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Welcome to the latest edition of the Moray & Nairn FHS Newsletter.

MNFHS Chairman's Report Dec 2011

As your Chairman I am always pleased to receive any comments, either about the MNFHS itself or about items of a more national interest. As Chairman of SAFHS as well (too many hats!), it means that I also represent the 'voluntary' family history scene on many Committees, including the Scotlands People User Group, the Scottish Council on Archives, VisitScotland Ancestral Tourism Steering Group, and also the National Committee on Carved Stones in Scotland. These are all good platforms at which to put forward comments which are made by all members of family history societies all across Scotland, and to pick up on the latest news and developments in other sectors of the family history world.

For more information on SAFHS and their Bulletin see their web page: www.safhs.org.uk/

Also now published by the Society is the 3rd book on the Episcopalian Records of Moray and Nairn and which completes the series complementing that published earlier this year on Baptisms from Elgin and of Rathven.

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New Publication:

The Parishes of Moray & Nairn: Episcopal Church Records of 1801-1855 of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials for Elgin, Fochabers, Forres, Keith, Nairn & Rathven.

Compiled by Stuart Farrell & Douglas G J Stewart

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Auldearn Monumental Inscriptions

A team of MNFHS recorders will begin again work in the Spring on recording the MIs of Auldearn Churchyard.

Work so far this year has seen the completion of the Victorian and later sections and a start on the stones around the churchyard. With over 600 stones it is taking a little longer than expected but keep an eye out for a future update.

Stuart Farrell

Members Interests

My name is Linda Howie (nee Clark) and I am endeavouring to further my research into the Clark family of Nairnshire. I am also interested in the associated families. I have documented my findings in a book titled, **Tha mi proiseil gur e Cleireach a th'annam (I am proud that I am a Clark)** - An Account of the lives of the Australian Descendants of Francis Clark and Jane Rankin of Clunes, Victoria. Also an account of the Rankin Family of Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch and the Clark family of Nairnshire in Scotland. A digital copy of this book is held by the Moray and Nairnshire Family History Society.

The name of Clark has been noted in the earliest church records of the parishes of Auldearn, Ardclach and Nairn, however, these only survive back to the early 1700's.

My research to date has taken me back to **James Clark** who married **Catherine Gairn** (Garden) on 7th March, 1802 at Auldearn. Catherine and her family were from the Parish of Ardclach.

I believe James was the 9th child of **James Clark** and **Henrietta Clark**, christened on the 19th February 1775 in Nairn.

Catherine was the eldest of John Gairn and Isabella Lawson's five daughters. John and Isabella were married on 2nd February 1775 in Ardclach. Catherine was born around 1777, then Janet on 29th March, 1778, Sophia in 1782, Margaret on 29th October, 1784 and lastly Henriette (sic) on 13th September, 1787. They were all born in Ardclach. All of the girls married and the families were close and had a lot of interaction with each other all through their lives. When the husbands died leaving the wives with young families, other members of the family took them in and gave them a home, and later employment for their children. They seem to have been a very close knit family. But in these times of no Social Welfare other than the pittance offered by the Poor Relief, families looked after each other. It was also the Highland way of life. It was a harsh life and no-one ever knew what fate had in store for them just around the corner.

Before the birth of their 4th child, James and Catherine moved to the farm of Achavelgin in the parish of Ardclach, where Catherine had grown up. It may even have been the farm of her father, John Gairn. I am not sure when James died, but it was before 1851 as Catherine is widowed by then and living with her son, John at Achavelgin. Catherine lived to the grand old age of 83 years. She passed away quietly on 30th January 1860 at

her home at Achavelgin; she was buried in the kirkyard at Auldearn.

James CLARK (the younger) and Catherine had a family of four sons and two daughters, whose names were Daniel (baptised 18th June 1803), John, Isobel, James, Janet and Alexander. The three eldest children were born at Easter Brightmony, in the Parish of Auldearn, while the youngest three children were born in the Parish of Ardclach.

Daniel CLARK (my Great Great Grandfather) married **Elizabeth MacLean** on 28th December 1827 at Nairn. Elizabeth was the eldest child of Francis McLean and Ann Leslie. She was born 19th May 1801 in Ardclach. Her father was a farmer.

Daniel took up the trade of blacksmithing, rather than stay on as a farmer at Achavelgin. He moved into the town of Nairn, where he lived at 6 Smith's Lane. He became a Master Blacksmith.

Before long their children start arriving. Ann is the eldest, then came Catherine, followed by Elizabeth, James, Isabella, Francis, who was baptised on 3rd June 1838, Christina, who died at the age of 13 and finally another daughter, Leslie, who never married. All the children were christened at Nairn. Daniel developed cancer of the stomach in October of 1867 and he died at his home on 13th April 1868.

Ann CLARK was baptised on 11th October 1828, in Nairn. Ann married **John Sutherland**. Ann was a trained Milliner. John had been working with Ann's father, Daniel, but had returned to Geddes start up his own business and to care for his widowed mother, also named Ann. John was born 15th January 1809, in Cawdor, Nairnshire. He was the eldest child of Alexander Sutherland and Ann McDonald of Cawdor. John and Ann had eight children, Betsy, Ann, Catherine, Elspeth, Alexander, Frances, Leslie and Isabella. Ann and Leslie died very young.

John was just 60 years old when he died from apoplexy on 20th February 1869. John's eldest daughter, Elizabeth (Betsy) provided the information for his death certificate; she was present at his death. Betsy was only 15 years old and her youngest sister was only 4½ years old.

Catherine CLARK was baptised on 18th March 1830, in Nairn. The witnesses at her baptism were her maternal grandfather, Francis McLean and her grandparents James Clark & Catherine Gairn (Garden)

Catherine was 32 years old when she was married on 26th June 1862 to **William Urquhart**. William was the son of Robert Urquhart, a shoemaker and Lillian McGillivray. William was a 36 year old grocer living at 14 Waterloo Place, Inverness.

William and Catherine had five children, daughters Elizabeth and Catherine, and three sons, Robert and Daniel and the third was born in 18???. William died on 26th May 1892. Catherine remained in the family home at 36 Waterloo Place, Inverness where she died on 16th December, 1899. Robert Urquhart was living at Thornbush Cottage in Inverness at the time of his mother, Catherine's death.

Robert Urquhart joined the Merchant Navy and he married Catherine Stanger in 1897. They lived in Edinburgh initially, but after the birth of their first child, William, they returned to Inverness, where their other 5 children were born. They were Christina, a second son named William, who was born 6 weeks after his elder brother's death, Catherine, Daisy who died at the age of two years, and lastly Alexander. I know nothing more of **Daniel Urquhart**; **Elizabeth Urquhart** never married and her cousin Francis Edgar supplied the information for the death certificate.

Elizabeth CLARK was baptised on 16th February 1832, in Nairn. Elizabeth married **William Edgar** on 14th September 1855. Elizabeth had given birth to seven children, James, Daniel, Francis, Alexander, Dorothea, Anne and George before she developed chronic stomach problems. She died on 26th March 1867; her youngest child not yet two years old. James, Daniel and Alexander had died before their mother.

James CLARK was born on 25th October 1834 in Nairn. In 1851 James was working as a Writer's Clerk. James married **Margaret Gray** on 5th October 1860 at Fochabers. Margaret was the third child of Alexander Gray, hardware merchant, and Elizabeth Cuthbert.

James was the Station Master at Fochabers their only child **John Melrose Clark** was born on 26th January 1868. John had at least one son, **Roderick Melrose Clark**, who was born in England.

Isobella Clark was born on the 5th October 1836 in Nairn. Isobella was married on 18th January 1861 to **John Cameron**, a house carpenter of 9 Row Street, Nairn.

John was the second child of Angus Cameron, a grounds officer and Ann Fraser. He was born on – September 1831 in the village of Rosemarkie, in the County of Ross and Cromarty. Isobella and John had a large family of 10 children, who all

survived to adulthood. They were Elizabeth, Anne, Angus, Daniel, James, John, Francis, William, Melrose and Leslie.

John (Snr) was a House builder/carpenter, Angus, James and John were all house painters, Daniel was a Letter Carrier (Postman) in England, later returning to Nairn and Francis was a Baker.

Elizabeth never married; nothing much is known of **Annie, Angus** married Margaret Ross, they had 9 children, Isobella, Angus, Elizabeth, Frank, Charles, Melrose, John, William and Jessie. Their descendants still live in the Nairn area.

Daniel married Ada Saunders in England and had three children, Allan, Joyce and Harold. James married Annie Wallace and they had two sons, one of whom was stillborn. Annie, James and died from tuberculosis within a few years of each other, leaving their young son, John, in the care of his grandmother.

John (Jnr) married Alexanderina Murdoch, and they had four children, Elsie, Isobella, William and Alexanderina.

Frank married Anne Gardner Tait and they had one son, Henry, who is believed to have immigrated to Australia.

William married Thomasina Ross, sister of Margaret Ross, who had married William's brother, Angus. They had seven children, Maggie, Leslie, Charles, John, William, Melrose and Angus.

Melrose married Jessie Fraser, and they had eight children, which included two sets of twins. They were Annie, John, Isabella, twins, Alexander, Robert, who both died within 12 days of age, Daniel and twins, Jessie and Leslie.

Leslie married Robert Balderston Henderson; they did not have any children.

Francis Clark went to Australia at the age of about 16 years. He married a Glaswegian lass, Jane Rankin, and they had 12 children. Their story is documented in the book.

The Old Parish Register for the Parish of Auldearn states:- John, son to James Clark and Catherine Garden, Easter Brightmony, was born 25th April 1805. **John CLARK** married **Anne Kennedy** on the 14th March 1856. Anne was the third child of John Kennedy and Anne Alexander. They did not have any children, but they raised Anne's younger sister's son Lewis, after his mother died a week after his birth. John predeceased Anne and after her death, the farm 'Achavelgin' passed to Anne's nephew, William

Kennedy.

Isobel CLARK was born on 13th August 1807 at Easter Brightmony and baptised in Auldearn. She married **Alexander Lawson** on the 28th December 1832 in Ardlach. Alexander was the second of the nine children of William Lawson and Henrietta Smith of Achamore, near Ardlach

William Lawson was farming at Achamore in 1807 when he was a witness at the christening of Isobel Clark, daughter of James Clark and Catherine Gairn. Many years later, Isobel Clark was to become his daughter-in-law. By 1832 William's son, Alexander has taken over the running of the farm.

At the time of the 1841 Scottish Census, Alexander and his wife Isobel were still farming at Achamore. They had three sons, William, aged 7 years, James, aged 5 years, Alexander, aged 3 years and they had an un-named daughter who was 6 days old. She was to be named Catherine after Isobel's mother.

Alexander, Isobel's husband died on the 20 October 1841 at the age of 55 years. I have been unable to find a death for Isobel. However, she was still alive at the time of her son, William's marriage in 1873. Nothing further has been found of her in Scotland.

James CLARK was born at Achaveligin on 25th January 1810 and baptised on 1st February in Ardlach. James was a witness at the baptism of his nephew, James Lawson in 1836. Nothing more is known of James at this time.

Janet CLARK was born at Achaveligin around 1813 but no record of her birth can be found. Janet married her first cousin, John Clark, son of John Clark and Sophia Gairn (Catherine's sister). John was born around 1804.

John and Janet had two sons, John, born on 24th May 1852 and their second son, James was born on 8th October 1855. Both were born at Duncarn. I believe that neither of these boys had any children.

Alexander CLARK was born on 27th October 1815 and baptised at Ardlach on the 29th October 1815 when he was 2 days old. His parents were farming at Achaveligin.

On the 8/6/1841, Alexander was living with his elder brother, John Clark at the property, Achaveligin near Ardlach. Both John and Alex were working as agricultural labourers. Alexander was 25 years old. I have been unable to find anything further on Alexander.

I am very interested in making contact with anyone who believes they have a connection with any of these families, including any connection to the Gairn family of John and Isobella. Further information on them is available from me.

Linda Howie

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Dawson Family in Forres

Can you help!

My name is Tom Rollo and I live in Sorrento (Perth) Western Australia. I have been helping a friend, Alan Dawson trace his father Kenny Dawson's history and ancestors. We have been quite successful up to a point but have hit a blank wall in tracking Kenny's mother.

Kenny Dawson was born in Forres as 'James' Dawson on 27th August 1915. His birth certificate gives only his mother's name. Nellie Dawson - domestic servant who lived in 86 North Street Forres. Our search through the internet using 'Scotlands People' failed to find any credible information on Nellie or her family. The 1891 census gives an 8 year old Helen Dawson as part of a Forres family. The parents were Alexander & Isabella Dawson. This means she was born in 1883 and her age when Kenny was born would have been 32. This poses a query! We have tried to check this out through the birth records, (a friend tried the registry office in Edinburgh) without success.

We have little information about Kenny's childhood except that he was an excellent soccer

player. He played for Forres Mechanics until he was signed up by Falkirk FC in 1934. He played with them until 1951. During that time he played 382 games and scored 243 goals. These are club records that still stand today. He later transferred to Blackpool.

Kenny married his first wife Alison in Falkirk in 1939 and his best man is named on the Marriage certificate as Thomas Dawson from 'The Old Manse Forres'. The best guess is that Thomas was Kenny's uncle.

The tree below gives a snapshot of Thomas's family and we note that the Father, Alexander Dawson lived in 'the old manse' prior to his death in 1925. Unfortunately we have had limited success linking this family to Nellie apart from the 1891 census as noted above.

Alexander Dawson
Born 1855
Died 1 Dec 1935
Occup: Railway Worker

Married to Isabella Dunbar
Died 18 July 1917 Forres

Children:
Margaret Died 21 Feb 1947 Forres
George Died 20 Apr 1965 Forres
Annie Died 3 Nov 1977 Forres
Thomas Died 9 Jul 1978

Below is a photo of a gravestone from the cemetery in Forres. This is a positive link to Kenny.



Also below is a photo of the Forres Mechanics team in 1934. (Dawson 2nd from right front row)



In 1978 Kenny married Janet Smith in Glasgow. At that time his occupation was given as a 'publican' and he lived in Hamilton. Kenny's movements are obscure from then and we discovered through a death record search that he died in Chester in 1987.

We are hopeful that some of the members of this society have information on the Dawson Families in the Moray district and can assist us in finding details of Kenny's mother, her parents and providing any information (or photos) regarding them and their ancestors.

Kind regards to all members
Tom Rollo

Bruce B Bishop, FSA Scot, ASGRA

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Nairnshire Miscellany

Nairnshire Mirror 8 February 1845

Notice to Creditors

The creditors of the late Donald Davidson, Cattle Dealer, Little Coulmony, are requested to attend personally at Anderson's Hotel, Nairn on Monday the 17th February at 12 o'clock noon, to receive Twenty Shilling in the Pound for their claims from the Heirs of the deceased.
Coulmony, 7th February 1845.

Web Page Miscellany

Two sites you might find of interest:

www.familytreebooksandcharts.com can produce your family history research into a book; they also supply blank charts of varying styles and sizes.

www.scottishcatholicarchives.org.uk is the web page of the Scottish Catholic Archives in Edinburgh. Although registers are available on Scotland's People, much more material is held in the form of over 750 private collections, parish archives, and a library of over 10,000 books, periodicals and pamphlets.

Members Interests

Which Margaret Edward?

The only great-grandparent I ever had the chance of meeting - and did - was my father's mother's father John Donald Shand. Although he was a native of Lossiemouth, he spent most of his 93 years living at 13 Farquhar Street, Hopeman.

In 1902, he married Jessie Sutherland, a daughter of Alexander Sutherland & Isabella Young; Isabella was a daughter of John Young & Isabella Davidson; John Young was a son of James Young & Anne McPherson.

Following through the obvious sources - certificates & census returns - I picked up that James Young died aged 77 at Harbour Street, Hopeman on 4th April 1867. From his death certificate I got the information that his parents were John Young, Fisherman (deceased) and Margaret Edward (deceased). The 1851 & 1861 Census Returns both told me he was born in the parish of Drainie.

From Drainie OPR of 21st October 1791, I have "*John Young, Seaman in Stotfield had his lawful son by Marg't Edward born this date, baptised and named James. Witnesses Jas MacLeod and James Edward both in Stotfield.*" John Young died on Christmas Day 1806, a victim of the Stotfield Disaster - where all three boats and 21 men from the village lost their lives.

Quite a lot has been written about the Stotfield Disaster and there have been various articles published that address the subsequent fundraising efforts of the local minister Rev Mr Lewis Gordon and others. This fund paid out, on a regular basis, monies to the widows, orphans and other

dependents affected by the disaster. It ran from 1807 to 1842, when it was wound up and the remaining funds were distributed amongst the six qualifying survivors.

One of these was Margaret Edward who, in Agnes Keith's superb little book, *The Parish of Drainie and Lossiemouth*, is described as "*Mrs John Young, lost her husband & brother. She had to bring up two sons and three daughters.*" So Margaret Edward - Mrs John Young - was still alive in 1842.

For more than 20 years, that's what I believed; I don't believe that any more!

Recently, I was fortunate enough to come across Sidney Watt's tome *The Stotfield Disaster*; a summary of the Stotfield Disaster and Stotfield Fund. In part of it, he lists the payments made to the sufferers of the disaster.

The first thing to confuse me was that there are three widows named Margaret Edward listed - one married to John Young, one married to James McLeod and one married to John Edward.

Now, the third Margaret Edward only received payments from the fund for herself - no children - and she is also described as "*Marg't Edward, Senior.*" Also, payments stopped on 8th April 1814. This is not my Margaret Edward!

That left a choice of two: Margaret Edward and Margaret Edward, Youngest. Both had a similar number of children to provide for. Which was my Margaret Edward?

The children - that is, the ages of the children - was the key to identifying my Margaret Edward. John Young & Margaret Edward's youngest child was Jean Young, born 12th July 1804, Drainie; James McLeod & Margaret Edward's youngest child was Anne McLeod, born 29th May 1805, Drainie.

The terms of support from the Stotfield Fund were to make payments for children until they reached the age of 14 years. By those rules, payments would cease for Jean Young on, or after, 12th July 1818; similarly, payments would cease for Anne McLeod on, or after, 29th May 1819.

Margaret Edward, Youngest received payment for herself and one child on 1st April 1819; she only received payment for herself with the next distribution on 6th October 1819.

The other Margaret Edward received payments for herself and one child on 2nd March 1818; but

she only received payments for herself on 1st October 1818 when the next allocation was issued - this is my Margaret Edward!

I'd found my Margaret Edward, widow of John Young, and could now follow her through the years, distribution by distribution.

With the distribution of funds on 6th October 1819 there was a change in how my Margaret Edward was described; she is now listed as "*Marg't Edward, Hopeman.*" - her elder son, James, had moved there before 1813.

The last payment to my Margaret Edward was on 24th November 1840; there is no payment to her at the time of the next distribution on 19th June 1841. So, she no longer qualified for payments between those dates - which probably meant she'd died?

As for the other Margaret Young; with the distribution on 11th October 1821 she is now listed as "*Marg't Young, Stotfield,*" and that's how she's listed at the time of the final payment on 7th June 1842

So, I was wrong, my Margaret Edward was not still alive in 1842!

Doug Stewart

Forthcoming Publication

Mary Evans, our Secretary has given me the following snippet:

I write an article every month for *Family Tree* magazine - have done for some years now. For the last few months I've been writing a series of articles giving web-based resources for all areas of the country. I've completed England and am currently working through Scotland. The January issue, which will, I think, be published just before Christmas, includes Moray along with Banffshire, Aberdeenshire, Kincardineshire, Angus, Fife and Perthshire & Kinross. The February issue will include Nairn along with Caithness, Sutherland, Ross and Cromarty, Inverness-shire, Orkney and Shetland. I had to cut 500 words from the January issue to bring it down to my 2,000 word limit so couldn't include everything and I'm still working on the February issue!

Forres Episcopal Church Baptisms 1869-1874

The following baptisms are from Forres Episcopal Church. Register held by Moray Council Archives.

Ferguson, Christina Bapt 1 Mar 1869
Adam Ferguson & Ann Green, Burgie House,
Gardener

Kynoch, Robert Bapt 16 May 1869
Robert & Margaret Carstairs Kynoch, Forres,
Merchant

Grant, Milton Bapt 23 May 1869
Alexander & Ann Grant, Coltfoot Alvas, Baker,
Schoolmistress (Dau) *Received into Church at
Milton Brodie 20th June 1869*

Thomson, James Bapt 23 May 1869
James Thomson & Christina Ray, Broom of Moy
Dyke, Labourer

Cameron, Margaret Bapt 6 Jun 1869
James & Jessie Cameron, Ditch of Logie
Edinkillie, Labourer

Cameron, Jessie Bapt 6 Jun 1869
James & Jessie Cameron, Ditch of Logie
Edinkillie, Labourer

McLennan, Christina Bapt 8 Aug 1869
Pites Ann & Roy McLennan, 21 Urquhart St
Forres, Domestic Servant

McLaughlan, Ann Bapt 19 Sep 1869
Ann McLaughlan, Hilton Village, Domestic
Servant

Gard, James Bapt 3 Oct 1869
Mary Ann Gard, 3 Batchen St Forres, Single
Woman

Ross, John Archibald Bapt 2 Jan 1870
Robert & Mary Ann Ross, 200 High St Forres,
House Painter

Smith, Emma Jessie Bapt 16 Jan 1870
John & Emma Smith, 2 Milne's Wynd Forres,
Architect & Land Surveyor

Wyllie, Eliza Ann Bapt 20 Mar 1870
William & Jane Wyllie, 279 High St Forres,
Labourer

Alves, John Bapt 10 Apr 1870
John & Mary Alves, Urquhart St Forres, House
Painter

Thackray, Clara Sirales Bapt 3 Jul 1870
Alfred & Agnes Thackray, 10 Wiseman St Forres,
Professional Vocalist

Bell, Edith Grant Bapt 12 Sep 1870
William Bell & Elizabeth Hunter, Edgehill Cluny
Hill Forres, Doctor of Medicine

Barron, Helen Sinclair Bapt 5 Apr 1871
Elspet Barron, Kintessack

Harris, Christina Bapt 18 Jun 1871
Richard & Jane Harris, Earnhill Dyke, Farmer

Alves, Louisa Bapt 22 Oct 1871
John & Mary Alves, 24 Urquhart St Forres,
Master Painter

Bruce, Charles Stewart Bapt 28 Apr 1872
Charles & Isabella Marie Bruce, Forres,
Comedian

Stewart, James Duncan Bapt 27 Oct 1872
William & Ann Stewart, Forres, Railway
Signalman

Robinson, Edward George Bapt 2 Mar 1873
Edward & Euphemia Robinson, Forres, School
Master

McMillan, James Bapt 22 Jun 1873
Mary McMillan, Broom of Moy Dyke

Green, Margaret Sutherland Bapt 24 Aug 1873
Adam & Ann Green, High St Forres, Gardener

Bruce, Alice Margaret Bapt 20 Sep 1873
The Honble Thomas John Hovell & Lady Elma
Thurlow Bruce, Dunphail Edinkillie, Proprietor

Smith, Mary Bapt 14 Dec 1873
Margaret Smith, 53 High St Forres, Domestic
Servant

McAndrew, Helen Bapt 22 Apr 1874
William & Lydia McAndrew, St Fergus Cottage,
Edinburgh, Private 91st Highlanders

Harris, Thomas Bapt 25 Mar 1874
Richard & Jane Harris, Earnhill, Farmer

Taylor, Ann Bapt 10 May 1874
Akexandrina Taylor, Forres, Labourer

Robinson, Phobe Bapt 5 Jul 1874
Edward & Euphemia Robinson, Forres,
Schoolmaster

Powie, Elizabeth Frances Bapt 20 Sep 1874
Margaret Powie, Forres

MacMillan, Eliza Bapt 25 Oct 1874
Mary Macmillan, Broom of Moy, Domestic
Servant *Illegitimate*

Hutchison, John Bapt 8 Nov 1874
John Hutchison & Ann McSwain, Broom of Moy,
Labourer *Illegitimate*

McSwain, Alexander Bapt 8 Nov 1874
Ann McSwain, Broom of Moy, Labourer
Illegitimate

McDonald, Anne Fraser Bapt 29 Nov 1874
Margaret McDonald, 23 Urquhart St Forres,
Domestic Servant. *Illegitimate*

McSween, Mary Bapt 29 Nov 1874
Mary McSween, Broom of Moy, Domestic
Servant. *Illegitimate*

Murdoch, Elspet Bapt 27 Dec 1874
Eliza Murdoch, Forres, Labourer. *Illegitimate*

Murdoch, Alexander Bapt 27 Dec 1874
Eliza Murdoch, Forres, Labourer. *Illegitimate*

Murdoch, William Bapt 27 Dec 1874
Eliza Murdoch, Forres, Labourer. *Illegitimate*

Contributed by Stuart Farrell

Moray Miscellany

Forres Gazette 7 Feb 1844

Notice

All parties having Claims against the late Mr. Hugh Duff MacQueen, sometime Tacksman of the Forres Hotel, thereafter of the Farm of Balnageith, are requested to lodge the same, with the vouchers thereof, and Declarations of verity, in the hands of R & A Urquhart, Writers, Forres, Agents for Mr. MacQueens Trustees, within three weeks, certifying to such as neglect this notice that their claims will not be afterwards received or paid.
Forres, 5th Feby 1844.

Contributed by Stuart Farrell

The next Newsletter will be published in March 2012. Will members please submit articles or a note of their interests to the Editor:

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