d September, 1910. For a splendid obituary notice of **Dr. Moir**, accompanied by a full-page portrait, see "*In Memoriam*," 1881. pp.163-167.
- 1892. John Moir**, son of **Alexander Moir**, 123 Barron Street, **Woodside**, was born at **Woodside**, 3rd March, 1874, died at Royal Infirmary, **Aberdeen**, 13th September, aged 19, buried 16th September, 1892.
- 1894. Emslie Douglas Moir**, son of **W. Moir**, 4 Rosemount House, **Aberdeen**, born there, 27th November, 1893, died there, 25th February, buried 27th February, 1894.
- 1894. Christina Beaton Moir**, daughter of **George** and **Jane Moir**, born at **Monquhitter, Aberdeenshire**, 1879, died at 9 Richmond Terrace, **Aberdeen**, 30th March, buried, 2d. April, 1894.
- 1894. Elizabeth Ross**, wife of **James Moir**, 181 George Street, **Aberdeen**, born at **Ceylon**, 1826, died at 181 George Street, 14th February, buried 18th February, 1894.
- 1896. Agnes Elizabeth Moir**, daughter of **Robert Moir**, Royal Arsenal, **Woolwich**; born in **Kent**, 1881, died at 1 View Terrace, **Aberdeen**, 15th September, buried 18th September, 1896.
- 1896. Harold James E. Moir**, child of **J. A. Moir**, born at 12 Ferryhill Terrace, **Aberdeen**, 14th September, died there, 8th October, buried 11th October, 1896.
- 1897. Alexander Moir**, stonedresser, born at **Aberdeen**, 1830, died at 661 Great Northern Road, **Aberdeen**, 4th March, buried 6th March, 1897.
- 1898. William Moir**, shop porter, born at **Premnay, Aberdeenshire**, 1859, died at 54 Ashvale Place, **Aberdeen**, 23rd November, buried 26th November, 1898.
- 1900. Mary Moir**, child of **William T. Moir**, 29 Broad Street, **Aberdeen**, born there, 1898, died there, 30th December, 1899, buried 2nd January, 1900.
- 1902. James Moir**, rector of **Aberdeen Grammar School**, residing at **Gordonsdale Road, Aberdeen**, brother of **Dr. Forbes Fraser Maitland Moir**, and son of **James Moir, Blinkbonny, Keith**, was born at **Clova, Kildrummy, Aberdeenshire**, 19th November, 1845, died at **Bridge of Gavin**, 16th May, buried 19th May, 1902. See page 310
- He graduated **M. A.**, 1869, at **Aberdeen University**, **L.L.D.**, conferred 1891, **D. Litt.**, in 1898. Rector of **Banff Academy**; **Classical Master, Glasgow Academy**, and Rector of **Aberdeen Grammar School**, from which he resigned, owing to failing health 1899. He was the first, and until 7th April, 1905, the only Doctor of Letters of **Aberdeen University**. For biography, see "*In Memoriam*," 1902. pp. 95-99, accompanied by portrait. He was survived by two sons—**James Moir, M. A., B.S. C.** (1897), and **William Iravride Moir, M. B., Ch. B.** (1898), both graduates of **Aberdeen University**.



## TARLAND PARISH CHURCHYARD, (Aberdeenshire)

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWBRANCE, ESQ., Aberdeen.

An obelisk bears the names of JOHN SKEEN and his wife ANN MOIR, who both died in 1870, at the respective ages of 76 and 71. SKEEN was a merchant and stamp distributor at **Tarland**. He had a large family of sons and daughters; two of the former studied medicine, and both entered Queen Victoria's service, in which the elder was staff surgeon, and the other was in **India**.

An oak panel, initialed —

A : M : : I : L

and dated 1696, which was brought from the old Kirk of **Logie-Coldstone**, and is now in possession of SKEEN of **Tarland**, is said to have reference to an ALEXANDER MOIR, and his wife JEAN LUMSDEN.

The same family have also a Tartan Plaid said to have been worn by one of the MOIRS at **Culloden**.

(*Jervise's Epitaphs and Inscriptions*, Vol. II., p. 267.)

See reference to another Tartan Plaid in "Moirs of Cromar," page 155

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## ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCHYARD BURIALS ABERDEEN

From the OLD REGISTERS, Preserved in the Register House, EDINBURGH  
Transcribed by R. MURDOCH LAWBRANCE, ESQ., of Aberdeen.

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From Jan. 1, 1789 to Dec. 31, 1854.

- 1799—June 21, **Miss More**, daughter of **Mr. Geo. More**, Aberdeen.  
1802—Aug. 9, **Mr. Moir** from Peterhead.  
1803—Aug. 29, **John More**, a child.  
1803—Dec. 21, **Johanna Moir**, a child, Aberdeen.  
1805—Aug. 5, **May Moir**, Footdee, Aberdeen.  
1807—Aug. 7, **Jane Moir**, a child.  
1813—June 1, **George Moir**, vintner, Aberdeen, aged 63.  
1831—Oct. 28, **William Moir**, aged 9 months.  
1840—June 13, **Helen Moir**, Yeats Lane, aged 2.  
1841—July 2, **Miss Moir**, \*Old Town, aged 26.  
1842—**Mrs. Smith**, residing at Moir's Close, Footdee, aged 71, was buried 22 March 1842.  
1842—June 14, **Joseph Moir**, Canal Lane, aged 1.  
1847—Aug. 18, **James Moir**, East North street; 36 yrs.  
1848—July 18, **James Moir**, Berry Lane, 7 yrs.

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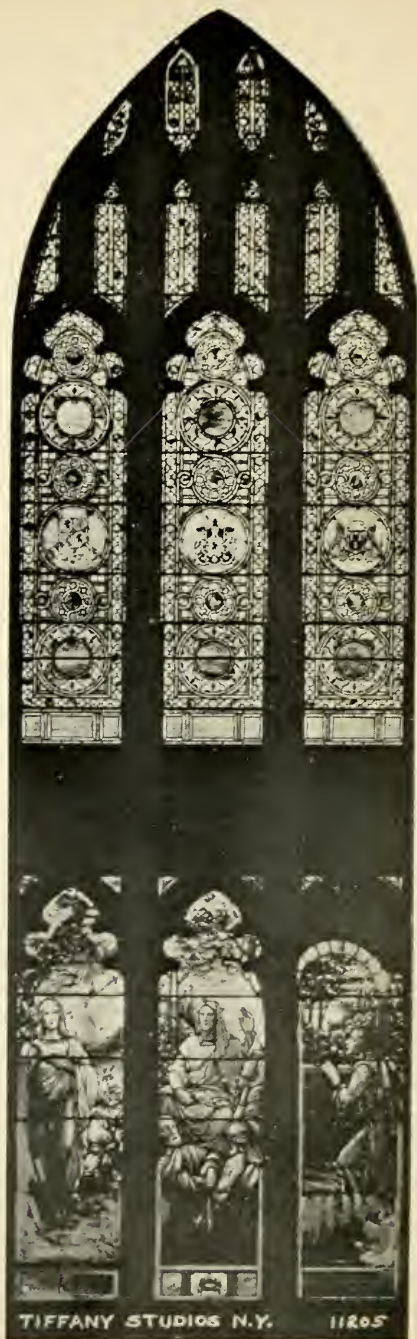
\*Old Town, means, Old Aberdeen.



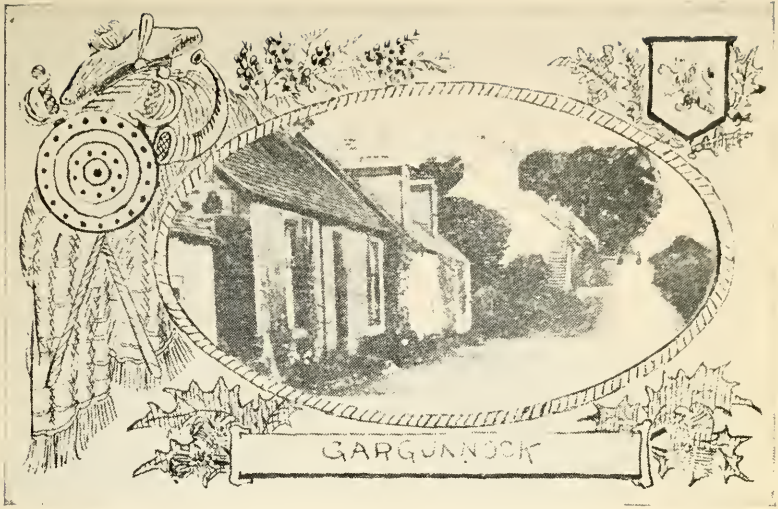
WILLIAM MOIR OF NEW YORK CITY

His Memorial Window in Fifth Avenue  
Presbyterian Church, New York City—  
(Erected by his widow)

(Photo of Window by Courtesy of Tiffany & Co.,  
New York)









- 1848—July 27, **Ann Moir**, Berry Lane, 15 yrs.  
 1848—Aug. 31, **William Moir**, Berry Lane, 13 yrs.  
 1848—Sept. 8, **Isabella Moir**, Berry Lane, 1½ yrs.  
 1849—Mar. 5, **William Moir**, (from) Infirmary, 74 yrs.  
 1849—Mar. 19, **Margaret Moir**, Wellington Street, 85 yrs.  
 1850—Mar. 1, **Mrs. Jean Moir**, or Shaw, King Street, 72 yrs.  
 1852—Jan. 28, **Budget Moir**, (from) Infirmary, 21 months.  
 1852—June 15, **Mary Moir**, (from) Deadhouse, 50 yrs.  
 1852—Aug. 24, **Thomas Moir**, St. Clements Street, 7 weeks.  
 1853—Jan. 1, **James Moir**, Harriet Street, 79 yrs.

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### SAINT PETER'S CHURCHYARD, ABERDEEN

A tablestone, adjoining the old MOIR family mausoleum, bears:—

“In memory of **JOHN MOIR**, mason, Abd. who died 15th Decr. 1817, aged 63 years; also of his son, **JOHN MOIR**, shipmaster, who died at Aberdeen 5th September, 1832, aged 43 years. And of his mother **JEAN MICHIE**, spouse of **JOHN MOIR**, mason, who died 6th April, 1834, aged 78 years. Also of **HELEN MOIR**, spouse to **WILLIAM WILLIAMSON**, butcher, Abdn., who died 30th Octr. 1848, aged 48 years.”

According to **MR. CHARLES MICHIE'S** privately printed book, “**Michie**,” **JEAN MICHIE** was a daughter of **ALEXANDER MICHIE**, Eastertown, Glenbucket, Aberdeenshire.

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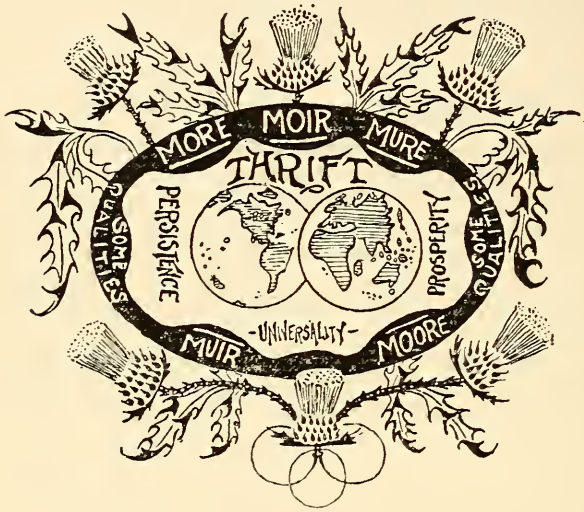
### PETERHEAD CHURCHYARD, ABERDEEN

An old tablestone bears the following inscription:—

“Under this stone is interred, in hopes of the resurrection to eternal See page 140 life, the body of **James Moir** of Invernettie, who was born 28th March, 1703. He married **Katherine Arbuthnott**, lawful daughter to the **Hon. John Arbuthnott** of Fordoune, in the year 1744, with whom he lived in all the happiness of that state till it pleased God to call him off this life on the 21st May, 1765. As also the body of their son, **James Arbuthnott**, who was born the 15th July, 1753, and died the 16th of January next after. As a testimony of regard to the memory of her most loving and dear husband, and beloved son, the disconsolate widow and sorrowful mother hath caused this to be placed here, who departed this life the 28th of January, 1775, in the 59th year of her age, and her remains are also interred under this stone. Also those of her niece, **Jean Arbuthnott**, spouse to **Alexander Gordon**, of Invernettie, who died 11th of March, 1826, aged 71.”

The estate of Invernettie from an early period belonged to the Earls Marischal. About 1708, **William Moir**, merchant, Aberdeen, (a younger son of **John Moir** of **Stoneywood**, and his wife, **Jean Sandilands** of **Cotton**) purchased it for some £500 stg. He was succeeded by his son **James Moir**, who married **Katherine Arbuthnott**. This lady was the sister of **John**, sixth Viscount **Arbuthnott** — her mother

being **Margaret**, daughter of **James Falconer** of Phesdo, one of the Lords of Session. Her niece, **Jean Arbuthnott**, was the daughter of **Dr. Thomas Arbuthnott** of Balglassie. **Mr. and Mrs. Moir's** nephew, **William Moir**, succeeded to Invernettie. He married **Jean**, daughter of **Colonel Lewis Hay**. She died 25th December, 1770, in her 50th year. (Tombstone in St. Nicholas Churchyard, Aberdeen.)



## WILLIAM MOIR'S MEMORIAL WINDOW NEW YORK CITY

"In memory of MR. WILLIAM MOIR, who was treasurer of the First Presbyterian Church, Fifth Avenue and Eleventh Street, for 23 years, a memorial window designed at the Tiffany studios, has been placed by his widow. It is in three openings and it represents three stages in the life of Columba, the apostle of the Picts. The left panel illustrates Columba about to leave for Scotland. The ship is seen with sails flying and Columba standing at the shore with his traveling staff. In the centre opening, the apostle is seated before a group of people preaching the Gospel. The scene is in Scotland. The third scene shows Columba, just before his death, standing beside his couch listening to the church bells. The moon which is partly hidden by the clouds, throws enough light over the picture to make the object visible. The upper section of the window which is placed above the gallery, is composed of three richly colored medallion panels and tracery. The panels contain the coat-of-arms or insignia of the town of Aberdeen, Kingdom of Scotland, and the Presbyterian Church. At the base of the window appears a crown and sceptre and an inscription to the memory of MR. MOIR. See page 182

The deceased was at one time a well-known Scottish jeweler on Hudson Street and on Sixth Avenue."

—*Scottish American*, Jan. 4, 1911.

Mr. Moir was born 15th August 1826, at Aberdeen, Scotland, came to New York, when a lad, first established in business in Hudson Street, then the "uptown" store, cor. 23rd St. and Sixth Avenue, where for 20 years he was successful in the jewelry business. For twenty-two years he was treasurer of the First Presbyterian Church; for many years, was trustee of the Presbyterian Hospital. He was a Director of Greenwich Bank and also Greenwich Savings Bank. Member of St. Andrew's Society of New York.

Copy of tombstone of WM. MOIR, who died in London, England, in 1875. This WM. MOIR is a brother of the DAVID MOIR, of Roxbury, Mass., and whose record is herein shown:— See page 269

Erected by DAVID MOIR  
of Glasgow  
In Memory of  
His Brother  
WILLIAM MOIR  
(Late of Perth)  
Who died Jan. 31st, 1875  
Aged 32 years  
Much and deeply regretted



"At St. Nicholas Churchyard, Aberdeen, JAMES MOIR, M. D. third son of REV. GEORGE MOIR and MARTHA BYRES of TONLEY, who died 4th November 1861, aged 91 years. Born at Peterhead. Also under this stone, in the place of sepulture appropriated during 200 years for her maternal ancestors of the name of DONALDSON, the last of Auchmull; are deposited the remains of JANET wife of DR. MOIR, physician in Aberdeen, who died in the 17th of June 1818, aged 37. Also of their son JAMES, who died in April 1826, aged 9 years."

From "A. J. Mitchell-Gill's Moir & Byres."

### ST. NICHOLAS CHURCHYARD, Aberdeen.—Section D.

From "ABERDEENSHIRE EPITAPHS," by John A. Henderson

On a flat stone, (7 ft., 6 in. by 4 ft. 8 in.) lying on the ground immediately below the Blackwell tablet there is inscribed:—

"Here lyes **John Moir** of **Stonywood**—who departed this life the XV of November—MDCLXXIV and of his age the LIV year—Also **Jean Sandilands** his spouse—who died the V of August MDCLXXXVII—and of her age the LI year—Here lyes **James Moir** of **Stonywood**—who died the XXII of November MDCCXXXIX—and of his age the LXXXI year—Also **John Moir** of **Stonywood**—who died the XIX of April MDCCXX—and of his age the XXIII year.

At Glenbuchat a tablestone—on which is cut the representation of a heart, flanked by the initials J. M. and B. H. bears the inscription—

"Herelyes the dust of **JOHN MOIR**, some time farmer in Kirk-town of Glenbucket, who died August 29th 1767, aged 56 years. Also **BARBARA HAY**, his spouse, who died June 8th, 1781, aged 66 years; also his children **JOHN**, **JAMES**, **WILLIAM**, **JEAN**, **JEAN 2**, and **MARY MOIR'S**.

"In memory of **JOHN MOIR**, late farmer in Buchan, who died December 12, 1828, aged 85 years. Also his spouse who died May 6, 1824, aged 62 years.

Done by the care of his sons, **JOHN**, **JAMES**, and **ALEXR. MOIRS**." (The ancestor of this family was in Invernettie in 1696. (Poll book) and afterwards at Badenyon.)

"At Peterhead, in memory of **DR. MOIR**, during 55 years minister of this parish, who died 18th of March, 1818, aged 77 years. And his wife **MARTHA**, who died on the 17th November, 1816, aged 77.

Sacred to the memory of **JOHN MOIR**, **ESQ.**, who died on the 28th February, 1857, aged 82 years."

(This is a son of **DR. MOIR'S** above.)

A railed in grave at Aboyne, has a headstone bearing the inscription: "In loving memory of the REV. A. HENDERSON MOIR, for 28 years, the faithful and esteemed Minister of the Free Church, Aboyne; who died 1st March 1899, aged 54 years, also of his only child HENRIETTA ELIZABETH, who died 29th October 1897, in the 13th year of her age."

(This REV. A. H. MOIR was the son of JOHN MOIR, messenger-at-arms, Aberdeen, and after completing his divinity course, he acted for a short time as assistant at Birkenhead and Paisley, being inducted as Free Church minister of Aboyne in 1871.)

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A tablestone at Foveran, displaying a skull and crossbones, spade, mattock, and sand-glass, has the inscription:—

"Here lyes under the hope of a blessed resurrection, ANDREW MORE, Burgess of Aberdeen, who departed this life on the 14th day of December, 1694, and of his age 73 years. Also AGNES MONTGOMERY, spouse of ANDREW MOIR, who died March 1730, aged 80 years. Likewise, ANDREW MOIR, their eldest son, who died May 1733, aged 60 years. Likewise, ISABEL MOIR, his daughter, spouse to JOHN MEDERS, Burgess in Aberdeen who died 30th of May 1777, aged 70 years.

(The above ANDREW MORE or MOIR, sometime LAIRD of OVERHILL, was the direct progenitor of the MOIR-BYRES family of TONLEY.)

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At Fyvie—"In memory of the REV. WILLIAM MOIR, who died at the Manse of Fyvie, March 19, 1794, in the 68th year of his age, and the 45th year of his ministry there.

And HELEN CONSTABLE, his spouse, died at Aberdeen 26th February, 1817, aged 67 years."

(This REV. WILLIAM MOIR was the son of REV. GEORGE MOIR of KINTORE, whose father ANDREW MOIR left an estate (personal) representing 30,000 merks Scots.)

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PITTODRIE—"MARY A. MOIR, wife of HENRY KNIGHT ERSKINE of Pittodrie, Lieut. Col. Royal Aberdeenshire Highlanders. Born 15th March 1829, died 22. Aug. 1896."

(She was the daughter of GEORGE MOIR of DENMORE.)

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A railed in grave at New Machar, in a corner of the churchyard inscribed:—

"Erected by the parishioners and members of the Free Church, New Machar, in memory of REV. GEORGE MOIR. He was ordained minister of this parish in 1840. At the disruption in 1843, he became

minister of the Free Church. His ministrations were faithful, zealous, and acceptable, and not without fruit. He died respected and beloved on the 17th June 1857, aged 47 years.

'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.'

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EDITH EMMA MOIR, born Oct. 31, 1856, died May 13, 1860.

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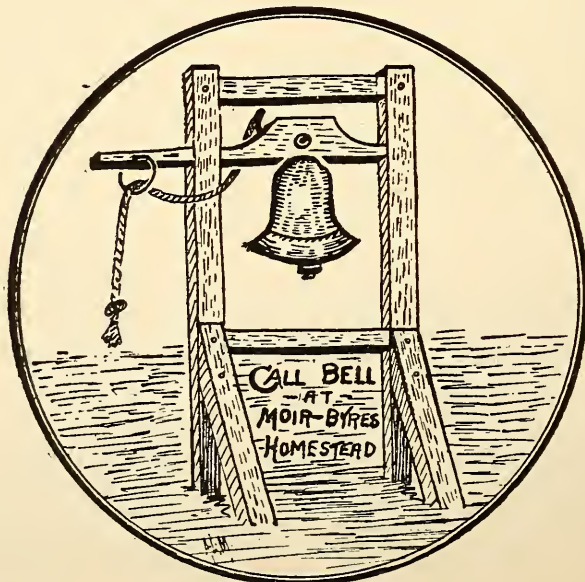
Ellen Shebby, wife of REV. GEORGE MOIR, born Nov. 30, 1822, died June 24, 1896, buried at Workingham, Berkshire.

(REV. GEORGE MOIR, who went out at the disruption, became the first minister of the New Machar. A son, ALEXANDER DYCE DAVIDSON MOIR, died at Townsville, Queensland, 8th January, 1905.)

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At Kinaldie—"WILLIAM MOIR, late farmer, Begglesy, who died the 31st of March 1822, aged 61 years. Also of their son JAMES, who died 5th January, 1820, aged 24 years.

How still and silent now we rest,  
Lie mouldering here in kindred dust,  
Have left the friends we loved so dear,  
And dropping down unshed a tear."



**From Epitaphs and Inscriptions from burial grounds and old buildings in the North East of Scotland, by Andrew Jervice, F. S. A. Scot. Edinburgh, David Douglas, 1879.**

At METHLICK—ROBERT MOIR, merchant, Aberdeen, died 1798, aged 66 years.

By sobriety and industry he acquired a small fortune, which he left to nearest relatives, except £1700 for public charities, £300 of which to the Kirk session of Methlick. The interest of £700, of this amount was left, to annually assist in the education of ten poor scholars of the town.

Upon a plain headstone at Kirkden or Idvies:—"Here lies interred the body of REV. JAMES MOIR, who was ordained minister of the gospel at Kirkden the 30th April 1735, and died 28th January, 1753." A plate for collecting the offering bears his name and the date 1735.

His initials also appear upon a slab (built into the gate eastside of the Kirkyard) along with the couplet:

M. I. M.

"All ye who enter at this gate,  
Oh now prepare for your last state."

— 1739 —

At Kinkell, churchyard, Aberdeenshire, 1832. Erected by JAMES MOIR, mail-guard, in memory of his father, who departed this life, 2d February, 1829, aged 72 years.

"Stop, stranger, stop, don't walk along,  
Stop one moment and read my stone;  
And as you read the end of me  
Be sure for death prepared to be —  
Death did to me short warning give,  
Be mindful therefore how to live.

Now slain by death, who spareth none,  
And lies full low under this stone—  
Rotting in dark and silent dust,  
Prepare for death, for die thou must,  
Life is uncertain,—death is sure,  
Sin is the wound,—Christ is the cure."

A flat slab in the Churchyard at Mortlach, which lay in the passage towards the west end of the church in 1811, (now in churchyard near the south wall) presents a shield in the centre with the MOIR and REID arms impaled. The following inscription is round the sides of the stone:—

"heir . lyes . ane . honest . man . called . JOHNE . MOIR  
. husband . to . ELSPET . REID . who . was . killed . . .

. . . . efence . of . his . own . hovs . at . the . valk . miln  
 . of . Bolvenie . the . 13 . day . of . october . 1660 . mem-  
 ento . mori."

According to tradition, MOIR, who was reputed rich, was attacked by "the CATERAN band," and killed by a gun shot, while barricading the door of his house. The house was till lately, and probably still is pointed out by the peasantry as that in which MOIR was shot. Whether "Johne," had been an ancestor of DR. ALEX. MOIR, a native and once schoolmaster of Mortlach, who so generously left the interest of £600 for educational purposes to the parish, is uncertain, though by no means improbable.

### EPITAPHS FROM "THANAGE OF FERMARTYN"

By REV. WILLIAM TEMPLE

In the Churchyard of Tarves, Aberdeenshire, there is a tablestone as follows:—

"Here resteth the remains of \*GEORGE MOIR, late blacksmith in Annat, died March 12, 1784, aged 82, and of JEAN FIFE, his spouse, who died Feb. 14, 1785, aged 72.

This stone is erected by their sons in testimony of their regard for their deceased parents.

Also, ANN JACK, spouse of their son, GEORGE MOIR in Annat, who died 4 October, 1786, aged 36; and ANN MOIR, spouse of GEORGE FINDLATER in Coultie's-Cairn, who died Dec. 24, 1793, aged 56."

(The above from the oldest of several tombstones, relates to a family, who according to Jervise, have been blacksmiths in this district from before 1696.)

In the churchyard of Ellon, Aberdeenshire, a stone records that the "REV. ANDREW MOIR, minister of Ellon, for thirty-two years, died February 1774, aged 73. His wife, JEAN, died October 1779, aged 74. Their daughter JANE MOIR, erector of the tablet, died 16. September, 1816, aged 70."

MR. MOIR married Miss Byres of Tonley — through this marriage, the present family succeeded to the estate.

Another stone in the same Kirkyard, records "MARGARET MOIR, wife of Silvester Falconer, some time of Fechil, afterwards of Cross-stone, who died June 26, 1787, aged 52; also their sons, GEORGE FALCONER, died at Kinloch, St. Fergus, 11 April, 1836, aged 74; Silvester Falconer, died at Oldyards, Auchmacoy, 11 October, 1838, aged 79."

\*A full account of this family is given in this book, pages 159 to 175.

A tombstone in the churchyard at Foveran, Aberdeenshire, reads "In memory of ELSPET HARVEY, wife of GEORGE MOIR, of Knockhill, died 1842, aged 21.

Likewise of DAVID MOIR, son of GEORGE MOIR and ELSPET HARVEY, died 10 March 1844, aged 2 years.

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WILLIAM MOIR, minister of the Church of FYVIE, Aberdeenshire, a son of GEORGE MOIR, minister of Kintore, and presented by the tutors of HON. WILLIAM GORDON of Fyvie in November 1748. He died 19 March, 1794, in his 68th year, and 45th of his ministry. He married 22 October, 1776, HELEN CONSTABLE, who died in Aberdeen, 26 February, 1817, aged 67, and had a son George Moir.

A tablestone to the above REV. WILLIAM MOIR, and also one to his wife HELEN CONSTABLE is in the Churchyard at Fyvie.

There is a tablestone to JACOBINA MOIR, spouse of JAMES CLARK who died at Fyvie, Aberdeenshire Dec. 22, 1877, aged 70 years, in the Fyvie Churchyard."

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Within an enclosure, a monument is "erected by parishioners and members of the Free Church congregation, Newmachar, Aberdeenshire, in memory of REV. GEORGE MOIR, minister of the parish in 1840. At the Disruption in 1843, he became minister of the Free Church. His ministrations were faithful, zealous, and acceptable. He died respected and beloved on 17 June, 1857, aged 47 years.

'Blessed are the dead which died in the Lord.'

(A daughter) EMMA EDITH MOIR, b. Oct. 31, 1856, died May 13, 1860."

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### MR. JOHN MOIR, FARMER, WOODSIDE

From "ABERDEEN EVENING EXPRESS," July 27, 1912

"Died at Gladstone Bank, Don Terrace, Woodside, Near Aberdeen 25 July, 1912.

Buried at St. Peter's Cemetery, Aberdeen, 29 July, 1912.

As briefly indicated in yesterday's 'Express,' many in the north-eastern counties will regret to hear of the death of Mr. John Moir, farmer, which took place on Thursday night. Deceased, who was 70 years of age, was only ill for a comparatively short period. Born at Nochtside, Strathdon, he was a man of progressive ideas, was of a very cheery disposition, and ever ready to do a kindly turn to those who deserved it. For many years Mr. Moir carried on the business of a cattle dealer, being a regular attender at markets in the North. About 17 years ago, he became tenant of Woodside farm, which he occupied at his death. He was for long a member of the Royal Northern Agricultural Society, was a Liberal in politics, and an elder in Hilton United Free Church."

In all matters pertaining to the welfare of the agricultural industry, Mr. Moir took a highly intelligent interest. He was a capable judge of stock. As a young man he was a very prominent and successful athlete, having drawn on three occasions with the famous Donald Dinnie, in putting the stone and tossing the caber. Mr. Moir possessed quite a number of medals and other prizes for his prowess in the field of sports. Fifteen to twenty years ago, Mr. Moir was reckoned among the foremost of quilters.

Deceased is survived by a widow and grown-up family. The eldest son, John, is the well-known manager of the Central Mart company, Ltd.; Alexander is in the employment of the same company, and in charge of the Turriff branch; Frank is at Woodside farm, and was associated with his father; and James is tenant of Green Croft, Auchnagett. Of four daughters, the eldest is married to Mr. Robert Chapman, Mains of Hatton, Auchterless."

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Privates A. MOIR, G. MOIR and R. MOIR are among the men of the Gordon Highlanders who lost their lives in the South African war (1899-1902), a list of whom with all others of that regiment are inscribed on a huge granite monument at Edinburgh castle. The author of this book saw this monument in the summer of 1910, when on a visit to Scotland.

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ALLASTER MOIR, ALEXANDER MOIR, ANDREW MOIR, CAPTAIN CHARLES MOIR, FRANCIS MOIR, GEORGE MOIR, HENRY MOIR, JAMES MOIR, JAMES MOIR of STONEYWOOD, ROBERT MOIR, WILLIAM MOIR, and WILLIAM MOIR of LONMAY are among the official list of names of soldiers who were fighting for Prince Charles Edward Stuart, in the "rebellion" of 1745.

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In the ancient burying ground at Kilchrenan, near Taycreggan, on the western side of the lake, a massive granite monument has been erected by the Duke of Argyll, in memory of his ancestor \*CAILEAN MOR, who distinguished himself in forays against the neighboring clans, and in particular against the Macdougals of Lorn. The monument is inscribed:—

"Cailean Mor, slain on the  
Sreang of Lorne, A. D. 1294.  
Erected by George Douglas Campbell,  
8th Duke of Argyll, 28th Baron of Lochow."

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\*Cailean Mor, on the Sreang of Lorne, A. D., 1294.

**Memorial**

"In Loving memory of  
**MARTHA SMITH MOIR** (wife of **ROBERT MOIR**),  
 who died on Monday 9th Oct., 1911;  
 aged 60 years."

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Denny, Stirlingshire.  
 133 Stirling Street

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"We saw her fading day by day,  
 We could not bid her stay;  
 She was nursed with tenderest care,  
 Till the Lord called her away.

A sudden change, and in a moment fell.  
 And had not time to bid her friends farewell;  
 Think nothing strange, death happens unto all,  
 Her lot today, tomorrow you may fall."

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Died Oct. 17, 1805, at Stirling, **Mrs. Moir**, widow of the late  
**John Moir, Esq.**, Writer to the Signet.

(From the *Dundee Weekly Advertiser*, Nov. 3, 1805.)

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**DUNCAN MOIR**

Lowell, Mass.

Sept. 8, 1862. Oct. 12, 1892.

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"*He being dead, yet speaketh.*"

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A man of men, in Christ, steadfast, content,  
 Pure as the morning dew, life's time well-spent—  
 Thy life below, thy living monument.

One of the tried and true, the frank and free,  
 True living thy chief aim, its fruit we see;  
 Death only adds new glory unto thee.

Whilst here thy life gleamed forth its sparkling light,  
 Thy memory now renews itself with might—  
 Now thou art safe beyond where all is bright.



'Twas diligence that made thee unsurpassed,  
Through diligence thy influence was cast,  
And that keeps on increasing to the last.

Sweet are the lessons thy life here hath taught,  
Influence glows from each theme thou hast sought,  
Shines from each virtue, and gleams from each thought.

Thy thoughts, thy words and acts, are fertile seeds  
Thou'st left behind, do help supply our needs,  
They live and think, they say and do their deeds.

Thy life in Christ, the only perfect way,  
Led through this world to everlasting day,  
Where love eternal, joy and peace hold sway.

Thou'st gone to make our homeward welcome sweet;  
We follow in thy course, and soon will meet  
No more to mourn or part, our joy complete.

A. L. M.

### DUNCAN MOIR

Lowell, Mass.

Sept. 8, 1862. Oct. 12, 1892.

The years glide on, and as they glide,  
We think of thee when thou wert here.  
We think of thee, when at our side  
Thy joyful presence filled with cheer.

Too soon, in manhood's early prime,  
The branch didst lose its fairest flower;  
Too soon, the falling sands of time  
Proclaimed thy flight in sorrow's hour.

We think of all thy pleasant ways,  
Thy cheerful voice still speaks to us;  
Thy face still sheds in sunny rays,  
Thy light still shines all-glorious.

Thy words and deeds still live and glow,  
Still cheers us and impels us on  
To live as thou hast lived below,  
To rise and shine as thou hast shone.

The songs which thou hast sung, impart  
 To us a charm, the accents clear  
 Still find an echo in our heart,—  
 Still bring to us a wholesome cheer.

The seeds which thou hast sown, still grow,  
 The lessons thou hast taught, endure—  
 These are thy monument below,  
 These show thy worth, these prove thee pure.

A. L. M.

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**ISABELLA MacLARTY MOIR**  
 Lowell, Mass., 1831—1896

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**THOU HAST GONE TO THY HOME**

Thou has gone to thy home, fraught with blessed delight,  
 Thou hast gone, and we miss thy loved face from our sight—  
 And we study the path thou hast chosen — and know  
 'Twas thy beautiful life that constrained thee below.

Thou hast gone to thy joy, and we seek to attain  
 The same pureness of life which on earth thou didst gain—  
 And the love thou hast giv'n, may it teach us to be  
 The more loving, more tender, the better for thee.

Thou hast gone, but we still hear thy voice day by day,  
 And it charms and delights us whate'er it may say—  
 And with love in each word, doth rehearse by-gone tales,  
 With a lesson and moral which each one inhales.

Thou hast gone, but thy love and thy kindness remain,  
 Thou hast left these behind, to relieve and sustain;  
 Thy kind voice still doth speak and thy thoughts doth take root,  
 Thy pure love in our lives, still will grow and bear fruit.

Thou hast gone, to thy rest, and we wish we could go,  
 Just to share in thy presence, the joys thou dost know—  
 Just to know thou art near us and hear thy kind voice,  
 Just to love thee and with thee forever rejoice.

Thou hast gone and e'er long we shall follow thy way,  
 And so gladly we'll meet at the close of life's day;  
 And we'll try so to live as thou didst when below,  
 And bestow the same kindnesses thou didst bestow.

Thou hast gone to thy joy—to thy radiant home,  
 Where no sorrow invadeth, no trouble can come;  
 Thou hast won the reward of the righteous and true,  
 Thou hast gained the eternal — the life ever new.

Thou hast gone to commune with the saints ever blest,  
 Where the good are at home and the weary at rest;  
 Where the angels doth praise and exultantly sing;  
 Where the Lamb is the Light, and where Love is the King.  
 A. L. M.

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**In Loving Memory of**  
 ANN SMILLIE,  
 Relict of the late DUNCAN MOIR,  
 Who fell asleep on Thursday, 8th December, 1910.  
 In Her 81st Year.

Interred in The Southern Necropolis, Glasgow.

Now the labourer's task is o'er,  
 Now the battle-day is past;  
 Now upon the further shore  
 Lands the voyager at last.  
 Father, in Thy gracious keeping  
 Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.



# THE DELTA CENTENARY

## I.

### DAVID MACBETH MOIR

Jan. 5, 1798 (Δ) Jan. 5, 1898

By the REV. JAMES SHARP, Minister of Inveresk

(From "LIFE AND WORK," a Parish Magazine)

January, 1898

One of the first objects of interest that arrest the attention of the visitor to Musselburgh is the statue, at the end of what is known as "the Mall," erected to the memory of DAVID MACBETH MOIR; it is the work of the famous sculptor, Mr. Handasyde Ritchie, and is acknowledged to be a striking likeness of the poet. The subscribers to the permanent memorial included the names of the most famous literary men of Britain in the first half of the nineteenth century. The statue represents Dr. Moir in the classical robe and appropriate attitude of the poet, with a scroll in one hand, the other being in the act of inscribing his thoughts. The pedestal bears the following inscription from the pen of Professor Aytoun:

"BELOVED AS A MAN;  
HONOURED AS A CITIZEN;  
ESTEEMED AS A PHYSICIAN;  
AND CELEBRATED AS A POET.  
BORN 5TH JANUARY, 1798,  
DIED 6TH JULY, 1851."

As will be seen from the inscription, the centenary of the birth of "Delta," occurred on Jan. 5th, 1898. The event was not allowed to pass without suitable celebration. The inhabitants of Musselburgh—the place of his birth and the scene of his labours—as well as many admirers of his works, scattered far and wide, made preparations to revive his memory, and to acknowledge his service to literature. There are still many left with us who remember the stately form and the well poised head of the gentle poet, and there are more to whom the memory of the "amiable Delta" is a rich and rare possession.

The subject of our sketch received his early education at a school in Musselburgh which his biographer considers of little note. But it must be said in passing that Musselburgh during the greater part of this century has been famous for its schools. At the age of thirteen he became an apprentice to Dr. Stewart, a medical practitioner in Musselburgh, and during the last year of his apprenticeship he was permitted to begin his medical studies at Edinburgh University. He passed as surgeon in 1816, when he had reached his eighteenth year. A year later his father died, and young Moir rose at once to the sup-

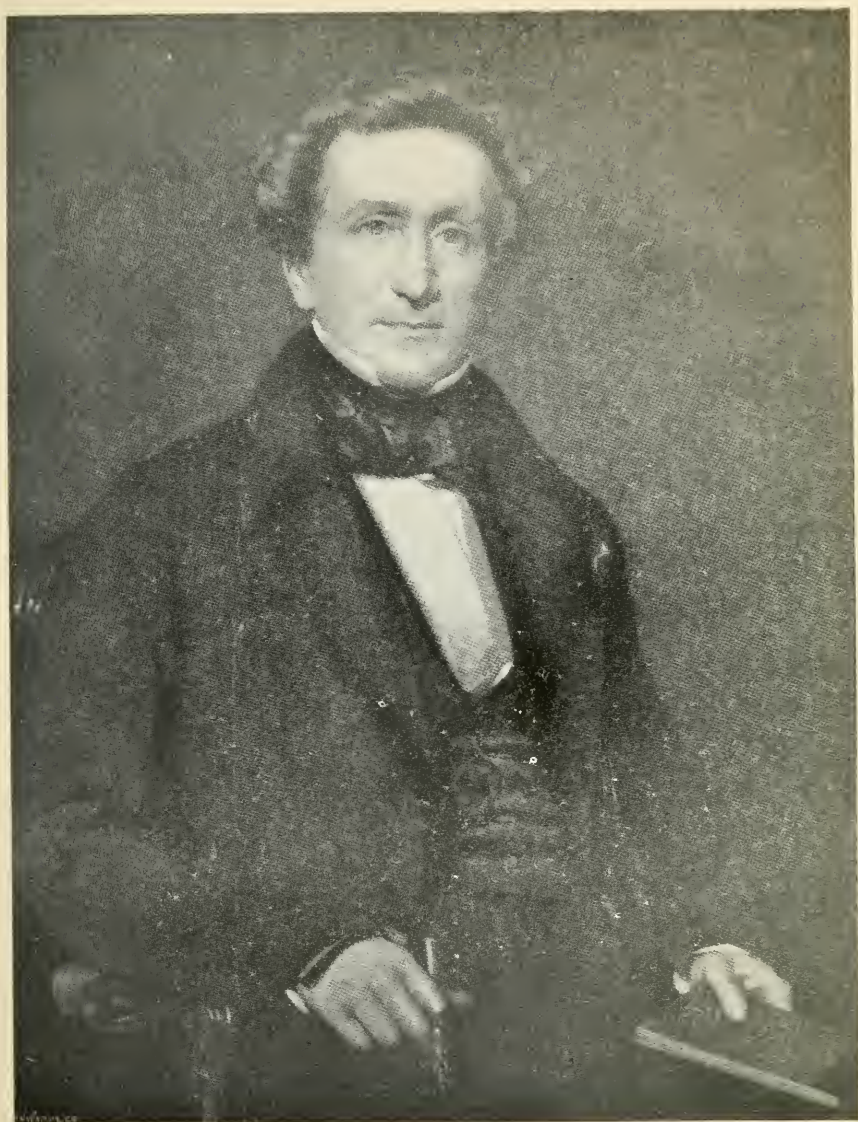
port and comfort of his mother and the other members of his family, and it must have been a rich reward to his exertions, that the mother was spared to rejoice in the literary achievements of her noble and devoted son. Soon after leaving the University, he became a partner with Dr. Brown in a very extensive practice in Musselburgh and district. Even before this, however, he had ventured to put himself in print. At the early age of fifteen, he had sent a contribution to "The Cheap Magazine," a Haddington publication, and subsequently his essays appeared in the "Scots Magazine." It was at the age of nineteen, however, that he formed his literary connection with "*Blackwood's Magazine*," and during the remainder of his career he was the warm friend of the Blackwood of his day and of the charmed literary circle of which "Delta" was not the least distinguished ornament.

About the close of 1824 he published in a separate volume "The Legend of Genevieve, with other Tales and Poems," which he had from time to time contributed to "Maga" under the nom-de-plume of "Δ" "Delta." This publication was received with public favour, and the author was hailed as a poet of merit. More poems appeared, until he completely caught the ear of the public in the mournful dirge of "Casa Wappy," the self-given name of a dear child gone home. It was the out-pouring of a stricken heart, and as such, has brought comfort and consolation to many called by the same dark way.

"Do what I may, go where I will,  
 Thou meet'st my sight;  
 There dost thou glide before us still —  
 A form of light,  
 I feel thy breath upon my cheek.  
 I see thee smile, I hear thee speak,  
 Till Oh, my heart is like to break,  
 Casa Wappy.

"And though perchance, a smile may gleam  
 Of casual mirth,  
 It doth not own, whate'er may seem,  
 An inward birth;  
 We miss thy small step on the stair;  
 We miss thee at thine evening prayer;  
 All day we miss thee everywhere,  
 Casa Wappy.

As an illustration of how "Delta's" poetical works became known and prized even in the highest circles, we quote the following from "*The Edinburgh Courant*" of 30 January, 1858. "In moving an address of congratulation on the marriage of the Princess Royal at a Court of Common Council in London on Tuesday, Mr. Under-Sheriff Parker said, 'We shall always remember our Princess Royal. Though she may continue in the Prussian dominions for many years to come, as we hope she will, to attract by her graces and win by her virtues, still shall we say in the words of her own favourite poet, the late Dr.



DAVID MACBETH MOIR—Scottish Poet





DELTA'S MONUMENT  
Musselburgh





Moir of Musselburgh, to whose elegant compositions it is understood Her Majesty's family are greatly attached —

‘The thoughts of thee are as a pleasant dream,  
Soft, soothing, holy, beautiful and bright,  
As of a star that sparkles o'er a stream,  
Gemming the dewy coronal of night.’ ”

The poems of “DELTA,” especially in the “Domestic Verses,” which are unquestionably the best of his poetical pieces, are remarkable for their “smoothness and facility of style.” There is a graceful fancy, and there is a tenderness and a pathos rarely surpassed. Professor Wilson has said truly, “DELTA has produced many original pieces which will possess a permanent place in the poetry of Scotland.” And Jeffrey ascribed to his poems, “more genuine pathos than anything almost he had ever read in verse.”

In October 1824, he began in the pages of Blackwood, “\*The Autobiography of Mansie Wauch: Tailor in Dalkeith,” a book which alone would establish and perpetuate the fame of its author for all time coming. It may be new to some when it is told that although the scene of the story is laid in Dalkeith, the whole of the characters were well known to everybody at the time, and remembered by many in the present day to be genuine natives of Musselburgh. This, of course, intensely increased the local interest of the story. The original of Mansie was a well-known tailor, and Deacon Paunch and Cursecowl were well-known butchers in the “Honest Toon.” Their names could even now be given, but they are withheld for obvious reasons. The “Resurrection Scene” was enacted in a house within Inveresk Churchyard and the eating of the cigars at the famous dinner took place in a well-known mansion in this parish. For genuine humour as well as deep pathos — as witness the death of “Mungo Glen”— there is nothing better in the language. Maginn has characterised this work as “admirably descriptive of a class of persons fast wearing out even in that land of originals, Scotland, as well as of manners that are no longer common.”

“DELTA'S” position as a critic, rests upon the “Sketches of the Poetical Literature of the Past Half-Century,” being an admirable estimate of a period through which he had lived. He also edited the “Poems of Mrs. Hemans,” wrote a “Life of John Galt” and “Outlines of the Ancient History of Medicine.” One of the most erudite of his works is his essay on the “Roman Antiquities of Inveresk,” read before the Antiquarian Society in the year 1850. In all he wrote more than 350 articles and poems during his comparatively short life.

If “DELTA” was admired as a poet and a delineator of Scottish character, he was also beloved as a man. His private virtues may be understood from his “Domestic Verses.” As a physician, he passed through the terrible visitations of cholera, ministering fearlessly to the physical needs of his patients, while at the same time endeavouring to

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\*“The Autobiographie of Mansie Wauch: Tailor in Dalkeith,” has been printed (1913) in the *Scottish American* published in New York city.

soothe their sufferings with the consolations of the Gospel. His letters on the cholera contagion, were widely read and his views much canvassed at the time.

The whole of DR. MOIR'S work was permeated with a truly religious spirit. Notwithstanding his busy professional and literary life, he took an active part in the work of the Church, of which he was ordained an elder in 1844, and from 1846 till his death, he was the representative for the Burgh of Annan in the General Assembly. It is a tradition that during many years of his life he saw his minister, and esteemed friend, almost every day to discuss matters affecting the social and moral welfare of the town and parish.

His end came all too soon, on 6th July 1851, when he was on a visit to Thomas Aird, his friend and biographer, at Dumfries. When it was apparent that his end was near, certain members of his family, as well as Mr. Blackwood and the Rev. J. G. Beveridge, hurried to Dumfries. He was much comforted by their presence. He died as he had lived, in a deeply religious faith and hope. "And now may the Lord my God," he prayed, "not separate between my soul and body, till He has made a final and eternal separation between my soul and sin, for the sake of my Redeemer." The inhabitants of his native town — a town, which, notwithstanding many tempting offers, he steadfastly refused to leave — voted him a public funeral, and now he sleeps in Inveresk churchyard — one of the most beautiful of all resting-places in our land. "The world," says Fraser, "has but the moiety of a notion of a little part of his worth, when it thinks that his poetry comprehends all the merit which entitles him to the praise and good-will of our courteous readers."

"O were I laid  
In the greenwood shade,  
Beneath the covert of waving trees;  
Removed from woe,  
And the ills below,  
That render life but a long disease!"

## THE MEMORY OF DELTA

### \*PROFESSOR MASSON'S TRIBUTE

(In honour of the hundredth anniversary of the birth of DR. DAVID MACBETH MOIR, "DELTA" ( $\Delta$ ) of BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE and the author of "MANSIE WAUCH," a banquet was held Jan. 5, 1898, in Inveresk Parish Hall.)

After the loyal toasts had been honoured, Emeritus-Professor Masson, gave the toast of the evening, "THE MEMORY OF DELTA." It was, exactly a hundred years ago since the man

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\*This appreciative article was published in an Edinburgh newspaper, Jan. 6, 1898, and was kindly furnished by Mrs. A. M. Milligan, a daughter of "Delta."

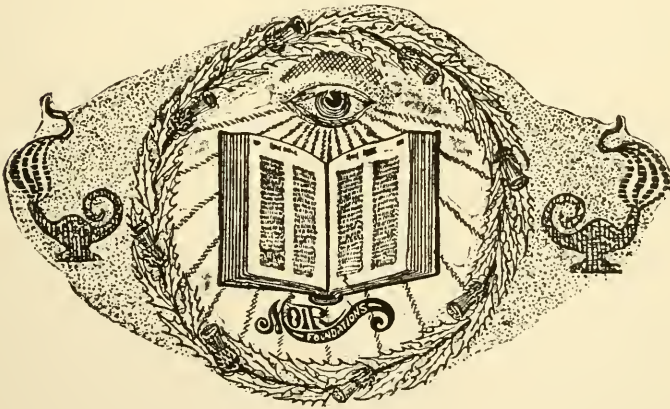
was born whose name and reputation had brought them together that evening. He was born in Musselburgh on the 5th January 1798, and a remarkable peculiarity of his life was that so long as he remained in the world he was connected with Musselburgh. He remained in Musselburgh all his life, and no allurements could draw him more than a few days at a time away from Musselburgh. He was for thirty-four years, of his life a medical man in Musselburgh, and through those years, he performed according to all records, the duties of a physician of a locality with admirable hard work and with admirable bravery. He was an indefatigable and able physician, who showed peculiar bravery at a time when bravery, even in the practice of medicine, was specially necessary. If there were no other reason whatever for remembering that man, there would be this one — that he was a good physician at Musselburgh for so long a period. It might perhaps be that there were inhabitants of Musselburgh still, it might be that even in that company there were some who could remember the man himself, as he walked about or rode about their country roads. There was much more by which to remember **Dr. Moir** than that he was a good physician at Musselburgh. From his boyhood he was seized with literary propensities and tastes, and about 1817, he began to be known as a man of letters and a contributor in prose and in verse to various Edinburgh periodicals, and most especially of all after the foundation of *Blackwood's Magazine*, as a contributor to that periodical. (Applause.) He seemed to have been one of the most prolific possible contributors, for it had been computed that his contributions in prose and in verse amounted altogether to 370 special articles, which was at the rate of one for every number of Blackwood through the whole period of his connection with it. (Applause.) But not only was he the most prolific of contributors, but he was one of the most conspicuous and most liked and most beloved contributors. (Hear, hear.) Their great reason for remembering him now was that he was a man of letters, and that he had left literary remains in verse and in prose. The best means of judging him now, judging his poetical remains, judging him as a poet, was through the two volumes of his so-called poetical works, which were published in 1852 — the year after his death — by his friend Thomas Aird, with a memoir. He (Professor Masson) thought the two volumes contained about 130 pieces. Now, if they compared 130 pieces with the 370 contributions to Blackwood — without our being able to say how many other contributions to other periodicals — they would see that these two volumes contained but a specimen, a selection of his poems. Still, they were the most accessible means for people now to judge of his poetical powers." After quoting from "DELTA'S" works, various examples of his poetic genius, Professor Masson proceeded: "Somehow, because he abstained from certain higher walks of imagination represented in later poets, somehow on that account he remained as a tradition, as a name, as the gentle "DELTA," the amiable "DELTA," the man of fine melodious nature, who was not now generally read. Generally read! Who after fifty

years, was or ever would be generally read? (Applause.) In prose or verse the man who schemed his literary life so as to be generally read fifty years after he was dead, staked his life on an improbability. (Applause.) The true test was capability of being read after fifty years — (Applause) — and of finding hearts that would respond to what they read. (Applause.) And that was true of "DELTA," yet, and would be true, because he hit the affinities of human nature, which were not temporary, but were everlasting. (Applause.) Another thing, and a more important thing, was, there had been a mistake in fact in representing "DELTA," as merely the melodious, the graceful, the plaintive, the gently melancholy. He did rise higher than that. He did exemplify imaginative power of the higher kind, and that they would see, by referring to the two volumes of his collections. He mentioned a few of the most important poems in which "DELTA" rose above what was usually the plaintive, the finely graceful, the merely melodious, and dared higher strains. He was not sure, were he asked to name that poem of "DELTA'S" which all in all, was his greatest, his most impressive verse performance, he would name "The Dark Wagon." Often as poets and prose writers had nibbled at that theme, he did not know that it had been so well seized, so poetically conceived, as in that poem of "DELTA'S." (Applause.) Among the poems that he had mentioned as illustrating his higher imaginative power there was a set of a different kind, where he touched on what they might call the weirdly and ghastly vein, the gruesome. What he meant by that was not only representing something old in Scottish history, but giving a totally romantic poem. Professor Masson went on to notice the religious beliefs underlying all the author's works, whether in prose or verse. That these beliefs were sincere in **Dr. Moir** was exemplified, he said, in his life, and in some of his poems he definitely expressed them, while in others of them there was a tinge of these Christian beliefs very apparent, and yet unobtrusive. It would be wrong, in speaking of "DELTA," to leave that sacred topic totally unmentioned. (Applause.) After paying a tribute to "DELTA" as a prose writer, Professor Masson said there was scarcely a trace of humour in "DELTA'S" verses, and yet they were told about him personally that he over-flowed with humour, and that sometimes he plunged into a revel of fun. They should never have thought that, from reading his two volumes of poems, and it would be a good thing if some one were to ransack the old volumes of "*Blackwood*" and bring out some of the relics of "DELTA," in the capacity of a humourist. Fortunately, however, they had one specimen, the immortal "MANSIE WAUCH"— (applause) — which was certainly a masterpiece of comic invention and comic literature. If they took the work merely as a succession of scenes of the adventures and situations of **Mansie**, how laughable it was. There could be taken from that book, extracts say for comic reading, that would vie with any in Dickens' novels. (Applause.) He remembered reading the book as a boy and laughing at it, but he had read it since, and he now saw in it higher qualities of exquisite writing. Its characteristic

had been said to be artlessness, but in his view it was consummate artlessness. There was the exquisite Scottish, not broad Scottish, but the Scottish quite fitted for the character of **Mansie**. And then the character of **Mansie** himself was unique among Scottish comic creations. There was not one among them that was quite the same as **Mansie Wauch**. (Applause.) He had said enough to show that "DELTA" was remembered in the British Islands on account of his distinction in literature, and especially in the literature of Scotland, in that age that included the last year of **Sir Walter Scott**, and the afterglow that followed his death. The day on which they met, ought at least to be remembered and would be remembered in **Musselburgh**, which "DELTA" loved so well. (Applause.)

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From a Memoir of "DELTA," published in 1860 by PROF. THOMAS AIRD, we learn that "the poet was tall, well-formed and erect. His hair was light, almost sandy, his features were regular and handsome, eyes grey-blue, always ready for a twinkle. His voice was kindly. His life was simple but practical. He signed his poems and papers with a ( $\Delta$ ) DELTA, which sufficed to give him the nickname of 'DELTA.' 'THE AMIABLE DELTA,' has been a common phrase for a series of years."



## \*JAMES MOIR

### FENTON HOUSE, ALLOA

From "ALLOA, SIXTY YEARS AGO," by James Archibald

**Mr. James Moir** was connected with the town of Alloa for over fifty years. He took a conspicuous part in all its projected useful schemes and movements, and exercised from first to last, an important influence on local affairs. **Mr. Moir** was tall, broadly built, a portly looking gentleman, who from his appearance, proclaimed him to be a leader among them. **Mr. Moir** came to Alloa when quite a young man from the neighborhood of Dunblane. He in 1817, entered the office of Mr. John Jamieson, writer and Sheriff-Clerk of the County. **Mr. Jameson** was at this time an old man, but he took kindly to his young apprentice, **James Moir**. **Mr. Jamieson** died, but his son **Robert** carried on the business, assisted by **James Moir**, **Mr. Jamieson** being agent for the Paisley Bank, which business the Commercial Bank ultimately took over, and in 1850, transferred their premises to the modern building in Bank street, with **Mr. Moir** as its agent, where it has been ever since, with a **MOIR** as its agent. As years passed on, other appointments followed, **Mr. Moir** having such an aptitude for business that through time so many offices, honours, and duties flowed in on him, that left nothing to desire. To enumerate all the posts he held would be tedious. He was factor to three Earls of Mar, also factor to Mr. Johnstone of Alva, and during the minority of Lord Abercromby, he looked after the Abercromby estates. **Mr. Moir** was connected with so many appointments and duties that really his life was one continuous labour, but still he managed to keep a grasp of all his work. At the starting of the town, he took an important part, he held the post of senior magistrate for eight years, and on his retiral from office, he was entertained at a dinner given in public, in recognition of his long and faithful services to the burgh. He also managed to take a deep interest in the affairs and management of the Church he was connected with, namely, Townhead U. P. Church, Rev. P. McDowall, minister. He often presided at business meetings. As we have noticed, **Mr. Moir** was tall and strongly built, and seemed likely to have a long career before him; but how often do we see exemplified the fact, that the race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong. At the end of a week he did not feel quite so well, but thought he would be all right on Monday; the illness developed so rapidly that he died on the Monday, March 1st, 1875. The sad event, in its suddenness, took the town quite by surprise, and it was soon felt that a prince and a great man had fallen in their midst, as was evidenced by the great company of

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\*For genealogy of this gentleman, of Archibald Moir, and of James Philip Moir, immediately following, see pages 270 and 271.

gentlemen who came from all quarters, to follow his remains to their last resting place, thus adding their last testimony of respect and esteem, to one who was so widely known and respected."

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## ARCHIBALD MOIR, ALLOA

From "ALLOA, SIXTY YEARS AGO," by James Archibald

**Archibald Moir** was a younger brother of **James**, and he came to Alloa from Dunblane about 1835. He began as clerk in the office of Robert Jamieson, afterwards, he became connected with the Commercial Bank, where he became accountant under his brother **James**, who was bank agent. On the death of **James** in 1875, **Archibald** in connection with his nephew **James Moir, Jr.**, became joint agents, and a year or two later, **Mr. James Moir** having gone abroad, **Archibald** became sole agent of the bank, and factor to the Earl of Mar and Kellie. He held the bank agency up till 1892, when his son, **Mr. J. W. Moir** received the appointment. **Mr. Moir** had for many years been factor for Lord Mar, after retiring from the bank, he still held his factorship of the Alloa estates, and several other positions of trust. He was best known to the public, for the active interest he took in all philanthropic, charitable, and benevolent societies. His large and generous heart went out in true sympathy to all classes of suffering humanity. He was identified with every institution that was calculated to help the poor, the afflicted, or the suffering. At public meetings, he was a fluent and ready speaker, his utterances being often interspersed with a rich vein of humour, which always secured for him a ready hearing. From the interest he took in the Town-head (now Moncrief) church, made him really the right-hand man to all its ministers. For long years, he conducted the senior class in the Sabbath school, and even after he retired from the work, he was always ready to fill a gap, to come back for a time. He was church treasurer for over fifty years, and to mark that event, he was presented with his portrait in oil, and a tea service for **Mrs. Moir**, on which occasion abundant testimony was borne to the love and esteem in which **Mr. Moir** was held by minister and people. His readiness to help the widow and orphan was often amazing.

It would be difficult to exhaust all the good **Mr. Moir** crowded into his long life, which was a record of continuous activity and usefulness, blended with exalted piety. He died suddenly, being taken during the night of November 17, 1898, aged 81 years. Amongst the roll of Alloa's leading men, there can hardly be a finer example of a genial, happy Christian gentleman than **Archibald Moir**.

Of the two sons of **James**, the eldest went abroad, the younger did not enter a business career, but studied art; while the sons of



**Archibald**, — **J. W.** and **A. P. Moir** now carry on all agencies and clerkships in even larger measure than was the case in their father's and uncle's time.

## CAPTAIN JAMES PHILIP MOIR

### DISTINGUISHED SOLDIER

From "BRETT'S COMPANIONAGE" in Boston Public Library

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"Captain James Philip Moir, D. S. O., (Distinguished Service Order) son of James Moir of Grange Place and Fenton House, Alloa, Clackmananshire, a noted banker, (described elsewhere in this work), born 1872, educated at Fettes College, and at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, England; entered Royal Engineer, 1892, and became Captain in 1902. Served with Nile Expedition 1898; present at battle of Atbara, (medal,—Egyptian medal with clasps) and in the South African war 1899–1902, was present at battles of Belmont and Modder River, Relief of Kimberly, and battles of Paardeberg, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, and Belfast. Mentioned in despatches for bravery; (Queen's medal with seven clasps, and King's medal with two clasps, D. S. O.) was employed in South Nigeria as Superintendent of telegraph lines, 1905–1908. c. r.—D. S. O. 1900."



## “THE BARDS OF BON-ACCORD”

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ., of Aberdeen

### I.

#### GEORGE MOIR

\***George Moir.** Born in Aberdeen, 1799, and educated at Aberdeen University. Became a proficient linguist, acquiring German, French, Spanish, and Italian, and soon became recognized as an elegant translator. Passed as advocate in 1825. Contributed to the *“Edinburgh Review,”* in 1824, an article on Spanish literature and Spanish lyric poetry, with many beautiful specimens, such as Manrique’s elegy, “Oh, let the soul its slumbers break,” Luiz Ponce de Leon’s “Noche Serena,” and the songs, “Bright Eyes,” “Oh, Broad and Limpid River,” and “Blow Light, thou Balmy Air,” set to music as a glee by W. Horsley. Translated Schiller’s “Wallenstein” in 1827, and Schiller’s historical works, for Constable’s Miscellany. Goethe inquired of Carlyle about the translator in 1828, and Carlyle replied, describing Moir as a man of small bodily stature; “he seemed to me a little polished crystal, nearly colourless for the present, but in which at some hour the sun might come to be retracted, and reflected in a fine play of tints.” Moir visited Craigenputtoch, in 1829, and made several pictures of the house. He visited Germany the same year and passed through Weimar, but Goethe was absent. Carlyle gave him one of the four medals which Goethe had sent. Moir wrote articles on Tasso, Calderon, and Camoens, and for the 7th edition of the Encyc. Britt., edited by Macvey Napier, the articles on poetry and romance. Appointed 1838, professor of rhetoric and belles-lettres, in the University of Edinburgh, but resigned in 1840 on obtaining the sheriffship of Ross-shire, and subsequently of Stirlingshire. In 1854, wrote a eulogy on Professor Wilson in *“Blackwood’s Magazine.”* In 1864, appointed Professor of Scots Law in Edinburgh University.

(From Aberdeen Newspaper.)

“**Moir** honorably maintained the traditions of Edinburgh law. He was a man of very wide reading, and fastidious taste, alive to very various degrees and kinds of excellence in literature. He died 16th October. 1870, aged 71.”

From Encyclopedia Britannica, IX. edition, vol. 16, p. 608.

### II.

#### REV. JOHN MOIR, M. A.

**Rev. John Moir, M. A.** Episcopal clergyman, an alumnus of Aberdeen University, where he obtained his degree. Settled in London, and got a lectureship in St. Dionis Church. He published in

\*See page 295—Article “George Moir, LL.D., Sheriff of Stirlingshire.”

1788, two volumes of "Gleanings, or Fugitive Pieces, consisting of Essays, Sketches, Verses," etc. Had previously issued two volumes of sermons, one in 1775 and another in 1786. Wrote also on "Female Tuition," "History of the Life and Public Services of C. J. Fox," and "Transactions in Ireland from 1760 to the present time, 1787." He stated that his books were published for the support of a sickly wife and numerous family, and that he had taken a lease of Dr. John's house in Bolt Court, in the hope of letting it out for lodgings. These particulars are gleaned from the Gentleman's Magazine. I failed to discover the subsequent history of this unfortunate Aberdonian, whose fate resembles that of Andrew Macdonald, so pithily described by Isaac D'Israeli in his "Calamities of Authors."

### III.

#### WILLIAM MOIR

**William B. Moir.** Born 1842, at Fedderate, Aberdeenshire, and educated at New Deer, bookkeeper to a manufacturing firm at Peterhead. Poet, lecturer, and newspaper correspondent. Twice paid visits to South Africa. Died 20th February, 1910, aged 67. (See Edwards' "*Modern Scottish Poets*," vol. 1.)

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## HON. JAMES MOIR

### SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA

(Scranton, Pa., Newspaper.)

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**Captain Moir**, of Scranton, Pa., has written a great many articles for the press of his home city, among these were a number on the "Celts," and the "Celtic Bards." These articles of **Captain Moir's** show him in a new light; that of literary man. His versatility has not been appreciated as it ought. A modest tailor, he spent evenings away from his sartorial labors, in the midst of a well-stocked library of books, such as are found in few homes. Conversation betrayed the great literary stores of his mind, and an occasional literary allusion in the after-dinner speeches, full of Celtic wit and humor revealed his literary taste and intellectual quickness.

Many have known **JAMES MOIR**, the **MAYOR**, the **MILITARY MAN**, the **CLEVER AFTER-DINNER SPEAKER**, the **SOUL** of **CALEDONIAN BANQUETS**, the **FRATERNAL SOCIETY MAN**, but not all were acquainted with **JAMES MOIR**, the **WRITER**, the **HISTORIAN**, the **LITERATEUR**, the best side of this many-sided man.

## \*FREDERICK L. M. MOIR AND JOHN W. MOIR CENTRAL AFRICAN PIONEERS

From "THE BAILLIE," Glasgow, Scotland

**Frederick Lewis Maitland Moir** and **John William Moir**, both now of Glasgow (1912), had practically the same education, as both graduated from the same schools, and from Edinburgh University and also a college in Germany. In early life, both served a very complete commercial apprenticeship.

Learning while they were still young, that the late Sir William MacKinnon had conceived the idea of constructing a road from the Zanzibar Coast, to Lake Nyassa, both volunteered their services, to assist in furthering the scheme. Their offer was accepted, and sailing for Zanzibar, they spent a tropical rainy season under canvas, during which they succeeded in laying out some twenty miles of the road. For want, however, of government support, the enterprise was ultimately abandoned.

Happily, another and more fertile field immediately presented itself. In 1878 the African Lakes Company was organized, partly to follow out Dr. David Livingstone's great project, to suppress the slave trade, then prosecuted so lucratively by the Arabs. Many hard to hand fights occurred between the slavers and the forces of this company, of which the two brothers were part managers. Leading his men on one occasion in an assault upon a bullet-proof stockade, **Frederick**, was shot through the right arm and the bone shattered. He came home to Scotland, where he was obliged to have the elbow excised, an operation which proved so successful that it was regarded as a triumph of surgery.

Many adventures befell these brothers in the course of a residence of fifteen years, not the least exciting of these was the crunching to pieces of a small boat — in which **Frederick** was travelling — by a hippopotamus, he saving himself by swimming to the bank of the swift and deep river Shire, which flows out of Lake Nyassa, and joins the Zambezi some hundred miles from its mouth. On another occasion, on Lake Tanganyika with **Mrs. Moir** their two *dhow*s were driven ashore by a gale in the dangerous country, to the north of Karema. At sundown, they were treacherously attacked by hostile natives, and had to load their goods and ivory and put out to the lake under a heavy fire, the band of **Mrs. Moir's** hat being shot off by one of the bullets aimed at the boat.

Both of the brothers can speak several languages, **Frederick** having a working knowledge of three African, besides three Continental languages. Both have in the course of their travels, shot many elephants, rhinoceroses, hippopotami, buffaloes, and other big game.

\*For genealogy, see pages 218 and 219.

Both are possessed of business principles of the highest integrity, and endowed with a kindly, generous, and modest nature, and both have a wide circle of friends.

Both have served the Dark Continent well, the prosperity of the Nyassaland country in particular, being attributable in no small degree to their enterprising, well-conceived and even heroic work.

**John W. Moir** states, that in Old Orange Free State and near Kimberley, he met several **Moirs**, burgermeisters, who were doing well.

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**\*BYDAND**

(The Gordon Motto)

Adapted from David Macbeth Moir, "Delta,"

By W. O. DUNCAN, ESQ., of Aberdeen

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Scotland, dear to us is Scotland,  
 In her sons and in her daughters,  
 In the Highlands, Lowlands, Islands,  
 Wind swept Links and dancing waters.

In the glory of her story,  
 When her Tartans fire the field,  
 Dear to us the Gordon watchword,  
 "Byding," what come time may yield.

Ever dear her Doric language,  
 Mither tongue gey pawky kind,  
 Dear her Sabbath, for then faither  
 Hath a rest day tae his mind.

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\*"Bydand" (The Gordon motto), is the title of a new song of more than ordinary local interest, in that the words from "Delta" (D. M. Moir), have been adapted by Lieutenant-Colonel W. O. Duncan, 4th Battalion Gordon Highlanders, (T. F.) and the music is composed by F. Campbell Oddy, bandmaster of the battalion. The words rhyme clearly in telling the story of the old-fashioned Scots word "byding," and the music is singularly melodious with a nice simple, flowing accompaniment. As a regimental song, it should at once take its place among the other music inseperable to various regiments of the service. The song is the composer's property, but is published by Messrs. Boosey and Company, Regent street, London, and the cost price is 2s net.

(Aberdeen Evening Express, 5th March, 1913.)

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## JOHN MOIR, BLIND POET

BRIG O' \*FEUGH, BANCHORY, ABERDEENSHIRE

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ., of Aberdeen

The following tribute was paid by an anonymous writer to **John Moir, blind poet**, in the *Frazerburgh (Aberdeenshire) Herald*, June 21, 1909. He says:

Some short time ago, the remains of **John Moir**, better known as the "**Blind Poet o' the Feugh**," were laid to rest, and the visitors now look in vain for the blackboard which hung at the cottage door, and on which was recorded daily a verse of poetry, perhaps in a patriotic strain over some event during the Boer War, or simply recording some local event, or picturing in his mind's eye some scene on the Feugh. On paying a visit to the cottage where he lived, laboured and spun his rhyme, I was heartily entertained by his son, who, although inheriting little of his illustrious father's rhyming powers, has the same public spirit and hospitality. From my bed-chamber, and where the poet must have often slept, I could hear the splashing of the Feugh as it rushed over the waterfall at the bridge, and could well imagine how the sounds must have awakened a responsive chord in the heart of the blind poet, and drawn from his well-spring of poetry the following lines:

### PHASES O' THE FEUGH

When springs are at their lowest ebb,  
And mountain streamlets gone to rest,  
The Feugh is like a little child  
Asleep upon its mother's breast.

But when these springs began to rise,  
And babbling brooklets gem the ground,  
The Feugh is like a maiden shy,  
So softly slipping rocks around.

When lightnings flash and thunders roll,  
When mimic cascades sing for joy,  
The brawling Feugh takes up the song,  
And frolics like a madcap boy.

When fierce rain clouds' usurping power,  
To deluge earth would fain conspire,  
The Feugh is like an angry man,  
Loud growling in deep tones his ire.

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\*Feugh, burn (brook) with wooded banks, (from "Celtic Place-Names in Aberdeenshire," by John Milne, M.A., LL.D.)

The storm o'er-past, forth dart sunbeams,  
 Anon, all clouds are put to flight,  
 Foam-garland'd rocks their heads uprear,  
 Arrayed, like bridal maid in white.

When Luna climbs the southern sphere,  
 And smiles adown Feugh's festooned glade,  
 Then, lo! a more enchanting scene  
 Was ne'er by pen or brush portray'd.

*21 September, 1901.*

Although the poet was blind for many years before his death, he still cherished fond memories of the enchanting stream that meandered past his cottage door, and never seemed to tire conjuring up the scenes around his native Banchory. As is rightly recorded in the preface to his little booklet, "Feugh Spray," (published 1898—pp. 56) he was not much in sympathy with the romantic school of poets, of whom **Sir Walter Scott** may be said to be the chief. Rather did he prefer to tell a simple story in simple and homely language. He was undoubtedly nature's poet — the rustling of the trees in Autumn, the mariner of a Highland burn, touched his heart and found vent in such poems as "To the Tourist," "Phases o' the Feugh," "Pure Possible Pleasures," etc.

**Mr. Moir** was a great bookworm from his earliest days, and collected a large library, and after he was deprived of sight, he taxed the energies of all his friends reading to him the events of the day, or interesting passages of his favourite authors. He was an ardent politician, and a staunch supporter of the late Mr. John William Crombie, Liberal Member (of Parliament) from Kincardineshire. Few had such a grasp of the Scots dialect, as his Scotch version of the Twenty-Third Psalm will show:—

#### TWENTY-THIRD PSALM

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"Wha is my Shepherd, weel I ken —  
 The Lord himsel' is he;  
 He leads me whaur the girse is green  
 And burnies quaet be.

"Aft times I fain astray wad gang,  
 An' wanner far awa',  
 He fin's me oot; he pits me richt,  
 And brings me hame an a'.

"His guidness an' His mercy baith,  
 Nae doot will bide wi' me;  
 While faulded on the fields o' time,  
 Or a' eternity."

### WOMAN

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Were earthly homes of woman void,  
Sweet homes they'd prove no longer,  
Mere shelters, and naught else beside,  
Nor love, nor joy could they provide,  
For which man's heart doth hunger.

Then let us prize her presence there,  
And count the prize our treasure,  
Life's blessings with her seek to share,  
To make her happiness our care,  
Nor find a greater pleasure.

Behold what love a mother shows,  
What genuine emotion;  
Her courage dangers to oppose,  
Afflictions but still more disclose—  
Unselfish, true devotion.

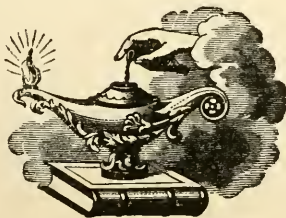
With loving care, her gentle hands  
Do minister in sickness;  
We listen to her grave commands,  
Assured our safety such demands—  
Her strength is ours in weakness.

We sing but half her noble deeds,  
Her virtues, charms and graces,  
Her faith in pure, domestic creeds,  
Her wise foresight forestalls our needs,  
Her presence, grief effaces.

*27 September, 1901.*

No less interesting were the verses that appeared daily on the black board, usually of an advertising nature, and inviting passers by to purchase the small wares he kept in his little shop adjoining the cottage.

“Green peas and ducklings are trysting to meet,  
Bought they must be e'er the tryst is complete;  
They're in splendid ply,  
Who'll come and buy?”





## \*ROBERT MOIR OF ONTARIO

Kindly furnished by his Son, ROBERT MOIR

The subject of this sketch was born near Stirling, Scotland, about the year 1817. Twenty-three years in Scotland, thirty-seven years in the Province of Quebec and twenty-three in Ontario, may be taken as marking three distinct periods of his life.

In Scotland he was known as a youth who, though slight of build and far from robust in constitution, was so early and so tensely employed, as to leave barely time for a little schooling in the three R's. At the age of seventeen, he commenced his apprenticeship as a blacksmith, and from the fact he was selected to assist in making the instruments required for experimental purposes by his master's son, then a student at college, we must infer that he was a favorite with his employer. It was while thus employed, that he gained a knowledge of the construction of optical instruments and the properties of lenses, that was to be of use to him in after years. Often has he told us of the spare hours used in experimenting with a rotary steam engine which he and the student referred to above invented. After its power had been tested in various ways and proven to be quite remarkable, it came suddenly to grief by the explosion of its boiler,—an old copper still.

This aptitude for mechanical experiment, together with an ardent love of nature and the study of natural law in the things around, mark him as one whose thoughts flowed in no ordinary channel. After a brief period spent in the City of Glasgow, he embarked for America and about the year 1842, commenced work in what was then considered an extensive blacksmithing establishment, near Montreal. Here again he seems to have found time and scope for experiment. The proprietor wished to have a small cannon made for saluting purposes. A "hooped cannon" was forged, which fortunately or unfortunately burst into pieces the first time it was discharged. His inventive skill was soon after turned to better account in the engine-room of one of the river steamers; which, even at that early stage in Canada's development, were taking the place of the sluggish batteau and the "Durham boat." When all efforts of the engineers had failed to start the huge rusted crank, the young Glasgow mechanic, in less than an hour, released the stubborn piece of metal. Amid the cheers of the crew, he was carried from the wharf on their shoulders.

Immediately after his marriage in 1846, he accepted a position with a lumber firm operating in Eastern Quebec. He had no intention of spending more than two or three years on the shores of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, yet he was destined to live for upwards of thirty years amid conditions so primitive, and to all appearance so uncongenial, that we wonder why a change was not made long before it did take place. Here, however, he set up in business for himself, only to find that his

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\*For Genealogy, see page 244.



JAMES MOIR,  
J.P., ALLOA.



ARCHIBALD MOIR OF ALLOA

(See pages 334 and 335)





Captain JAMES PHILIP MOIR, D. S. O.  
Grandson of James Moir, Banker,  
Alloa.  
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DUNCAN MOIR  
Lowell, Mass.  
(See page 253)



poor fisher neighbors made but scanty use of iron, in the construction of their boats and fishing gear. Need we be surprised, that as the years went by, the forge was found oftener locked than open, and its owner encouraged by the returns of a really fertile farm, toiling in his fields rather than at the anvil. As a farmer then, he was among the pioneers of that region in the establishment of an Agricultural Society. Fifteen years rolled by, ere a grist mill was built at all worthy of the name. Until that time the grist had to be taken in boats a distance of nearly fifty miles. But the limit of agricultural pursuits in Eastern Quebec is soon reached, its winter extending over nearly seven months of the year, and its chilling Gulf winds retarding vegetation till June, render profitable farming impossible. So about the year 1877, when large numbers of the English speaking population were leaving for locations in that vast New West, that Canada had so recently acquired, he removed to a fertile farm in Ontario's finest fruit belt. And there, surrounded by his sons and daughters, who had all found spheres of useful occupation in that prosperous peninsula, we find him spending the declining years of his long life; his chief delight being to walk about his orchard and to study the habits of the birds that annually come to build their nests

"In tree and shrub or leafy bower."

He had scarcely passed the allotted span, when his health, hitherto so even, began to fail. A bronchial trouble set in, under which he gradually grew weaker, till Feb., 1901, when he passed away so quietly, that the watchers by his bedside could scarcely tell when the summons came. For many years previous to his death, he had been a consistent member of the church of his early days. Liberal in all his views, he warmly supported whatever he considered might in any way promote the welfare of the community in which he dwelt.

Never can his children forget that in him was exemplified, the immense advantage of plain, simple living, temperate habits, and that regard for system and regularity which his early training had made part and parcel of his very being.

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## ROBERT MOIR, MERCHANT

### OQUAWKA, ILL.

From Burlington, Iowa, Newspaper

**Robert Moir**, of Oquawka, Ill., was born at Forres, Elginshire, Scotland, Oct. 30, 1824. His mother was one of seven children, none of whom survived over 40 years of age, except herself, who lived to be over 90; and **Robert Moir** was the only one of her children who reached the age of 50 years. **Mr. Moir** came to the United States in 1833, locating in New York, remaining there until 1849, when he settled in Oquawka, Ill. He married **Mary Nicol**, May 25, 1849. He has been connected with the mercantile firm of **Robert Moir & Co.**, since he was married. The firm originally consisted of

four brothers:—**William** who died in 1856, **James** who died in 1863, **Alexander** who died in 1868, besides **Robert** who died in 1904.

**Mr. Moir** was one of the leading financiers of his locality, and was well-known in business circles throughout the west. He possessed great mental vigor, tireless energy and application, of shrewd and unerring business judgment, which enabled him to manage large and varied business enterprises, and render them successful beyond the measure of men. He believed in punctuality to be an essential element in business promises and relations, and ever practiced and exacted it. He was positive in his opinions, but his seeming sternness was softened by the courtesy of the old regime. He was a great reader with a remarkable memory, and well-posted in general affairs. He was an interesting conversationalist, sociable in his nature, and took a friendly interest in the welfare of his friends. He was ever attached to his home and family, where he was loved and revered. He was very modest in his tastes and unostentatious in his private and business life. To be, and not to seem, was a dominant element in his nature.

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## REV. THOMAS MOIR, M. A. OF ABERDEENSHIRE

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ., of Aberdeen

**Rev. Thomas Moir, M. A.**, was the fourth minister of Cruden (Aberdeenshire) United Free Church. He was the son of Adam Moir, a farmer in Udny, and was educated at Aberdeen University, and the Free Church College of the same city. During his fourteen years ministry in Cruden, he did excellent work. He was a faithful preacher and pastor, who won and retained the affection of his flock. Unfortunately, he was cut off, after a lingering illness, at the early age of 46. He was buried at Cruden Parish Churchyard, amidst universal regret, and the handsome obelisk which the Free Church congregation have erected to his memory, tells its own story of work nobly done and of affection proved and tried. He is the only minister of the Free Church of Cruden who has died in office. On the obelisk mentioned, there is the following inscription:—

“Erected by the Free Church Congregation of Cruden, in memory of Thomas Moir, M. A., their faithful minister in church for thirteen years. Born at Udny, March 9, 1831. Died at Aberdeen, June 22, 1877. His last message to his people—  
‘Come to Jesus; come all.’”

His portrait is given in **Rev. Adam MacKay's** “Cruden and its Ministers,” printed at the Buchan Observer Works, Peterhead, 1912.

## JOHN WILSON MOIR

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Son of "Delta", was elected a member of the Round Table Club, January, 1871. He was one of the surviving members, January, 1900, M.D. (Edinburgh), once in practice in Musselburgh, now in St. Andrew's, Fifeshire. Page 178

The "Annals of the Round Table Club" were edited by John Gray McKendrick, M. D., (Aberdeen); LL. D. (Aberdeen and Glasgow); F. R. C. P. E., F. R. S., F. R. S. E.

Thirty-five copies only were issued in 1908, and the original proof copy is now in the possession of R. Murdoch Lawrence, Esq., of Aberdeen. The club included many distinguished men in the medical profession, and was inaugurated 8th of December, 1868.

## HON. WILLIAM J. MOIR

ELDORA, IOWA

From "ANNALS OF IOWA," July 1904, (p. 416)

**William J. Moir** was born in Banffshire, Scotland, Oct. 19, 1824. He came to this country with his parents in 1830. He was educated at Derby Academy, Vermont, and was naturalized at Plymouth, Indiana, in Aug. 1854. At the latter place he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1856. He settled in Eldora, Hardin County, Iowa, the same year, where he has since resided and practiced his profession. He has twice served, in 1862 and 1864 — in the Iowa House of Representatives, where he proved himself a useful and conscientious member. He also served twelve years on the Eldora school board, and was twice elected Mayor of that city. **Mr. Moir** was the leader in the work of founding the State Reform School at Eldora and one of its foremost friends and promoters. He served as one of the Board of Trustees — with the exception of two years — from the beginning, until it was taken in charge by the Board of Control in 1898. He was many years treasurer of the institution, during which time he disbursed the sum of \$1,228,557.25 for which he never asked nor received any compensation whatever. His services in connection with the Reform School have always met with hearty approval, and he is well-known to the people of Iowa from his long and efficient work in building up that institution. Page 187

**William J. Moir**, of Eldora, Iowa, in Feb., 1905, was serving his seventy-first term as treasurer of Odd Fellows lodge there.

He has twice represented the district in the State legislature, and is one of the pioneer lawmakers of Iowa. Before the inauguration of the government of state institutions, **Mr. Moir** was for years a mem-



ber of the board of the Iowa Industrial School for Boys. For many years he was manager of the Opera House at Eldora. Mr. Moir is a lawyer. He probably will continue to hold the office he occupies in the order of Odd Fellows for the balance of his life."

Special newspaper despatch, Feb. 1st, 1905.

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## ALEXANDER WILSON MOIR

### CIVIL SERVICE

From "WHITTAKER'S PEERAGE, BARONETAGE AND COMPANIONAGE"

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**Alexander Wilson Moir, C. M. G.**, b. March 28, 1825, was the son of **James Moir**, surgeon in the royal navy, (of whom an account is given in this volume) was for over forty years in the British Colonial civil service, being in charge of customs, was president of Turks Islands, (Bahamas), Tortola (Virgin Islands), Dominica (Leeward Islands, West Indies) and St. Kitts (West Indies). He was created Companion of the Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, in 1877. In later life he retired to Jersey, England, where he died April 6, 1897. He married **Isabella Dobson Watson** in 1852, and seven children blessed the union.

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## JAMES MOIR, M. D.

### NAVAL SURGEON

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**James Moir, M. D.**, a young married doctor of Edinburgh, Scotland, volunteered his services as medical officer, at the time of the British wars against Napoleon I. of France. His brig going down channel, was driven ashore on the coast of France, and all hands were captured; he was taken prisoner to Verdun. An officer got permission to have his wife sent there with an attendant, who happened to be **Mrs. Moir (Margaret Laing Stenhouse)**. While still practicing his calling and a prisoner, **John Innes Allen Moir** (afterwards M. D., of Edinburgh), was born, April 4, 1808. In 1814, immediately after Waterloo, all were liberated and returned to Scotland.

## SIR MICHAEL BRUCE

### BARONET OF STENHOUSE AND SCOTSTOWN

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWBRANCE, ESQ., Aberdeen

**Sir Michael Bruce**, who married **Isabella Moir**, of Scotstown, June 10, 1822, was one of a number of Aberdeen city gentlemen, who formed a guard of honour at the landing of Queen Victoria, at Aberdeen Harbour, 8 September, 1848. The late Mr. Peter Cleveland, artist, made it a "famous local picture," afterwards engraved, and now extremely scarce. He is described in the key to the portrait as follows:—

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24. SIR MICHAEL BRUCE, Baronet of Stenhouse and Scotstown, Dean of the Faculty of Marischal College, and Deputy Lieutenant of the County. Sir Michael is wearing the badge, suspended by tawney orange ribbon, of the Baronets of Scotland and Nova Scotia.  
(He died Dec. 14, 1862.)

## SIR THOMAS MOORE

### STATESMAN

From "ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA," IX. Edition

**Sir Thomas More**, Lord Chancellor, one of the most illustrious men of his age, was born in Milk St., in the City of London, Feb. 7, 1478. Son of **Sir Thomas More**, a barrister and justice of the Court of the King's Bench, in London. He graduated from Oxford University, 1496. After which he studied law. Under Henry VII., he filled various prominent positions. After the accession of Henry VIII. in 1523, he was chosen Speaker of the House of Commons; in 1529, he succeeded Cardinal Wolsey as Lord Chancellor. He resigned in 1532. In 1534 he was commanded to swear obedience to the act of succession. Upon his refusal, he was committed to the tower, where he remained a year. On July 1, 1535, he was brought before the high commission. The trial was a summary one; **More** was found guilty and sentenced to death by beheading, and he was executed July 6, 1535.

He wrote a great many poems in Latin, which have passed through many editions; he also wrote many works in English, but his best known work is "Utopia," which describes an ideal social condition of the world. There are also several historical articles by **More**, notably, "History of Richard III," a fragment.

## \*HANNAH MORE

AUTHORESS

From "ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA," IX. Edition

**Hannah More**, the authoress, was born at Stapleton, near Bristol, England, in 1745. She was the youngest but one of five daughters of **Jacob More**, a scion of a landed Norfolk family, who taught school in Stapleton and Gloucestershire.

She made three reputations in the course of her long life; first as a clever verse-writer, and witty converser in the circle of Johnson Reynolds and Garrick; next, as an animated writer on moral and religious subjects on the Puritanic side; and lastly, as a practical philanthropist.

Among the literary efforts may be named "A Search for Happiness," "Eldred of the Bower," "Thoughts on the Manners of the Great," "Sacred Dramas," and a great many others. In one year two million were circulated of her spirited rhymes and prose tales, to counteract the doctrines of the French Revolution.

In her serene old age, philanthropists from all parts of the world made pilgrimages to her home. She died at Clifton, September 7, 1833, at the mature age of eighty-seven.

## HENRY MORE

AUTHOR

From "ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA" IX. Edition

**Henry More** was born at Grantham in Lincolnshire, England 1614. His father was "**Alexander More, Esq.**, a gentleman of fair estate and fortune," highly spoken of by his son. He was graduated from Christ College, London, in 1639, obtaining several degrees. He died Sept. 1st, 1687, and was buried in the chapel of the college.

He wrote "Opera Theologica;" "Opera Philosophica;" "Opera Omnia;" "Apology;" and "Philosophical Poems."

\*Her portrait given herewith, is from a picture painted by Opie, in 1786. This portrait is prefixed to volumes of the *Memoirs of the Life and Correspondence of Hannah More*, by William Roberts, Esq., Third Edition, revised with an additional preface, 3 vols. Published by R. B. Seely and W. Burnside, and sold by L. B. Seely & Sons, Fleet street, London. MDCCCXXXV.

## AN ANCIENT AYRSHIRE FAMILY THE MURES OF ROWALLAN

From the "KILMARNOCK STANDARD," June 22, 1912

The late Colonel Mure of Caldwell, whose death occurred with startling suddenness, on the evening of 14th inst., belonged to an ancient Ayrshire family, the Mures of Rowallan, much light was thrown upon the genealogy of this family by the publication, in 1825, of "The Historie and Descent of the House of Rowallane, by Sir William Mure, Knight of Rowallane, written in or prior to 1657."

According to the author of the "Historie," Rowallan had been in possession of the Mures, previous to the reign of Alexander III., from which they were dispossessed by the powerful house of Cuming, and the owner, Sir Gilchrist More, was "redacted for his safety to keep close in his castle of Polkellie." After the battle of Largs, however, upon which occasion Sir Gilchrist received the honour of Knighthood in reward for his bravery, he "was reponed to his whole inheritance." "Sir Gilchrist," continues the author, "for preventing of more occasion of trouble, and for settling of his owne securitie and firmer peace, made allyance with this partie of power, and married Isabell, his onlie daughter and heire, by accession of whose inheritance, to witt of the lands of Cumingside, Draden, and Harwoods, his estate being enlarged." The editor, however, remarks, that it is "fully as probable, even from his own showing, that Polkelly was the more ancient inheritance of his family, and that Rowallan was acquired solely by the marriage of the heiress, Isabell, as is generally held." But to follow our author—"After the death of Sir Walter Cumine, Sir Gilchrist now secured not onlie in the title and full possession of his old inheritance, but also in his border lands, quherin he succeeded to Sir Walter forsaide within the Sheref dome of Roxburgh, being sensible and mindfull of the deserving of his friends and followers in time of his troubles, deals with all of them as became a man of honour, bestowing upon each, parcell of land according to his respect, interest or (happy) promise to the persone. He disponed to his kinsman Ranald More, who had come purposlie from Ireland for his assistance in time of his troubles and tooke share with him of the hazard of the battell, the lands of Pokellie," &c. Now there is evidently a complete jumbling of time and circumstances here. In the reign of David II., Maurice Murray had a charter "of the waird of Walter Cuming of Rowallan, in vic. de Roxburgh, with the lands thereof." It is thus apparent that the Rowallan lands in Roxburghshire were not in possession of Sir Gilchrist at this period; and it is next to impossible that the same Sir Gilchrist Mure, who fought at the battle of Largs, could have been alive in the reign of David II. Indeed he is stated by the author to have died in 1280. No reliance, therefore is to be placed on the "Historie" by Sir William farther back than can be corroborated by

concurrent testimony. The immediate ancestor of Sir Gilchrist, appears to have been "David de Moore," mentioned in a charter by Alexander II, between 1214 and 1249, who is stated to have been "the head of the house of Rowallane." This is extremely probable, at least he is the first on record. That he possessed Rowallan, however, is doubtful, though the lands of Polkelly, chiefly in Renfrewshire, may have belonged to him. He was probably succeeded by Sir Gilchrist, who fought at the battle of Largs. Archibald, who was slain at Berwick, where the army of Baloil was wholly routed, in 1298. William, heir and successor, is honourably mentioned in an indenture truce with England, in the non-age of King David, wherein he is designed, Sir William. "Sir Adam, who having been bred a long time in his father's auld age, with the management and weight of all his affaires both private and more publick, in these rougher times, found the less difficultie to apply himself by a more easie method to maintaine the lett and fortune left by his predecessors, now in his own hand."

It appears from the "Historie" (says Paterson), that the family had suffered considerably during the war of independence, maintained first by Wallace, and afterwards by Bruce; and Sir Adam is eulogized for his prudence in having improved and enlarged their dilapidated inheritance. Sir Adam is said to have married Janet Mure, granddaughter of Ronald More, heiress of Polkellie, by which the latter estate was rejoined to Rowallan. By this marriage, he had two sons and a daughter, Elizabeth, married to Robert, the High Stewart, afterwards King of Scotland. There existed at one time much dubiety as to the reality of this marriage. All our early historians, down even to Buchanan, were of opinion that the union had never been legalized by marriage. The author of the "Historie," however, quoting from a "Deduction of the Descent of the House of Rowallane," collected by Sir John Lermonth, chaplain to Alexander, Archbishop of St. Andrews, says "That Robert, Great Stewart of Scotland, having taken away the said Elizabeth, drew to Sir Adam, her father, ane instrument that he should take her to be his lawfull wife, which myself hath seen, saith the collector, as also ane testimonie, written in Latine, by Roger M'Adame, priest of our Ladie Marie's Chapell." Mr. Lewis Innes, Principal of the Scots College at Paris, first completely proved the fallacy of Buchanan's account of King Robert's marriages, by publishing in 1694, a charter granted by him in 1354, which charter showed that Elizabeth More was the first wife of Robert, and made reference to the dispensation granted by the Pope for the marriage. That dispensation was long sought for in vain, but was at length discovered in 1789, at which time a dispensation for the marriage of Robert II. with Euphame Ross was also found." Ample proof of the union exists in the Crown charters. For example, there is a charter by David II. "to Robert, Great Stuart of Scotland, of the lands of Kintyre, with the advocacion of the Kirks thereof in fee and to John Stewart, his son, gotten betwixt him and Elizabeth More, daughter to Adam More, Knight, and failzeing of him, to Walter, his second brother." Also

a charter by Robert III. "to Andrew Muir, uncle to the King, of an pension of £20 sterling furth of the great customs on both sides of the Forth, until said Andrew or his heirs should be heritably seized in a £20 land in some convenient place." Elizabeth More, the first wife of Robert II., is said to have been a woman of great beauty, and to have attracted the attention of the High Stewart during the troublous times of Edward Baloil, when he was frequently compelled to seek safety in concealment. Dundonald Castle, then the chief residence of the Stewarts, was no doubt the "scene of King Robert's early attachment and nuptial with the fair Elizabeth." From this union are descended the existing race of British sovereigns, as well as most of the crowned heads of Europe.

Robert Mure of Rowallan, is described as a frequenter of the "court in the minoritie of King James the Third. He was ane man, black hared, and of ane hudge large stature, therefore commonlie called the Rud of Rowallane. The king in his bearne head proponed to round with him, and as he offered swa to doe, dang out his eye with the spang of ane cocle-shell. He was a man who regarded not the well of his house, but in following court and being unfit for it, waisted, sold, and wadset all his proper lands of Rowallane, quhilk may be an example to all his posteritie."

Mungo Mure of Rowallan, appears to have greatly improved the old fortalice of Rowallan, having "aisit the hall vpone four vouttis (vaults), and laiche trance, and completit the samen in his awin tyme." He is described as a "man of singular valour, and very worthie of his hands, quherof he gave good prooffe in divers conflicts." It was this laird of Rowallan who, with Robert Boyd, Guideman of Kilmarnock, gave the Duke of Hamilton such signal assistance at the skirmish called the "Field of Glasgow."

John Mure of Rowallan, is said to have taken "great delyte in policie and planting. He builded the fore wark, back wark and woman house, frome the ground." Ano her account states, that "he plaintit the orcharde and gairdein, sett the vppir banek and nethir bank, the birk zaird befor the zett." He is said to have "lived gratioulsie" yet from a "Letter of Sleance, by Alexander Cowper," it would appear that he was not saikless of the feuds of his time. He was on friendly terms with the Kilmarnock family, and assisted them materially on various occasions, particularly when the Laird of Knockdolian attempted to hold the Baillie; Court of Grougar.

The Laird of Rowallan, had a letter addressed to him by Queen Mary, on her escape from prison in 1568; but as he subscribed the "Band" in support of the Reformation in 1562, in which year he also sat in Parliament, it is not probable that he attended the summons.

William Mure is described as "of a meik and gentle spirit, and delyted much in the studie of phisick, which he practised especially among the poore people with very good success. He was one religious man and died gratioulsie in the yeare of his age 69, the yeare of our Lord 1616." His latter will was "Subscriyvit at Rowallane, the third day of September, 1616 ze'rs."

Sir William Mure succeeded his father. "This Sir William," says the "Historie," of which he was the author, "was pious and learned, and had an excellent value in poyse; he deltyed much in building and planting; he builded the new wark in the north syde of the close, and the battlement of the back wall, and reformed the whole house exceedingly. He lived religiouslie and died Christianlie in the years of (his) age 63, and the yeare of (our) Lord, 1657."

Some further notice, however, of Sir William, the author of "The True Crucifixe," seems only a just tribute to his memory. He appears to have early cultivated a taste for the muses, and some verses in Latin on the death of his grandfather, occur amongst his juvenile pieces. His manuscript poetry is considerable. Among the larger pieces is a translation of some books of Virgil; a religious poem which he calls "The Joy of Tears," and another, "The Challenge and Reply." Several of his pieces have been published. In the "Muse's Welcome," a collection of poems and addresses made to King James, on his visiting Scotland in 1617, there is a poetical address to the King at Hamilton, written by Sir William Mure of Rowallan. In 1628, he published a poetical translation of the celebrated "Hecatombe Christiana" of Boyd of Trochrig, together with a small original piece called "Doomesday." In 1629 he published "The True Crucifix for True Catholikes." For some years after 1629, he seems to have been employed on a version of the Psalms, which was much wanted in Scotland at that time. The old English version was not popular, and the one executed by King James, and Sir W. Alexander, of Menstrie, was so disliked that the Bishops would not press it upon the Church. King James' version was not sanctioned by the Assembly, and some expression in it gave offence to the people, e. g. the sun was called "The lord of light," and the moon "The pale lady of the night." Though this version was rejected, still many wished that the old one should be improved, or a better one substituted in its place. Several gentlemen attempted particular psalms; but a version of the whole was undertaken by Sir William Mure of Rowallan, which he seems to have finished in 1639. Principal Baillie, who attended the Westminster Assembly, as Commissioner from the Church of Scotland, in a letter, dated at London, January first, 1644, says, "I wish I had Rowallan's Psalter here, for I like it better than any I have yet seen." It does not, however, appear, that Sir William's version was transmitted to the Assembly; Mr. Rous', which was recommended by the English Parliament, was finally adopted, and has ever since been used in Scotland; but the committee appointed to revise Mr. Rous' version, was instructed to avail themselves of the help of Rowallan's. The attention of Sir William, was not entirely devoted to literary pursuits. He took his share in the burden of the duties of civil life, being a member of the Parliament held at Edinburgh, June 1643, and of the "Committee of Warre," for the sheriffdom of Ayr, in 1644. He was also with the Scottish army in England, in 1644, and was present in some engagements between the royal and parliamentary

forces. Sir William was also one of the Remonstrators, who "brunt the Gaite of Drumlanrig, and plundered and waisted the lands," in 1650.

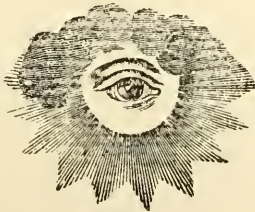
William Mure of Rowallan, the last lineal representative of the family, succeeded his father in 1686. He was entered a student at the University of Glasgow in 1660. His name frequently occurs in the records of the parish of Kilmarnock. He is mentioned there, for the last time, in 1695, in a commission to defend a process of translation before the Synod.

Dame Jean Mure of Rowallan, his only surviving daughter, and sole heiress, succeeded. This lady married, first, William Fairlie, of Bruntfield, afterwards designed of Fairlie, to whom she had issue. She married, secondly, David, first Earl of Glasgow, by which marriage she had three daughters, Jean Mure, Countess of Glasgow, died Sept. 3, 1724, and was succeeded by her eldest surviving daughter of the second marriage:—

Lady Jean Boyle Mure of Rowallan. She married the Hon. Sir James Campbell, of Lawers, K.B., third and youngest son of James, second Earl of Loudoun. He entered the army at an early age, and served on the Continent, under the Duke of Marlborough. He commanded the British horse at the battle of Fontenoy, 30th April, 1745, when he was mortally wounded, one of his legs being carried off by a cannon ball. He expired soon afterwards, and was buried at Brussels. He had a daughter, Margaret; and a son who succeeded him:—

James Mure Campbell, born 11th February, 1726. He assumed the name of Mure on succeeding to the estate of Rowallan; he was elected Member of Parliament for the county of Ayr in 1754;—succeeded his cousin John, fourth Earl of Loudoun, on the 27th of April, 1782, and died on the 28th April, 1786, being then a Major-General in the army. He married, in 1777, Flora, eldest daughter of John Macleod, of Rasay, and by her, who died in 1780, he had an only child:—

Flora Mure Campbell, born in August 1780, Countess of Loudoun, Baroness Manchline, &c., &c., who succeeded to the ancient patrimonial inheritance of her ancestors, the Mures of Rowallan. Her Ladyship married 12th July, 1804, Francis, Earl of Moira, Marquis of Hastings, by whom she had issue.





## THE MURES

By "G." in "KILMARNOCK STANDARD." (Published 1892)

The orthography of the name **Mure** has passed through a great many changes. Both in the "True Crucifix" and the "Cry of Blood" (British Museum), Sir William spelled it "**Moore**," probably because **Mure** was more of a local name, and when he began to publish, he preferred the spelling which would be the more easily pronounced by English readers. I think there is no doubt that the Gaelic "**More**," meaning "great or big," is the original, whether imported from Ireland, or whether it was Strathelyde-British, need not matter. The probability is, that the family owned Polkellie long before the time of Sir Gilchrist, as the name is to be found in a charter in the reign of King Alexander II. and the "Historie" states that Sir Gilchrist was buried *with his ancestors* in the **Mure's** aisle, at Kilmarnock, in the year 1277. When the spelling **More** was altered to **Mure**, I think it was pronounced **Moore**. It is common enough to do so at the present time. The spelling **Mair**, which is common in this district, is just the Lowland Scottish pronunciation of **More**. A century ago, when Latin was so much in vogue, it was often written **Meuros**, and there was a publisher in Kilmarnock of that name. Besides nearly all the parish of Fenwick, and a large part of Kilmarnock, a large area of land, used to be owned by branches of the family all over Scotland.

I have seen the name written **Moyer** or **Moir**. Patrick **Moyre** or **Mure**, of Annandstone (Upper Ward), witnesses charters in 1493 and 1508, and this family at one time held the Barony of Thankerton, in Upper Ward. Samuel de la More de Thangarston, signed the Ragman Roll in 1296. The same family held the Barony of Symington (Upper Ward), John Muir, of Anistoun, was served heir to his father, in the barony of Symontown, with the patronage of the church in 1646. More, de Mora, de la More (Delmore), Mure, Moore, Moor, Moir, Muire, Muir, Mueros, Mair, Murison, and Moyre, are all just different ways of spelling the same patronymic, and I think I may safely say, that there is hardly another surname that has been so variously spelled. I have a settled account in my possession of "Peeter **Mour**, carpenter in Kilmarnock," dated 1741. The name **Gilmore**, the servant or vassal of **More**, seems to have changed in spelling along with **More**. It used to be **Gilmure**, and now is commonly written **Gilmour**.

The **Moors** of Corsewall, who are descended from Captain Alexander, second son of the poet, Sir William, still spelled it **Moore**. They are the real nearest male representative of the old house of Rowallan, and seem also to have inherited a large share of the genius and amiable disposition of their ancestor, Sir William, as witness, General Sir John Moore, and his father, Dr. Moore.

The armorial bearings of the different families of the name in England, Scotland, and Ireland, bear some family resemblance generally, a Saracen or Moor's head, frequently alluded to as the "Bluidy Heid of Rowallan." There is a tradition that the crest and motto, were adopted in consequence of some exploit in the Holy Land, during the Crusades, but it is quite possible, that the name may have suggested it. All families of consequence, adopted some heraldic distinction about that period. The motto of the Mures, is "Duris Non Frango," and again it is, "Durum Patientia Frango."

In "Fairbairn's book of Crests," I find Muir, of Riccarton, Bart., and can not think what family this could be. My notion is that Riccarton is an error for Rowallan. The great estate formerly held by the Mures, have mostly passed into other families, through falling to heiresses, who failed to observe the old Hebrew law of succession enacted by Moses (Numbers, XXXVI). It reminds one of what King James Fifth said about the crown of Scotland,—"It would gang by a lass."



## THE MORES AND MURES OF CALDWELL AND ROWALLAN

From BURKE'S "LANDED GENTRY"

The Mures of Caldwell, County Ayr, are immediately descended from Sir Reginald More, of Abercorn and Cowdmas, who appears to have been Chamberlain of Scotland as early as 1329, the first year of the reign of David II. The name appears at various periods—More, Mure, Muir, Moor, &c., and from the correspondence of the armorial bearings, seems to be the same originally, as that of the Moores, of Moore place, Kent.

The arms of Muir, of Caldwell, and Muir, of Rowallan, being then the two chief houses of the name in Scotland, are exhibited on page 46 of the Scottish Heraldry, emblazoned by Sir David Lindsay, Lord Lyon, about the year 1540. Those of Caldwell, present the plain shield of the Mores, "Three Mulletts on a bend," while on the shield of Rowallan, are quartered the wheat sheaves of the Comyns.

The most ancient of the name on record are the Mores of Polkelly, near Kilmarnock in Ayrshire; one of whom, David de More, appears as witness to a charter of Alexander II. The direct male line of Polkelly, becoming extinct, the estate passed by marriage of the female heir to the Mores, of Rowallan, cadets of the family of Polkelly, who had acquired the neighboring estate of Rowallan from the Comyns, its ancient Lords.

Gilchrist More (younger son of Sir Reginald More, of Abercorn, one of the commissioners appointed A.D. 1340, to treat with the Lords Percy, Mowray, and Nevill, on a truce between the two nations), became the male representative of the house of Abercorn, at the death of his older brother William. To him descended the property of Cowdmas.

The estate of Caldwell, in the shires of Ayr and Renfrew, he is supposed to have acquired, by marriage with the heiress of Caldwell of that ilk, then a family of some note, having given a chancellor to Scotland in 1349.

Between 1340 and 1539, the family name of More was changed to Mure, at which latter date, John, son of John Mure, inherited the estates of Caldwell, in Ayrshire.

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### ARMS

Arg. on a fesse, az. three mullets, of the first, within a border, angr.

**Crest.** A Saracen's head, ppr.

**Motto.** "Duris non franger."

## GEORGE MOIR

OF BELMONT ST. CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ABERDEEN

Transcribed by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ., Aberdeen

The founder and first deacon of the Church, now known as **Belmont Street Congregational Church, Aberdeen**, was a native of **Skene, Aberdeenshire**, and was born on the 29th June, 1764. He came to Aberdeen as a boy of thirteen, and was afterwards in the employment of Provost **Abercrombie**, Aberdeen, who was a stocking manufacturer in 1799.

The Provost's business gave way, and **Mr. Moir** appears to have taken up the retail hosiery trade, on his own account. For that period he seems to have received a good education, a circumstance, coupled with his early establishment in business, which points to the comfortable circumstances in which he had been reared. He became a burgess of Guild in 1796. There is abundant evidence that he was a thoughtful, intelligent, man, fairly entitled to the often loosely awarded epithet, "well read." He also had the habit of the pen, and has a good claim to authorship, although his works have never been printed. They consist of an "Occasional Diary," of much interest, and an incomplete series of letters designed for children, on the subject of Religion, and entitled, "A Poor Father's Legacy." These were methodically classified under distinctive headings, a storehouse of readily available subject matter—the tabulated gleanings of a man at once reflective and cultivated. **Mr. John Bulloch**, the historian, of Belmont Street Congregational Church—the first Congregational Church in Aberdeen—possesses a manuscript volume entirely of **George Moir's** own composition. In it there are no fewer than fifty-three poetical pieces. The following is a fair sample of his muse. It is entitled:—

### A SABBATH MORNING REFLECTION

Once more, the blessed day I see,  
When **Jesus Christ**, who died for me,  
Arose triumphantly—  
The dreary regions of the dead  
Could not confine my living Head,  
Or else my hopes would die.

Awake, my eyes; arouse, my heart,  
Dull drowsiness away depart,  
For **Jesus** early rose—  
At early dawn, **He** left **His** grave,  
And all **His** en'mies did outbrave,  
And vanquished all my foes.

The pious **Mary** early sought,  
 This **Jesus** who their pardon bought,  
     Before the shadows fled,  
 To the S'pulchre where he lay,  
 They took the solitary way,  
     And thought **He** still was dead.

But lo! an angel, blazing, bright,  
 In vestments of the purest white,  
     Addressed the plaintive pair—  
 Ye seek the **Lord**, be not afraid,  
**He** now is risen—as **He** said;  
     Come, see, the **Lord** lay there.

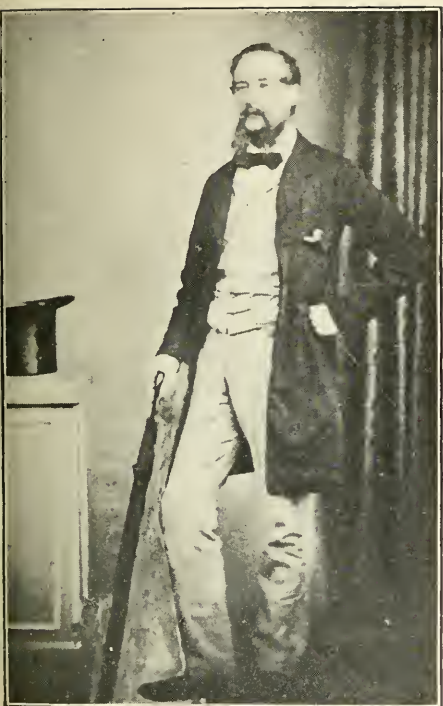
But go and tell **His** friends the same,  
 And mention **Peter** out by name,  
     Lest **He** be sore cast down,  
 Though sin may hide **His** face awhile,  
 When sinners weep, the **Lord** will smile,  
     'Tis force that makes **Him** frown.

But am I sure that **He** was raised!  
 Yes, for the Galileans gazed,  
     While up to Heaven **He** flew.  
 And I am sure **He'll** come again!  
 Yes, for **His** promise must remain  
     A truth—if **God** be true.

So early as 1792, **George Moir**, was favorably known as a public-spirited man, a man of practical benevolence. In that year he had the honor to found a charity under the quaint title of "The Sick Man's Friend Society." Among the many ways in which **George Moir** helped the church in its early years, was in placing his home at the disposal of the numerous "supplies," who came to officiate. What kind of a home that was, may be gleaned from a verse of the poem, "Wrote when I took up House."

"Oh, let this humble house of mine,  
 Be under **Thy** peculiar care;  
 And, as a little church of **Thine**,  
 Be daily sanctified with prayer."

In the midst of this good man's many activities, and interests, the heavy hand of disease and death was laid on him. After a protracted illness on the 16th November, 1802, at the comparatively early age of 38, he closed a career, poor in years, but rich in experiences, and in service. He was predeceased by three children, and survived by two, a son and a daughter, the latter was a member of the church till her death. The first, **Captain**, in connection with the church of which **George Moir** was the founder, is thus registered under date 22nd



ALEXANDER WILSON MOIR

(Civil Service over 40 Years)

President of Turks Islands (Bahamas)  
Tortola (Virgin Islands) Dominica and St.  
Kitts, (West Indies)

(A. Orange, Photo. Edinburgh)



ISABELLA DOBSON WATSON MOIR

wife of

ALEXANDER WILSON MOIR

(Stuart Photo. Glasgow)

(See page 348)





**SIR JOHN MOORE**

See page 362)





April 1799.—“This day, **George Moir**, hosier in **Aberdeen**, and **Ann Smith**, his wife, both members of this church, had a son born, named **George**, baptised by **Mr. Moseley** of **Longbuckley**, **Northamptonshire**. The ordinance was performed in the chapel in the forenoon.”

(From **Mr. John Bulloch's** “**Centenary Memorials of the First Congregational Church, Aberdeen.**”)

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## GEORGE W. MOIR

### SOLDIER

Kindly furnished by **HON. WILLIAM J. MOIR**, of **Eldora, Iowa**.

**George W. Moir**, patriot soldier, born 1839, in **Stanstead**, **Province of Quebec**, son of **John Moir** of **Banff**, **Scotland**, and **Sophia Nicols**. He was brother to **John Nicol Moir** of **Stanstead, P. Q.**, and half-brother to **William J. Moir**, of **Eldora, Iowa**. He enlisted in the **12th Iowa Volunteer Infantry**, and was elected **2nd lieutenant** of that company—was in the **Battle of Fort Donaldson**, and on the 6th of April 1862, in the **Battle of Shiloh**, was slain while leading **Company “A.”** He was buried at **Eldora, Iowa**. He had previously taught school for two years in **Iowa**.

“He was a good man, mentally, morally, physically; as brave a man as ever drew a sword, and as good a brother as ever God gave to man.”

(See official letter elsewhere in this book, from the **War Department** Page 368 at **Washington**, in reference to this gentleman.)

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## JOHN MUIR

### GEOLOGIST, BOTANIST, EXPLORER, TRAVELLER

From “**WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA**,” 1912

**John Muir** was born at **Dunbar**, **East Lothian**, **Scotland**, 21st April, 1838, a son of **Daniel** and **Anne (Gilrye) Muir**. He came to **America** in 1849, with his father, who settled in **Fox River**, **Wisconsin**, and cleared a farm. He entered the **University of Wisconsin** when 22, and graduated in 1864. He commenced his lonely journeys through **Canada**, **Eastern** and **Western States**, the **North** and the **South**; in 1868 after exploring the **Yosemite Valley**, he settled there, living alone on the mountains ten years, and making a particular study of glacial terraces in the **Sierra Nevada**—on this subject he wrote letters to newspapers beginning in 1871. He discovered in the **High Sierra**, 65 residual glaciers. He made his first trip to **Alaska** in 1879,

discovered Glacial Bay, and Muir Glacier, and explored the upper courses of the Yukon and MacKenzie rivers, and in 1880, accompanied the De Long search expedition in the "Corwin" to the Arctic.

He has written much for periodicals, urging the formation of National parks, and forest preservation; the Sequoia and Yosemite National Parks are due to his efforts.

He was given the honorary degree of A. M. at Harvard University, 1896; LL. D. from University of Wisconsin 1897; L.H.D. from Yale University in 1911.

He is editor of "Picturesque California," and has written many books of great scientific value. He travelled in Russia, Siberia, Manchuria, India, Australia, New Zealand, South America in 1911, and in Africa 1911-12.

His address is Martinez, California, U. S. A.

## SIR JOHN MOORE

Abridged from "THE LIFE OF SIR JOHN MOORE"

By his brother, J. C. MOORE, published 1833

Sir John Moore was born in Glasgow, November 13, 1761. He was a son of \*Dr. John Moore, well-known as the author of "Zeluco." They were descendants of the Muirs of Rowallan in Ayrshire, and the Mures of Caldwell in Renfrewshire—whose ancestor was Elizabeth More, the queen of King Robert II., of Scotland.

Sir John was appointed tutor to the young Duke of Hamilton, and this appointment was the means of procuring for him educational advantages, by which he profited so much as to be called in after life, "The Most Cultivated Officer in the Army." He accompanied his father and the young Duke from court to court, to all the chief capitals of Europe. While travelling, he was suddenly called in 1777, to join the 51st regiment. At this time he was 16 years of age. He served in America, till the peace in 1783. A year later, he was returned as a Member of Parliament for the united boroughs of Selkirk, Peebles and Linlithgow. In 1790, he resigned his seat in Parliament, and got an appointment as a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Army, afterwards rising through merited promotion to be Brigadier-General. In 1792, he went to Corsica, in the Mediterranean; in 1796, he was called to the Barbadoes in the West Indies. Two years later he took part in the Irish Rebellion, and was active in the battles of Wexford and Vinegar Hill. In 1799, he joined the expedition to Helder in Holland, and

\*Dr. John Moore was born in Stirling in 1730, and died in London in 1802. "Zeluco" was published in 1789. He was the first of his line to spell his name "Moore." the spelling was changed "for a difference."

the following year he accompanied Abercromby to the Mediterranean. He was some time in Egypt, distinguishing himself at the battle of Alexandria. He afterwards was prominent in Spain, Portugal and Sweden, and again in Spain, where he made his famous retreat from Napoleon, falling back quickly, fighting every day and invariably with success.

It was on the 16th January, 1809, that **Sir John Moore** fought his last battle; he fell early in the day, and knew at once that his wound was mortal. His last hours were cheered with the knowledge of victory, and were spent in recommending his old friends, **Graham** and **Colburne**, to the notice of his Government.

**Sir H. Hardinge's** description of these hours is in its way inimitable, and in it must be studied, how a modern Bayard should die in battle, every thought being for others, and none for himself, or the pains his wounds gave him.

He was buried wrapped in a military cloak, in a hastily made grave, at midnight the same day, in the ramparts of **Corunna**, Spain. A monument has since been erected on the spot.

The well-known poem, "The Burial of **Sir John Moore**," by **Charles Wolfe**, contains eight stanzas, of which the following are two:—

"Not a drum was heard, not a funeral note,  
As his corse to the rampart we hurried;  
Not a soldier discharged his farewell shot  
O'er the grave, where our hero was buried.

Slowly and sadly, we laid him down,  
From the field of his fame, fresh and gory;  
We carved not a line—we raised not a stone,  
But we left him alone in his glory."

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## GEORGE JAMESON

Abridged from "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES"  
By **ANDREW J. MITCHELL-GILL**, of **Savock**

**Gilbert Anderson of Finshaugh**, (descended from a very old burgess race of "Bon Accord," appears to have been connected with the town of **Aberdeen**, so far back almost as any of the records of the town extend), married at **Aberdeen**, 29th May, 1576, **Janet Moir**, (who died 4th May, 1601), and had at least three children. **Marjory**, the younger of the three, married **Andrew Jameson**, an architect in **Aberdeen**. Their son was **George Jameson**, born 1588, the celebrated painter, termed "The Scottish Vandyke," who married 12th March, 1624, **Isobel Toasch**, and had a large family, one of whom, **Mary**, married **Prof. James Gregory**.

"He (\*George Jameson) was endowed by nature with an uncommon genius for portrait painting, which he discovered at an early period of life. After passing through the usual course of education at schools and college of the place, he went abroad and studied at Antwerp, being fellow-student with Vandyke, under the celebrated Rubens."

He painted many portraits of **Charles I**, and many eminent men who flourished in the beginning of the 17th century, and many of his works are to be found in the possession of the principal families of **Scotland**. The finest collection of his works is at **Taymouth Castle**, the seat of the **Earl of Breadalbane**. (See illustration.)

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**DR. JOHN MUIR, ST. JAMES' CHURCH**  
GREAT HAMILTON STREET, GLASGOW

Of **DR. JOHN MUIR**, a very able man of bygone days, some good stories have been told. It was said that he used to mark his "heads" in shorthand on his finger nails, and this led to the saying, he has his sermon "on his finger ends." During the ten years conflict, he was a non-intrusionist, and went to the very edge of coming out, but drew back at the last hour, joining the famous "forty thieves," led by **Dr. Leishman of Govan**. **DR. MUIR** was quite equal to the occasion, for on the Sabbath after the Disruption, he preached from 2 Samuel XV: ii, "And with **Absalom** went two hundred men out of **Jerusalem**, that were called; and they went in their simplicity, and they knew not any thing."

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†**WILLIAM MITCHELL, Baptized 13 September, 1736**

From "HOUSES OF MOIR AND BYRES," by A. J. MITCHELL-GILL of Savock

A stone which bore the annexed incomplete inscription, could not be found, when **Mr. Robert Murdoch Lawrance** visited **Newhills Churchyard**, near **Aberdeen**, May, 1908:—

"There are also here interred, **Mr. William Mitchell, merchant,**

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\*George Jameson, born 1588, died 1644. He acquired large practice as a portrait painter, and had among his sitters, many of the most celebrated Scotsmen of his time. Among them James VI. and Charles I., Sir Archibald Johnston (Warriston), the great Marquis of Montrose, and the first Marquis of Argyle. According to his correspondence with Sir Colin Campbell of Glenorchy, his price for bust-size portraits, was 20 merks, or with a gold frame £20 Scots, and he engaged to turn out 16 portraits in a period of three months. He was buried in Greyfriars churchyard, Edinburgh. His pictures have suffered much from re-painting, varnish or neglect. Perhaps the best examples of his work were seen in his portraits in the Glasgow Exhibition, 1911, of the Second Marquis of Huntley and his wife; also the portrait of himself by himself at the same place, now in possession of the Countess Dowager of Seafield.

†Kindly furnished by R. Murdoch Lawrance, Esq., of Aberdeen.

**Aberdeen**, who died 10th May, 1816, aged 80. And of **Mrs. Mary Fordyce**, his spouse, who died 13th April, 1824, aged 82. **James Lawrance**, who died 10th April, 1843, aged 66. Also **Elliot Mitchell**, his spouse, who died 20th November, 1854, aged 74. Also **Elizabeth Mitchell**, spouse of the late **David Morison**, hat manufacturer, **Montrose**, who died 12th April, (date worn off). Also **Mary Campbell**, who died 12th January, 1886, aged 74."

**James Lawrance**, above mentioned, was the father of **Walter Lawrance**, Fleet-Surgeon, Royal Navy, retired, who died at 5 East Craibstone Street, **Aberdeen**, 17th January, 1902, aged 82, and was buried at Allenvale Cemetery, **Aberdeen**. Surgeon **Lawrance** was a native of **Aberdeen**. He was educated at the Grammar School, and at Marischal College. (*Records of Marischal College*, II., p. 493.) Whence he passed into the Royal Navy in 1841. He was promoted to Surgeon in 1852, Staff-Surgeon in 1854, and Fleet-Surgeon later, retiring with that rank, 1871. Surgeon **Lawrance** had an exceedingly interesting career, in the service of his country. During the 30 odd years in which his name figured in the active list of the **British Navy**, he served practically in all parts of the world. At various stages of his career, he served on board over a dozen different vessels—on the **West African**, **Australian**, and other stations—and naturally during the long and interesting period which covered his connection with the navy, he was an active participant in many important changes in the first line of defence. His service in the **Australian Station** was during a very lively epoch in the history of that colony, and he had many interesting recollections of his experiences in that quarter of the globe. He took out the last batch of convicts to **Australia**.

It may be interesting to mention that the last vessel on which Fleet-Surgeon **Lawrance** served, was H. M. S. "*Clyde*," at **Aberdeen**, in the early seventies. Personally, Surgeon **Lawrance** was of a most genial, kindly disposition, and his friendship was appreciated by a wide circle of acquaintances. He was a keen conservative in politics, and a member of St. James' Episcopal Church, **Aberdeen**. He was survived by his wife, who is still (1912), hale and hearty. His portrait in uniform is given in "*In Memoriam*," 1902.

- I. **Andrew Moir** (1673-1733), and **Elizabeth Simpson** of Thornton (1675-1761).
- II. **Jean Moir**, eldest daughter (1701-1792), married **William Mitchell**, Newburgh.
- III. **William Mitchell** (1736-1816), merchant-burgess, married secondly, **Mary Fordyce** of Aquhorties.
- IV. **Elliot Mitchell** (1780-1854), married **James Lawrance**, manufacturer (1777-1843), at 27 Albyn Place, **Aberdeen**.
- V. **Elliot Lawrance** died 1st August, 1886, aged 72, married 18th December, 1834, **Alexander Ogston**, manufacturer, **Aberdeen**. They had issue. **Alexander Ogston** was born 9th May, 1799, and was afterwards of **Ardoe**, died 11th December, 1869, both were buried in **Banchory-Devenick** churchyard.

(**Walter Lawrance**. He married without issue, **Hannah Bennet**, daughter of **Francis Bennett**, M. A., of **Brigg**, Co. Lincoln.)

## MORE OF LINLEY

From "BURKE'S LANDED GENTRY"

Richard (or according to Camden, **Thomas**) De La More, came from Normandy with Duke William, and lost his life at the battle of Hastings, leaving a son, Sir Thomas de la More, who, to use the words of Camden, "built faire houses at Launceton in Cornwall; Halton in Cheshire; and More in Shropshire, giving to the latter place his paternal name." He married Constance, daughter of Robert de Unfrevil, Lord de Tours, and was ancestor to the Mores of More, Co. Salop.

William More, Esq., of Larden, in 1491, (grandson of Richard More, of More and Larden) m. Elizabeth, dau. of John Berkeley, and had two sons, viz: Edward, his heir, and Thomas of Needham in Suffolk, whose son Robert, returned to Shropshire and was of Linley; he was buried at More, Mar. 20, 1604, leaving a son Richard, of whom presently. The elder son, Edward More, Esq., of Orleton, had three sons, viz: 1, Thomas, his heir; 2, John, clerk of the exchequer, father of Sir Edward More, Knight of Oldham in Hampshire, and Eustice, the eldest son. Thomas More, Esq., who succeeded his father at Larden; m. and left at his decease a son and successor, Jaspas More, Esq., of Larden, who died in 1613, leaving three daughters only, one of whom m. Samuel More, the parliamentarian. The More of Larden estates passed to his cousin, Richard More, Esq., of Linley, who thus re-united the ancient estates of the family, being styled of More, Linley and Larden; he m. a sister of Sir Thomas Harris, of Boreatton, Bart., was sherriff in 1619, and represented the town of Bishop's Castle in the long or fatal parliament of Charles I. The part he took was decidedly anti-monarchical, and he appears early among the most active partisans of the parliament within the county, but he died Dec. 6, 1643, before the triumph of his party, and was succeeded by his eldest son, Samuel More, Esq., of More, Linley and Larden, who took a leading part in the civil commotions of Shropshire. He had scarcely paid the last rites to his father, when he was called upon to take command of Hampton Castle, one of the fortresses in Shropshire, which were at that time in the interest of parliament; and he gallantly sustained a month's seige, with but thirty-one men, against five hundred horse and foot. Subsequently, events crowned with success the party espoused by Col. More, as he is generally called; and he was actively engaged throughout the Interregnum in the internal regulations of Shropshire, of which he was returned to be one of the four representatives to the parliament summoned by Cromwell for Sept. 1656. His first wife, a dau. of his kinsman, Jaspas More, brought him three children. By a second marriage he had three sons and four daughters, one of whom m. Sir John Turton, a puisne judge of the King's bench. The sons were: 1, Richard his heir; 2, Thomas, a medical doctor, d. unmarried in 1697, aged

69; 3, Robert of Linley, who m. Sarah, dau. of John Walcot, of Walcot, in Salop, and he had an only son, Robert, successor to his cousin, Thomas More of More and Larden, the eldest son.

Richard More, Esq., of More and Larden, b. 1627, Member of Parliament, for Bishop's Castle from 1688 to his death 10 years after. M. in 1659, Ann, dau. of Isaac Pennington, Lord Mayor of London in 1643, by this lady, from whom he was divorced, he had no issue. He m., secondly, Dorcas Owen, and had with a younger son Richard, slain in battle in 1709, another son.

Thomas More, Esq., of More and Larden, at whose decease in 1731, his estates passed to his cousin-germain, only son of Robert More of Lindley, (Third son of Col. More), Robert More, Esq., of Linley, M. P., F. R. S., b. in 1703, who was highly distinguished as a naturalist. He m. first in 1750, Ellen, dau. of Thomas Wilson, Esq., of Trevallyn, and had by her: 1, Robert, his heir; 2, Thomas of Larden Hall, who m. in 1795, Harriett, dau. of Thomas Mytton, Esq., of Shipton, Co. Salop, and dying in 1804, left issue, Robert Henry Gayer More, in holy orders, now of Larden Hall, Co. Salop, b. 20 June, 1798. Harriott Mary, m. to her cousin, The Rev. Thomas Frederick More. Mr. More m. secondly, Catherine, dau. of Thomas More, Esq., of Milliehope, which lady d. without issue in 1792. He died himself Jan. 5, 1780, and was succeeded at Larden by his second son, Thomas, and at Linley by his eldest son, Robert More, Esq., of More, Linley and Shelve, who was high sheriff of Salop in 1785; he m. 4. Aug., 1781, Eliza, dau. of James Taylor, Esq., of Much Hadham Herts, and had issue: 1, Robert Bridgeman of Linley Hall, high sheriff 1822, b. 29 April 1788, d. unmarried 1851. 2, Thomas Frederick, now of Linley Hall, minister of the gospel, A. M., b. Jan. 19, 1790, m. 1831 his cousin, Harriet May, dau. of Thomas More, Esq., and has issue—Robert Jaspas More, and Harriet Louisa More. 3, Henry, an officer in the Peninsular war, d. in 1814; also four daughters:— 1, Catherine Louisa, m. 12 Feb. 1811, Thomas White, M. D., of Glastonbury and Exeter. 2, Charlotte, m. Arthur Neale, Esq., barrister-at-law Bellevue Co., of Stafford, and died 1828. 3, Laura Octavia, deceased. 4, Olivia. Henry died 12 Jan. 1818.

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### ARMS

Sa. a swan, close, ppr. beaked, gu. all within a border enge. arg.  
 Crests, 1st, an eagle, arg. preying upon a hare, sa. 2d, out of Ducal coronet, is a swan's head and neck ppr.



# OFFICIAL RECORD

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## RECORD AND PENSION OFFICE WAR DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 12, 1903.

HON. BUTLER AMES,

Sir:—Referring to your letter of the 8th inst., in which you request for Alexander L. Moir of Lowell, Mass., certain information from the military records, I have the honor to advise you as follows:

It is shown by the records that GEORGE W. MOIR was mustered into service with Co. A, 12th Iowa Infantry, as Second Lieutenant, November 25, 1861, and that he was "killed at the battle of Pittsburg, Tenn., April 6, 1862."

It is further shown by the records that one ROBERT BURNS MOIR was admitted to the Military Academy at West Point as a Cadet, June 17, 1890.

Very respectfully,

F. L. CUNNINGHAM,

Chief, Record and Pension Office.

See page 361.  
brother of  
William J. Moir,  
page 187

See page 208

## OLD BEID HOUSE, ABERDEEN

### TABLET

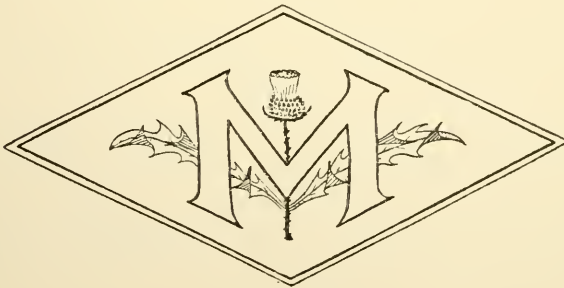
(See Illustration)

This tablet in Latin is on a building known as the Beid house, Old Aberdeen, which was built in 1676, the building taking the place of a very old building of the twelfth century known by the same name.

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#### **The Old Beid House, Aberdeen** (See illustration).

In 1604, this property was "resigned" by Sir Thomas Gordoune of Cluny, Knight, and John Gordoune, Apparent of Avochie, by Peter Blackburn, then Bishop of Aberdeen, in favor of Alexander Lillie, then tenant; the croft of 40 roods or ells, lies in the east of the territory of **Seattoun**, on the east side of the road leading from Old Aberdeen to the Bridge of Don. From 1604 to 1670, no tenements stood on these "40 roods." The tenant of Bishop Blackburn's time became possessor and his heirs sold the subject to one of the magistrates of the Burgh who we find by a stone tablet in the wall near the inner door of the house has, in Latin, recorded the fact that he Baillie WILLIAM LOGAN and JANET MOIR, his lawful wife, ordered this house to be built in the year of our Lord 1676. Just one hundred and ten years afterward, 1786, the property came into the possession of Forbes of Seaton, and in that year he gave it with other tenements and lands, for Bishop Dunbar's Hospital, hard by the Cathedral gate. It is numbered 19 and 21 Don Street.



## MOIRS OF STONEYWOOD

### FROM THE STONEYWOOD BOOK

The Moirs are a very old family in Aberdeenshire, for they are supposed to have settled in the County in the reign of \*David II.

Reigned  
1329-1370

The †Moirs of Stoneywood were descended from a burgh family of that name, who appear in the records of the burgh about the middle of the 15th century. The first of the Moirs mentioned on the tombstone, John, was the son of †Mr. William Moir, burghess, and in 1615 Treasurer of Aberdeen, by his wife, Janet Rae. John Moir was born in 1620, and was first designed of Ferryhill and afterwards of Kermuck or Ellon. This estate was conveyed to Moir by the Kennedys, when they fled the country in 1657, and was sold in 1688 for the sum of £42,500 Scots. In a delightful sketch of the family, under the title of “\*A Jacobite Family,” contributed to the “*North British Review*,” by the late Dr. John Brown, author of “*Rab, and his Friends*,” it is stated that the estate of Ellon was sold by Moir while in his cups, to Baillie Gordon, a wealthy Edinburgh merchant, at a price greatly under its true value.

About 1670, Moir entered into an agreement with Fraser, of Muchalls, now Castle Fraser, for the purchase of that estate, but was afterwards persuaded to take instead the estate of Stoneywood, embracing Water-ton, Clinterty, and Greenburn. This was in 1671. Previous to this, however, he had married Jean, a daughter of James Sandilands, Town Clerk of Aberdeen, by his wife Marjory Burnett, and the issue of this marriage was at least four sons and three daughters. Of this family James succeeded his father in Stoneywood, John became an Advocate, and for a time filled the office of Town Clerk, formerly held by his grandfather, and William became the progenitor of the Moirs of Invernettie. John Moir died on the 15th November, 1674, in his 54th year, and his widow married as her second husband, William Cumine of Auchry, and died as recorded on 5th August, 1687.

James, II., of Stoneywood, born in 1659, was one of the Members of Parliament for the Shire, from 1689-1707, and acted as one of the Commissioners who were appointed for settling the Union. He was twice married, first on 10th July, 1683, to Mary, the eldest daughter of Bishop William Scroggie of Argyle, and a grand-daughter of Patrick Scougal, Bishop of Aberdeen. Of this marriage, there was issue, four sons and three daughters, of whom James succeeded his father in

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\*Miscellany, Spaulding Club, I., p. 79.

†Houses of Moir and Byres. See pages 106 and 146.

‡Refer to Mr. Burnet's article, “Ancestry of the Moirs of Scotstoun and Barns,” page 135.

\*\*The sketch of this Family appeared in the March number 1866, and afterwards in the (*Horae Subsecivae*), 3rd series.

**Stoneywood, Roderick** was drowned at sea, 1713-4, **William**, and **Alexander** who became **Principal** of **St. Andrew's College**.

**James Moir's** second marriage was with **Jean**, a daughter of **Alexander Abernethy of Mayen**, and the widow of **William Moir of Scotstown**, and the issue of this marriage was three sons and two daughters. Of the sons, **William** became proprietor of **Lonmay**, and **John**, as recorded on the tombstone, died in 1720, at the early age of 23 years.

The **Moirs** were all ardent **Jacobites**, and in the '15, both father and son took a part, though evidently not of such prominence as to lead them into very serious trouble. Among the persons who "cam into Town with **Earl Marchall** the 20th Sepr. and wer at the Proclamation" mention is made of "**Ja. Moir of Stoniewood elder and younger**," while the elder **Moir** is further indicted as one of those "that mett in **Mist. Hepburns**, vintners, and afterwards came and insulted the **Majestrates**, and tooke possessione of the **Armes and Amunitione**," etc. The laird of **Stoneywood** would thus appear to have taken no inconsiderable part in connection with the local rising, and on the 29th September, 1715, in the New Church (East), when the election of a **Town Council** was proceeded with, he was chosen one of the number. At his death in 1739, he was succeeded, as already stated, by his son, **James III.**, of **Stoneywood**, who had by his wife, **Jean Erskine, James IV.**, of **Stoneywood**, born 1710, who took such an active part in the 1745 rebellion, having been constantly with the **Prince** from his landing till the disastrous field of **Culloden**. **Stoneywood** was much sought after by the **Government**, but he managed to elude his pursuers, and the story of his wanderings and privations forms the bulk of **Dr. Brown's** interesting sketch. He at last managed, by the assistance of his wife, **Margaret Mackenzie of Ardross**, to get to **Norway**, where he remained till 1762, when he was permitted to return to **Stoneywood**, where he died in 1782, leaving a widow and two daughters.

\*The estate of **Stoneywood** passed away from the **Moirs** in 1789, when **Maria Moir**, with consent, disposed the lands to **James Forbes of Seton**. The family is now represented by **Dr. William F. Skene, Historiographer Royal**, who is descended from **Jane**, the other surviving daughter of **James IV.**, and last laird of **Stoneywood**.

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An interesting story is told by **William M. Moir**, of Chicago, Illinois; (who claims descent from a branch of the **Stoneywood Moirs**.)

At the rising in 1745, **Stoneywood** declared his intention of following **Prince Charles**—his wife objected, and said he would lose his estate, and maybe his head; the laird was determined, however, and called for his riding boots and his best horse. His wife, either through accident or design, emptied the contents of a kettle of boiling water on the legs of the laird, who leaped and roared. (**Dr. John Brown**

in his "**Jacobite Family**," mentions this burn on the leg.) The Laird afterwards raised his tenants to fight against **King George**. An insult to one of his largest tenants made him mad, and the King's men came to their farm, and took away all their horses and cattle. **Mrs. Moir** went to the **Commander-in-Chief** and begged for their stock, he turned out an old mare to her, and told her to go and peddle fish with it. This was too much for **Stoneywood**, who at once headed all his friends and tenants of his estates to fight the King, everyone who had strength to carry a gun, or who could draw a dagger.

The **Prince's** cause failed, and **Stoneywood** had to leave the country for a time, but finally he returned and declared allegiance to the king, in heart unwilling, which went to show force not subdued, as told when they went to family worship, a lady offered prayer, he spread his tartan plaid for her on the floor, she prayed for **King George**, when he gently pulled the plaid from her, and said, "Na, Na, my fine leddy, ye'll no pray for **Geordie** on my new plaidie."



# THE MOIRS OF SCOTLAND

DESCENDED FROM ABERDEENSHIRE MOIRS

By ANDREW J. MITCHELL-GILL of Auchinroath, Rothes, N. B.

(Written Mar. 7, 1904)

Of the armorial bearings for the name in **Scotland**, there are in all five matriculations given in my book (pp. 46 and 47), and are all the **Aberdeenshire** families—more or less connected — when I say **all**—there is a sixth matriculation, **1796**, not noticed by me, viz., **Moirs of Leckie, Stirlingshire**—

“**Argent, three mouritianian heads, couped and distilling three drops of blood, proper, banded of the first, a pearl in each ear of the second, in the centre a mullet gules.**” I should say that this family is probably a **cadet** of some of the **Aberdeenshire** branches. (As far back as the records go, this has not been proved—A. L. M.) The present **Moir** of **Leckie**, is paternally a **Graham** (1904), and inherits through a female.

The point I want to draw to your attention, is that all the prominent persons of that name in **Scotland**, who were all more or less connected, belonged to **Aberdeenshire**; consequently, “it was the cradle of the race” from a genealogical and statistical point of view; of course, at the same time, we must also bear in mind, that it is a surname that may have been assumed by different people, in no way related to each other.

In **Aberdeenshire**, the families of **Moir** of **Stoneywood** and **Scotstown**, were the most important in the **17th** and **18th** centuries, there were some **30** or **40** separate landed families in **Aberdeenshire** and district, of this number, only one—**Moirs of Scotstown**, is still **Laird** of the old acres.



## \***ABERDEEN ADVOCATES**

From "HISTORY OF THE SOCIETY OF ADVOCATES IN ABERDEEN"

(Edited for the New Spalding Club (1912), by John Alexander Henderson F. S. O., Scot.)

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ., of Aberdeen

**Moir, William**, admitted 24th July, 1744, apprenticed to **Thomas Burnett** (1722), died before 13th April, 1764.

**Moir, William**, admitted 8th December, 1853, third and youngest son of **John Moir**, farmer, **Peterculter**, and **Agnes Middleton**, his wife. Educated at grammar school, **Aberdeen**, Alumnus, Marischal College, 1838-40. Apprenticed to **James Edmond** (1821). Member of General Council, University of **Aberdeen**, Married **Jane Shaw**, with issue:—

1. **William Moir, M.B., C.M., Aberdeen**, 1883, afterwards in practice in **Australia**.
2. **John Moir**.
3. **Agnes Moir**, married at **Aberdeen**, **Dr. Eddie**, and died in **Australia**.
4. **Elsie Moir**.

**William Moir** died at **Aberdeen**, 11th December, 1882.

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and 337

**Moir, George**, was an apprentice, but did not enter the Society. Son of **George Moir**, vintner, **Aberdeen**. Born 1799, M.A., Marischal College, 1817, apprenticed to **William Stuart**, (1804), from November, 1817. Member Faculty of Advocates, admitted 5th July, 1825. Professor of Rhetoric, **Edinburgh**, 1838-40, and of **Scot's Law**, 1864. Sheriff of **Ross-shire**, 1840-58, and of **Stirlingshire**, 1858-68. Author. Married 12th July, 1830, **Flora Tower** (died 31st October, 1858), daughter of **George Tower, Aberdeen**. He died 19th October, 1870.

**Muir, Alexander**, admitted 19th November, 1817. Third son of **George Muir**, farmer, **Nether Leask, Slains**, and **Mary Gray**, his wife. Born at **Slains**, 21st November, 1793. Alumnus Marischal College, 1809-12. Apprenticed to **Thomas Sangster** (1802). Sometime in partnership with **James Mair** (1823), firm being **Sangster and Muir**, and finally with **John Allan** (1841), firm being **Muir and Allan**. Fiars Juror, 1840. Proprietor of **Loirston, Nigg**. Married first, 11th August, 1831, **Mary Ann Catherine Kilgour** (died at **Aberdeen**, 27th April, 1837, aged 29), daughter of **Patrick Kilgour of Woodside**, with issue:—

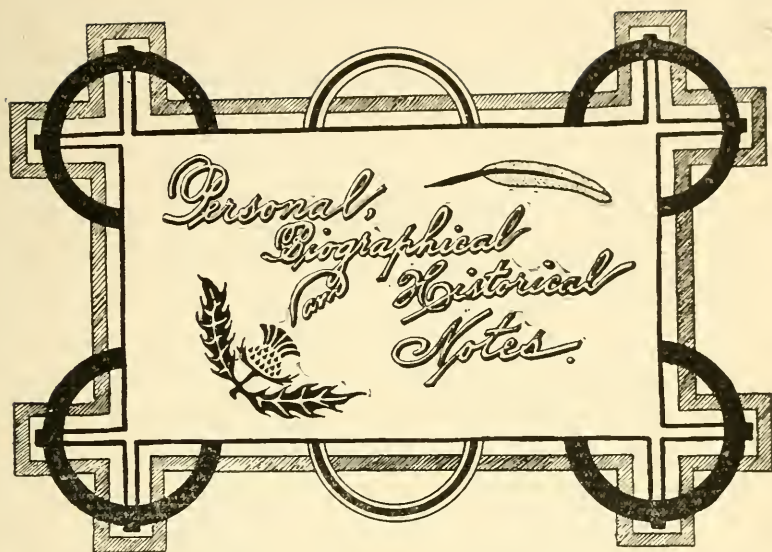
1. **Patrick Muir**, died 13th May, 1836, in infancy.
2. **George Falconer Muir**, writer.

**Alexander Muir** married second, at **Aberdeen**, 28th December, 1847, **Jane B. Ferguson** (died at **Aberdeen** 21st January, 1849, aged 26), eldest daughter of **James Ferguson**, advocate (1816).

**Alexander Muir** died at **Loirston House**, 13th November, 1850.

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\*There are other Moir references, than those given here, in the volume. Some advocates had a Moir as their mother, or were near related by inter-marriage.



SOME BOOKS WRITTEN OR EDITED BY MOIRS

Mostly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWBRANCE, ESQ., Aberdeen

JAMES MOIR, Editor,

"Henry, the Minstrel," or "Blind Harry," Author:—

"The Actis and Deidis of the Illustere and Vailzeand Campioun,  
Schir William Wallace of Ellerslie."

(Printed Edinburgh, 1889, 567 pages.)

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"Hector Boethius." Edited and translated by JAMES MOIR of  
Aberdeen.

(Aberdeen, 1894. 210 pages. New Spalding Club.)

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REV. JAMES MOIR: "Gaston Lichenstein," "When Tarbaro  
was Incorporated"; "Edgecombe Changes Her County Seat."

(Richmond, Va., 1910, 27 pages.)

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JANE F. MOIR: "A Lady's Letters from Central Africa; a Journey  
from Mandala Shire Highlands to Ujiji, Lake Tanganyika, and Back.

(Glasgow, J. Maclehose & Sons, 1891, 91 pages. Illustrated.)



JOHN MOIR: "Female Tuition; or an Address to Mothers on the Education of Daughters."

(London, Murray and Highley, 1800, 288 pages.)

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FRANK L. MOIR is the author of a number of well known popular songs, among them being:—"By a Distant Sea," "Down the Vale," "Love is the Star," "Only Once More," "Somewhere," and "Where Norah Dwells."

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The Scottish Text Society, publishes "The Works of Sir William Mure of Rowallan; Edited with Introduction, Notes, and Glossary, by William Targh, M. A., F. S. A., Scot." (Vol. I. and II., 1898.)

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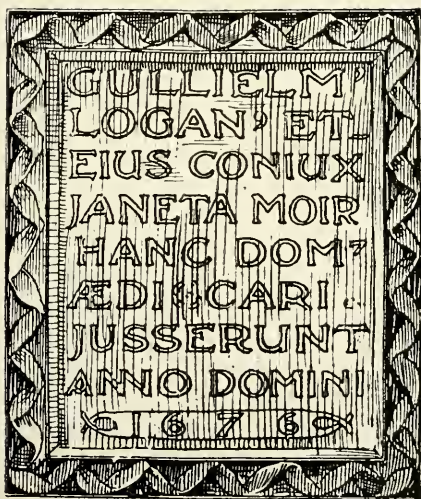
The Maitland Club of Glasgow, publishes in a volume of miscellany:—"Obligation by John, Earl of Cassillis to Make Certain Payments to his Brother Hugh Kennedy, of Brunston, Upon Taking the Laird of Auchindrain's Life, Anno, MDCII. John Muir of Auchindrain, was Suspect of the Recent Assassination of Sir Thomas Kennedy of Cullean."





HANNAH MORE  
Authoress





OLD BEID HOUSE

AND

Tablet in Wall of Old Beid House, Old Aberdeen



The **Maitland Club** also publishes the family papers of the **Mures of Caldwell**, known as the "**Caldwell Papers, Dating from 1496 Onwards.**" They contain many plates of illustrations, only 100 copies were printed for private circulation.

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**HENRY MOIR, F. F. A., F. I. A.,** of **New York City**, is the author of a book used in Schools, Colleges and Universities, giving a complete course of instruction on Life Assurance, and the title to the book is "**Life Assurance Primer, a Text Book, Dealing with the Practice and Mathematics of Life Assurance.**"

There are twelve lengthy chapters and an appendix, the titles to some of which are, "**Principles of Life Assurance,**" "**Different Kinds of Life Assurance,**" "**Mortality,**" "**Interest,**" "**Investments,**" "**Annuities,**" "**Probability of Life,**" "**Net Premiums,**" etc., etc.

The above **HENRY MOIR** is Actuary of the **Provident Life Assurance Society of New York**, and is a member of the **Actuarial Society of America.**

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"**A Jacobite Family,**" by **JOHN BROWN, M. D.,** of **Edinburgh**, was published first in the *North British Review* of March 1866, and afterwards as a section of "**Horae Subsecivae,**" published in various editions later. It is a very full account of the **Moirs of Stonywood** from first to last.

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**JOHN MACCRAE MOIR, Editor,**

Mittermaier, Carl Joseph Anton, "**Capital Punishment, based on Professor Mittermaier's Todesstrafe.**"

(London, Smith Elder & Co., 1865. 266 pages.)

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**WILLIAM WILMERDING MOIR, Editor:—**

"**Some Things That Trouble Young Manhood.**"

(New York, 1899, 213 pages.)

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**WILLIAM MOIR,** butler to **Sir H. Wilson** of **Leigh Hall** in **Derbyshire, England**, is the author of the book: "**Brewing Made Easy. Being a Compendium of All that Has Been Written on that Art.**" With directions for the making and preserving of made wines. (8vo. 1802.)

(From "**Biographical Dictionary of Living Authors,**" printed for **Henry Colburn**, London 1816, p. 236.)

## MOORE AND MURE BOOK COLLECTORS

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWBRANCE, ESQ., Aberdeen

A correspondent informs us that the family have been great book collectors. This is borne out by the fact, that when the late **Julian Marshall, Esq.**, of Belzie Avenue, London, W. C., had his extensive and valuable collection of book-plates sold by Messrs. Sotheby, Wilkinson & Hodge, London, occupying four days, 28th to 31st May, 1906, there were 93 different Moore, and 5 different Mure plates, exposed for sale. Only the following were mentioned in the catalogue, viz:—

- I. **Sir Charles Moore, Jacobean.**
- II. **Moore or More, anonymous, Chippendale, lozenge, a rare plate, not mentioned by Miss Labouchere.**
- III. **Henry Moore, Jacobean.**
- IV. **Step. Moore, Marlfield, Jacobean.**
- V. **Richd. Moore, LL. B., Chippendale.**
- VI. **Right Honourable Charles Moore, Lord Tullamore, Jacobean.**
- VII. **Edward Loftus Moore, Chippendale.**
- VIII. **Rev. Fowke Moore, Chippendale.**
- IX. **William John Moore, Chippendale.**
- X. **Will. Moore, Chippendale.**
- XI. **Henry William Moore, Chippendale, two states.**
- XII. **Nathl. F. Moore, festoon, by Maverick (Allen No. 586).**
- XIII. **Earl of Moore, Drogheda, Chippendale.**
- XIV. **Jas. Mure, ch. ch. Chippendale.**
- XV. **Mr. Baron Mure, Chippendale.**

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Subscribers to "Poems, chiefly in the Scottish Dialect," by Andrew Shirrefs, A. M. (Edinburgh, 1790.)

MR. GEORGE MOIR, Aberdeen.

REV. GEORGE MOIR, Peterhead.

MR. JOHN MOIR, printer, Edinburgh.

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Subscribers to "James Fordyce's Hymns." (This was printed for the publisher, at Aberdeen, 1787, by A. Leighton.)

MR. MOIR, baker, Peterhead.

WILLIAM MOIR, Aberdeen.

WILLIAM MOIR, Bythe.

JAMES MOIR, Aberdeen.

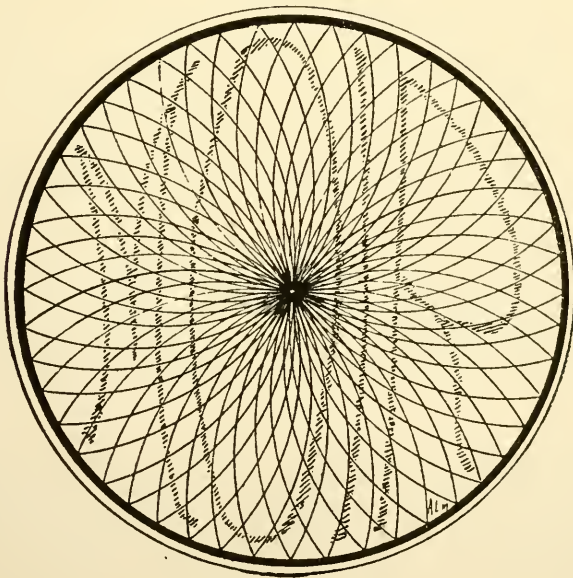
GEORGE MOIR, Aberdeen.

GEORGE MOIR, Fraserburgh.

From an old and very scarce book: "Aberdeen Municipal Election Poll Book of the 2nd Ward, 1842," the following Moirs are registered:—

- ALEXANDER MOIR, hosier.  
 ANDREW MOIR, surgeon.  
 BENJAMIN MOIR, provision merchant.  
 DAVID MOIR, tailor.  
 ROBERT MOIR, wine merchant.

Of William John Moir, (whose genealogy is to be found on page 187) an amusing incident is thus related. He got his second name from a girl by the name of Harriet Bates, when he attended the Academy at Derby Centre, Vermont. When Norcross, the principal, on the first day of the school term, was calling for the names of the pupils, she, sitting beside Moir, said, "When the principal calls for your name, you say 'William J. Moir,'" so to please her, he did so. On leaving the room, he asked what name he was indebted to her for, she said Jehosophat, he demurred at that name, so to please him, she said, if he did not like that name, he might take the name of his father, and that pleased him, he has retained the name of William John Moir to this day.





## \*MOORE, MORE AND MUIR SILHOUETTES

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWBRANCE, ESQ., of Aberdeen

- Moore, Frances Moore, Esq., (London, 11th May, 1829.)  
Moore, General, (Bath, 1827.)  
Moore, George James, Esq., (9 Pall Mall, East, London, 19th March, 1829.)  
Moore, Harriett, nurse to Robert Burslem's family, (Cheltenham, 29th July, 1836.)  
Moore, Lieutenant-General F., (Bath, 16th March, 1827.)  
Moore, Master Charles, Coulfield, (Cheltenham, 6th October 1829.)  
Two portraits.  
Moore, Mrs. F., (Bath 16th March, 1827.)  
Moore, Mrs. Elizabeth, Turnham Green, (London, 24th April, 1829.)  
\*\*Moore, Ponsonby, Esq., (Cheltenham, 15th October, 1827.)  
Moore, Rev., of Limerick, Ireland, two portraits. (Cheltenham, 11th and 12th August, 1829.)  
Moore, Rev. Dr., Rector of St. Pancras, London, (Cheltenham, 6th September, 1829.)  
Moore, Rev. William, Brimsfield Rectory, (Cheltenham, 6th Oct., 1829.)  
Moore, Richard, Esq., (Bath, 26th February, 1827.)  
More, Master Thomas, adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Edmond P. Patershall, of Allensnore House, Herefordshire, (Cheltenham, 29th July, 1829.)  
More, Miss, (Edinburgh, 1st February, 1830.)  
Muir, Miss Susan, (Liverpool, 3rd June, 1837.)  
Muir, Robert, Esq., 22 St. Vincent Street, (Glasgow, 30th January, 1832.)  
Muir, Thomas, Esq., Muir Park, (Cheltenham, 3rd October, 1836.)

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The list given above, are those of the names aforementioned, who were silhouetted by the celebrated August Edouart, (1789-1861), silhouettist to the Royal Family of France, and to H. R. H., the Duke of Gloucester. Edouart practiced his art chiefly in the British Isles and in America.

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\*The odd art of silhouetting is practically dead now; but early in last century, before photographing was discovered, silhouetting was quite popular.

\*\*This gentleman is mentioned elsewhere in this book.

He not only wrote the name of every sitter, date when taken, but also, place where taken. He also cut each portrait in duplicate from black folded paper. A list, numbering some 5200, was published by Messrs. Debenham and Freebody, of Wigmore and Walbeck Streets, London, W., in 1913.

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### ARMORIAL FAMILIES

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ., Aberdeen

In 1902, Arthur Charles Fox-Davies sent out a circular, seeking information on various gentlemen, legally entitled to bear arms. Amongst them, the undernoted:—

- I. Moor, Henry Isaac, East Grinstead, Co. Sussex.
- II. Moore, Blandford Forum, Co. Dorset.
- III. Moore, Langley Lodge, Gerard's Cross, Co. Bucks, and Liverpool.
- IV. Moore of Corswall (1851).
- V. Moore, Hon. Charles, Moorecourt, Springwood, Blue Mountains, New South Wales.
- VI. Moore, John (formerly Mulcail), of the City of Dublin.
- VII. Moore, John, of Bristol, and of Ireland.
- VIII. Moore, William Cameron, Manchester, and of Bamford, Co. Derby.
- IX. Moore, Gordon, of Mooresfort, Co. Tipperary.
- X. Muir of Cassencary (1773).
- XI. Muir of Deanstown, Lord Provost of Glasgow (1892).
- XII. Mure of Caldwell (1779).
- XIII. Mure, James, London (1868).

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MOIR, JOHN, "History of the City of Aberdeen." (Edinburgh, 1825.)

MOIR, JOHN, "A Short History of the City of Aberdeen." (Edinburgh, 1825.)

The foregoing items are mentioned at page four, in a "Concise Bibliography of the History of the City of Aberdeen and its Institutions," by James Fowler Kellas Johnstone, Aberdeen, April, 1903.



## MOIRS IN FORRES

These articles were furnished by JAMES M. A. WOOD, ESQ., of Aberdeen

"JOHN MOIR, Burgess of Forres, in 1578," (Reg. Privy Council, II., 667). "His goods are escheated alone, with those of the Sheriff of Morey, and others, for unlawfully committing and doing diligence against Alex'r. Winsister, Minister of Elgin, whom they accused of slaughter of Elizabeth Dunbar, 21 April, 1578."

(Reg. Privy Council, II., 686.)

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## MOIRS IN BRAIDHAUCH

"22 June, 1566, DAVID MOIR, in Braidhauch, was mutilated by Alex'r. Forbes of Auchintowill. He was mutilated of his left arm, and compeared before the Council on 22 June, 1566, and the Lords of Secret Council in respect of his poverty, and of the oppression done to him by Forbes, ordains the latter to infett by charter and sasine, the said DAVID MOIR, his heirs and assignees in all and hail, the lands of Braidhauch with the pertinents, held by the said Alexander Forbes, blench for payment of one penny allenarly, if it be required at the feast of Whit-Sunday." (Reg. Privy Council I, 469.)

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## MOIRS OF ABERARGIE, PERTHSHIRE

"\*JOHN MOIR of Aberargie, was married to Isabella Kinnaird, daughter of John Kinnaird, portioner of Inschmichael. JOHN MOIR and his wife were both alive, on 7th July, 1661."

(Special Ser. II., Perthshire.)

"In March, 1643, JOHN MOIR serves heir general to his father, JOHN MOIR, in Aberargie." (Gen. Ser.)

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## MOIRS IN KIRKCALDY, FIFESHIRE

"31 July, 1630, ROBERT MOIR in Plains de Kirkcaldie, serves heir special, to his father JOHN MOIR, in tenements "terrae continente rudam terrae intra territorium de Kirkcaldie et re Salitatem de Dumferling, prope finem orientalem appido de Kirkcaldie E. 18d."

(Special Ser. I., Fifeshire.)

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## MOIRS IN EDINBURGH

"JONETA MOIR, spouse of Robert Murray, between 14 Nov., 1632, and 8 Jan., 1633, serves heir special to her brother JOHN MOIR in an annual return of 300 merks (Scots), from a tenement in Edinburgh." (Special Ser. I., Edinburgh, 711.)

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\*See Dunblane Testaments; the Aberargie Moirs were a branch of the Doune Moirs. Pages 100 to 103.

## MOIRS IN ABERDEEN

"4 May, 1630, MARIOLA MOIR, serves heir portioner in general to her brother JOHN MOIR, burgess of Aberdeen (Gen. Services). JONETA MOIR, her sister who was wife of Robert Murray at Christ's Church, also serves, on same day, heir portioner general to her brother, the said JOHN MOIR." (Gen. Ser., II.)

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## GRIZEL MORE OF ROTHIEMURCHUS

There is an incident thus recorded in the **Farr Collections**:—"During the troubles of 1688-9 (The Covenanters), the family of **Rothiemurchus** and some of the neighbors were obliged to take refuge in the castle of **Loch-an-Eilean**, their own property. During their residence there, they were attacked from the shore, while a smart fire of musketry was kept up from the castle to carry on. **Grizel More**, the **Lady Rothiemurchus**, who was a clever, active woman, was busily employed all the time of the attack, in casting leaden balls for the defence."

There is a fine painting of **Grizel More** at the **Doune**, owned by the late **William Patrick Grant**, of **Rothiemurchus**. She is described as a lady of great size, and she lived to a very advanced age.

(From "*Inverness, Parish by Parish*," by Charles Frazer MacIntosh, F. S. A.)

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Another story of **Grizel More** of **Rothiemurchus** may be given:—"Quite unexpectedly, two great men, one Catholic, the other Protestant, accompanied by their Chaplains, arrived at the **Doune** to dinner. **Grizel** was at her wits end which of the Chaplains, to avoid offence, should be asked to say grace. The difficulty was solved by her saying grace herself, and in *Gaelic*, but unhappily, her words, probably unique, are not recorded."

(From "*Inverness, Parish by Parish*," by Charles Frazer MacIntosh, F. S. A.)

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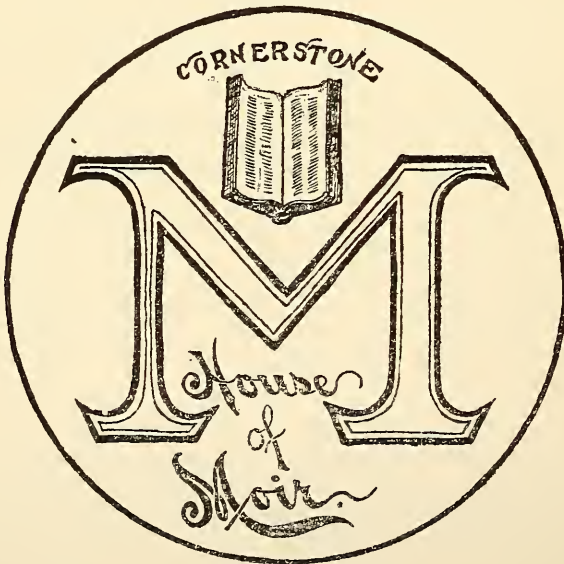
In the records of Marischal College, and University; Vol. 3 of the New Spalding Club publications, there is a colored illustration of the Heraldic Ceiling in the old Marischal College, circa 1682, from the painting by **Alexander Dingwall Fordyce, Esq.**, circa 1833—previous to the demolition of the old building.

The key to the plate says, "6a **Sinister**, or **Western Row**,—**William More** of **Hiltone**, benefactor; and a plate containing the arms of **Moir** of **Hilton**, with date, 1681." There is a blue wreath circling the head, and where the neck ends, red.

Mr. James Cruickshank, of the official staff of the Messrs. Pirie, who now own the Stoneywood Estate, says of the cut produced in this book of the Old Stoneywood Mansion House:— "This is a fair representation of the old building, judged by such documents as are still remaining."

Thomas George Dundas, of Carronhall and Fingask, son of Joseph Dundas (who died at Carronhall in 1872), by Margaret Isabella, youngest daughter of GEORGE MOIR, ESQ., of Denmore, Aberdeenshire, was born in 1853, and is a lieutenant in the 52nd Foot. The name of Dundas is very ancient, it may be traced to Cospatrick, first Earl of March. Sir John Dundas of Fingask, in Perthshire, who flourished about the middle of the sixteenth century, was descended from Alexander, eldest son by a second marriage of James Dundas, of Dundas, eleventh from Earl Cospatrick, with Christian Stewart, daughter of John Dominus de Innermeath et Lorn. This lady was aunt to the Black Knight of Lorn, who married Jane, Queen of Scotland, daughter of John, Duke of Lancaster, son of Edward III., and relict of James I.

(From article "County Aristocracy," History of Stirlingshire by William Nimmo, Vol. II., p. 111.)



## \*JAMES MOIR AND THE WEST END PARK GLASGOW FIFTY YEARS AGO

"The Town Council yetserderday, by the very unmistakable majority of 38 to 4, rejected MR. MOIR'S motion for that which might result in the promiscuous use of the West End Park, and adopted a proposal made by Baillie Gemmill, to remit the matter to the consideration of a committee. Having recently dealt with this subject pretty fully, we need not now do more than express the opinion that the Council has come to a very judicious conclusion. We truly believe that MR. MOIR does not desire that the park should be used in such a manner as to be destructive to its beauty and amenity; but his motion was urged in such a dogmatic and brow-beating style that it had a dangerous look about it, and the Corporation very properly asserted its dignity by rejecting his proposal in a manner very decided. MR. MOIR tells us that he will make use of the park in spite of the restrictions with which it has been surrounded for the public benefit, and that he will figure upon the grass this day at twelve o'clock, where, if he likes, he may dance a fandango by way of asserting his own rights as a proprietor of the soil, as well as proclaiming and showing off the privileges of a much abused and long-suffering community. We would advise him to stay at home. Even though he should take a caper on the grass, and throw down his mitten in token of defiance, we do not think the Magistrates will make a martyr of him for his agility. If he does go as the embodiment of a grievance, which, by the way, has not yet been felt, he will only take a leaf out of the book of the petted body, who made a fool of himself for the amusement of other people."

(From "*The Glasgow Herald*," July 20, 1860.)

"We regret to find from an extract published today, that "*The Glasgow Herald*" of 1860, was not sound upon the proper use of public parks. It devoted nearly a column leader, to chastising Mr. Moir, in terms politely sorrowful — for Mr. Moir was a councillor of approved public service — because he advocated a fuller use of the recently acquired Kelvingrove, by which he evidently intended the uprooting of warnings to "Keep Off the Grass." Mr. Moir, whose liberal views shocked the Council and the press, startled both still more, by going to the park and rolling down the grass banks, by way of protest against peddling restrictions. We doubt of any councillor would do so to-day. But the complaint was recently made here, and so far as we are aware, it has not been redressed, that a large part of

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\*The above Baillie, Hon. James Moir, was a tea merchant, and there was a street named after him, formerly called, "James Moir Street;" the street is now named "Moir Street." It is not far from Bridgeton Cross.

the grass in Queen's Park is shut to the citizen, in order that it may earn a very few pounds a year for grazing rent. That is a penny wise policy, which should be abandoned."

(From "*The Glasgow Herald*," July 20, 1910.)

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The curious square belfry of three unequal stories in the old church at **Muthill, Perthshire**, in some of the upper windows of which there are traces of Norman or Romanesque architecture, is an entire and interesting object of antiquity. The remaining walls and pillars of the old church, which is said to have been erected by Bishop **Ochiltree of Dunblane** (1430-1445), are good examples of the architecture of the period, and under their shadow lie several stone effigies, the refuted figures of the lords and ladies of **Strathearn**. Four miles south of **Muthill**, is a **Roman Camp at Ardoch**. (See illustration.)

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"The Associate Congregation of **Menteith**, now the Bridge of **Teith** Congregation, at **Doune**, originated at a service conducted by the noted preacher **Rev. Ebenezer Erskine**, at **Cessintully** in 1740. **McKelvie** states that a tent having been set up at the end of **Thornhill**, on land belonging to the Earl of **Moray**, **MR. MORE**, his factor, applied to the Sheriff of **Dunblane**, to interdict its use and have it removed. He appeared on the ground with the interdict in his pocket as the people were engaged singing these lines which the preacher had given out:

'Why rage the heathen, and vain things  
Why do the people mind?'

He retired without serving the interdict, and refrained from molesting the seceders ever afterwards."

(From "*The Stirling Antiquary*.")

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**Mitchell's** "*Scotsman's Library*," page 24, contains the following anecdote:—

"**MOIR** of **STONEYWOOD**, having obtained a pardon and the restoration of his estates after the rising of the '45, returned home. Soon after, meeting one of his tenants, he was asked, 'Weel Laird, what sall it be noo? Sall it be Steenywod or Wud Steeny?'"

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**Charles Stewart**, the young Chevalier dined on the afternoon of Sept. 13, 1845, at **Leckie House**, the seat of a Jacobite gentleman named **MOIR**, who had been seized on the preceding night in his bed and hurried to **Stirling Castle** by the dragoons, on suspicion that he was preparing to entertain the Chevalier.

(*"Rebellion in Scotland,"* P. 73, by Robert Chalmers.)

"There is a story of a lover who was to win his mistress by carrying her to the top of a mountain, and how he did win it, and how they ended their days on the same spot."

This story forms the subject of DAVID MACBETH MOIR'S poem of "Genevieve."

(From "*Casquet of Literature*," Vol. 3, page 243.)

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### OLD SONG

From a Manuscript in the Handwriting of MR. JAMES RETTIE

("W." in ABERDEEN WEEKLY JOURNAL, June 23, 1911.)

[The following song, as an item of local lore, and illustrating the jolly-good-fellowship of citizen life in a generation long gone by, is I think, worth preserving. The date is somewhere about 1840-5.

ROBERT MOIR, wine merchant, who lived long in Peacock's Close, Castle Street, built very excellent and extensive premises in the shape of wine cellars, etc., No. 23 Adelphi Court. He gave a dinner in the cellars to his friends as a sort of fire kindling. The following song was written for the occasion by William Allardyce, wine merchant, and was sung by John Angus, advocate, town clerk. Most of the worthies (wine merchants) named in the song, were present. The air is an adaptation of "*Langolee*.")

"Hail to our host! who in business advances,  
 Onward till first he will be in the line;  
 Long may his roof-tree, as well as finances,  
 Flourish and prosper, supported by wine.  
 Heaven send it paid when due,  
 Orders for Old and New—  
 Gaily he'll bottle and crusted stock grow;  
 While every dealer then  
 Sends back for Moir\* again,  
 Moir's Wine for ever! O, ho! iero!!

There is no liquor mixed up from the fountain,  
 Bottled in autumn, in winter to fade;  
 From the Cape to the Hermitage, on to the mountain,  
 Moir shall be found to exalt him in trade.  
 Claret as well as Hock,  
 Port, what a noble stock,  
 Thicker he crusts him the older it grows,  
 From Moray to Angus then,  
 Echo his praise again,  
 Moir's Wine for ever! O, ho! iero!!

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\*Formerly pronounced "More," the original form of the name.



Loudly his circular threatens all ruin,  
 And \***Bannerman's** hands they will quickly be tied;  
 †**Hacket** and **Allardyce** smoke what is brewin',  
 And the stock of †**George Thomson** lies dead by his side;  
 \*\***Blaikie** must quit the trade,  
 ††**Forbes** shall lose our aid,  
 And ††**Duthie**, his old master, and \*\*\***Calder & Co.**;  
 †††**Black** and †††**John Lumsden** then  
 Quake when they hear again,  
**Moir's Wine** for ever! O, ho! iero!!

Now, my lads, fill ye a bumper, good-fellows,  
 Pledge me his health in the rosy-red wine;  
 O were the Bacchante that graces his cellars  
 Some nymph, by the torch-light of Hymen to shine;  
 Oh that some seedling gem,  
 Worthy of such a name,  
 Honoured and blessed in their nursery might grow;  
 Loud should the deepmost bin,  
 Send the shout back again,  
**Moir's Wine** for ever! O, ho! iero!!"

[Another edition of this song (whether by **Allardyce** or not, is not known), was also sung by **Mr. Angus**, at a meeting of the **Mary Culter Club**, when **Mr. Moir** was in the chair.]

(From "*Aberdeen Weekly Journal*," 23 June, 1911.)

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The following notice appeared in an **Edinburgh** newspaper in 1896: "Information wanted of **ALEXANDER MOIR**, last heard from in **Washington, D. C., U. S. A.**, address his mother, **MRS. MOIR**, 8 Minister Lane, **Aberdeen, Scotland**."

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Another notice appeared Feb. 1912, in a **Boston, Mass.**, newspaper as follows:—"Information wanted of **CHARLES A. LE MOIR**, wife and three-year old baby. Last known in May last, at 48 Union Park, **Boston**. Important."

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"**ANDREW MOIR**, who left **Scotland**, in 1903, is inquired for by his mother, who lives (1912), in **Glasgow**. When last heard from, he was in **Washington, D. C.**"

(*Scottish American*, Oct. 16, 1912.)

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\***Bannerman's** business was in Marischal Street, Nos. 59 and 60.

†**Hacket** and **Allardyce**, 40 Union Street. Mr. Allardyce lived at Tullos.

†**George Thomson**, 21 Regent Quay.

\*\***Blaikie** (?) at Causewayend.

††**Forbes**, 38 Castle Street.

†††**Duthie**, lived at Broadford Place.

\*\*\***Calder & Co.**, Green.

†††**Black**, Concert Court, Broad Street.

†††**J. Lumsden**, 95 Union Street,

MR. GEORGE MOIR, artist, who drew one of the four pictures still preserved to posterity, in 1814, of the Castlegate in **Aberdeen**. His view was selected to be reproduced in the historical work "*Aberdeen in Bygone Days*," published by **Robert Anderson** in 1910.

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**Allan Ramsay**, in his "*Selected Writings*," pp. 282-284, mentions among other old time merchants, who did business in the Narrow Wynd of **Aberdeen**, early in the nineteenth century,—"**JOHNNY MOIR**, a grocer with pigtail, white neckcloth, and Hessian boots with dangling tassels."

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"**MURE** of **ROWALLAN**," is mentioned in **James King Hewison's** book, on "*The Covenanters of Scotland*." Vol. 2, p. 187, as one of a number of "some Westland gentlemen most likely to lead the Covenanters, if occasion served" and was with the others, "ordered to be incarcerated in fortresses." The date, 10th Feb., 1666.

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In the same volume p. 367, is an account of a **Captain Kilpatrick**, an officer, at **Thornhill, Perthshire**, where a number of **MOIR** ancestors record their birth, "was accused by two merchants of that town, **David Ralston** and **Robert Young**, of stealing their packs and money, binding them, and despatching them to prison in **Edinburgh**. A process was ordered," another case of the same kind is recorded in **Stirling**.

Various petitions prove that many men, women, mothers, babes, and youths lay for long periods without being charged, some dying of neglect, and others from the foulness of the dungeons. "All in the name of religion."

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**WILLIAM MUIR** of **Glanderston**, afterwards of **Caldwell**, while sympathetic with the non-conforming party, or covenanters, **Muir** had lived regularly and orderly, keeping out of the clutches of the despots. Unhappily he took fever. His household sent for a respectable apothecary in **Paisley**, of the unfavorable name of **Sprewl**, to bleed him in his unconsciousness. That was enough. **Sprewl** was a registered suspect, and the Council would bleed more if need be. **Muir** was sent to prison and to the bar of **Justiciary Court**, on 8th August, 1682, from which he was discharged, the indictment being departed from.

(From "*The Covenanters of Scotland, from the Reformation to the Revolution*." Vol. 2, p. 388. by **James K. Hewison**.)

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"**JAMES MUIR** was one of three men who were hanged 22d February, 1684, for refusing to say "God save the king," in the prelatie sense of acknowledging the absolute authority of the King in all causes." (From **Hewison's** "*Covenanters of Scotland*," Vol. 2, p. 418.)

**John Stirling**, one of the Covenanters of **Edinburgh**, one of a number of ministers of good stern quality, who with other clergymen, was arrested by the soldiers of **King Charles I.**, for his adherence to the National Covenant, and committed to prison in **Edinburgh Castle**. It was this man who wrote from his prison cell to his Kirk-session, "Yet this is my comfort, that whatever the world say or believe, the cause I suffer for is the **Lord's**, and no less than the avowing of His marriage contract in a sworn covenant betwixt the three Kingdoms."

This gentleman (runs a tradition in the family) was an ancestor of **JANE STIRLING** of **Doune**, who was the beloved wife of **GEORGE MOIR**, and who raised a large family, whose descendants are now scattered over **Scotland** and **America**.

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**WILLIAM MURE** of **Caldwell**, was Captain of the 82nd **British** Regiment during the **American** Revolutionary War. He was twice taken prisoner, the second time at the surrender of **Yorktown**. He was rector of **Glasgow** University 1793-1794; as rector, he is often referred to as one of the foremost **Greek** scholars of his time. He was a friend from boyhood of **Sir John Moore**. He married **Ann**, daughter of **Sir James Hunter Blair**, and died in 1831.

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**Robert Burns**, the **Scottish** poet, presented to **Mrs. Robert Muir** of **Tarbolton, Ayrshire**, a pair of silver sugar tongs, which were exhibited at the **Glasgow** Historical Exhibition, 1911.

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In looking through the baptismal registers of **Muthill, Perthshire**, there was noted the registration of (afterwards **Baroness**) **Caroline Oliphant Nairne**, the gifted **Scottish** poetess, the daughter of **Lawrence Oliphant**, of the "Auld hoose of **Gask**." She was born 16th August, 1766. Her father was one of the most ardent supporters of the **Jacobite** Cause, and she was named **Caroline**, in memory of **Prince Charlie**. She wrote some of the very best **Scottish** songs, nearly all of which have a **Jacobite** ring to them.

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#### "LANG JOHNNIE MOIR"

There is a lengthy ballad of fifty verses of four lines each, entitled "**Lang Johnny Moir**," printed in the "**Ballad Minstrelsy of Scotland**." The opening verse has a fine ballad ring about it, thus:—

"There lives a man in **Rynie's** land,  
Another in **Auchindore**,  
The bravest lad among them all  
Was **Lang Johnnie Moir**."

(The present day spelling of **Rynie** is *Rhynie*, and that of **Auchindore** is *Auchindoir*.)

According to a correspondent, "LANG JOHNNIE MOIR" had his castle at the foot of **Benachie** mountain, near **Aberdeen**, and there are a number of MOIRS now near that locality who claim relationship to him, and a characteristic of the branch, is the exceptional height—above six feet.

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The REV. WILLIAM YOUNG MOIR, son of RIGHT REV. DAVID MOIR, D. D., Bishop of **Brechin**, succeeded to the Parish church of St. Matthews, **Meldrum**, **Aberdeenshire**, in 1862. During his incumbency, the present beautiful church of St. Matthew's was built, and consecrated on St. Matthew's day, 1863, by the Right Rev. **Thomas George Suther D. C. L.**, Bishop of **Aberdeen**. MR. MOIR also serves as minister of All Saints, **Whiterashes**, a beautiful little church built by Major **John Ramsay** of **Barra** and **Straloch**."

(Thanage of Fermartyn, p. 271.)

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In Dr. William Findlay's "Robert Burns and the Medical Profession," published by Alexander Gardner, Paisley, in 1898, there is the following references:

Chapter III. Dr. John Moore, London, son of an Episcopal Clergyman at Stirling, pp. 35-50. With Portrait, by kind permission of Blackie and Son, Glasgow; and another from an old painting by Sir Thomas Lawrence, P. R. A., with kind permission of James L Caw, Esq., of the Scottish National Portrait Gallery.

Chapter VI. Dr. David Macbeth Moir, (Delta). Page 91. With Portrait, by kind permission of Blackie and Son, Glasgow.

There is also a reference to a Robert Muir, Kilmarnock, (page 15) Dr. William Moore, Kilmarnock (page 15); and Colonel Mure of Caldwell, author of "Travels in Greece," (page 96.)

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\*JOHN FORBES MOIR, son of the late WILLIAM MOIR of Park, **Aberdeenshire**, died 28th April, 1890, at 16 **Clanricarde Gardens**, **London**.

From the "Free Press," **Aberdeen** May 1, 1890.

## SOME ARTICLES RELATING TO MOIRS

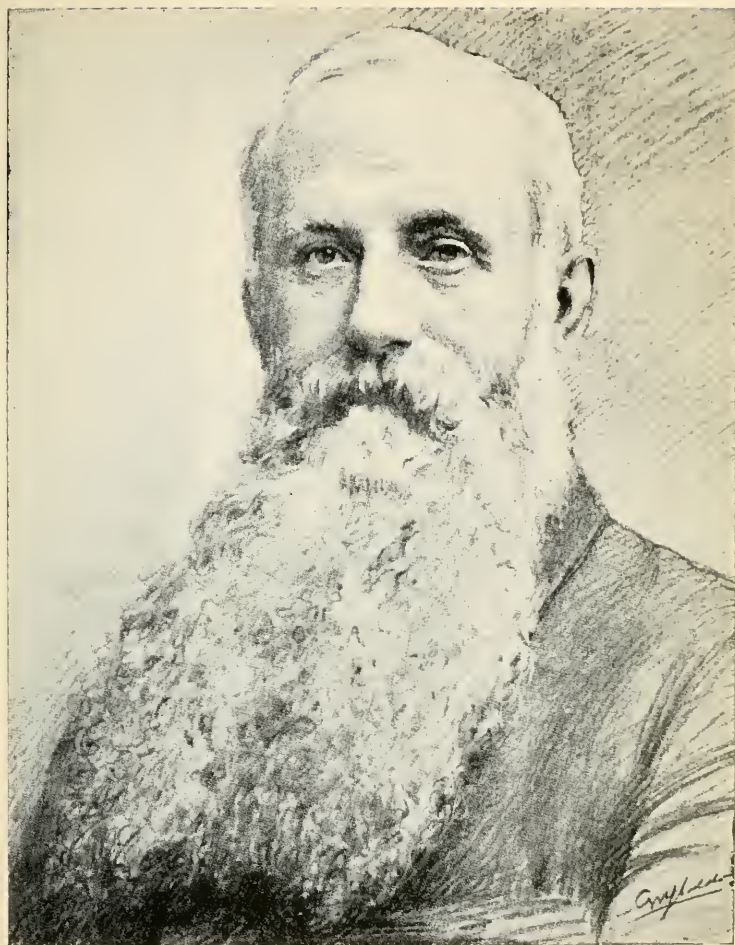
IN THE GLASGOW HISTORICAL EXHIBITION, 1911

1. **Rorie More's Horn**, date 1610. This Horn is one of the Family Treasures at Dunvegan Castle in the Isle of Skye. In ancient days it was considered a Test of the Manhood of a MacLeod at his coming of age that he should be able to drink its contents at one draught. It dates from about 1600, when the chief was Roderick or Rorie MacLeod, who was knighted by James VI. Sir Roderick built a considerable part of the existing Castle of Dunvegan, and the Waterfall, near the Castle, is known as the "Nurse of Rorie More," from the tradition that its sound acted as a lullaby to the chief.

(Lent by MacLeod of MacLeod.)



2. **Testimonial from Thomas Carlyle**, dated 6th May, 1861, to the late **John Macrae Moir**. (Lent by Mrs. J. L. Eskdale.)
3. **Captain Robert Moir**. The officers of the 3rd Battalion, Gordon Highlanders, lent to the Glasgow Exhibition, 1911, the Presentation Sword to **Captain Robert Moir**, Aberdeenshire Militia, by the non-commissioned officers and privates of his company, 10th May, 1805.
4. **Painting of Willam Marshall**, violinist and composer, born at Fochabers, 1748; died 1833. Painted by "Moir." (Lent by Miss Cruickshank.)
5. **Two views of Rowallan Castle**, Ayrshire, a very picturesque old house, built by **John Muir** in 1562. A much older tower, in a ruinous condition, forms part of the buildings, and was the residence of the **Muir**s from a very early date. Rowallan was the birthplace of **Elizabeth More or Muir**, first wife of King Robert II., of Scotland.
6. "**Celtic Literature**." A Gaelic book on the Sacrament of Jesus Christ, printed in 1794. Written by **J. Moir**.
7. "**Stuart and Jacobite relics**," **James Moir** of Stoneywood, (From a Portrait belonging to Miss Skene, a great grand-daughter).

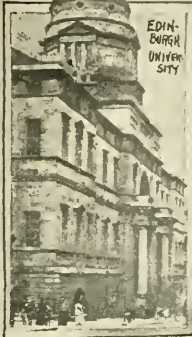


FREDERICK LEWIS MAITLAND MOIR  
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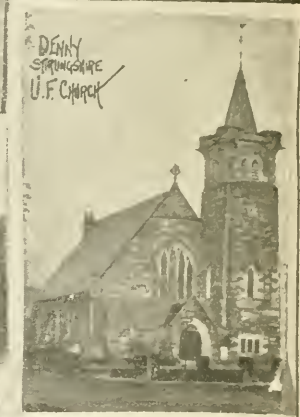
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8. **Rev. Professor William Milligan, D. D.**, Minister of Kilconquhar, 1850; Professor of Biblical Criticism, University of Aberdeen, 1862. One of the Company of the Revisers of Authorized Translation of New Testament; Distinguished Commentator, and Author of valuable books on "The Resurrection," "Ascension and Heavenly Priesthood of our Lord," etc.; first President of Scottish Church Society, 1892; Moderator of the General Assembly of 1882; father of **Rev. Professor George Milligan**, Glasgow University. William was a son-in-law of **Delta, (Δ) David Macbeth Moir**, the Scottish Poet. See page 177
9. "**Sports and Pastimes**," Archery Medal of **James Moir**, 1673.  
(Lent by the Rector of the Aberdeen Grammar School.)

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#### TARTY, LOGIE-BUCHAN, ABERDEENSHIRE

"This mansion house is situated about a mile south of **Logie-Buchan** parish church; this estate was owned for over 150 years by the **Dun**'s of **Tarty**, the wife of the first **Dun**, was burned as a witch in 1597.

Some time after 1746, it was acquired by **George**, third Earl of **Aberdeen**. After his death in 1801, it was owned by his son, **Hon. William Gordon**; and after his death in 1846, it came by entail to **Alexander Gordon** of **Ellon**; and it was sold by his trustees in 1890, to its present owner, **MR. ROBERT MOIR** of **Tarty**."

(Thanage of Fermartyn, p. 540.)

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**REV. ANDREW MOIR**, grandson of **ANDREW MOIR**, burgess of **Aberdeen**, and nephew of **GEORGE MOIR**, minister of **Towie**, was appointed to the parish of **Towie, Aberdeenshire**, "*jure devoluto*." He was minister of the parish church of **Methlick, Aberdeenshire**, translated, May 31, 1739; and afterwards to **Ellon**, April 24, 1745.

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"**REV. JAMES MOIR** was appointed minister of the parish of **Tarves** in **Aberdeenshire** during the times of the Covenanters, by **King Charles I.** He remained till 1659."

(Thanage of Fermartyn, p. 371.)

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**MOIR Family**, 93.

**MOIR Family**, 649.

**JAMES & SOPHIA MOIR**, 8357.

The above are among a list of names advertised in **Chancery**.

(From "*Index to Heirs-at-Law, Next-of-Kin, Owners of Unclaimed Money*," London, England, p. 259.)

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There were **MOIRS** of **Chesterberry**, seven miles from the banks of the **Dee** in **Aberdeenshire**, who sheltered, supped, and housed **King James VI.** of **Scotland**, who received a historic name and estate.

(Note from **A. Moir**, 303 West Erie St., Chicago, Ill.)

Mackintosh's "*Collection of Gaelic Proverbs and Phrases*," published in 1785, mentions one **Finley More**, a chieftain of the Clan of **Farquharson**—whose lands bounded on **Aberdeenshire**—who bore the **Scottish Royal Standard** at the battle of **Pinkie** in 1547.

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### BIG MOIR OF CULTER, ABERDEENSHIRE

"**GEORGE MOIR** is **Buchan** born and bred, his birthplace being **Knaps, Rora, Longside**. **Moir** was a farm servant for fifteen years. His athletic career has been an extensive one. For over thirty years, **Moir** has competed in **England** and all over the north of **Scotland**. He is an all-round heavy weight athlete, and heavy enough, in all conscience, weighing 17 stone (238 lbs.) **George** has won an assortment of prizes and medals beyond most. He was perhaps best at caber, wrestling and hammer. In his prime, **Moir** was up against a lot of talent. He had to compete against **G. H. Johnstone**, **Sandy McCullough**, **Kenneth McRae**, **G. M. Ross**, **Anderson of Stirling**, and latterly **J. S. Erven**; this being the case, he could not expect to win many first prizes against such formidable athletes. But he always held his own in **Dee** and **Donside**, and when visiting **Mintlaw**, which he did for long.

Some of **Moir's** records are good, to show he was a class athlete:—16 lb. hammer, 109 feet; 17 lb. hammer, 104 feet; 24 lb. hammer, 77 feet; 28 lb. weight, 53 feet, 3 inches; big **Geordie Moir**, stands six feet two inches, and weighs 17 stone. We always found him modest and manly, in his travels, and competitions. He was a general favorite with his contemporaries."

(From **Buchan Athletes and Games** by **Archie Campbell**, **New Deer, Aberdeenshire**, in the "*Buchan Observer*," July 16, 1912.)

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Marriage certificate of **WILLIAM MOIR** and **JEAN KAY**, married by **REV. JOHN MOIR**, a brother of **William**. This **William Moir** is father of **David Moir of Roxbury, Mass.**, who is a brother of the **William Moir** who died in **Londox** 1875:—

#### Barony of Glasgow

"That **William Moir**, mason, **Blythswood Ground**, and **Jean Kay** residing there—have been three separate and distinct Sabbaths, lawfully proclaimed in the several Parish Churches of **Barony** in order to marriage, and no objections offered, is attested by **David Mac Brayne**, session clerk.

I hereby certify that the above named parties were married by me at 8 Douglas Street, this 30th day of April, 1838.

**John Moir**, minister of Congregational church, **Hamilton**."

(Copy of original).

Of the family of **ROBERT MOIR** and **ELIZABETH MOIR**, (born **Moir**) who lived at **Thornhill** and afterwards removed to **Denny** in **Stirlingshire**, several of the sons were unfortunate in the loss of limbs:— Pages 234  
and 242

**WILLIAM** lost an arm while at work at **Lisk's** paper mills, **Denny**, but it did not deter him from studying and afterwards becoming one of the most learned of teachers following the profession in **America** to which he removed, becoming head-master. Page 248

**DUNCAN** lost a foot in a place where a gasometer had been moved from, but he being a blacksmith, afterwards became a proficient engineer. Page 249

**JAMES** lost a leg in **Duniven** print works while at work in a steam boiler. He after became a master hand at gardening, and for many years was beadle of **Denny Free Church**. Page 242

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**Rev. John Brown** of **Haddington**, the eminent divine, and old light burger, born 1722, died 1787, author of "Self Interpreting Bible," was grandfather of **Dr. John Brown** of **Edinburgh**, author of "A Jacobite Family," an account of the life of **James Moir** of **Stoneywood**.

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Two important firms doing a world-wide business — their goods selling in nearly every market, are the well known firms of **JOHN MOIR & SON**, Limited, of **London**, **Aberdeen**, and **Seville**; dealers in jams, jellies, marmalades, etc., and the firm of **MOIR, WILSON & CO.**, of **Aberdeen**, Fish Merchants, and Preserved Provision Manufacturers. The former now has no **MOIRS** connected with or interested in the firm; the latter **MR. MOIR** has sold out, and is also unconnected with the company in any way, but has removed with his family to **Sydney, Australia**.

Both firms still do business under the old name!

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A great grandfather of **WILLIAM M. MOIR** of **Chicago**, was a tenant-farmer on the entailed estate of **Fetternear** in the north of **Scotland**, who became ultimate heirs of the property. The nearest heir came to prepare his claim to the estate, and was ruled out by the court at **Edinburgh** because he was born in a foreign land; he traced up the record of the family and found that **Alexander Moir**, the tenant was the true heir of the property; at the close of the case, the contestants, defeated, bribed the session-clerk of the parish for five hundred pounds to tear off the leaf of the record of the registry book; the session-clerk confessed on his death-bed.

**Alexander Moir**, being a Protestant, and the contestants were Roman Catholics. He joined the **Cameronians**, staunch and true to the last, and fought the last battle of wild **Killicrankie**:

“Where the sword and the Bible, is seen  
 Engraved on the stone where the heather grows green,  
 And the souls that come out of great tribulation,  
 Have mounted the chariots and steeds of salvation.”

A relative of his who was Bishop **Moir**, left a Covenanter's bible, in which the Bishop's and **Mrs. Moir's** names are written in red, the blood of the Covenanters, dated 1742, and which is now in the hands of **W. M. Moir** of **Chicago**.

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There was an “**S. MORE**” among the followers of **William the Conqueror**; came over from **Normandy** with him, in 1050, A. D. (Vol. 1, p. 424, Hist. of Norman Conquest.)

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In the famous “**House of Somerled**” genealogical tree, there are a number of descendants, whose name is **MOIR**. It is from this house that several branches of the royal family are descended, as well as several aristocratic families of **Scotland** and **England**.

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The arms of **MORE** of **Surrey, England**, are: azure, on a cross, argent, five martlets, sable; crest: on a ducal coronet, an antelope, argent.

1623, **Sir Robert More** of **Lothesley**, in the parish of **St. Nicholas**, near **Guldeford** in **County Surrey**, Knight, married **Frances**, dau. of **Sampson Leonard** and **Margaret Fines**, **Baroness D'acres**, and had issue:— **Sir Poynings More** of **Lothesley**, **Baronet**, who married **Elizabeth**, daughter of **William Fitch**, and had issue:—

**Sir William More** of **Lothesley**, **Baronet**, 1662.

(From a visiting of **Surrey County** in 1662, to 1668, by **Sir Edward Byshe**, Knight, King at Arms.)

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In the biographical sketch of the ancestor of the **More** family, **John More**, who came to **America** in 1772, and whose descendants erected a fine monument to his memory in 1892 at **Roxbury, Delaware County, New York**—it is stated in the splendid history of that family (printed in 1895,) that when in the year 1770 he proposed to **Betty Taylor** to marry him, and told her he intended to go to **America**, she replied by turning to the first chapter of **Ruth**, sixteenth and seventeenth verses:—“**And Ruth** said, entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people; and thy **God** my **God**; where thou diest, I will die, and there will I be buried; the **Lord** do so to me, and more also, if ought but death part me and thee.”

**STONEHAVEN ENGINEER'S HEROISM**  
**'NINETY-SIX HOURS' FIGHT WITH FIRE**

Details have reached Stonehaven of the heroic part taken by a native in quelling a disastrous fire, which broke out on board the Weir Liner "*Poleru*," an ex-Cunarder of 8000 tons during an Atlantic voyage. The vessel was sulphur-laden, and this made the grim struggle to subdue the flames all the more unequal. The chief engineer, Mr. Thomas Moir, belongs to Stonehaven, and on him fell the brunt of the fire-fighting. By the time Engineer Moir had got an effective stream through the pumps the fire had spread with alarming rapidity, and hour by hour the tongues of flame licked round the inflammable cargo, and slowly but surely threatened the sea-worthiness of the liner.

With 32,000 bags of sulphur aboard, and with a hurricane blowing to imperil the fire-fighting, the plight of the officers and crew of the "*Poleru*" can readily be imagined. The gale swept the men off their feet and the decks were so aglow as to be almost unbearable for the crew, but still they fought with dogged determination. Twice the "*Poleru*" was on her beam ends. For ninety-six hours the grim struggle was fought out, and in the end the liner reached port battered and begrimed. Chief Engineer Moir played a conspicuous part in the fire-fighting, and is to be congratulated on surviving a thrilling experience.

From the "*Aberdeen Evening Express*," March 3, 1913.

Hon. Edward Peacock's "**Index to English Speaking Students who have Graduated at Leyden University.**" List was published by Longman's Green & Co., 1883:—

Moir, Gulielmus, Scotto-Britannus, 29 Maii, 1676.

(Marischal College, Aberdeen, 1672-76.)

Moir, William, Scotto-Buchanus, 12 Dec., 1753.

(Marischal College, Aberdeen, 1740-44.)

Moore, Henricus, Jamaica-Britannus, 23 Mart., 1731.

Moore, Henricus, Londinensis, 27 Aug., 1738.

Moore, Johannes, Britannus, 23 Sept., 1729.

Moore, Peirce, Hybernus, 24 July, 1736.

Moore, Samuel, Hybernus, 4 Oct., 1729.

More, Robertus, Anglo-Britannus, 4 Oct., 1728.

More, Robertus, Anglus, 22 Feb. 1642.

Mure, Guilielmus, Scotto-Britannus, 12 Sept., 1740.

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Iron was his chest,  
 Iron was his door,  
 His hand was iron,  
 And his heart was More.

From "*Fugitive Poetry, 1600-1876.*" P. 563.

By J. C. Hutchieson. Stoneywood, (near Aberdeen.)

## COMING OF AGE OF LORD MOORE

Kindly furnished by R. MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ., Aberdeen

Lord Moore, eldest son of the Earl of Drogheda, came of age yesterday. Maternally, he is the grandson of **George Moir, LL.D.**, Sheriff of Stirlingshire, a native of **Aberdeen**, who is well remembered as a friend of Thomas Carlyle and a translator of Goethe. Sheriff Moir's wife was a Tower—a grand-daughter of John Tower, sometime convener of the Incorporated Trades of **Aberdeen**.

The present and ninth Earl of Drogheda, who was formerly known as Mr. Ponsonby William Moore, succeeded his cousin, the third and last **Marquis of Drogheda**, in the minor honour in 1892. He was a great grandson of the fifth Earl, and his grandfather married Lucie, daughter of James Currie, M. D., of Liverpool, who is known to fame as the first biographer of the poet, Robert Burns (1759-1796). The earldom dates from 1661, and the family seat is at **Moore Abbey**, Monastervan, County Kildare, Ireland.

(From the "*Aberdeen Evening Express*," 23rd April, 1904).

## ROBERT MURDOCH LAWRENCE, ESQ.

This gentleman, who has been of material assistance in the compiling of this book, is a well-known genealogist and historian of **Aberdeen, Scotland**. He has added to our book an immense amount of material, especially with reference to the city and shire of **Aberdeen**. Because of the abundance of his writings, it behooves us to give, briefly, an account of his genealogy.

He was born at **Aberdeen, Scotland**, 9th August, 1879, served as a sapper in the First Volunteer Battalion, Royal Engineers, **Aberdeen**, from 5th September, 1898, to 9th January, 1902. Admitted a member of the Rymour Club of **Edinburgh**, 12th May, 1906, being proposed by Mr. J. Macbeth Forbes, J. P., banker, **Edinburgh**; and seconded by Mr. David MacRitchie, C. A., **Edinburgh**. His portrait was painted by Mr. Allen N. Sutherland, artist, **Aberdeen**, July, 1912. Residence, "Cairnchina," 23 Ashley Road, **Aberdeen**.

Mr. Lawrence has written a genealogy of his family, and traces his pedigree back to **John Lawrence**, who was born in 1667, at **Barnyards of Philorth**, near **Fraserburgh**. It is interesting to note the long ancestral line, of which **Robert** is the eighth generation; each branch is recorded, and full information is given.

**Robert Murdoch Lawrence** is a son of **Robert Scott Lawrence**, who was a master mariner, born at **Peterhead**, 15th Sept., 1845. Died at **Port Said Hospital**, 13th July, 1885, and was buried in the **British cemetery** there. His mother was **Mary Ann Murdoch**, eldest daughter of **Robert Murdoch**, farmer, **Glack of Migvie, Tarland**, and **Isabella Brodie**.

The following poem, by one of our clan, appeared March, 1912, in the Pall Mall Magazine:—

### MY LADY HONEYSUCKLE

Rocked on the branches, swayed  
 In cradle wise,  
 My Lady Honeysuckle's couch is laid,  
 And as she sighs,  
 Stirring in sleep,  
 There comes to us, who peep  
 From window under which her home is made,  
 Scent of her loveliness  
 About our faces,  
 Like a caress  
 From far-off fairy places!

R. Charles Moir.

**Mr. Walter MacGillvray Moir**, a native of **Woodside** (near **Aberdeen**), has been appointed a special justice of the peace at **Warrenton, South Africa**.

**Mr. Moir** is a son of **Rev. Alexander Forbes Moir**, a native of **Strathdon**; he has had a very successful career since he went to **South Africa**, and the news of the further honour which has been conferred upon him will give the warmest satisfaction to his friends in **Scotland**. The appointment is an important one, and corresponds to the **British** magistrate or judge.

*"Aberdeen Evening Express,"* 6th March, 1913.

**Alexander Moir**, of the **Island of Saint Croix** (Santa Cruz, West Indies), was the founder of the **Moir Bursary**, by a will made 14th February, 1783. He left six hundred pounds to King's College, University of **Aberdeen**, for the support of poor students, in that College. He was M. A., 1735, and M. D., 1783. In 1857, there were sixteen bursaries on the foundation. Four received £17; ten, £15; and two, £13 each.

(Abridged from note received June, 1913, from **R. Murdock Lawrance, Esq.**)

**Maria Barclay Forbes**, wife of **William Moir**, labourer, North of Scotland, Orkney and Shetland Steam Navigation Co., **Aberdeen**, died at 74 St. Clement Street, **Aberdeen**, 19th April, 1913, aged 52. Buried at St. Clement's Churchyard, 23rd April, 1913.

**John Moir**, Mariner } are mentioned in a "List of Burgesses  
**Robert Moir**, Merchant } of Guild in the City of **Aberdeen**,"  
 qualified to vote at the election of the Dean of Guild and his assessors, 4th November, 1833.

The list contains 703 names, and was printed by **D. Chalmers & Co.**, **Aberdeen**.



THE MOIR I STAND ON OPPIN HIGHT  
 MY FAULTIS MOIR SVBIECT AR TO SIGHT.

I PRAY AL LVIKARIS ON THIS LVGING,  
 VITH GENTIL E TO GIF THAIR IVGING.

ESSPY SPEIK FURTH AND SPAIR NOTHT  
 CONSIDDIR VEIL I CAIR NOTHT.

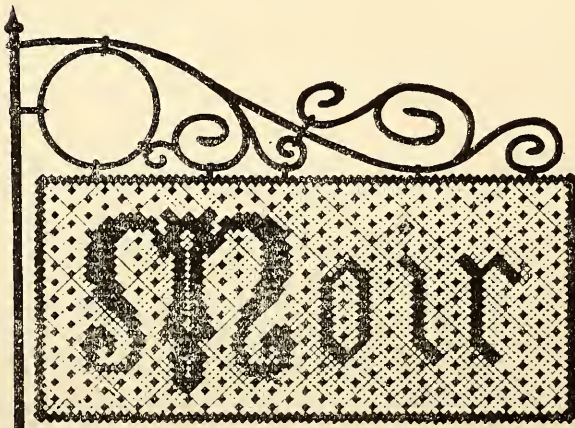
The above couplets are taken from lettering carved on stone on the building near Stirling Castle, called "Mar's Wark," built by John, Earl of Mar, Regent of Scotland, in 1570. The building also contains, carved on masonry, the Royal Arms of Scotland, and other important inscriptions.

The stones from which this "Ludging" was built, were taken from some ecclesiastical building, probably Cambuskenneth Abbey which was demolished about this time. The first two couplets are on front of the building, the latter is on the back. A modern reading of the inscriptions follow:—

The more I stand on open height,  
 My faults more subject are to sight.

I pray all lookers on this Lodging,  
 With gentle eye to give their judging.

Esspy speak forth and spare not  
 Consider well, I care not.



## Finale

“ Giff thou desire thy house lang stand,  
And thy successors bruik thy land,  
Above all things, live God in fear,  
Intromit nought with wrongous gear ;  
Nor conqness nothing wrongously,  
With thy neighbor keep charity.  
See that thou pass not thy estate,  
Obey duly thy magistrate ;  
Oppress not but support the puire,  
To help the common weill, take care.  
Use no deceit,—meddle not with treason,  
And to all men do right and reason ;  
Both unto word and deed, be true ;  
All kinds of wickedness eschew.  
Slay no man, nor thereunto consent,  
Be nought cruel, but patient.  
Ally ay in some guid place  
With noble, honest, godly race.  
Be humble, haunt guid companie,—  
And all the vicious vices flee,—  
Help thou thy friend, and do no wrang—  
And God shall cause thy house stand lang.”

(From Barclay of Mather's advice to his son. Written circa 1500.)



# Family Record

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

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MOIR GENEALOGY  
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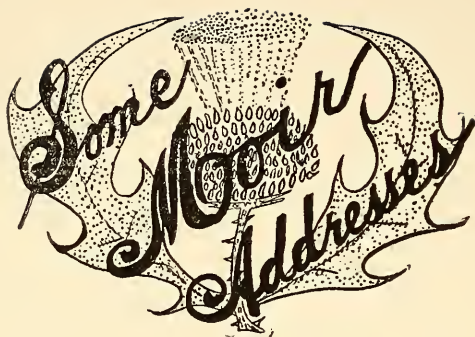




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Moir, Alexander, Holland Bush, Glassel, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.  
Moir, Alexander, North Artrochie, Ellon, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.  
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Moir, George, 131 West Regent St., Glasgow, Scotland.  
Moir, George, Fornety, Ellon, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.  
Moir, George, Fedderate, New Deer, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.  
Moir, George F., 61 Prince Regent St., Edinburgh, Scotland.  
Moir, George, General Delivery, Brooklyn, New York.  
Moir, George, Gray Street, The Lodge, Aberdeen, Scotland.  
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Moir, George, 10 Horne Street, Cleveland, Ohio.  
Moir, George, Huntsville, Ontario.  
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