



Moray & Nairn Family History Society

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

MNFHS Chairman's Report

I do hope that this finds you a member of the Moray & Nairn FHS have not been too affected by the ongoing coronavirus crisis.

Challenging times, especially when I still cannot get to the archives or library in Elgin to do research!

As mentioned in our last newsletter the recording of the '1918' section of Nairn Cemetery, with over 2000 stones has continued. I managed to finish the recording of the stones in the Cemetery as part of my 'daily walk'. Book is now printed. This will be the biggest book we have produced and so reflects the price but well worth it. Just in time for you to buy it as an early Xmas present to yourself!

In the last newsletter we asked members about having a meeting on zoom (its free) the response was made by only 1 member, which means no meeting!

As I often mention, I would welcome any comments for future publications or material that we can use in our newsletter or on our web page.

Stuart Farrell
Chairman

The next Newsletter will be published in February 2021. Will members please submit articles to the Editor: newsletter@morayandnairnfhs.co.uk

MNFHS Publications

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New Book!

Nairn Cemetery (1918 Section) Monumental Inscriptions

Full transcription of the stones in the 2nd area of Nairn Cemetery, for reasons unknown named 1918 Section is was opened for a number of years before that and was in use constantly till the 1950's though there are later burials. There is an estimated 2000 stones recorded.

160 pages - £12.

Postage & Packing on application.

Special Offer to Members!

Elgin Poor Registers 1845-1891 Parts one - three

This is a complete transcription of each pauper in the Elgin Poor Register, giving details of payments, family, circumstances and even dates of death.

Normally £6 each buy all three for £12 ie 3 for 2.

Postage & Packing free.

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Nairnshire Miscellany

William Crow Gordon, Nairn Photographer

I was contacted by a gentleman in Crete whose wife found the attached photograph in a flea market and wondered who the person who took the photo was. Unfortunately we have no idea who the young lady in the photo is. But I have managed to find a bit about William Crow Gordon the photographer.



1884-1886 Evan Street, Stonehaven,
Kincardine.
1886 Laurencekirk, Kincardine.
1886-1929 Studio at 6 Westbury Road,
Nairn.
1893-1895 Studio at 14 & 16 Leopold
Street, Nairn.
1889-1891 Resident address of 14 Virginia
Terrace, Nairn.
1892-1894 Resident address of 10
Wellington Road, Nairn.
1896-1929 Resident address of Brixton,
Seabank Road, Nairn.
1930 Resident at 2 Charles Place,
Nairn.

Born 5 January 1857 at Allardice Street, Stonehaven, Parish of Fetteresso, Kincardine-shire (now Aberdeenshire) to Mary Crow a Domestic Servant and was illegitimate, name of Father not being stated on Certificate. Named William Crow, not known when he exactly adopted surname of Gordon.

First married to Elspet Simpson Fullerton on 18 March 1886 at Dunochter, Stonehaven. Daughter Margaret Ann Bisset born 19 June 1887, Wife died at 14 Virginia Terrace, Nairn on 24 June 1889 of Epilepsy. William George Summers, their second child died at 94 Allardice Street, Stonehaven on 4 June 1890. Second marriage to Elizabeth Pasbsy at Wandsworth, London on 22 April 1891.

1891 Census: Resident at 14 Virginia Terrace a widower aged 33 b. in Stonehaven, daughter Margaret A.B. 3 b. Nairn (Margaret Ann Bisset Gordon Photographer, died 13 January 1918, Nairn Cemetery).

1901 Census: Photographer aged 44 b. Stonehaven, Kincardine resident Seabank Road, Nairn, with spouse Elizabeth 39 born England, Maggie 13, Henry 8, Eliza 6, Amelia 4, Frederick 2.

1911 Census: Photographer aged 44, resident Seabank Road, Nairn, with spouse Elizabeth 49 born England, Margaret A. B 23, Henry W. 18, Eliza F. 16, Amelia 14, Frederick 12 & Arthur E. 9.

War Service. Gordon: William Crow; No.94 Private 4th Battalion Cameron Highlanders No.30007 Private Royal Defence Corps. Adverts by him appear in the *Nairnshire Telegraph* advertising his services, and group photographs of the Highland Mounted Brigade amongst others. He is named on the Rosebank United Free Church Roll of Honour of 26th January 1915. He attested on the 18th September 1914. His army records show that he served with the 5th Gordon Highlanders. He transferred to 6th Battalion Seaforth Highlanders on 17th April 1915 and to No.36 Protection Company Royal Defence Corps on 29th April 1916. He was discharged on 20th May 1917. His discharge papers described him as being 5ft 7 in height with blue eyes, grey hair and of a sallow complexion. His commanding officer described him as "being a most intelligent and honest and trustworthy man careful in carrying out his duties". (K. Nisbet Nairnshire Roll of Honour 2009)

William Crow Gordon died on the 10 of August 1930 of Cerebral Thrombosis at 2 Charles Place, Nairn aged 73 years and is buried in 1918 Section of Nairn Cemetery. Headstone reads: 'In memory

of William Crow Gordon Photographer Nairn, died 10 August 1930 aged 73 years. Also his wife Elizabeth Catherine Pasby, died 8th July 1934 aged 72 years. Also Amelia Gordon M.P.S. daughter of above died 2nd August 1975 aged 79 years. Family headstone in Victorian Section of Nairn Cemetery of: 'In memory of Elsie Fullerton beloved wife of W Gordon photographer, died 25th June 1889, in her thirty second year, also their son Willie who died 4th June 1890, aged twelve months. Also their daughters Eliza Fullerton, who died .. Dec 1917 aged 22 years. Margaret Ann Bisset who died .. Jan 1918 aged .. years. (Heavily weathered)

Death Notice in *The Nairnshire Telegraph* of 12 August 1930: 'Gordon – At 2 Charles Place, Nairn, on 10th last, William Crow Gordon, photographer, aged 73 years. (Funeral to Nairn Cemetery tomorrow (Wednesday) at 2.30pm. Friends will please accept this intimation and invitation.

Obituary in the same edition: 'Death of Mr W. C. Gordon, Photographer. Another link with old-time Nairn has been severed by the death of Mr William Crow Gordon, which occurred at Charles Place, Cumming Street, on Sunday.

Mr Gordon came to Nairn from Kincardine-shire over 50 years ago and took up business as a photographer. He speedily acquired a wide connection, and continued to carry on a successful business, numbering among his clientele all the leading families in the neighbourhood, until a few years ago, when failing health compelled him to take a less active part in the work.

The deceased will be specially remembered for the active part he took and the high position he occupied in Free Masonry in the North. He joined the local Lodge in 1886, and held various offices in it; acting for two periods as Right Worshipful Master. He was also for a term First Principal of St. Ninian Royal Arch Chapter.

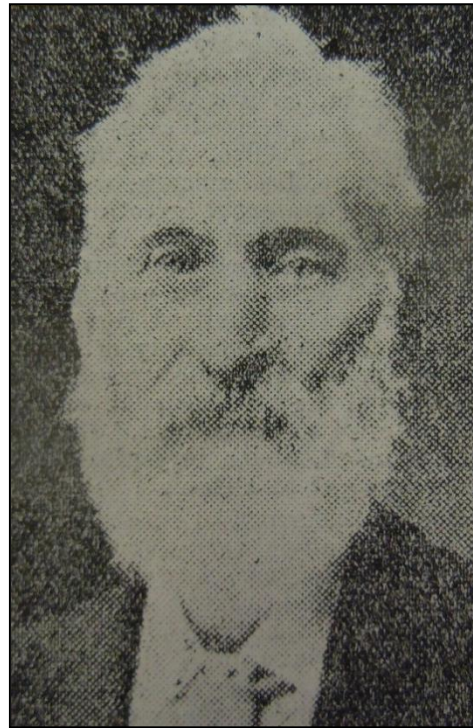
The possessor of a liberal store of knowledge pertaining to Nairn of former days, Mr Gordon was often referred to for information concerning persons and places, and was ever ready to impart his knowledge. Of a pawky and kind disposition he gathered round him a large circle of friends who will learn with regret of his demise.

Much sympathy will be extended to Mrs Gordon and family in their bereavement.'

Contributed by Stuart Farrell

Moray Miscellany

The Late Mr Alexander Green, Rothess



For many Rothessians and others another connecting link has been broken by the death of Mr Alexander Green, retired merchant, Rothess, who recently passed peacefully away in his ninetieth year. Mr Green was a native of Rothess, and after completing his studies and a period a pupil teacher under the late Mr Cruickshank, who at that time conducted a school at Rothess, he proceeded to Moray House, Edinburgh, where he obtained a professional degree as a teacher. He afterwards followed the teaching profession for several years, holding appointments in schools at Livingstone, near Edinburgh, at Buckie, and in the Old Academy, Elgin.

In addition to performing his duties in the latter place, he undertook a considerable amount of private teaching, acting with conspicuous success as a tutor to several of the leading families in Elgin, but owing to a breakdown in health he had to give up teaching. In looking round for other means of livelihood, it was on the suggestion of his friend, the late Mr Mackie, that he took over the business carried on by him as a licensed grocer at the corner shop in Burnside Street, Rothess, where Mr Green developed and retained a very successful trade connection for about forty years, removing a few years ago to the shop at present occupied by his daughter, in favour of whom he some time afterwards retired from business. It may therefore safely be said that he has had a

business connection with Rothes extending over the long period of nearly fifty years.

In his earlier years he took an active part in public work, being for long a member of the old Parochial Board, and in such capacity he was deeply interested in the poor, who found in him a kind, considerate and warm hearted friend. Mr Green always kept himself well abreast of the everyday occurrences, taking a broad-minded view of everything pertaining to the wellbeing or otherwise of affairs in general and of the community in particular. He was a keen and enthusiastic Freemason, and besides other offices he for several terms worthily filled the chair as R.W.M. in the local lodge, and by those he initiated into the mysteries of the craft and many others he will ever be remembered for his clear exposition of Freemasonry.

Possessed with a splendid memory, which was a great boon to him in fulfilling the duties of the chair in the Masonic Lodge, and being widely read, he was a most intelligent personality, and it was an intellectual treat to hear him talking even on matters in common. Coming out at the Disruption, he continued a staunch supporter of the Free Church, and at his death was the oldest office-bearer in the U.F. Church. In politics he was an ardent Unionist.

The funeral took place to Rothes Churchyard last week, and was largely attended.

A Rothes "Loons" Tribute.

It was with much regret that I read in the obituary notices of last week's "Northern Scot" of the death of Mr Alexander Green, of Rothes. Mr Green was so long in retirement that some of the present generation may not know that he was once the leading man in local public affairs. True, he never attained to the dignity of Provost, but had he done so he would have filled that office with much distinction, for his gifts as an orator were well known even far out of Rothes. I remember a Rothes man telling me that at all the Masonic gatherings held in Rothes or elsewhere Mr Green's speech was always the speech of the evening. Thirty years or so ago Mr Green was undoubtedly the most popular personality in local municipal politics. At public meetings his gifts as a speaker always made him the central figure, and did much to arouse interest in public affairs. No meeting could be dull that Mr Green took part in. I remember, about fifteen years ago, Mr John Ross, of the G.N.S.R., Elgin, giving a lecture on Speyside to the members of the Mutual Improvement and Literary Association. Mr Green, who even then had been a considerable number of years in retirement, was present, and was asked by the chairman to make a few remarks. I can well remember the surprise and delight with which the younger members who were unaware of Mr Green's oratorical gifts

listened to his neat, charming little speech. At this lecture a somewhat amusing incident occurred. The late Mr James Stuart, proprietor of Macallan Distillery, was present, and when Mr Green – in referring to a certain well near Rothes, into which Mr Ross said people used to drop pins and halfpennies – said – "I remember this well. Many a time when a lad I dropped halfpennies into it." Mr Stuart caused great merriment by exclaiming – "Oh! Ay! But ye aye ta'en them oot again." Mr Stuart also spoke at this meeting, and his remarks created much laughter. "I am descended," he said, "from one of the clans Mr Ross mentioned. The Stuarts were always a fighting race, but it was in the public-house they generally fought, I must allow."

The only interesting story Mr Green I can recall at present is in connection with his appearance as a witness in a Court of Session case in Edinburgh, presided over, O think, by Lord Young. The pursuer had fallen over a wall, and was suing the County Council for damages. When Mr Green as a witness was being cross-examined he was asked if the place where the wall was dangerous. "Yes," he replied, "especially to children." "Have there ever been any children killed or hurt there?" asked defender's counsel. "No," answered Mr Green, "but Providence has always been very kind to the children in that locality." His lordship smiled, and the counsel called for the next witness.

Mr Green, up to the time of his retirement, took a keen interest in the U.F. Church, in which he was an elder. Before Mr Gladstone took up the cause of Irish Home Rule Mr Green was an ardent Liberal, but since then his support was given to the Unionists.

Partick. J.S. *Northern Scot* 14 March 1914.

Alexander Green was born the 23 March 1824 the eldest child of six children of John Green (c1805 – 21 June 1895) and Barbara Donaldson (c1795 – 13 August 1883) date of marriage not found. Their other children were as follows: Isabel (7 January 1826 – 16 October 1898), Margaret (28 May 1828 – 29 April 1920), John (6 October 1830 – ?), Barbara (11 November 1831 – ?) and Jane (29 January 1836 – 16 April 1910).

Alexander was baptised on the 11 April 1824 at Rothes Parish Church, entry in OPR reads 'Alexander son of John Green Labourer Back Street & Barbara Donaldson born 23 March baptised 11 April 1828 witnesses Alexander Donaldson the child's uncle and Jane Robertson Arkenway.'

Recorded in 1841 Census at Old Street, Rothes of John Green 35, Barbara Green 45, Alexander Green 15, Margaret Green 14, Barbara Green 9 and Jane Green 5. By the 1851 Census Alexander

is recorded at Goldies Close, High Street, Elgin as Alexander Green, 25, Lodger 27 English Teacher. In the 1861 Census at Station Hotel, Moss Street, Elgin as Alexander Green Servant 35 Hotel Clerk.

Married Helen McPherson (? – 29 June 1916) at Grangehall, Kinloss on 12 September 1862. Helen was stated to be a Domestic Servant aged 27 the daughter Alexander McPherson, Gamekeeper and Margaret Campbell. Alexander was stated as being aged 38 Hotelkeeper, Elgin son of John Green, Corn Dealer & Barbara Donaldson. Marriage Notice in the *Elgin Courier* of 19 September 1862 of 'At Grange-Hall, Kinloss, on the 12th inst., by the Rev. T. Stephen, Alexander Green, Manager, Station Hotel, Elgin, to Helen, eldest daughter of Alexander McPherson, Grange-Hall.'

Children – Helen Macpherson Green (10 June 1863 – 22 February 1867), Barbara Donaldson Green (8 December 1864 – 13 March 1943), Margaret Jane Green (24 March 1867 – 19 February 1960), Alexander Green (27 February 1870 – 11 June 1954 died at 12 Portal Road, Partick Glasgow – Married to Jane Porter), Jane Green (4 May 1872 – ?) Married a Mr Anderson (not in Scotland's People) with son George G. M. Anderson, and Helen Campbell Green (10 February 1876 – 20 June 1965).

Family recorded in 1871 Census at Burnside Street, Rothes of Alexander Green 43 General Merchant, Helen Green 33 Merchant's Wife, Barbara Donaldson Green 6 Scholar, Margaret Jane Green 4, Alexander Green 1, Jane Green Sister 30 Shopkeeper and Barbara Donaldson Campbell Niece 13 Scholar.

Recorded in 1881 Census at Burnside Street, Rothes of Alexander Green 56 Gas Manager & General Merchant and Spirit Dealer, Helen Green 43, Barbara D. Green 16 Scholar, Margaret J. Green 14 Scholar, Alexander Green 11 Scholar, Jane Green 8 Scholar, Helen C. Green 5 Scholar, Jane Green 45 Shopkeeper General Merchant, Mary S. Campbell 20 Niece General Servant.

Recorded in 1891 Census at 17 Burnside Street, Rothes of Alexander Green 67 Licensed Grocer & General Merchant, Helen Green 53, Helen Green 15 Scholar and Jane Green 22 Grocer's Assistant.

Recorded in 1901 Census at 17 Burnside Street, Rothes of Alexander Green 76 Grocer & Spirit Dealer, Helen Green 62, Barbara Green 30 Teacher Public School, Margaret 28 Shopkeeper Grocer, Helen C Green 22 Shopkeeper Grocer, Jane Anderson 25 and George G. M. Anderson 1 Grandson born Johannesburg South Africa.

Recorded in 1911 Census at 17 Burnside Street, Rothes of Alexander Green 81 Retired Grocer, Helen Green 70, Margaret Jane Green 40

Shopkeeper and Helen Campbell Green 30 Shop Assistant.

His Death Certificate indicates that he died on 28 February 1914 at 17 Burnside Street, Rothes son of John Green Feuar (Deceased) & Barbara Green nee Donaldson cause of death of sigmoid obstruction. Inventory at Elgin Sheriff Court of 23 November 1914 notes he left an estate of only £41.11.2 but after expenses etc only £2.11.5. In his Will dated 17 October 1896 he left his estate to his Wife and his daughters Barbara and Margaret; to his son Alexander he left only £5 as 'a token of goodwill. Declaring I leave him nothing more on account of my having expended a considerable amount for his education maintenance and outfit in life and he being now in a position to support himself.' No mention of his daughters Jane or Helen.

Headstone in Rothes Churchyard (Stone 361) – To the memory of Alexander Green, who died 28.2.1914. His wife Helen Macpherson, who died 29.6.1916 and of Helen Macpherson, their daughter who died in infancy. His sister Jane Green, who died 16.4.1910. Their daughter Barbara Donaldson, who died 13.3.1943 and their daughter Margaret Jane, who died 19.2.1960 and their daughter Helen Campbell, who died 20.6.1965.

His daughter Barbara has the following obituary in *The Northern Scot* of 20 March 1943: 'Local & District news. Rothes. Esteemed Resident. The death occurred on Saturday at 17 Burnside Street, Rothes, of one of the burgh's most respected residents, Miss Barbara Donaldson Green. Seventy years of age, Miss Green was a native of the town, being the eldest daughter of the late Mr and Mrs A Green, 17 Burnside Street. She was educated at Rothes and Aberdeen and began her teaching career at Dundee. For a good many years she was headmistress at Rossettenville Schools Johannesburg, and later for about thirty years taught and helped new schools in Africa. Owing to ill-health she retired seven years ago and returned to Rothes, where she was well known for her charming personality and kindness. The funeral took place to Rothes Churchyard on Tuesday, and the pallbearers were – Messrs Alexander Green, Glasgow (Brother) James McGibbon Aberdeen (Cousin), James Bergen, D. H. Caithers, Ballie H. Humble, Baillie Ronnie Anderson, Provost A. Forsyth and Mr James Smith, all of Rothes.'

Death Notice for daughter Margaret in *The Northern Scot* of 20 February 1960 of 'At Elgin, on the 18th February 1960, Margaret Jane, eldest daughter of the late Alexander Green, Merchant, Rothes. Funeral from 17 Burnside Street, Rothes,

to Roth's Churchyard, Saturday 21st February at 2pm service at 1.45. All friends respectfully invited.'

Death Notice for daughter Helen in *The Northern Scot* of 26 June 1965 of 'At Spynie Hospital, Elgin, on 20th June 1965, Helen Campbell Green, 17 Burnside Street, Roth's, late surviving daughter of the late Alexander Green, Merchant, Roth's. Interred Roth's Cemetery.'

Contributed by Stuart Farrell

The Never Ending Story

It matters not how much effort we put into researching our family history, we all of us, were we to pause and look along all the chains we've developed, would see brick wall after brick wall after brick wall.

Yes, we'd all like to knock down those barriers and gallop off into more and more ancient times. No, that's unlikely to happen; we may be lucky, and get beyond the occasional barrier; but we must realise the majority of our dead ends are just that – the end of line, because the information we need cannot be found, if it ever existed.

This, though, is not the end of our research; there are other things we can tackle.

Avenues & Alleyways

One is to investigate the avenues and alleyways leading off from the main lines of the chains we've constructed.

By looking sideways, we can often learn more about the life and times of our ancestors – as it were, putting flesh on the bones; we can discover interesting stories about our cousins – they often seem to live more interesting lives than their siblings, our ancestors; and, if we're lucky, we might find a resource which leads us to crashing through some of our brick walls.

The best example I have of this detour is the discovery of Professor John Shand, my second cousin, five times removed – read all about 'Old John' in Newsletter 11 from, June 2012.

The Audit

Another task we can tackle is to revisit, or check, our original research – to perform what might be called the audit.

There are a number of reasons why we should do so; something we couldn't explain in our earlier investigations might, now we know more, make sense – and, if we're lucky, lead to a breakthrough long sought; by revisiting the original source – especially if it's 'online' – we may find more information has been made available, giving us more details about our ancestor.

Personally, this trick has helped me resolve the

name of a parent and, to my great delight, the shunting of one brick wall one generation further back in time – see the article describing my confusion over the name of John McDonald's father, James or John, in Newsletter 34, issued October 2019.

Song, after song, after song, research never ends!

Contributed by Doug Stewart

Moray Miscellany

Boer War Volunteers

The following is a list of men who volunteered from Moray & Banffshire for service in the war in South Africa, published in the *Nairnshire Telegraph* of 17 January 1900:

'Northern Volunteers Selected. Morayshire. A very hearty response was made by the various companies of the Morayshire Rifle Volunteers for volunteers for the front, and the following have been selected out of a large number who volunteered:-

A Company (Forres). – Men selected – Sergeant R. Laing, who, if not chosen as a sergeant, has specially requested the commanding officer's permission to return to the ranks and go the front a private; Privates David Jenkins, William Macpherson, James Ross, and Geo. Dean.

B Company (Elgin). – Men selected – Active service – Piper W. D. Allan, Privates J. Dow, W. Gow, James O. Hopkinson. Reserve – Alex. Johnstone, Donald MacDonald, Alex. R. Mackenzie, William McRobbie, John G. Rogers, Geo. Walker, and Bugler Daniel Morrison.

C Company (Elgin). – Men selected – Active service – Privates Wm. Gow, Alex. Paterson, John Scott. Reserve – H. Shewan, J. Sutherland, J. Gerrie. Waiting men – J. McBain, Thomas Wardlaw, and John Logie.

D Company (Roth's). – Men selected – Active service – Privates Archibald Dean, David Geddes, George B. Johnston. Reserve – Privates James Robertson, Gordon Simpson, and John Allan. Waiting men – Privates J. A. Johnston, Charles McAdam, James McConnachie, John McGibbon, Alex. J. Mann, Alex. Merson, Wm. Clark, and F. Grant.

D Sub-Division (Archiestown). – Men who volunteer – Privates Wm. Esson, Wm. Innes, and John Kellet. All these have been selected.

E Company (Fochabers). – Men selected – Active service – Privates John Burgess, Robert Gray, and Charles Ross. Reserve – Privates John Innes and John Robertson.

F Company (Abernethy). – Men selected – Active service – Privates W. A. Calder, Lauchlan Ferguson, and Charles Stewart. Reserve – Privates Peter McIntyre, Harry Stokes, and Piper Alex. Friell. Waiting men – Privates John McBain, James MacDonald and John Oliver.

G Company (Urquhart). – Men selected – Privates A. Boyne, A. Brander, J. Dean, J. Douglas, and A. Taylor.

G Sub-Division (Pluscarden). – Men selected – Privates W. Reid, J. Dallas, and D. Ross.

H Company (Forres). – Men selected – Privates Alex. Dunbar and Donald McLean.

I Company (Garmouth). – Man selected – Private Arthur Archibald.

K Company (Grantown). – Men selected – Active Service – Lance-Corpl John McGregor, Privates Wm. McArthur and Charles Grant. Reserve – Privates Patrick Cruickshank, Geo. Masson, and Adam Thomson. Waiting men – Privates John Jack, John Stokes, Alex. Dixon. Others wishing to go the front – Lance-Corpl. John Grant (ambulance section) and Private Peter Ross.

The non-commissioned officers for the front have to be chosen by the Adjutants of the different battalions. Two sergeants and two corporals fell to be taken from Morayshire, and from those who offered themselves Capt. Galloway has picked the following:-

Sergt. John Watt, C Company (Elgin).

Sergt. Mortimer, K Company (Grantown).

Corpl. James MacQueen, K Company (Grantown).

Corpl. Wm. Morrison, C Company (Elgin).

Banffshire. The following are the names of the Banffshire Volunteers who have been selected for service:-

Lieut. A. M. Robertson, Aberchirder; Privates J. Ruxton, J. Geddes, and G. Scott, Banff; Sergt. Cumming, Privates Cumming, P. Kemp, P. Urquhart, J. Grant, and McRae, Aberlour; Corporal Robb, Privates J. Mitchell, J. Rhind, J. Thomson, A. M. Forbes, and R. McWilliam, Keith; Private P. Murray, Buckie; Privates J. Doyle, G. McGowan, A. Irvine, J. Irvine, and Matheson, Glenlivet; and Privates W. Cowie, G. Milne, D. Stuart, J. Margach, and J. McKenzie, Dufftown; and Private George Tough, Glenrines.

Sergeant Reynolds, from F Company, Dufftown, has been appointed Colour-Sergeant of No. I Company. The above men will go to form part of No. II Company.

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Nairnshire Miscellany

Nairnshire Mirror Marriages 1853

Published fortnightly by Charles MacWatt with office in Church Street, and who resided in Douglas Lane, Nairn. The paper's last issue was on the 11th of October 1854 and was absorbed into the *Nairnshire Telegraph*.

4 Jan 1853 - At Newmill, Parish of Auldearn, Nairnshire, on the 24th ult., by the Rev. John Bisset of the United Presbyterian Church, Nairn, Mr **Hugh Innes** of the Woollen Manufactory, Inverness to **Jessie**, second daughter of Mr **Francis Squair**, Farmer.

4 Jan 1853 - At Albert Terrace, Glasgow, on the 22^d ult., by the Rev. Dr Millar, **James Simpson**, Solicitor, Inverness to **Jane**, daughter of Mr **Thomas Mackenzie**, Inverness.

4 Jan 1853 - At Elgin, on the 24th ult., by the Rev. G Gordon, Birnie, Mr **J Sutherland**, Superintendent of the Burgh Police to **Margaret**, daughter of the late Mr **John Cowie**, Duffus.

4 Jan 1853 - At Fochabers on the 22nd ult., by the Rev. David Dewar, Mr **John Logie**, Upper Dallachy to **Jane**, eldest daughter of Mr **Alexander Mitchell**, Merchant-Tailor, Fochabers.

4 Jan 1853 - At 26 Church Street, Inverness, on the 28th ult., by the Rev. Dr MacDonald, **Henry F. F. Schaffer**, Esq. Master of Modern Languages in the Perth Academy, to **Margaret** only daughter of the late **Robert Fraser**, Esq. of Berbice.

18 Jan 1853 - At Salachan House, on the 24th Nov. last, by the Rev. Archibald Clerk, Kilmallie, the Rev. **Alex Stewart** of the Parish of Ballichullish and Corran of Ardgour, to **Mary Jessie**, eldest daughter of the late **John Morrison**, Esq. Lieut., R.N.

18 Jan 1853 - At Killiehuntly, on the 6th inst., by his cousin, the Rev. **John Kennedy**, Dingwall, Mr **Donald A. Kennedy**, Kingussie to **Henrietta**, eldest daughter of **M. Macpherson**, Esq. Killiehuntly.

18 Jan 1853 - At Prospect Lodge, Elgin, on the 4th inst., by the Rev. John Walker, Minister of St Andrews Lhanbryd, **George Duff**, Esq. M.D. London to **Elizabeth Lachlan**, eldest daughter of **James Grant**, Esq. Prospect Lodge.

1 Feb 1853 - At Inschoch, on the 20th ult., by the Rev. James Reid of Auldearn, Mr **George Day**, Watchmaker, Nairn to **Isabella**, only daughter of Mr **John Anderson**, Farmer, Inschoch.

1 Feb 1853 - On the 8th Dec., at the Residency, Hyderabad, **Hastings Fraser**, Esq. M.N.I. eldest son of Lieut-general **Stuart Fraser** to **Catherine Jane**, second daughter of the late **Hugh Davidson**, Esq. of Cantray.

15 Feb 1853 - At Nairn, on the 11th instant, by the Rev. John Bisset, Mr **William Rose**, Fishcruer to **Alishia**, daughter of Mr **Hector MacDonald**, Ness Castle.

15 Feb 1853 - At Nairn, on the 4th instant, by the Rev. James Grant, **James Fraser**, Tailor to Miss **Isabella MacDonald**.

15 Feb 1853 - At Culloden, on the 28th ult., by the Rev. George McKay, Mr **John Mackintosh**, Tailor, Campbelltown, Ardersier to **Isabella**, second daughter of Mr **Hugh Barron**, Farmer there.

1 Mar 1853 - At Tradespark, Nairn, on the 16th instant, by the Rev. J. Bisset, Mr **John McGillivray**, Rector of the Monitory School, Nairn to **Christina**, daughter of Mr **Hugh McDonald**, Tradespark, Nairn.

15 Mar 1853 - At Church Street, Inverness, on the 25th ult., by the Rev. James Scott, Mr **John Reid**, Bookbinder to **Isabella**, daughter of the late Mr **Alex Mackintosh**, Printer.

15 Mar 1853 - At Carr-Bridge, on the 4th ult., by the Rev. W. Grant, Duthil, Mr **Robert MacLennan**, Carr-Bridge to **Eliza**, eldest daughter of Mr **James Shaw**, Innkeeper there.

15 Mar 1853 - At Northumberland Street, Edinburgh, on the 1st instant, **Adam Alexander Duncan**, Esq. of Naughton, only son of the late Hon. Sir **Henry Duncan**, K.C.H and C.B to **Catharine Eunice Mackenzie**, second daughter of the late Major **Mackenzie** of Fodderty.

15 Mar 1853 - At Meean Meer, Lahore, on the 15th January, by the Rev. H. Kirwan, **Charles Vernon Jenkins**, Esq. 47th Regiment, B.N.I to **Catherine**, third daughter of the late **John Macandrew**, Esq. Inverness.

29 Mar 1853 - At Dingwall, on the 19th inst., Mr **William Fraser**, Printer and Bookseller to **Anne**, daughter of Mr **Thomas Urquhart**, Heritor, Dingwall.

12 Apr 1853 - At Campfield, Inverness, on the 30th ult., by the Rev. Dr McDonald of the High Church, Mr **Robert Brander**, Builder, Elgin to **Mary**, second daughter of Mr **Robert Innes**, late of Invereshie.

12 Apr 1853 - At Whitefield, on the 11th ult., by the Rev. Robert Shanks of the Free Church, Mr **Hugh McCallum**, Farmer there to **Elizabeth**, daughter of Mr **Simon McKenzie**, late Farmer at Aldourie, Inverness-shire.

26 Apr 1853 - At Telford Street, Inverness, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. Dr MacDonald, Mr **Alex Sutherland**, Grocer, Bridge Street to Miss **Elizabeth Brown**.

26 Apr 1853 - At Redcastle, on the 4th instant, by the Rev. Donald Kennedy, Mr **John Mackay**, Merchant, Cromarty to **Mary**, fourth daughter of Mr **Curie**, Land-Steward, Redcastle.

10 May 1853 - At Darnaway, on the 29th ult., by the Rev. Mr McEwen of Dyke, Mr **John Cameron**, Farmer, Cothall to **Frances**, eldest daughter of Mr **Kenneth McRae**, Barragill Castle, Caithness.

10 May 1853 - At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Aberdeen on the 28th ult., **John Keith**, Secretary, Aberdeen and County Bank, to **Agnes**, daughter of **James Blackhall**, Merchant in Aberdeen.

24 May 1853 - At Rothes on the 10th instant, **Hugh Jack**, Farmer, Wester Teaninich, Alness to **Frances Colville**, youngest daughter of the late Mr **Christie**, New Street.

24 May 1853 - At the First Presbyterian Church, Garvagh, on the 4th instant, Mr **Robert Dougherty**, Garvagh to **Jane Gray**. Their united ages are one hundred and forty years.

7 Jun 1853 - At Nairn, on the 27th ult., by the Rev. Alexander Mackenzie, **D MacLeod**, Esq. Rector, Free Church Institution to **Johanna**, daughter of the late **James Mackintosh**, Esq. Kinchyle.

7 Jun 1853 - At Nairn, on the 3d instant, by the Rev. James Grant, of the Established Church, Bombardier **Wm Moulding** to **Ann**, daughter of the late Mr **Thomas McKeig**, Gunner, Royal Artillery.

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