The Tweedie Family

- a genealogy -

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About this book and the authors:

This book is the work of many hands.

In 1990 Edwin Tweedie of Wheaton, Illinois hired genealogist Hazel Weir to research the Tweedie family in Scotland. She put him in touch with several cousins in Scotland, who were descendants of great, great, uncle Alexander Tweedie. May Tweedie Stephen responded to Edwin's letter and a meeting was arranged in Scotland. It was at this gathering that the idea of a book about the family history was born.

The primary genealogist was Diane McNichols of Scotland who undertook this work at the behest and in the employ of Ann Tweedie Rennie of East Lothian, Scotland in 1993. In 2001, with most of the research having been done, Mr. McNichols, the publisher and husband of Diane, took ill and work on the book was interrupted for several years.

Despairing of the book ever being finished, Edwin with encouragement from his daughter, Lynne, consulted Ellen (Tweedie) Wyckoff, his niece, also of Wheaton to undertake to finish the project. Ellen had previously done most of the scanning of photographs for the book at the inception. Ellen, having only a preliminary galley proof to work from, had the text OCR Scanned into a workable format and proceeded to organize and format the book. She is also responsible for the style and decorations throughout, which are either taken from authentic sources or designed by her entirely.

Edwin and Ellen also added much to the knowledge base concerning the last four generations of the family in America, based on their own recollections, stories they'd been told by parents and grandparents, as well as by researching many, many old photographs and their annotations. Information about the California Tweedies was gathered and written by Katherine MacIsaac Miller. Peter Alexander Tweedie took over the editing and writing of the history from Scotland after the death of his mother, Ann. Simon Vere Tweedie corrected and added material and photographs of the early Tweedies.

Regaining his health in 2005, Mr. McNichols supplied the Family Tree diagrams as well as the index and most of the annexes.

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This Genealogy Book on the Tweedie Family was inspired by my father, Douglas Herbert Tweedie, 1890-1954. He was born in Chicago and quickly established his credentials as a young scholar during his formative years. Impressed by his swift grasp of academic challenges, he was twice encouraged by his teachers to skip an elementary grade. He was sent to a private high school until his father’s unfortunate early demise in July 1906 ended his formal education. Douglas was only 16 years old.

His response to this unexpected catastrophe was typical of his character. He decided with his sisters Violet, age 18, and Dorothy, age 14, to keep the Tweedie family together. The seven children included Norman, 12, Herbert, 10, Lawrence, 8, and Helen, 6. Violet, a graduate of Lyons Township High School, secured a position with a local Wheaton real estate developer, Will Stevens, her future husband. Douglas accepted a humble position with a sporting goods manufacturer, A. G. Spalding, in Chicago’s downtown “Loop”. His father, Herbert James, had managed this retail outlet prior to his death. Dorothy continued her schooling at Wheaton High School and assumed the household management duties for the entire household.

Douglas started thirty-one years with Spalding by commuting from Wheaton to Chicago on the electrical railway six days a week. By virtue of his energy, dedication, loyalty and business acumen he rapidly rose through various management positions to a final appointment to Vice-President, Retail Sales, and Director of Spalding. He continued to work actively in the sporting goods field with his older son, Douglas Jr. until his death in 1954.

He married Alice Finch Wanzer in 1915 and by 1925 had four children; Douglas, Joy, myself and Mary. With a growing family, he moved them into 510 Ellis Avenue in Wheaton. His father-in-law, Edwin Wanzer, was a widower in 1940 and was invited to join the family during WWII. Grandpa Wanzer remained with them for his final 13 years. During the war, the two wives and their children left behind were also in residence.

During Doug Jr’s stint in the Army Signal Corp, he was stationed on the plains of Salisbury prior to the Normandy landings. To his disappointment, he was unable to visit James Tweedie’s former residence in Hoylake overlooking the Mersey River that our Dad spoke so often about. My father had always been very interested in knowing about this important segment of our family history. He did secure some impressive photographs of the property which I presented to the current owner during our trip in 1992. The purpose of our trip was to visit cousins at the 450 acre farm called Coates, enjoy a dinner with Peter Tweedie, and a round of golf at the Royal Liverpool Golf Course at Hoylake, where as a descendant of one of the founders, James Tweedie, we were warmly welcomed.

When WWII ended, we all returned to 510 Ellis to rejoin the family, search for homes, and for both my younger sister, Mary, and myself, a spouse. Within a year this had been accomplished. After an interval of five years, I returned as a widower with two beautiful young daughters, Lynne Ann and Carol Elizabeth. My father and mother were now again taking care of four generations in their home.

Dad passed away while on a business trip just three weeks prior to my second marriage. It was a devastating shock to the family. He seemed so indestructible. He was irreplaceable and his death left an great void for all of us.

It is because of my deep love and admiration for my father, his selflessness and dedication to the concept of family that this genealogy book is dedicated to him.

Edwin Clarence Tweedie
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ABBREVIATIONS

adc  aide-de-camp; personal assistant to a monarch, general, governor, etc.
AS  Associate of Science.
Brit Brittonic; ancient Celtic language.
ChB  Bachelor of Surgery.
d  denarius; a coin of the New Testament, and translated as penny; 12 old pennies, 12d, were worth a shilling
DD  Doctor of Divinity.
DSO  Distinguished Service Order.
FEIS  Fellow of the Educational Institute of Scotland.
Ger  German.
HEICS  Honorary East India Company Service.
JP  Justice of the Peace.
KCB  Knight Commander of the British Empire.
MB  Bachelor of Medicine.
MD  Doctor of Medicine.
ME  Middle English; term used for the development of the Old English language in Britain from c.1100 until c.1500.
MP  Member of Parliament.
Nor  Norse.
OBE  Order of the British Empire.
OE  Old English; based on the languages spoken by the Angles and Saxons of northern Germany.
OFr  Old French
ON  Old Norse; Germanic language of the ancient Scandinavians.
POW  prisoner-of-war
Rev  Reverend.
RN  registered nurse.
s  shilling; worth 12 old pennies; 20s were worth £1.
SRO  Scottish Record Office, now called the National Archives of Scotland.
WS  Writer to the Signet.
£  “L” Roman libra “pound”, from Latin libra “scale”; the Roman libra was contracted in Britain to £ for pound in money and lb for pound in weight.
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<td>bailie</td>
<td>‘steward or sheriff’s officer or magistrate’; from baile ‘enclosed place’,</td>
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<td>Scots bailie, OF baile ‘barrier’, from OF baillier, Latin ballium, ‘to</td>
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<td>enclose’.</td>
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<td>banns</td>
<td>‘proclamation of intended marriage’; OE gebann ‘proclamation’, bannan ‘to</td>
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<td>baron</td>
<td>‘one who held land from the king’ either in exchange for military service</td>
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<td>or as the feu superior or with local powers; OF barun, Latin baronis ‘man’.</td>
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<td>barony</td>
<td>‘lands held by a baron’.</td>
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<td>blench</td>
<td>‘nominal payment’ usually a feudal tenure payment; OF blanchir from blanc</td>
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<td>‘white, blank’.</td>
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<td>chaplain</td>
<td>‘Christian clergyman employed by a specific institution or family’; OF</td>
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<td>chapelain from Latin. capello from cappa ‘cloak’.</td>
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<td>Chevalier</td>
<td>cavalier, knight.</td>
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<td>compear</td>
<td>‘appear in court’; Fr comparior from Latin parere ‘to bear’.</td>
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<td>distrenze</td>
<td>‘distrain/seize a debtor’s goods’; OF destraindre from Latin di ‘apart’</td>
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<td>and stringere ‘draw tight’.</td>
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<td>English Hundred Rolls</td>
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<td>Danish.</td>
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<td>escheat</td>
<td>‘give up goods or property’ on forfeiture or where there was no heir, the</td>
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<td>property being given to the superior or lord of the manor; OF eschete</td>
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<td>from Persian shah ‘king’, ‘check’ is also the root of the game of chess,</td>
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<td>which probably came into existence to while away the time of ancient tax-</td>
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<td>gatherers awaiting taxes being paid.</td>
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<td>feir</td>
<td>either the man who marked out the riggs before ploughing began or who</td>
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<td>drew the first furrow in ploughing; OE fyrian ‘make a furrow’.</td>
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<td>hundred</td>
<td>see:- English Hundred Rolls.</td>
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<td>indigo</td>
<td>Tropical plant whose leaves produce a violet-blue dye.</td>
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<td>infeft</td>
<td>‘invest/give rights in heritable property’; Latin vestire ‘clothe’.</td>
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<td>jucticiar</td>
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**juror**  
‘one who was sworn to reach a just verdict’; Latin *jurare* ‘to swear’.

**Landholding**

Norman feudalism was introduced into Scotland by David I (reigned 1124-53) this system sought to ensure obligations in return for land. At a ceremony of homage the king ‘the lord’ granted a nobleman ‘the vassal’ part of his crown land ‘the fief’ in exchange for the vassal’s services to his lord. The vassal could in turn grant part of his land to a sub-tenant and so on, until the agricultural laborer was reached. The fiefs were hereditary but any rebellion meant forfeiture. Grants of lands were increasingly made the subject of charters.

Over the years landholding ‘lords’ ceased giving out land but instead gave counsel and protection to ‘vassals’ and others who lived on it by settling local disputes either amicably or with force, maintained the land, and assisted the tenants. In return the vassal agreed to serve the lord when required whether at war or in peace, to advise the lord, to warn him of any harm and to prevent him from suffering harm.

By or during the beginning of the 15th century charters for lands were beginning to give way to instruments of sasine which recorded the giving of sasine. As they therefore provided irrefutable proof of the fact of sasine, they were to be favored over charters which by their very nature, of witnesses and seals, were not sufficient proof that lands had actually been conveyed. Within less than a hundred years, instruments of title had become one of the most important elements in proving and obtaining heritable title. As land was no longer only exchanged for services rendered and could be bought and sold, new systems and techniques were developing to deal with the changing times and to give security of tenure.

A wardholder could inherit his land with security, but in certain circumstances estates could revert to the superior on the death of the holder. These circumstances were referred to as the casualties of relief, wardship & marriage and no heir. ‘Relief’ rose if an heir was of age on the death of his father; he then had to pay a sum normally equal to one year’s produce of the estate to obtain entry. ‘Wardship’ arose if the heir was a minor or a woman; in addition he or she could then be married off without his or her consent to anyone whom the superior regarded as profitable. Finally, if there were no heir the land ‘escheated’ [reverted] to the superior. All these circumstances could destroy years of careful estate management.

Every wardholder was still obliged to give his lord military service, to provide free hospitality and to attend his superior’s court when called upon to do so. This continued to give the nobility the power to call men to fight in time of war.

The *feuferme* was based on cash rather than personal obligation. It was obtained by paying the superior a large sum as down payment known as the grassum and then a rent known as the feuduty which became fixed in perpetuity, Feuferme like wardholding normally conferred perpetual heritable occupation, but unlike wardholding it carried none of the old feudal obligations and was not subject to casualties. The popularity of feuing grew throughout the late 15th and early 16th centuries. Not surprisingly the prospect of large sums of money suited the Crown and the Church and, by the end of the late 17th century, most of the Scottish nobility. By then wardholding was virtually only practiced in the Highlands, and was completely abolished after the Jacobite Rising in 1745.

The expense of purchasing a feuferme charter however was not small. The land was often feued in large blocks, grassums were high and feu-duities, when first fixed, were intended to be genuine economic rents. These considerations might put the lands beyond the reach of the tenants who farmed them when they came on to the market, but for the old landholders or those who had made fortunes from trade, feuing presented a real opportunity of adding to their estates or of buying one for the first time. As inflation spiralled throughout the 16th century the original purchasers found
their economic position greatly improved by the fall in the real value of the fixed duty. It was still possible however for superiors to retain the feuer’s loyalty either by bonds of manrent (by which both parties undertook to come to one another’s aid when needed) or by feuing only to their own kin.

Increasingly secure tenure of land led to an unprecedented increase in building as landholders could rest easier about erecting a substantial building on their property. Developed in the 14th century, an oblong stone-built peel or towerhouse was the most favored dwelling, adapted and added to over the next three hundred years. Very often it was located on the site of an earlier fortification, probably on the higher and drier limit of cultivation or of uncultivated moor. The tower-house comprised three or four stories with one main chamber on each; adjoining was a barmkin (a small enclosed yard). The main living accommodation, the laird’s hall, was on the first floor, reached by an external entrance, probably originally a ladder; vaulted cellars below had hatched access to the laird’s hall; sleeping quarters above were served by a turnpike stair. The building activity of the 15th century also encompassed churches. They replaced chapels or were enlarged or newly erected by noble or merchant families or trade or craft guilds making significant endowments.

Libri Responsorum
A series of books in which feudal payments were made by crown vassals. The extant books begin in 1513, but there is a manuscript index or minute book of the Responsiones in the Archives of the General Register House for James II (reigned 1437-1460) and his son James III (reigned 1460-1488).

manrent  see:- Landholding- Feuferme

march  ‘boundary, margin’; OE mearc, Ger Mark, Fr marche.

merk  old Scots silver coin = 1-3/4d Scots or 13-1/3d sterling; also a unit of land and a nominal weight.

mortification  ‘bequest to a charitable institution’; Latin mortis ‘death’ and facere ‘to make’.

mud student  ‘agricultural student’.

peel  ‘palisaded/fortified dwelling house/tower; Latin palus ‘pale, stake’.

ploughgate  Scots unit of land, variable in size but possibly about one hundred Scots acres (one acre = 6150.4 sq yds).

precept of clare constat  granting possession or bestowing a privilege.

a special form of precept of sasine granted by the superior in which the superior clearly recognized the deceased vassal’s heir and thus allowed the heir entry to the land.

Privy Seal  the seal used in Scotland to make the monarch’s grants of personal rights authentic.

put to the horn  outlawed by three blasts of the horn at the Mercat Cross in Edinburgh.
Ragman Roll

The record of those members of the Scottish nobility and clergy who swore homage and fealty at Berwick in 1296 to Edward I of England. The original four rolls, comprising thirty-five pieces of parchment sewn together, were given to Robert I *The Bruce* (reigned 1306-1329) in 1328 when his son, David (who succeeded him as David II) was betrothed to Edward I’s daughter, Joanna.

ET1/ 1 Finlay de Twedyn was entered in the Ragman Roll.

The name may have originated with Ragimunde (Rageman, de Ragemannis), an early papal legate to Scotland. His ‘Roll’ was the record of the benefices of which, by statute, he compelled the clergy to account with truth and accuracy and thus be taxed by Rome.

runrig, rundale

form of Scots land tenure whereby alternate field ridges are worked by different tenants; from OE hrycg ‘ridge’.

Sasine or seizin

‘investiture of land’.

see:=- infeft: seised

seised, seized

‘given formal possession’; OF *seisir*, Latin secerno ‘sever, set apart’; OHG *sazzan* ‘to set’.

storemaster ‘hill sheep farmer’ in the Scottish Borders; store an animal kept/provided for fattening from OF *estor* from Latin *instaurare* ‘to provide’.

tack ‘lease of a farm, tenement etc’; OE *takan* from ON *taka* ‘touch, take’.

tacksman ‘lessee of a farm’.

see:=- tack

Temple from Solomon’s Temple in Jerusalem; Latin *templum*.

see:=- P&E/7

tenant ‘occupant of a property not owned by them’; Latin *tenere* ‘hold’.

tenements ‘property held for a period of time’. see:=- tenant

terce ‘widow’s right to a liferent of a third of her husband’s heritable property’.

toft ‘building site’; OE toft, ON topt ‘building/curtilage/homestead’.

umquhile ‘the late’ or ‘deceased’; Scots from *umwhile* ‘formerly, late, whilorn’; OE *ymbe hwile* ‘about’ or ‘at a time’.

valedictorian ‘speaker of a college farewell address’.

wadset ‘mortgage or something pledged’; Aft *wageure*, OE *wedde* ‘a pledge’, Ger *wette* ‘a wager’.

OE *settan*, Ger setzen, ON *setja* ‘set’.
Brit = Brittonic (ancient British language), NF = Norman French, OE = Old English, 
OF = Old French, ON = Old Norse.

Anderson ‘son of Andrew’ Greek Personal name Andreas from andr ‘manly’; New Testament apostle and saint (died 60 AD), feast day 30th November; his remains were brought to Scotland in the 8th century but were removed in 1204 and now rest in Italy and Turkey; church built in his memory at the place in Fife which came to be known as St Andrews, a town laid out by David I according to geomantic principles-three streets culminating in a high Celtic holy place, which later became the cathedral; Scotland’s patron saint, hence the popularity of the name in Scotland.

Ballantine ‘enclosed place of the (ecclesiastical) dean’; from Ballenden, baile an deaghan, in Robertson parish, Roxburghshire; Gaelic baile ‘family property’, OF baillier ‘to enclose’, Latin ballium ‘enclosure’; Gaelic deaghhan from OF deien, Latin decanus, Greek dekanos ‘chief of ten’.

Black ‘black/dark’ hair or skin; OE.

Brown ‘brown/dark-red’ hair or skin; OE.

Bryce ‘speckled’; NF Brice, Brit brych, Latin Britius/Bricius; by the end of the 12th century the Personal name had become popular in Scotland, possibly because of the cult of St Bricius/Brice died 444, feast day 13th November, bishop of Tours in central France.

Bullo place in Peeblesshire.

Burnet Pet form of Barnard; NF, OE from Old German Personal name Beornheard ‘bear-hardy’; St. Bernard 1090-1153, feast day 20th August, monk at Citeaux near Dijon in central France, where the Cistercian Order was founded in 1098, then became a greatly renowned abbot of the new Cistercian foundation at Clairvaux in Luxemburg; the saint’s cult led to the popularity of his name in Britain in the Middle Ages.

Carmichael ‘fort/caer of Michael’; in Lanarkshire; Brit.

Caverhill lands in Manor parish, Peeblesshire.

Copland ‘bought land’ in Cumbria and Northumbria; ON.

Dale ‘dale/valley’ perhaps from the place in the Shetland Isles; ON.

Darling ‘darling, little beloved or dyrling’, probably referring to a nobleman’s heir; OE deorling from deore/dyre, German teuer ‘dear, highly valued/costly’ and diminutive ling.

Denholm ‘at the dean/valley’ in Cavers parish, Roxburghshire and elsewhere in Scotland; OE denum.

Dickson ‘son of Dick’, pet form of Richard.

Ewart (1) OE ea worth ‘river garth/yard’ in Northumberland.
(2) ‘ewe-herd’; OE eowu, Latin ovis, Gr ois, Sanskrit avi ‘sheep’; sheep were an important source of milk for cheese.

Glen ‘glen-valley’ dweller; perhaps from the place in Traquair parish, Peeblesshire; Brit.

Gordon (1) ‘spacious or goat dun/fortified hill’ in Earlston parish, Berwickshire; Brit gor or Gaelic gobhar. (2) ‘mountain’ from Gourdon in Saone-et-Loire, France; Gaulic and Latin.

Grieve ‘grieve’ overseer/farm manager/sheriff/governor; Scots from OE graef/a/gerefa perhaps linked to German Graf ‘count/earl’.

Guthrie (1) from ON Personal name Gud-rødr ‘god-rod/fame’; 8th century Norwegian king. (2) ‘windy’ in Angus; Gaelic gaothair.

Halliday born on a ‘holy day’; OE.

Hamilton ‘hambled/scared country with enclosed town or hill/dun’; in Lanarkshire from Hambledon in England; OE hamel ‘mutilate/cause to stumble’, ON hemja, Ger hemmen ‘hamper/distort/impede’.

Hope ‘hope/enclosed valley’ dweller, throughout southern Scotland; OE.

Inglis ‘of English birth’; Scots Englis, OE Englisc from Engle an Angle.

Johnston ‘son of John’ or from Johnstone ‘John’s town’ in Dumfriesshire or Renfrewshire or from ‘St John’s town’ now called Perth; OE. Latin Personal name Johannes, Greek Ioannes, from Hebrew Yohanan ‘God has been gracious’; Old Testament name; New Testament John The Baptist, feast day 24th June, patron saint of the Knights Hospitallers, cult figure; John, The Apostle, died late 1st century, feast day 27th December, New Testament writer and patron saint of theologians and writers and of Scotland before St Andrew, symbol was the eagle; name of various saints, popes and European kings; the saints’ cults led to the popularity of the name throughout Europe in the Middle Ages.

Kell/Kelly (1) Gaelic Personal name Ceallach ‘strife/war’ or ‘monk’ from ceall ‘cell/church’. (2) ‘wood/coille’ in Berwickshire and elsewhere in Scotland; Gaelic.

Kerr (1) ‘left/wrong’; Gaelic caerr hence left-handed; this derivation tends to be given scant credence now but I cannot resist offering it up as my Granny always referred to her Ker(r) relatives as being ‘caurrie-handed’. (2) ‘carse/marshland’ dweller; from ON.

Laidlaw ‘law/hill by a loud/rumbling river’; perhaps from Ludlow in Shropshire; OE hlude ‘loud’.

Mackie Patronymic; from Mackay; Gaelic mac Aodh ‘son of Aodh’; Personal name Aed ‘fire’; pagan god of the sun and fire; St Aedh died c.520, feast day 10th November, bishop at Meath in Killare Ireland, cult figure also in Scotland hence popular personal name in the middle ages.


Martin from Latin Martinus/Martius, Pet form of Mars; popular Personal name in Scotland in the Middle Ages because of the cult of St Martine of Tours c.316-397, feast day 11th November, born in the ancient Roman province of Pannonia (encompassing an area including Hungary), known as a miracle-worker, had a church (now in ruins) dedicated to him in Nungate, Haddington, East Lothian thus indicating the earliest Christian site in the area, patron saint of blacksmiths.
Miller ‘miller’; OE.
Moffat ‘long plain’ in Dumfriesshire; Gaelic magh fad.
Murray ‘sea/muir-settlement’, county of Moray in north-east Scotland; Brit moireadhaigh.
Nisbet ‘nose-bit/bight’ land which projects or is in the shape of a bent nose; in Pencaitland parish, East Lothian, in Edrom parish, Berwickshire and in Roxburghshire; OE bitan ‘bite/bit’ or byht ‘bight/bend’.
Peacock like a ‘peacock’ strutting/vain/proud; OE pea/pawa coc, Latin pavo ‘peacock’.
Porteous (1) ‘porter-house’ worker, from the place where porter (ale) was sold; OF porteour, Latin portare ‘to carry’.
(2) ‘carrier of the portesse’ a portable breviary or book containing the Roman Catholic Church’s service; OF portehors, Latin porteforium from portare; see (1) and foris ‘out-of-doors’.
Ramadge ‘wild/unpredictable’; OF hawking term ‘living in the branches’.
Scott originally denoting a member of the Scoti tribe from Ireland, later the term was applied to someone born in Scotland who travelled outside the country.
Somerville from Sémerville ‘Siegmar’s village’ in Normandy; NF Personal name from ON Sig-marr ‘victory/sig-fame’.
Steel ‘stile/ascent’ dweller; OE stigel.
Stevenson ‘son of Steven’.
Stoddart ‘(horse)stud ward/keeper’; OE stod.
Thomas ‘twin’; Hebrew; favorite Personal name in Britain in the Middle Ages because of
(1) St Thomas 1st century, feast day 3rd July, New Testament apostle of Christ, missionary and martyr, patron saint of architects and blind people.
(2) St Thomas à Beckett 1118-1170, feast day 29th December, London born Norman archbishop of Canterbury, martyr, saint, extremely popular cult figure.
Todd like a ‘fox’ sly or red-haired; or ‘fox-hunter’; Scots tod ‘fox’.
Todrick (1) the usual modern variant is Derek from OE Thodric, ON Tjodric, Old German Theodorik ‘(Teutonic) folk-reich/power’.
(2) ‘fox/todd ridge/hill’ from Tod Rig in Kirkinner parish, Wigtownshire; OE. Tweedie see ET1/1.
Urquhart (1) ‘apportionment of land by cast/shot’ in Fife; Pictish/Old Gaelic.
(2) ‘rowan thicket’ or ‘at the woods’ in Inverness-shire; Brit air cartd or air cairdean.
Waugh ‘foreigner’; OE wealh ‘foreigner’.
Welsh ‘welsh/foreign’; OE waelisc.
Williamson ‘son of William’.
Peebleshire

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From at least c.6500 BC dense forests and swamps surrounded the hills and rivers of Peeblesshire. Land routes of the nomadic hunters and gatherers had of necessity to be concentrated on the lower slopes of the hills and along the edges of the waterways. In the forests of birch, elm, oak, hazel and hawthorn roamed badger, bear, fox, roe deer, wild boar and wolf. By the rivers and in and over the trees flew cranes, crows, herons, ravens and eagles. Dogs were used as companions from a very early time. Timber dominated, not only for boats and tools but also for shelters made from sharp-pointed posts intertwined with branches. Influence on the life of these pre-Stone Age people came probably from both Ireland and the south of England, to where it had found its way most likely from itinerant expert stone workers and potters from the eastern shores of the North Sea and the Atlantic Ocean who traded and demonstrated their new skills. Gradually the local people adjusted to these advances and the period known as the Stone Age emerged from c.3500 BC.

These people of the Stone Age began to cease their nomadic life and remain permanently in one area. They still hunted, gaining access from the North Sea along the river Tweed and its tributaries to the game birds and animals of the swampy forests on their banks. The waterways were also sources of drinking water. Food was augmented from farming, mainly pastoral on the cleared upper slopes of the hills. Existing on dairy produce in summer, these first farmers feasted on the surplus driven cattle slaughtered for food in winter. With less reliance on the need to follow and hunt larger animals and wild herds, the importance of catching fish and smaller game-birds and animals increased. Forests were cleared progressively for cultivation by burning and with stone or flint axes; such action began the erosion of the top soil which eventually led to the creation of the moors of the Uplands.

Settled communities, perhaps on sites enclosed with earth ditches, led to the control of basic commodities and resources. Influence on this pastoral life came from mainland Europe’s skilled workers in copper and bronze. The Bronze Age which emerged from c.2300 BC was a highly organized technological society where control of land and water was important. To retain, or obtain, rights over them, warrior-nobles were prepared to go to war. Undefended hillside sites had of necessity to become fortified, secure bases for the community as weapons proliferated. The mainly pastoral farming continued but with increased cultivation in small fields on cleared hill-slopes.

Possibly from around 700 BC or even earlier ironworking became common throughout Europe. The Celts who had begun to migrate from their major base in central Europe in the 8th century BC came to Britain in great numbers. They brought with them their practical skills, their way of life which was centered on the worship of deities, their story tellers and their artists who favored vivid, brilliant colors. Influence on Bronze Age life in southern Scotland came from incoming British Celts. In Fife and the north of Scotland it came from Irish Picts and in Ireland from the Gaels. Selecting sites with careful regard to their deities, the Celts built extensive ramparts and defended encampments. Concentrated areas of woodland were cleared to provide enclosures for animals and crops. Old Stone Age barrows were the places, outside the main settlement, where the iron-working smiths were based, well away from their ‘customers’ who regarded them as magic workers, perhaps alchemists, producing light in dark places.

The small tribes of British Celts of northern England and southern Scotland came to be dominated by one powerful tribe, the Brigantes who, from their fortress in north east England, for centuries ruled the entire area between the west and east coasts from the river Humber to the river Forth. Domination of the smaller tribes was such that they too might loosely be called Brigantes. They formed alliances with the Romans who from 55 BC occupied and controlled the whole of England up to Hadrian’s Wall. In c.369 AD it is likely that the Romans
drew up a treaty with these Britons who, as allies, became responsible for keeping the peace with the warring Picts. Pictish raiding parties were a major threat to stability in the late 3rd and early 4th centuries, swooping as they did into Roman occupied zones. Along the river Forth the Romans had built Antonine’s Wall, an unsuccessful barrier however to the Picts’ progress south to Hadrian’s Wall, which delineated the limit of the Romans’ northern province. Roman support for their British allies began to wain when difficulties arose elsewhere in their empire. Before the middle of the 6th century Roman support ceased altogether as their empire collapsed and they withdrew from Britain.

Without firm Roman protection the British tribes were on their own in holding back attacks. In southern Scotland the threat came from the Irish Scotti and the Picts. The need by the Celts to defend and fortify the settled areas became an increasingly difficult struggle when Angles invaded from the south. Originally from the north of Germany, they had allied themselves with the Saxons to invade the southern shores of England in the first half of the 5th century. By 580 AD they had conquered north east England. From their coastal base there and mainly by sea and then along the rivers, the Angles continued northward to invade southern Scotland and wrested control of south east Scotland in 638. This Anglian victory over the British Celts marked the decline of the Celtic British language, culture and religion not just in south east Scotland but all along the east coast from the Forth south to the English Channel.

The British Celts on the west coast and in Wales resisted domination by Picts and Angles but continuing Pictish and Anglian pressure ultimately led to the breaking up of the British tribal confederacy in the 8th century. The British kingdom of Strathclyde which was then formed covered the area between the rivers Solway and Clyde, with its main fortified base at Alcluith (Dumbarton) on the Clyde. It comprised the present Scottish counties of Ayrshire, Dumfriesshire, Dunbartonshire, Lanarkshire, Peeblesshire and Renfrewshire. Control of the old English counties of Cumbria and Westmoreland was a major cause of conflict.

At the end of the 5th century conversion to Christianity of the pagan British Celts of the north of England and southern Scotland had spread north from Carlisle in north west England and east from Whithorn in south west of Scotland where the Christian missionary St Ninian was based. An early Christian stone [now housed in Peebles Museum] inscribed in Latin with British personal names and dating probably from the late 5th or early 6th century once stood by the Manor Water in Manor parish.

In the 7th century the Celtic Christian missionary preachers began to make converts of the pagan Anglian rulers. Adoption in 664, at the synod of Whitby in Yorkshire, of the Roman Christian Church’s doctrines by an increasingly Germanic-influenced clergy ensured the supremacy of the Roman Church over the Celtic Christian Church. Throughout the 7th century Roman Christianity had been spreading north from Canterbury in Kent where Augustine had founded a cathedral (he died in 604 and was later sanctified). Thus when the Northumbrian Angles gained control of Strathclyde in 756, they brought with them Roman Christianity which must have been well established by 870 when the area reverted to British rule. But the earlier Celtic Christianity would not have been easily repressed and neither would the even more ancient Celtic paganism. Even after Christianity was established, the great pagan festivals continued but with a Christian emphasis on the celebrations. [see Worship.]

The invasion of north east England by Danes in the 8th and 9th centuries and Norwegian then Danish attacks on north to south west Scotland in the late 8th to 10th centuries led to the near isolation of Scotland not only from England but also the rest of Europe. Although therefore still in the main adhering to the doctrines of the Roman Church, the church in Scotland, and the way of life of the people, tended to develop their own characteristics. This period of independence may have helped to provide the attitude of mind which led to the Reformation of the church in the 16th century.

In 908 on the death of Donald, the last of Strathclyde’s British leaders, the Britons elected as their new ruler
Donald, who was the brother of Constantine II, King of Alba (the united lands of the Picts and Scots). Strathclyde remained independent but with strong familial and language links with Alba.

In 945 Edmund The Elder, King of the Saxons (reigned 940-946), seized control of Strathclyde and granted it, with attendant feudal obligations, to Malcolm I, King of Alba. As vassal, Malcolm had to pledge to give his overlord Edmund military support.

In 1018 Duncan, great great grandson of Malcolm I, succeeded to Strathclyde and in 1034 succeeded his grandfather Malcolm II as Duncan I, King of Scots, thus uniting Strathclyde and Alba.

In 1054 Duncan I’s son Malcolm Canmore while in exile in Northumberland had Strathclyde confirmed to him by his mother Sybil’s cousin Siward, Earl of Northumberland. The area however was regarded increasingly by the Scots as part of Scotland, not as a vassalage of the English king. In 1058 Malcolm Canmore succeeded Lulach as Malcolm III, King of Scots. In 1088 the rest of southern Scotland was taken under his control and became part of the kingdom of the Scots; only the Hebrides and the Northern Isles were out with his dominance remaining under Norse rule.

Malcolm’s fourth surviving son David (by his second marriage to Margaret, a Saxon princess, later sanctified) was crowned David I, King of Scots in 1124. He had spent forty years at the Anglo-French court and in 1114 had married Maude, widow of Simon de Senlis, the Norman Earl of Northampton. Maude was the daughter of Waltheof, a Saxon Earl, and his wife Judith, niece of William I The Conqueror. David’s supporters who came north with him, no doubt younger sons of Anglo-Norman families, were granted charters to Scottish lands, particularly in the south, of Scotland. He created royal burghs and introduced a feudal land tenure system, an Anglo-Norman judicial system and other strong and distinct Anglo Norman influences. David also brought with him to Scotland a deep Roman Christian belief, no doubt inherited from his mother, encouraged close contact with the church in Rome and the founding of bishoprics, churches and monasteries. He and his wife Maude and later his daughter-in-law Ada founded many religious institutions throughout Scotland. After his death in 1153 David was sanctified and became a cult figure; his feast day was 24th May.

It was from David’s time that wooded districts in Peeblesshire and elsewhere in southern Scotland began to be dotted with the parks and manors of princes and barons, the granges and churches of monks and with mills, kilns and brew-houses. Farming and grazing flourished, dairies and orchards were numerous and the surrounding countryside provided good hunting. It was possibly David who first developed the castles at Peebles and Traquair as royal hunting lodges. With this royal seal of approval and the good hunting provided in surrounding countryside the town of Peebles was visited and privileged by successive Scottish monarchs. Early in the 12th century the deanery of Peebles was created and placed under the archdeanery of Teviotdale in the new diocese of Glasgow.

Sheriffdoms had been established when Norman feudalism had been introduced. The ‘sheriff’ was the ‘shire-reeve’; ‘shire’ came from OE Iscir ‘office/authority’ and ‘reeve’ from OE (reve ‘supervisor of the food renders’. The renders, equating with modern taxes, were collected from the estates and used to support the monarch. Sheep and grain no doubt constituted the main food renders. In Peeblesshire two sheriffs, one at each of the royal seats of Peebles and Traquair, exercised jurisdiction, collected Crown rents and led the feudal army. But in 1304 when Edward I of England held the area, they were superseded by a single sheriff when he divided up Scotland into more easily controllable sheriffdoms with representation in the English Parliament.

Edward, born in 1237, elder son of Henry III of England and Eleanor of Provence (in France), was known as (Scotorum malleus ‘Hammer of the Scots’. On his marriage to Eleanor of Castile (in Spain), his father bestowed on him Gascony (in France), Ireland and Wales. Edward succeeded his father in 1272 but only returned from the last of the Crusades in the Holy Land [Palestine/Israel] in 1274 when he was crowned. Alexander III of
Scotland (reigned 1249-1286) held lands in England and paid Edward homage in respect of them. After Edward’s defeat of Prince Llewelyn and his Welshman and the consequent annexing of Wales as a principality of England, Edward set his sights on Scotland. He had long asserted a tenuous claim to overlordship and on the death in 1290 of Alexander III’s successor, his young daughter Margaret, Maid of Norway, Edward successfully championed John Baliol. On his accession, John paid homage to Edward for the kingdom of Scotland much to the anger of the Scots which fired up into violent opposition in 1296. Edward marched north, wrested Berwick from the Scots and had advanced as far north as Aberdeen, Banff and Elgin before Baliol surrendered the Scottish crown to him. Taking the coronation stone with him back to Berwick, Edward received there the homage of Scottish barons, gentry and clergy (the Ragman Roll). Revolt continued under William Wallace, who led guerrilla warfare with spectacular success until ultimately defeated in 1298 at Falkirk. Wallace was executed in 1305.

But revolt continued in Scotland under Robert The Bruce, who had himself crowned King of Scots at Scone in 1306. Once again Edward marched north but before reaching Scotland he died near Carlisle in 1307. His son Edward II’s defeat in 1314 at Bannockburn by Robert secured the independence of the Scottish kingdom. This was confirmed by the Treaty of Northampton in 1328 between Robert (died 1329) and Edward III, King of England (reigned 1327-1377). But Edward laid waste to south east Scotland in 1355 and for almost another three hundred years English armies still marched into the more primitive Scotland to show off their power and superiority and as punishment for Scotland’s ‘Auld alliance’ with France. The Scots needed little to be goaded to retaliate with raids into the English Borders and on merchant ships of England and her trading partners.

Lawlessness and disorder prevailed throughout Scotland, and in the Borders there was also the continuing danger from the English. The most deadly feuds existed between the nearest of neighbors. In a state of constant alarm and watchfulness was how many communities must have spent much of their lives. The violent conflicts between the powerful Border families eventually forced the Scottish Parliament to take action. In 1428 a statute ordained “that na man suld ridande na gangande cum to na Courte na Semblay with multitude of folkys na with armies”. It seems this ban, coming to court or assemblies, whether riding or walking, with many folk or with an army, had no lasting effect as in 1478 it again came up before Parliament. Many lived by “the good old rule that they should take who have the power and they should keep who can.” A stone at Drumelzier, and indeed elsewhere, was used as a gallows, with invariably a corpse or “tassel” hanging from it. It served “as a grim warning to those who might wish to press undesirable claims or be otherwise unduly inconvenient”.

During the wars of the succession, Peeblesshire, attacked several times by the English, suffered severely. For common defense a string of castle fortresses was formed along the Tweed from Fruid to Hawkshaw, to Oliver Castle, to Polmood, to Kingledoors, to Stanhope, to Mossfenman, to Wrae, to Drummelzier, to Tinnies, to Dreva, to Lour, to Dawyck, to Stobo and thence down river to the mouth of the Tweed. The attacks only abated with the union of the Scottish and English crowns in 1603 when the of son of Mary, Queen of Scots, James VI, King of Scots since 1567, succeeded his mother’s second cousin Elizabeth I of England (reigned 1558-1603), as James I of England, Ireland and Wales. He died in 1625 and was succeeded by his son Charles I.

The fighting between the two nations had been exacerbated by the turbulent feuds and raids of the lawless barons of the southern Scottish counties. The chief occupation of many 16th and early 17th century Scots would appear to be cattle stealing, probably ‘under the cloud and silence of nycht’. With local lairds and landowners not only giving protection to those responsible but also resetting stolen beasts there was little the Crown could do to enforce law and order. The Privy Council may find the charge proven and pronounce the sentence of outlawry but the accused could be safe from punishment in the sanctuary of the Border Hills. But with the union of the Scottish and English Crowns in 1603 there was growing awareness on both sides of the border that the lawlessness and raiding threatened the peace between the two countries, long weary from centuries of fighting. Notwithstanding, these violent disturbances, although reduced in number, continued to the time of Charles I (reigned 1625 until beheaded in 1649) and Oliver Cromwell (Lord Protector 1653-58). In 1650 Cromwell’s troops besieged and took Neidpath Castle to the west of Peebles.
ADMINISTRATION

The division of Peeblesshire into Church of Scotland parishes dates back to the Reformation in the 1560s of the Church in Scotland, which hitherto had followed the Roman Church. The Reformation led to the formation of the Church of Scotland based on the presbyterian doctrine.

Justice of the Peace records began in 1656.

The sheriffship of Peebles had been held by the family of the Earls of Tweeddale but the first Act of James VII (reigned 1685-1688) abolished hereditary jurisdictions. The first sheriff under the new order was James Montgomery who rose to be Chief Baron of the Exchequer and first baronet of Stanhope. The Act resulted in the creation of the county of Peebles, with the county town at Peebles and a lord lieutenant. From 1707 with the union of the Scottish and English Parliaments, the county returned to the Westminster Parliament in London one member of parliament, and the burgh of Peebles united with Selkirk, Linlithgow and Lanark in returning a second. In 1832 the burgh and county were made a unified constituency with one member, later the county combined with southern Midlothian and is now part of the constituency of Tweeddale, Ettrick and Lauderdale.

FARMING

Throughout the millennia, the swampy, forested land was cleared and made suitably productive for farming. The timber was used as building materials and for fuel. Herds of cattle, goats and sheep of the Soay type were pastured on the cleared upper slopes of the hills; domesticated wild boar were also reared.

The ancient forests continued to cover most of the county, providing shelter for crops and domestic animals, until the 14th century when the woods began to be demolished and natural protection was eroded. By the beginning of the 16th century the impact of the loss of the trees, felled to clear the land for farming and for use in ships, must have been particularly apparent as shelter from the elements was severely reduced and crops failed. Many families must have experienced great difficulty in fulfilling “Ane to saw and ane to gnaw, and ane to pay the laird witha.”. Four centuries were to pass before in the early 18th century new tree plantations were formed. In the 18th and 19th centuries trees, probably ash, elm and sycamore, were being planted to provide shelter. Close to the laird’s house, they would have allowed little light to pass through the windows which would have been made up of tiny triangles of glass.

From about the 12th century each man cultivated his own rigs in the various cleared fields, and had the right to graze his cattle on the common pastureland. The rigs in the infield (nearest to the settlement) were worked for a few years with a plough pulled by the ox and left fallow while the rigs of the outfield were cultivated. By the early 16th century the land was being let to tenant farmers, varying between the more common one ox-gang (13 acres or so) to two, three or occasionally four ox-gangs. The steadings, containing the farmers’ dwellings and other buildings, were known as touns, from the old word ton ‘enclosure’. Grain stores, animal shelters and a midden would have been located in the inner yard or laird’s walled enclosure. Leases were generally for life, only transferring on the death of the tenant and then usually to the widow, son or other close relative.

Hill farming of sheep [OE sceap, German Schaf] or wethers [OE wether, ME wederen ‘to expose to weather’, Nor vaer, Ger Wetter ‘weather’, ON vetr ‘wet’], with their constant grazing, also severely degraded the habitat, and destroyed the shelter of much of the native moorland wildlife. These practices shaped the Peeblesshire
landscape of today. Domesticated animals kept in herds, ewes were an important source of milk. Older ewes and rams used for breeding were slaughtered for their flesh, skin, stomach linings and horns which were made into small domestic implements and musical instruments. Fleeces and wool were used for clothing and blankets. Probably symbolizing aggression and virility, horns were very often depicted on images of deities; for the same reason they were added to helmets.

The best and most prosperous farmers in Peeblesshire, and indeed throughout the country, were the monks from the religious houses particularly those of the Cistercian Order in the valley of the Tweed. By the 12th century much of the church income derived from the grazing of stock. The monks also pioneered sheep husbandry. When Henry II of England’s edict in 1155 banished all foreigners from England, it is reputed that a number of industrious workers who had earlier come from Flanders to England chose not to return to their native Belgium. They settled instead in Peebles and it is these Flemish Flemings who are said to have fostered the woolen industry here.

For centuries, perhaps millennia, sheep-farming dominated the area and was a highly important industry. In 1378 the Scottish Exchequer Rolls recorded almost one and a half million fleeces for export, the result of encouragement by the Crown whose revenue was derived from the export trade. The old breeds of Scottish sheep were small and produced a fine but somewhat meagre wool, the outcome of sheep being housed indoors in the winter as it had long been feared that the animals could not withstand the Scottish winter. After the shearing, the sheep’s skins were smeared with a tar-and-butter mixture as a further aid to their winter survival. These practices however only served to increase the cost of the wool, which had to be cleaned, and to lower the wool’s export value. Nevertheless, sheep continued to be of major importance in Peeblesshire “in 1715 the county is stored with such numbers of sheep that in the Linton mercats [which ceased in 1856], which are kept every Wednesday during the months of June and July, there have frequently been seen 9000 in the customer’s roll and most of all these sold and vented in one day.”

By the first half of the 18th century the wars between England and France and Holland and the successful competition from the English and continental markets had virtually removed Scotland’s wool export trade and only her home market survived. By the mid 18th century however in Tweeddale and the Southern Uplands in southern Scotland, access to cross-breeding with the larger sheep of England, who had better quality wool, led to a prospering sheep farming industry. It had established a good trade, for both mutton and wool, not only in southern and central Scotland but also with England, in particular the Yorkshire wool manufactories.

In the second half of the 18th century, as early as the 1770s, the number of small tenant hill-farmers began to reduce. In many cases arable farming was combined with sheep-rearing but the hills in Tweedsmuir near the upper course of the Tweed and those flanking the valleys of the Leithen, Moor and Megget, too high for agriculture, were entirely devoted to sheep pasturing. The introduction of turnip growing on a large scale doubtless encouraged the keeping of sheep during the 18th century which very much developed in the 19th century. Sheep have continued to the present day to be reared on the hillsides and the number of farms has continued to reduce.

In the 1760s turnip seed was sowed in the open fields for the first time; in the 1770s crops were rotated, turnips were cultivated as fodder for sheep and potatoes were grown in open fields; Other crops were oats, hay, some barley and occasionally rape. Grain was winnowed by the wind on hill-tops until 1750 when fanners were introduced; the flail in return had been replaced by 1832 with threshing-mills worked by water or horse-power.

In 1788 the Earl of March gave agriculture considerable impetus by introducing security of tenure such as long leases of fifty-seven years. Tenants were thus encouraged to erect better farm buildings and to lay out more labor and capital in clearing, enclosing and improving the land. By the 1790s some farming land was still open but most was enclosed with dry-stane dykes [stone walls]. Many survived the years and can still be seen today.
DOMESTIC LIFE

Since the earliest settlements the little communities would have lived in timber huts of whose trace little evidence would now be likely. People and their animals may have lived in a timber longhouse, with just a partition separating the human habitation from the byre. When stone buildings replaced the lairds’ wooden towerhouses, possibly in the second half of the 15th century, those who worked the land would have continued to live in simple dwellings made out of timber, if available, or of turf or rubble. It was only in the 18th century that more substantial and permanent stone structures would have been built for the humbler inhabitants. Doocots were encouraged but restricted to the larger landowners because crops could be ruined as “Pigeons did not discriminate between their owner’s land and his neighbors”.

The shepherd was paid partly in kind, by his ‘pack’ a fixed number of sheep of his own which he looked after with those of his employer. Beehives and poultry were to be found at most cottages and often a cow was kept for family use, the hind (farm servant’s)’s wife being the one who had “to turn out to the byre in all weathers”. By the early 19th century the staple bread of the cottars was the barley-meal and pease-meal bannock. and scones and scrivers (pancakes or dropped scones) were becoming popular: From about 1802 pigs, bacon and the ‘rouch’ (smoked) home-cured hams hanging from cottage ceilings, began to be more common. On market days men brought oatmeal or peasemeal with them, and added to it hot water, sought from wayside cottages, to make brose. Flowers such as hollyhock, pinks, columbines, primroses, virgin’s bower, campion, throatwort, bear’s ears, wall-pellitory, spider-wort were cultivated for their looks, perfume and colour.

The laird’s house had low ceilings, plastered walls perhaps covered with tapestries, bare wood floors, turf or peat on the open hearths in those rooms which had fireplaces, boxed-in or curtained beds, and perhaps a closed bed in the drawing room for a guest. Tallow candles lit the room in use.

A glass of ale or brandy first thing in the morning, and at about eight o’clock breakfast of skink or water gruel (a kind of thin porridge), collops or mutton, oatcakes or barley bannocks washed down with more ale. Dinner, the main meal, was served on wooden or pewter plates in the middle of the day and consisted of mutton or beef cooked with neeps and greens in a husked-oat or knocked-barley broth. Over the winter months the meat used was the salted flesh of the cows or sheep slaughtered in the autumn. Other animals were over-wintered under cover and, fed only on straw or mashed whins, must just have managed to survive to the spring when they could once again feed on the pastures and provide fresh meat for the household. Kain hens in lieu of rent by the tenants which might have given relief from monotony were regarded as a burden to the palate. Ale was drunk and sometimes good, cheap French sack or claret. Afternoon refreshments, called ‘four-hours’ from the time it was consumed, were when ladies drank ale or wine and offered company a kind of wheaten bread or cake. Supper, in the early evening, was similar to dinner. Later the ale at breakfast and four-hours gave way to tea (Green and Bohea) as it reduced in cost. Marmalade, English pickles, Indian mangoes and such delicacies would no doubt also have found their way on to the table.

Entertaining was the high spot in daily life and hospitality to friends and neighbors was generous and effusive. There was no departure from the usual dinner or supper but visitors arrived in time for an extra portion to be included. Travel was generally on horseback but men of sufficiently substantial means would have their own coach and the laboring classes would walk. Hawking was a popular pastime, as was bowling and many country houses had their own bowling-green.

Dull or dark day clothes were made or spun at home by the laird’s wife, daughters or servants or woven locally. They were seldom changed even when greasy, dirty or with holes. Holland material gradually replaced the
woolen shirts for those who had travelled or studied abroad. Only at baptisms, weddings and burials were bright, colorful costumes worn. For evening entertaining however silver and gold trimmings, silk stockings, jack-boots, periwigs, laced hats for men and hooped silk dresses with gold- or silver-laced velvet petticoats for ladies of fashion.

TRANSPORT

Until the forested swamps were cleared for farming, access between communities was by the higher land. As the trees were removed, the swamps turned into boggy land, difficult to traverse on foot, on horseback or with cart. Solitary trees and other marks guided travellers across. The most used rough, muddy earth tracks, almost impossible to negotiate after heavy rain, became the post and toll roads. One track near Drummelzier over the left shoulder of Dollar Law and along part of Craigier Burn was known as ‘The Thief’s Road’, a common route of the Border raiders. It was sometimes also called ‘The King’s Road’, because James V (reigned 1613-42) is said to have travelled along it when executing justice.

The North British Railway railway line between Edinburgh and Peebles opened in 1855 and between Peebles and Galashiels, Selkirkshire in 1864. The Caledonian Railway between Peebles (the terminus) and Symington, Lanarkshire also opened in 1864. A short track connected the lines of the two companies. The railway no longer runs to Peeblesshire.

WORSHIP

The tribal deity of the Brigantes, a powerful grouping of British Celts in the north of England and the south of Scotland, was Brigantia, their mythological ancestress and the goddess of high places. Linked with war, crafts and healing, she equated with the creativity, fertility and mother goddess Brigida, later becoming the Christian St Brigit. The festival held in February and sacred to her was Imbolc. From oimelc ‘sheep’s milk’, it celebrated the coming of light and growth, the lambing season and the first lactation of the ewes.

Possibly the main festival celebrated in Peebles for centuries was Beltane ‘bright fire or fire of the gods’. Held on 1st May at the beginning of summer and growth, it was sacred to Belenus ‘shining’, the sun and healer deity. This was the time of sacrificial bonfires on high places when cattle were driven through the smoke as magical protection in their summer pastures and to promote growth. Such was the fame of the festival at Peebles that it brought in crowds from all over Scotland and was attended by James I (reigned 1424-1437). Millennia ago it may even have led to the origin of the name of Peebles. Peebles means ‘tents’ or temporary dwellings, perhaps those of the ancient people who every year came in great numbers to the festivities here.

The Celtic year had eight divisions each with its own festival and significance. On 1st November was Samhain ‘fire of peace’, a festival of renewal celebrating the new year; All Hallowes E’en, the evening before the main festival, was when time was suspended between the end and the beginning, a vulnerable moment when evil spirits were said to be abroad (later the Christians took it over as All Saints and All Souls). On 21st December was the Winter Solstice or Yule, the shortest day of the year. On 1st February was Imbolc, the pastoral festival mentioned above. On 21 st March was the Sprng or vernal Equinox when the days were of equal length to the night. On 1st May was Beltane mentioned above. On 21st June was the Summer Solstice or Midsummer’s Day, the longest day of the year. On 1st August was Lughnasa, the autumn festival celebrating the harvest and the baking of the first bread, sacred to the sun god Lugh; Lammas, the traditional Scottish festival on the same date, comes from Ger Ihlaf-mas ‘loaf for the Mass’ made from the first of the corn. On 21st September was the Autumn Equinox when the days were of equal length to the night.
Another feast invoked the Roman god Terminus, guardian of fields, boundaries and landmarks and of friendship and peace. The Celts knew him as Mars but he had several titles and was regarded as a healer and a peaceful protector of the tribe. As an aspect of Jupiter, his day was Thursday. Perambulating boundaries, led by the priest, was at the heart of the feast. He asked the god to avert the evils of plague and pestilence, send good and seasonable weather and provide the fruits of the harvest. Stones, crosses and other marks indicated the boundaries. This ‘beating’ of the bounds was the origin of the riding of the marches or common riding. And is still carried out each year in Peebles and in many Border towns.

The festival was adopted by Christians as Ascension Day and held forty days after Easter. Local clergy, who may have been the pagan priests newly converted and continuing an age old practice, perambulated the parish boundaries on Holy Thursday or on one of the three preceding days (Rogation Days). Litanies were made imploring the mercy of God, deprecating his vengeance and preserving the rights and properties of the parish.

The boundaries were the limits of the local lord’s jurisdiction and were certainly of ancient origin. The Celtic symbol of the everlasting and a place for the spirit, a stone, perhaps a Stone Age standing stone, may have marked the enclosed sacred places of worship as well as farmer’s boundaries. Travellers added a stone to the pile already there at crossroads and by hilltop tracks, thus guiding the way for others (the biggest pile indicating the most used path) and leaving a memory of themselves. Cairns marked burial places and stopping-places of funeral corteges for rest and prayers. Some cairns and single stones by sacred grounds became shrines or sites for Christian cells and chapels. Battle-site cairns, where survivors of the battle removed a stone having placed one there before the fighting, were the beginnings of territorial borders.

Many Christian shrines and cells were later replaced by chapels and churches, lit candles taking the place of the memorial stones. The family, within whose boundaries the sacred grounds were sited and after converting to Christianity, very often founded these chapels and funded the priest to say prayers for them. Less well-off families could fund a chaplaincy whereby a priest in an existing church said prayers for the soul of a departed relative. Trades and guilds funded and maintained an altar to their patron saint.

**PLACES**

**Badlieu** in Tweedsmuir parish

‘thicket place’ perhaps; may previously have been Badentree from the name of the hill on which it is sited; Gael **badan** ‘little thicket’, Brit **tref** ‘cleared ground’, Fr **lieu** ‘place’.

A hill farm, perhaps a royal hunting base from the time of David I (reigned 1124-53) to Robert I The Bruce (reigned 1306-1329). On the right bank of the Tweed it stands on the east of the main road between Edinburgh and Moffat. Known for a time as Glenumphard (Glenumford), Badlieu with other properties, totalling 100 merks yearly, were held by John Tweedie of Drumelzier and his son James Tweedie of Glenbrak until forfeiture by them in 1525 to Malcolm, Lord Fleming after they killed his father. The lands were later redeemed by the Tweedies.

In 1549 Robert Hunter of Polmood, son of Walter Hunter, was infeft in four merkland of Badlieu. In 1551 on the stone bridge at Peebles, his father’s widow Janet Lauder ‘kenned to her terce out of the lands gave her oath’ that she would give a tack of her portion for her lifetime to Robert Johnston in Cottis. In 1555 Robert Hunter gave half of his property to his betrothed wife Katherine Hay as part of her jointure lands.
In May 1622 James Tweedie of Drummelzier gave a sasine on charter of that ‘pendicle of the lands and Barony of Drummelzier called Glenumphard alias Badlew’ held by his uncle Robert Tweedie in favour of Andrew Hay, writer.

Half of Badlieu ‘pertained of old’ to the Hunters but the other half was acquired by Sir David Murray of Stanhope in the early 17th century and remained with the Murrays until 1719 when it was sold to George Hunter of Polmood. The Hunters held the whole of Badlieu until the mid 19th century.

TI/1 Alexander Tweedie died here in 1727.

Beild

in Tweedsmuir parish

In c.1726 ET14/2 James Tweedie of Oliver had a house built at The Beild, the site of the old towerhouse of Oliver Castle.

The Beild later served as second stage on the old Edinburgh-Moffat-Dumfries coaching road. It was also the original Post Office until this service transferred to the Crook Inn where the mail changed horses. It is said of the Beild that the poet Robert Burns “found the whisky there superior to that of the Crook”.

Cardon

in Glenholm parish

‘twisting/meandering hill’; Celtic car ‘twist’ Brit duno ‘dune’.

An estate lying to the north east of Cardon Hill, on the west side of Holms Water and a couple of miles west of the main road between Edinburgh and Moffat. W4/28 William Welsh and his son W5/35 Alexander were tenants at Cardon in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

Cardrona

in Traquair parish

‘fort on the ridge/in the breeze’; Celtic caer ‘fort’ and droman ‘ridge’ or drothanalch ‘breezy’; site of an old British fort.

ET16/23 Thomas Biggarsheils Stodart of Cardrona Mains married 1st his second cousin ET16/14 Christian Tweedie.

Carterhope see Hawkshawin Tweedsmuir parish

‘twisting/undulating land in a valley’; car tir hop from Celtic car ‘twist’, Brit tref ‘cleared ground’ and ON hop ‘enclosed valley’.

W3/15 George Welsh was tenant here and died in 1771.

Chapel Kingledoors

see Kingledoors

Crook Inn

in Tweedsmuir parish

perhaps ‘crook(ed)’; Gael crocan, Scots cruik, ON krokr.
A hill farm and coaching inn near the left bank of the Tweed and to the west of the main road between Edinburgh and Moffat. The lands of Crook were once known as the half lands of Over Kingledoors. Forming part of the barony of Oliver Castle, they belonged to the Frasers and afterwards to the Flemings. In 1470 Robert, 1st Lord Fleming, granted the half lands of Over Kingledoors to Sir David Hay of Yester (father of John Hay, 1st Lord Yester) together with the lands of Oliver Castle and the superiority of other lands. The property was held as a part of the Neidpath estate until 1919 when it was sold out of the Hay family.

The mail coach changed horses here and ‘post-chaises and horses’ could also be hired. One of four inns, the Crook, which later took over from the Beild its duties as Post Office, was the last inn before Moffat, a distance of thirty odd miles. The Crook was used as the Presbyterian meeting house and in 1688 a minister was ordained there. Sir Thomas Dick Lauder “his eyes perhaps slightly jaundiced by losing a wheel of his post-chaise near it one bleak November night, describes it as ‘one of the coldest looking, most cheerless places of reception for travellers that we ever chanced to behold ... isolated and staring in the midst of the great glen of Tweed, closed in by high green sloping hills on all sides’.”

T5/2 Thomas Tweedie lived here for many years.

Dreva

in Stobo parish

perhaps from Brit tref ‘cleared ground’.

The site of an ancient fort on a rocky hillside overlooking five valleys, and forming part of the barony of Stobo, the superiority from 1302-4 was held by the bishopric of Glasgow.

Centuries ago a branch of the Tweedies of Drumelzier were once vassals here. From their tower, which has long since been totally demolished, and from their stronghold of Tinnies on the other side of the river, they virtually controlled the Tweed. It is said that “Only by rare good fortune did James V evade capture by and payment of a mighty ransom to the free-booting lairds of Drumelzier and Dreva”. Known as “moss-troopers, lawless and heartless” they were implicated in the murder of David Rizzio, the Italian secretary of Mary, Queen of Scots. In 1613 they were granted by the archbishop of Glasgow the barony and superiority of Dreva but seven years later they had to sell their entire lands to pay their debts. In 1616 James Tweedie, son of Johnne Twedy of Dreva, had a score to settle with James Eistoun who complained to the Privy Council that while returning to Edinburgh from Leith Links “quhair he had been recreating himself at the gowff”, he had been attacked by James Tweedie who wielded “a drawn sword” and “raschet him to the ground”. Although defending himself with “his cloob” James Eistoun had “his hat and coat cut”, was hit repeatedly and feared for his life until people intervened, James Tweedie, who did not appear, was ordered by the Lords “to enter himself in ward within the Tolbooth and there to remain during their pleasure”. It is not known whether this was an order which James Tweedie obeyed.

The Tweedies however had clearly not given up their total hold on the property as in 1622 John Tweedie of Winkston, a son of the laird of Dreva, accused James Paterson in Myreburn “of driving his cattle into the close of Dreva”.

In the later seventeenth century until the early eighteenth century Dreva was occupied by the Russell family and then by Alexander Stevenson, whose daughter Mary married ET14/4 Thomas Tweedie in 1728. In c.1767 T3/9 James Tweedie moved to Dreva as the tenant farmer.
Drumelzier
Drumelzier

‘ridge bare height’; Gael *druim maol airidh*.

Lies mostly along the east bank of the upper Tweed but turns west across the river at its southern end to include the lands and glen of Kingledoors. Natural defenses were the sites of ancient fortifications such as Drumelzier Castle and Tinnies (Thanes), both Tweedie strongholds.

In the early 1320s ET2/1 Roger, son of Finlay de Twedyn, was granted the tenement of Drumelzier. It was probably on the occasion of his marriage that Oliver came into possession of the Tweedie family. One of the early chapels in the parish may have been founded by the Tweedies when they were the local lairds and after the Reformation it became the parish church. The adjacent churchyard possibly indicates an even earlier burial-ground.

In 1643 when the new parish of Tweedsmuir was formed out of Upper Drumelzier, Lower Drumelzier became the new Drumelzier parish to which was added in 1742 the western portion of Dawyck.

Earlshaugh
in Tweedsmuir parish

perhaps ‘wooded height/headland by water meadow’; corruption of Celtic *aird* ‘height’ and *coille* ‘wood’ and Scots *haugh* from OE *halh*.

A hill farm, in which rises the Tweed, and an old £4 land within the barony of Drumelzier. The Langton family were vassals from at least the 16th century until the end of the 17th century. Later proprietors were in 1729 James Naesmyth writer in Edinburgh, in 1774 John Loch writer in Edinburgh, and, after John’s son, William sold the property, W4/24 David Welsh.

Fruid
in Tweedsmuir parish

‘impulsive, hasty (stream)’; Brit *frwyd*.

Fruid, a hill sheep farm on the Fruid Water rising on the slopes of Hartfell, was one of the common defense fortresses along the Tweed looking to the castle of Hawkshaw and formed part of the barony of Oliver Castle. Early proprietors were the Frasers, who had an ancient peel there, perhaps the first one Oliver Fraser built.

From the time of Malcolm IV (reigned 1153-1165) until the death of Alexander III (reigned 1214-1249) the Frasers were the most powerful family in Upper Tweeddale. In 1291 Simon Fraser, chief of the family, swore fealty to Edward I, as did his son Simon, who more than once switched allegiance. Edward I appointed him keeper of Ettrick Forest but Simon headed a Scottish rising along with Sir John Comyn, triumphantly trouncing the English troops, who greatly outnumbered the Lanarkshire and Tweeddale men, at the Battle of Roslin. In 1305 Wallace was taken prisoner and executed in London, and Robert The Bruce took his place. Sir Simon Fraser, friend and supporter of Wallace and of Bruce, was taken prisoner, hanged, drawn and quartered in London.

After the death of Sir Simon Fraser in 1306, the lands continued to be held by the Fraser family, who had infeftment, for almost two centuries. The superiority of Fruid however was claimed by
the Lords Fleming and the Hays of Yester, but in 1470 it seems to have been settled on the Hays.

In the 1520s the lands came into Tweedie possession with the marriage of the heiress Katherine Fraser with James Tweedie, nephew of John Tweedie of Drumelzier. Her son James Tweedie was served her heir in 1561, sasine being taken in the tower of Fruid on a precept from the superior, William, 5th Lord Hay of Yester, but the following month he resigned the lands “on bended knees at Neidpath Castle in the hands of Lord Yester for new infeftment, under reservation of his father’s right of courtesy”. James Tweedie of Drumelzier became the proprietor of Fruid in 1608 and in 1620 the lands were conveyed to the Murrays of Halmyre. In 1632 they were sold to the superior John, 8th Lord Hay of Yester (created 1st Earl of Tweeddale) and became part of the Neidpath estate.

Glenbreck in Tweedsmuir parish

‘mottled/speckled/spotted glen’; Celtic gleann breac.

Probably a royal demesne until the reign of Robert I The Bruce (reigned 1346-1329). ET2/1 Roger, son of Finlay de Twedyn, was recorded here in the early 1300s. After the Tweedies of Drumelzier acquired them, the lands were included in the barony of Drumelzier. Glenbreck, with other properties, was acquired by Sir David Murray of Stanhope in the early seventeenth century and remained with the Murrays until 1719, when it was sold to George Hunter of Polmood, and then in 1720 to Sir James Naesmyth of Posso, Bt whose family retained the lands until the 19th century.

Glenholm in Tweedsmuir parish

‘glen with water meadow’; Celtic gleann ‘valley’ and OE holm, ON holmr.

The barony was probably held by the Frasers of Oliver Castle from the 12th century until 1439 when William Fresal (Fraser), Lord of Uvertoun, in return for ‘manifold counsel and assistance rendered’ granted the baronage to James of Douglas, 7th Earl of Douglas. His third daughter, Janet, married Robert, 1st Lord Fleming. The Flemings became Earls of Wigtown and continued to hold superiority rights in the parish until in 1742 the trustees of John Fleming, Earl of Wigtown sold many of them to Major Thomas Cochrane.

In 1740 ET14/4 Thomas Tweedie purchased Quarter and in 1752 W3/16 Robert Welsh bought Mossfennan, both properties in the parish.

In 1804 the parish united with Broughton and Kilbucho.

Hartree in Kilbucho parish

‘hoary tree’ used to mark ancient boundaries or sites of graves; OE hara ‘ancient’ and treow ‘tree’.

The superior was Sir James Douglas, 1st Earl of Morton. In 1434 Sir James of Douglas granted the lands of Hartree to Richard Brown, to be held by him and the heirs of his marriage with ET6/2 Elizabeth of Tweedie, niece of the granter. In 1632 Hartree was sold by the Browns to John Dickson, who was created Lord Hartree.

Hawkshaw in Tweedsmuir parish
Also known as Glengonvir (Glengonar) and including Carterhope and Fingland, the lands of ‘Hawkeschaws’ were old £15 lands. The old peel by the Hawkshaw Bum may once have been used as a hunting lodge by David I (reigned 1124-53), near an ancient chapel with a burial-ground.

Robert I The Bruce (reigned 1306-1329) granted superiority of the lands to Sir David de Lindsay, Lord of Crawford. He held it in return for ‘homage and service, and the services of two archers in the King’s host’ and ‘blench payment of 1d. silver and one suit at the court to be holden at Crawford after the feast of Pasch [Easter]’. The superiority continued with the Lindsay family, and after they became Earls of Crawford, until 1496 when with the rest of the Crawford-Lindsay barony it was alienated to Archibald Douglas, 5th Earl of Angus whose family retained the superiority of the lands for the next few centuries. In 1400 after agreement that Robert Maxwell, son of Sir John of Maxwell, Lord of Nether Pollok, should have ‘Hawkschawland, Fynglen, and Carterhope in Twede muir’ the lands were held by the Maxwell family for over two hundred years. In 1635 they were transferred to Sir William Murray of Stanhope Bt, in 1738 to James Stewart, 5th Earl of Galloway and in 1763 to William Loch, writer in Edinburgh.

In the 15th century the property was sub-feued to the Porteous family, remaining with their descendants until the second half of the 18th century. The marriage of Henrietta Porteous and Michael Anderson of Tushielaw in the 17th century led to the disposal of the property. Their son’s trustees sold Hawkshaw out of the family in the 1760s to William Loch, writer at Paterson’s Court, Edinburgh.

David Tweedie of Hawkshaw, who drew up a deed in 1695, may have been the father of T1/1 Alexander.

Hearthstone
in Tweedsmuir parish

‘hoary stone’ used to mark ancient boundaries or burial-sites; OE hara ‘ancient’ and stan ‘stone’.

Sheep farm, also called Harestanes, within the barony of Oliver Castle in Tweedsmuir parish. In the 16th century the superiority and the property of Hearthstane was acquired by the Hay family. Margaret Tweedie ‘the guid wife of Herstanes’ may have become in 1730 the second wife of W3/1 Umphra Welsh.

Hopkailzie, Wester
in Traquair parish

‘wooded hope’; ON hop ‘enclosed valley’ and Celtic coileadh ‘wood’.

ET2/1 Roger, son of Finlay de Twedyn, was recorded here in the early 1300s.

Kilbucho Kilbucho now Broughton

‘cell/church of St Begha’; she is said to have founded a nunnery in Cumberland in the 7th century; disciple of St Aidan and of 6th century abbess Hilda; pet form of Bee.

Between 1202-13 Adam of ‘Kelebeuhoc’ was a witness to a charter by Walter, son of Alan, son of
Walter the Steward of Scotland. By the mid 13th century Kilbucho was probably held by the Graham family. ET2/1 Roger, son of Finlay de Twedyn, was recorded here in the early 1300s. In 1342 John of Graham granted his lands in the barony of Kilbucho and those in Newlands to William of Douglas, Knight of Liddesdale. In 1535 James Douglas, Earl of Morton sold the barony to Malcolm, Lord Fleming but twenty or so years later it was again in the hands of the Mortons who retained it until 1631 when William Douglas, 6th Earl of Morton, sold the barony to John, Lord Stewart of Traquair. In 1645 he resigned his rights as superior to John Dickson of Hartree, the owner of the barony’s lands.

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Kingledoors

Drumelzier

‘head of the clear water’; Gael ceann ‘head/headland/top’ gile ‘clear/white’ dobhar ‘water’.

Farm where the Kingledoors Burn joins the Tweed. At Chapel Kingledoors, the name given to the upper part of the glen, an ancient chapel was dedicated to St Cuthbert. Craig Kingledoors dwelling-house was nearby and Over Kingledoors (Kingledoors Hope) was next to Chapel Kingledoors in the south and west.

Over Kingledoors passed from the Frasers to the Flemings. In 1470 one half, the lands of Crook, became the property of the Hays of Yester. In 1492 ET8/1 Andrew Tweedie of Oliver Castle laid claim to half of the Fleming lands in Kingledoors. In 1498 William Fleming of the Bord gave a tack for £10 yearly to John Tweedie of Drumelzier. Also in 1498 at a Justice Aire held in Peebles by Lord Drummond, John Tweedie of Drumelzier and five others “came in at the King’s will” and were each fined five merks for “act and part” in an act of oppression committed on Oswald Porteous and his wife Janet in ejecting them from their holding in Upper Kingledoors. The act of “coming in at the King’s will” was “a recognition of the sovereign power so apparently foreign to the nature of these Border lairds that it would almost seem as if the delinquents on this occasion had ascertained previously that merely a nominal penalty in the shape of a small fine would be imposed”. The Flemings continued as owners of one half until at least the early sixteenth century when Lord Fleming was owner of the half of Kingledoors.

At one time Over Kingledoors and Chapel Kingledoors were occupied by the Tweedies who continued as tenants of the Kingledoors lands; Adam Tweedie in 1573 and later and also his brothers Walter, William, Thomas and John. In 1611 recorded in an extract of assize are John Tweedie of Kingledoors, William Tweedie younger of Wrae and James Tweedie of Denes. In 1618 witnesses in the Peeblesshire Register of Sasines were James Tweedie of Drumelzier, John Tweedie of Kingledoors, James Tweedie in Mot and David Tweedie in Kilbucho. In 1620 James Tweedie of Drumelzier “parted with the lands of Chapelkingledoors” to John Fleming, Earl of Wigtoun.

In 1637 the Earl of Wigtown resigned his half of Over Kingledoors along with Chapel Kingledoors to “Alexander Tweedie of Watsyde of Hairstanes, in life-rent, and John Tweedie, his eldest lawful son, in fee”. That year Alexander Tweedie, tenant of the west side of Hearthstane, also acquired Kingledoors.

John Tweedie of Kingledoors apparently fell out of favour with the church when on 3/3/1650 he had “been fishing on a certane Sabbath night the minister being at Edinburgh” and it was decided
to “ordain him to be cited”. As a result on the 23rd April “John Tweedie called and examined, confessed he had been fishing in the night that was alleged, but it was not till after the cockes crew yea and that he had been in his bed that night and rose earlie as the fault could not be proven he was admonished and dismissed”.

And his father too...”17th September 1654. Informed that Alexander Tweedie of Kingledoors should have twice or thrice broken the Sabbath day by riding towards Edinburgh and coming from it on the Sabbaths and by staying from the earmonis sermon in Tweedmoor Kirk to speak of worldlie businesses. Ordanis him to be cited”. At a subsequent diet, he was “ingenious in confessing” and was ordained to be rebuked by the minister, which was done, “and Alexander Tweedie promised not to do the like again”.

In 1668 John Tweedie resigned the property to his brother David (who had married in 1659 Margaret Hunter, of the Polmood family) “under burden of a debt of £5000 to Adam Murray of Cardron”. David Tweedie, the Laird of Kingledoors, mortgaged the property to the Williamsonsons of Cardrona, but redeemed it again. In 1669 David Tweedie ‘of Chapelkingleidoris’ was admitted as an elder in Drumelzier parish. But not without some controversy as this entry from the Drumelzier OPR makes clear...“ 7th March 1669. There being no session kept these sundrie years becaus the King and his counsell had by publick proclamation discharged synods, Presbyteries, and Sessions and the Government of the Church be Act of Parliament had been altered from Presbyterie to Prelacie which government the minister could not allow nor submit unto and the Session had been reduced to three, did elect (inter alios) David Tweedie of Chapelkingleidoris to be an elder admitted to office 28th March 1669.”

David was succeeded to the property by Robert Tweedie. As ‘Robert Tweedie of Kingledoors’ he was nominated by Act of Parliament in 1704 as a commissioner of supply for the county. After his death in 1711 his son James was served as heir special in Chapel Kingledoors and half of Over Kingledoors on 18/4/1712.

In 1728, at the time of his marriage, ET14/4 Thomas was tenant in Kingledoors.

Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish

Comprising Nether and Over Minzion in the barony of Oliver Castle, the lands belonged to the Frasers until after the death of Sir Simon Fraser in 1306. The lands were then divided between his two daughters. Joanna, who married Sir Patrick Fleming, was granted Over Minzion which remained with the Fleming family until 17/3/1636 when John Fleming, 2nd Earl of Wigtown, conveyed it to Sir David Murray of Stanhope. Mary, who married Sir Gilbert Hay, was granted Nether Menzion which remained with the Hay family until acquired by Sir David Murray of Stanhope, whose son William was served as heir on 28/4/1654.

“Near Nether Menzion, no longer to be found, there once existed the grave of a woman who had, poor unfortunate, the power of spreading dread more horrible than anything known to Nannie Gannet. Marion Chisholm came from Edinburgh while the plague was raging there [c.1645], bearing with her a bundle of clothing in which the Black Death was lurking. The people at three farms - Nether Menzion, Fruid, and Glencotho, wiped out then forever - became infected, and those who escaped the pestilence pulled down on the bodies of those who died the roofs and walls of the houses they had lived in, the ruins acting as grim monument for the Plague and its victims. As far as one knows, Marion Chisholm was only a vagrant. And it is strange how many vagrants have climbed up there to the hills to find their last hours. It would seem as if man’s instinct was
ever to climb, ever, always, to strive to reach higher. In the Australian bush this is so. The lost child, the ‘bushed’ man is always found not going downwards, not on the level, but always, with latest effort, mounting upwards.”

In 1695 it may have been TI/1 Alexander Tweedie who was recorded in a deed when at Nether Minzion.

**Mossfennan**

in Glenholm parish

from Mospennoc ‘bog by the hill’; OE *mos*, ON *mose* ‘moss(land)’ and Brit *penn* ‘hill’.

An old 50s land at the south end of the parish and extending about two miles beside the Tweed. In Alexander I’s reign (1214-49) the property was held by William Purveys. On 19/5/1498 William Fraser of Fruid was infeft in Mossfennan by George Porteous of Glenkirk, The superiors were the barons of Glenholm, firstly the Frasers and then the Earls of Douglas, and after the Douglas estates were forfeited, the superiority was held by the Porteous family of Whitslade and Glenkirk, in 1727 by Lord Fleming, in 1742 by Thomas Cochrane and in 1753 by the Naesmyths.

The estate was inherited by Katherine Fraser and in 1511 with the consent of her husband, James Tweedie, it was conveyed to Malcolm, 3rd Lord Fleming. In 1647 John Fleming, 2nd Earl of Wigtown, and his eldest son John, Lord Fleming conveyed Mossfennan to Henry Scott. The property remained with the Scott family until 1752 when a descendant, Robert Laidlaw, sold it to W3/16 Robert Welsh. In 1792 the superiority was sold to W4/28 John Welsh.

**Nether Minzion**

see Minzion.

**Oliver**

in Tweedsmuir parish

An ancient strong tower, one of a chain used for defense and as beacons all the way down the Tweed valley to Berwick. The fortifications were built for Oliver (Olyver), son of Kylvert, possibly the Olifard who was a supporter of the Earls of March in the late 12th century. They were probably of the House of Fraser. These lands in Tweeddale may have come to him at the time of his marriage to Beatrice who also probably brought to the marriage her lands by the Tyne in East Lothian. She may have been a daughter of Sir Simon Frasee (Fraser) the first of his name to hold part of the lands of Keith in East Lothian, which were called Keith Simon. An Anglo-Norman family, the Frasers were sheriffs of Tweeddale with extensive land holdings in there and in East Lothian. The earlier name of the Frasers was Frissell; their name changed to Fraissier about the time they adopted, as part of their coat-of-arms, the strawberry which grew in abundance in the woods around their castle at Neidpath near Peebles.

Oliver’s Anglo-Norman family had been supporters of David I and came north with him when he succeeded as King of Scotland in 1124, David Holifard, who may have been a godson of David I, was rewarded with lands in Roxburghshire after he saved the king’s life at Winchester, Hampshire in 1141 (when the abbey there was destroyed by fire-balls during fighting) and was created Jucticiar Laudonie [Lothian] by David I’s successor and grandson Malcolm IV (reigned 1153-1165). Walter Olifer was appointed Jucticiar Laudonie [Lothian] c.1204-11 under William I The Lion (reigned 1165-1214). Symon le Olaver appeared in the English Hundred Rolls in 1273.
Oliver, son of Kylvert, and husband of Beatrice was an ancestor of the Frasers, one of whom, Oliver Fraser, possibly gave the superiority of the barony to the Knights Templars [see P&E/7]. Their vassals may well have included Tweedies as it was probably at the time of the marriage, before 12/6/1326, of ET2/1 Roger, son of Finlay de Twedyn, and through his wife, daughter and co-heiress of Sir William Fraser of Oliver Castle, that the Oliver lands in the barony of Oliver Castle came into the Tweedie family.

Possibly after the Templars’ Order was suppressed in 1312, the Hays and the Flemings both claimed to be lords of the barony of Oliver Castle. The dispute no doubt arose as a result of the marriages with these families of the two daughters and co-heiresses of Sir Simon Fraser who died in 1306; Joanna married Sir Patrick Fleming and Mary married Sir Gilbert Hay. The superiority may well have been divided between the two families. Whatever the situation, in 1470 Robert Fleming, 1st Lord Fleming, in exchange for the lands of Biggar and the patronage of the church there, granted the superiority of the lands of ‘Olivercastel’ to Sir David Hay of Yester who later also acquired the lands themselves. This grant was confirmed in a charter of 1512 by James IV (reigned 1488-1513).

Oliver Castle, Tweedsmuir parish, an ancient strong tower, one of a chain sited within view of the next down the Tweed to Berwick. Used for defense and beacon-fires in the time of the Border raids, it was eventually razed to the ground.

**Over Kingledoors**
see Kingledoors

**Over Minzion**
see Minzion

**Peebles**
see Peeblesshire

**Polmood**
in Drumelzier parish

‘pool by the meeting’; OE pol ‘pool’, Gael mod ‘meeting/court of justice’.

Malcolm III Canmore (reigned 1058-1093) may have given the lands of Polmood in the barony of Oliver Castle to Norman Hunter. The Hunters remained in possession until the early 19th century when Lady Forbes succeeded in persuading a court that she should have title.

**Quarter**
in Glenholm parish

OFr quarter from Latin quartus ‘fourth’.

Perhaps indicating a measurement of land, ie one fourth, the old £5 land was more extensive than the later estate, On 24/11/1525 Malcolm, Lord Fleming, redeemed this older property of Quarter from William Hunter of Polmood. In the 16th and most of the 17th centuries the superiority of the old ‘half lands of Quarter, Chapelgill, and Cardon’ was held by the Crichton family. On 24/1/1622 was recorded a bond for 300 Merks by Katherine Tweedie, widow of John Crichton of Quarter, and her son James, to ET11/4 Charles Tweedie brother of ET11/2 John Tweedie in Nether Oliver. The Crichtons seem to have held Quarter until c,1665. It may have been about this time that it passed to the Dicksons of Whitslade. In 1740 John Dickson sold the property to ET14/4 Thomas Tweedie.
**Skirling**

‘rock/scar by the water/pool’; ON *sker* ‘bare place’ and OE *hlynn* ‘torrent’, Brit *clun* ‘water’.

ET3/1 William Tweedie was gifted tenements here in the early 14th century. The barony of Skirling was held by the Cockburn family from c.1370 to 1621, the old castle there having been destroyed in 1568. In the late 17th century the barony was acquired by the Carmichaels.

**Stanhope**

in Drumelzier parish.

‘stone hope’; OE *stan*, ON *steinn* and ON *hop* ‘enclosed valley’.

A large hill sheep farm, an old Temple land, bounded on the north by Drumelzier and Posso, on the south by Polmood, on the west by the river Tweed and Mossfennan, and on the east by Manorhead and Selkirkshire.

On 12/9/1473 Sir William of Knollys, Commendator of Torphichen, granted a tack of the west half of Stanhope and the west half of Oliver Castle to ET7/1 Walter Tweedie, son and heir of ET6/1 James Tweedie of Drumelzier, at a yearly rent of £15. In 1560 Agnes Somerville, widow of John Tweedie of Drumelzier, held the lands by right of her terce, and sued her son James Tweedie of Drumelzier (died in 1561) and his son Patrick for ‘unlawfully removing her goods therefrom’ although she pardoned them. These two western halves remained with the Tweedies of Drumelzier, passing to John Tweedie of Drumelzier’s nephew James Tweedie of Drumelzier in 1571 on the death of his father William Tweedie of Drumelzier (who was implicated in the murder of David Rizzio, Italian secretary of Mary, Queen of Scots).

The eastern halves, granted in 1566 by James Sandilands, Lord of Torphichen, to the Lowis family, were dispensed to Philip Scott of Dryhope who transferred them in 1600 to James Tweedie of Drumelzier.

James thus held the whole of Stanhope until his death in 1612. In 1615 his son James Tweedie of Drumelzier sold the property to John Murray of Halmyre.

T3/8 John Tweedie and his younger brother T3/9 James jointly owned the croft, crops and animals on the farms of Easter and Wester Stanhope, which were divided up after James’s death in 1777.

**Stobo**

‘stobs hollow’; OE *stobach/stubb* ‘stump/stakes’ and Scots *how*, OE *holh* ‘hole’.

Centrally situated in the upper Tweed valley, the parish is close to the Biggar Gap through which passes the east-west route, the high road which was locally known as ‘Stobo Hedges’. The parish’s Sheriff Muir was where the Tweeddale militia mustered when summoned to appear before the sheriff-depute. Standing-stones and cairns indicate that this was probably an ancient burial-site. There is also evidence of ancient fortifications on surrounding hills.

The manor of Stobo is said to have been held by the Church from perhaps the 6th century. The 12th century Norman church of St Mungo once administered not only to the people of Stobo but also those in Lyne, Broughton, Drumelzier and Tweedsmuir. In 1116 the rectory became a prebend of Glasgow and in a charter of 1225 the Church in Glasgow secured a tenure of the lands of Stobo,
the bishop being the new laird there.

At the Reformation of the Church in Scotland, church lands in Stobo (and other nearby properties) were acquired in 1577 by the Regent Sir James Douglas, 4th Earl of Morton. But his ownership was short lived as in 1581, condemned as “airt and part in the murder of Darnley” [Henry, Lord Darnley, 2nd husband of Mary, Queen of Scots], he was beheaded. His estates which were forfeited to the Crown were allocated to the archbishop of Glasgow, but in 1587 James VI (reigned 1567-1625) assigned Stobo in exchange for a rent firstly to his Chancellor, Sir John Maitland of Thirlstane, and then in 1603 to his kinsman Ludovick, Duke of Lennox. In 1608 the king gifted the lands to the archbishop of Glasgow ‘for services rendered in public and private affairs’ and in 1613 the Church granted a charter of the lands and barony of Stobo, including the superiority of the lands of Dreva, to James Tweedie of Dreva and to his son John.

On 27/8/1619 the Tweedies sold the barony to John Murray of Halmyre. But they soon regretted their action and “Almost at once began to torment the new laird. They not only threatened that if he did not ‘buy their kindness they would haif his life or els lay his landis waist,’ but they did actually attack him in his ‘awne house. They drew thair swordis and gaif him ane grite strake upon his left leg by the quilk he fell to the ground and being lyand they gaif him a number of deidle straiks and left him as a deid man.’ But not dead. Murray recovered, set off to Edinburgh, lodged a complaint before the Privy Council, obtained sentence of imprisonment against the tholing and thoughtful Tweedies, and thus became laird of Stobo.” The lands of Stobo remained with the Murrays until 1767 when they were purchased by Sir James Montgomery.

T3/8 John Tweedie and his younger brother T3/9 James jointly owned the croft, crops and animals on the farms of Dreva in Stobo parish which were divided up after James’s death in 1777.

Tweed River
springing from the Southern Uplands of Scotland and entering the North Sea at Berwick-on-Tweed in Northumbria, England.

Brit Twyad ‘hemming in’ or Tuesis ‘powerful’

Tweedhopefoot
in Tweedsmuir parish.

‘foot of the hemmed in/enclosed valley’; Brit twyad ’hemming in’, ON hop ‘enclosed valley’, OE fot ‘foot’.

ET14/1 Jean Tweedie and her likely husband W3/2 John Welsh may have been here in 1762.

Tweedsmuir
Tweedsmuir

‘moor of the Tweed’; Scots muir, OE mor ‘open upland’.

The source of the river Tweed is in the south west of the parish. The road through the valley was the old Edinburgh-Moffat-Dumfries coaching route.

“The mere fact that the Frasers and the Tweedies were proprietors in the parish for some hundreds of years meant that there was no peace. ‘Thole and think on’, the motto of the Tweedie family, did
not mean that their powers of endurance and their ‘thinking on’ were to the good of their neighbors.” From their towers along the Tweed the family could pass signal beacons to others down the line.

In 1643 Upper Drumelzier was detached from Drumelzier parish and became the parish of Tweedsmuir ‘fully equipped with all parochial necessaries’. The parish church, built at that time, is a little whitewashed building with square pews, a laird’s loft and a small belfry at one end.

The Statistical Account of the parish, written in the 1790s, the Rev Thomas Muschet remarked “Mr Tweedie of Oliver, however, a respectable heritor in this parish, has found the Cheviot breed as hardy as the native”. The ‘Mr Tweedie’ was ET 15/6 Thomas Tweedie.

**Wester Hopkailzie**
see Hopkailzie, Wester

**Wrae**
in Glenholm parish

‘corner/landmark’; ON *wraa*, ra, OE *wrigian* ‘to bend’.

The old ruined peel near the Tweed may once have been a stronghold of the Tweedies who seem to have held the property until about the mid 17th century. ET 16/26 Thomas Stevenson Tweedie purchased the property in 1847.
People And Events
**PEOPLE AND EVENTS**

**Campbellites** Known as Disciples of Christ or “The Christians”, their founding leader Alexander Campbell (1788-1866) urged a return to the simple church of New Testament times. Born near Ballymena in Co Antrim, (Northern) Ireland, he and his father Thomas (1763-1854) emigrated in 1807 to the USA. Thomas established the Christian Association of Washington, from where Alexander was licensed to preach but following a dispute with the Baptists he set up an organization of his own. A prolific writer, Alexander published a translation of the New Testament in 1826, advocating immersion instead of baptism. In 1841 Alexander founded Bethany College in West Virginia, where he died.

See Annex A The Armson Family.

**Disruption** Opposition to the right of patrons to nominate livings led to the Disruption of the Church of Scotland. On 18th May 1843 during the Church of Scotland’s General Assembly at St Andrew’s Church at the east end of George Street, Edinburgh, four hundred and seventy prominent men of the church followed the Moderator, W5/31 Dr Welsh, who rose, protested and walked out. Before leaving he had said that he “must protest against further procedure, in consequence of the proceedings affecting the rights of the Church which had been sanctioned by Her Majesty’s Government and by the Legislature.” He then read out a formal protest signed by one hundred and twenty ministers and seventy-two elders. The protesters then assembled at Tanfield Hall in nearby Canonmills where they formed themselves into the General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland. They were joined by many ministers and congregations throughout Scotland.

**East India Co** Incorporated by a charter of 1600 which set out the East Indies as comprising India, Malaya and the islands in the Indian Ocean from the Indus delta to the northern Philippines. After the Dutch wrested control of much of the area from the British in 1622, the East India Co was concentrated in India. By 1831 the company had become merely an administrative agency and ceased to exist in 1858 when the government of India passed to Britain.

ET16/27 Thomas Stevenson Tweedie joined the HEICS in the early 1800s.

**Flodden** This most bloody of battles was fought on 9/9/1513 between James IV of Scotland and Henry VIII’s English army led by the Earl of Surrey. It took place near Flodden Hill in Northumberland just inside the English border but not far from Coldstream by the Tweed in Berwickshire (Scotland). Over 6000 Scots were killed, including the king himself, aged 40, twelve earls, thirteen barons and fifty chiefs. They were known as “The Flo’ers of Scotland”. James was succeeded by his infant son James V.

**Guthrie, Dr Thomas**

see Disruption.

He was born in Brechin, Angus on 12/7/1803, studied at Edinburgh University graduating DD, was licensed to preach in 1825, called to his first Church of Scotland charge of Arbirlot parish in Angus in 1830 and transferred to Old Greyfriars in Edinburgh in 1837. A leading figure in the Disruption of 1843 and the consequent founding of the Free Church of Scotland, he was instrumental in raising funds to provide Free Church manses. He was minister of St John’s Free Church in Edinburgh until 1864 when he became editor of the *Sunday Magazine*. A social reformer with a gift for oratory he used this to further causes important to him, particularly temperance and compulsory education.
In 1847 he published his *Plea for Ragged Schools* and acquired premises in Ramsay Lane on the north side of Castlehill in Edinburgh, where he took in thirteen boys and later thirteen girls. Aged between 5 and 14 and natives of the city or having lived there for at least 12 months, the children would otherwise have received no education. By the end of 1847 he was providing four hundred and fifty poor children with clothing and education. Thus the Ragged School concept began. He pioneered the Ragged Schools’ “patience, prayer and porridge,” the forerunner of Approved Schools then List D. Dr Guthrie died at St Leonard’s, Hastings, Sussex 24/2/1873, aged 72.

He married Ann Burns in Arbirlot or Brechin 6/10/1830. Their daughter Christina, born in Arbirlot parish 29/5/1833, was married in St Cuthbert’s parish, Edinburgh 22/3/1854 to W6/17 William Welsh. Her brother Charles John was appointed a high court judge, as Lord Guthrie. In 1908 he became the tenant of Swanston Cottage. It was built in 1761 for the Edinburgh Corporation Water Trust, was considerably extended and a second story added in 1820 and from 1867 to 1880 was tenanted by Robert Louis Stevenson’s family. Charles and Robert had been close friends since their University days and Charles was one of Robert’s biographers. Lord Guthrie was succeeded as tenant of Swanston Cottage by the First World War poet Wilfred Owen who described him as “my old idea of a judge, tall, long-faced, with solemn hanging jewels, scrupulously shaven, and dazzlingly clean in his tall collar, blue clothes, cravat and tie pin.”

Knights of St John of Jerusalem
Also known as the Knights Hospitallers, their main Scottish base from 1153 was at Torpichen in West Lothian [previously Linlithgowshire] where there was a hospital, church and extensive support and other buildings. The property was granted to the hospitallers by David I (reigned 1124-53). In 1312 the Order inherited the Knights Templar properties in Scotland.

Sir William of Knollys ‘Lord St John’, treasurer 1468-70 to James III (reigned 1460-1488) was commendator of Torphichen for 50 years and died with James IV (reigned 1488-1513) at Flodden.

Sir James Sandilands, 1st Lord St John of Torphichen, was preceptor (or prior or master) of St John. As the head of the Knights Hospitallers, he had a seat in the Scottish Parliament not only among the prelates but also, as lay baron of Torphichen, among the greater barons. In 1564, after accepting the doctrines of the reformed Church of Scotland, he, his heirs and assignees were granted by Mary, Queen of Scots (reigned 1542-1567), the preceptory’s lands, baronies, estates and offices. Son of Sir James Sandilands of Calder (1482-1559) and his wife (married in 1508) Marion Forester, James died in 1579. He was succeeded as 2nd Lord Torphichen by his brother John’s grandson James who married in 1595 Elizabeth Heriot, daughter of James Heriot of Trabroun.

In c.1611 Robert Williamson of Murieston held the superiority of all the Temple Lands in Scotland and was the heritable baillie of the regality of Torpichen.

Knights Templar
A military and religious order founded in c.1118 principally to protect Christian pilgrims to holy sites in Jerusalem. Their wealth and power throughout much of Europe was such that suppression was eventually obtained by the French king in 1312. Templar properties in Scotland were taken over by the Knights of St John of Jerusalem.

Otterburn
Battle at Otterburn near Hexham in Northumberland, England 10/8/1388 when James Douglas, 2nd Earl of Douglas led the Scots to victory over Henry Percy *Hotspur*, Earl of Northumberland, who commanded Richard II’s English army. The 2nd Earl, who had married in 1371 Princess Isabel, daughter of Robert II (reigned 1371-1390), was killed in the fighting.
Places And Maps

Places in East Lothian & Map
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PLACES IN EAST LOTHIAN
associated with T5/8 James Tweedie and sister T5/12 Margaret Tweedie:


East Lothian ‘an ear’, Gael lodainn. A traditional county in Scotland, also one of 32 unitary council areas. It bourders the city of Edinburg or Edinburgh, Scottish Borders and Midlothian.

Parish Map of Peebleshire circa 1880

Lanarkshire

West Linton
Newlands
Kirkurd
Lyne 
& Megget
Stobo
Peebles
Drumelzier
Broughton
Glenholm
and Killbucho

Midlothian

Eddleston

Innerleithen

Traquair

Selkirkshire

Tweedsmuir

Dumfriesshire
Assam
The most northeasterly province of India, ceded to Britain in 1826. In the 19th century the area produced three quarters of the Indian tea harvest. [The birth of ET16/26 Thomas Stevenson Tweedie’s son Alexander was recorded here in 1808.]

Bengal
North eastern province of India which produced indigo, just one of many products. In 1947 when the British Indian Empire was partitioned, it was known as East Pakistan and, with West Pakistan although separated from it by some 1000 miles, formed the independent Pakistan. In 1971 East Pakistan, known as Bangladesh, succeeded in establishing its independence from West Pakistan. [ET16/26 Thomas Stevenson Tweedie was in receipt of a pension from the Bengal Medical Fund on his death in 1855.]

Bombay
Now known as Mumbai, island city off the West coast of India, a big harbor, it has been a natural shipping and trading center. [Where T6/7 James Tweedie grew & exported cotton, tea & tobacco and birth place T7/27 Herbert James Tweedies.]

Calcutta
Capital of Bengal. [The birth of ET16/26 Thomas Stevenson Tweedie’s son James was recorded here in 1827.]

East Indies
see: P&E East India Co, The birth of ET16/26 Thomas Stevenson Tweedie’s daughter Benjamina.
PLACES in United States
associated with T6/7 James Tweedie and his son T7/27 Herbert James Tweedie:

Chicago

The name "Chicago" derived from the Indians but it is not known which tribe named the town and many theories have been advanced to explain the origin of the name. One generally accepted is that the name comes from the Indian words for either wild onion or skunk, but some historians believe that the word Chicago denoted "strong" or "great." Dr. William Barry, first secretary of the Chicago Historical Society, wrote, "Whatever may have been the etymological meaning of the word Chicago in its practical use, it probably denoted strong or great. The Indians applied this term to the Mississippi River, to thunder, or to the voice of the great Manitou." M. M. Quaife in his book Checagou asserts that the significance of the name was anything great or powerful.

In the state of Illinois in the USA. Known as ‘the Prairie state’, Illinois, once part of the Northwest Territory, was organized as a territory in 1809 and was admitted as a state to the union in 1818.

Chicago stands at the mouth of the Chicago river where it enters Lake Michigan on its western shore. Originally a small lakeside trading post it was visited in 1673 by Louis Joliet, a French explorer, and Jacques Marquette (1637-1675), a French Jesuit missionary who from 1666 brought Christianity to the Ottawa Indians. The area was ceded by the Indians to the USA in 1795 and in 1804 the secretary-of-war Henry Dearborn ordered a fort [Fort Dearborn] to be built there in order to stake a territorial claim. In 1831 the community contained only 100 inhabitants but by 1837 it had grown and, as Chicago, was incorporated as a city.

T6/7 James Tweedie and his family moved here in 1890.
Downer’s Grove
located 19 miles west of Chicago. T7/27 Herbert James Tweedie and his family had moved here around 1900.

Missouri
One of the central states of the USA, Missouri is crossed by the Missouri river; the Mississippi river forms the eastern boundary. Included in the ‘Louisiana purchase’ in 1803, when Napoleon sold land to the USA for $12m, Missouri was organized as a territory in 1812 and admitted to the union in 1821 with a re-defining of its limits in 1836.

In 1886 T6/7 James Tweedie and his family moved to Neosha in the south east corner of the state.

Wheaton
In 1853 the formal plat of the town of Wheaton was filed with DuPage county in the state of Illinois, USA. Wheaton was the name given to the depot established by the railroad who in 1848 had been granted three miles of rights of way by brothers Warren and Jesse Wheaton and Erastus Gary. In the late 1830s these three New England men had laid claim to good farming land near Warrenville, Naperville and Roosevelt Roads and in 1850 they started building a community which grew around the railroad depot and station, resulting in the 1853 filing. In 1867 the brothers succeeded in their campaign to move the county seat to the village of Wheaton and in 1890 Wheaton was upgraded to the status of a city.

T7/27 Herbert James Tweedie and his family had moved there in 1902
The Early Tweedies
AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

linked to the Tweedie and Welsh families
by the marriages of
ET15/7 Marion Tweedie to W4/1 Alexander Welsh
and of their daughter
W5/10 Ann Welsh to T4/19 Alexander Tweedie

“The further backward you can look, the further forward you can see”
-Winston Churchill
THE EARLY TWEEDIES

ET1/1 Finlay de TWEDYN del Comte de Lanarke, swore fealty to Edward I of England in 1296 and was recorded in the Ragman Roll. His name is a Gaelic personal name meaning ‘fair hero’ and reflects the Scotti rule of Strathclyde.

The ‘de’ before Twedyn indicates that the bearer of the name is the holder of the lands. Twedyn, the name of his lands, may represent a division of land, and thereby reveal a Norse linguistic connection. In the very southernmost tip of Norway is a piece of land called Tveden (or Tveida, Tveita, Thved, Tved, Tveed, Tweeden, Tveiden, Tvet or Tveiten). For official purposes, the Norwegian land court had rated it at twenty engelsk, reflecting perhaps that Tveden, whether in Norway or in Scotland, may once have been a twentieth share of land.

The lands of Twedyn or Tweedie were in Stonehouse parish in the county of Lanark, part of Strathclyde. Tweediehall and Tweedieside still exist there today (a few miles to the east of Strathaven) and close to the road which leads just thirty miles east to Broughton in Peeblesshire. From Broughton along the valley of the Tweed, Drumelzier lies three miles to the east and Oliver and Tweedsmuir twelve miles to the south.

Children: ET2/1 Roger, ET2/2 Watere.

ET1/1 Finlay de Twedyn’s children:

ET2/1 Roger son of Finlay whose popular Norman personal name reflects the adoption by the Scots of the Anglo-Norman culture and way of life introduced into Scotland by David I and his wife in the early 12th century. Both the Norman and its Old English equivalent Hrothgar come from the Old Germanic Hrodgar ‘fame-spear’.

Roger’s father may have sworn fealty to an English king but Roger’s loyalties clearly lay elsewhere. On 18/12/1314 at Ayr, Robert I The Bruce, King of Scots (reigned 1306-1329), granted to his “beloved and faithful” Roger all the lands belonging to John of Seton within the tenement of Comokis [not identified] to compensate for the damage incurred by John and his brother when they stole Roger’s “Equitinium” perhaps referring to his stable of horses.

In the early 1320s Roger was granted, in return for an annual payment of a pair of gilt spurs or sixpence sterling, an abode, brewhouse and yard in the tenement of Drumelzier and an acre of the Potmedn [not identified] by Roland, son of Bernard called Sutor [indicating perhaps that he was a shoemaker] who had been given them by Sir William Fraser. The tenement and lands were at one time held by William, son of Utting, who may have been Vtting the smith of Stirling and a charter witness in c.1275, and his wife Eda who witnessed the grant to Roger. Sir William was a kinsman, perhaps the son, of Sir Simon Fraser who in 1303 had thrice defeated Edward I and his English army at the battle of Roslin Moor, a few miles south of Edinburgh. Known as The Scottish Patriot and a supporter of William Wallace, Simon was executed in 1306 on the orders of Edward. The Frasers, an Anglo-Norman family, had accompanied David I to Scotland when he succeeded to the Scottish throne in 1124. They were granted lands in Tweeddale at Oliver and Neidpath Castles and in East Lothian.

In 1321 Roger acquired property in Kilbucho.
Roger was also granted by Sir William Fraser a charter of the land on the east side of the Water of Cossalays [perhaps Powsail or Drumelzier Burn], the mills and the pasturage of the whole barony of Drumelzier and the services of John Fraser, the tenant. This charter was confirmed by Robert I at Glasgow on 12/6/1324, and was extended to include the dwelling occupied by Courtenanus and two acres of arable land held by Richard the weaver, one on the north side of the church near Catillaillow [not identified] and the other in Matthew’s croft [not identified], together with the weaver’s dwelling-house and garden.

On 12/6/1325 Roger had a charter from the king of the lands of Clifton in Roxburghshire belonging to Eva and Marjorie of Rothirforde, heiresses of their grandfather “Monsire Nichol de Rothirforde, chevalier d’Escose [knight of Scotland].” Nichol, who rendered homage in 1296 at Montrose to Edward I, was a member of the powerful Border family of Rutherford.

Possibly on the occasion of the marriage to Roger of his eldest daughter and co-heiress, Sir William Fraser of Oliver Castle granted him the barony of Drumelzier for “a pair of guilt spurs or 12 pennies if asked”. The charter was confirmed by Robert I at Glasgow on 12/6/1326 “by staff and baton before the great men of the realm”. The marriage may have been the reason for the grants of land. It was probably through her that the estates of Drumelzier and Oliver came into possession of the family of Tweedie. Situated in the barony of Oliver Castle and lying on the west side of the road between Crook and Glenbreck, Oliver was a SOs Temple land, as was nearby Beild. The superiority of Oliver had probably been granted by Oliver Fraser to the Knights Templars [see P&E/7] who held it until their Order was suppressed in 1312.

Roger, clearly a man of some standing, used the same arms carried by the family of Tweedie of “argent a saltire engrailed gules a chief azure”. He quartered the Fraser arms on his shield, presumably by right of his wife as such a display usually indicated marriage, but her arms were removed in the 16th century. Mary, the other co-heiress of Sir William Fraser, married Sir Gilbert Hay of Lockerward in 1308.

In 1329 Roger acquired Wester Hopkailzie in Traquair and in 1331 the lands of Glenbruk [Glenbreck] adjoining Oliver in Tweedsmaur from Sir Hugh de Gurelay, probably the Huwe de Gurleghe who had rendered homage to Edward I in 1296. The lands at that time formed part of the barony of Drumelzier. In 1525 James Tweedie of Glenbreck was involved in the Tweedie feud with the Flemings.

Roger may have died soon after 1329 as his son William was styled baron of Drumelzier in 1331.


ET2/2 Watere de Twydi probably a son of Finlay, as he is styled `de T di’. Watere served as a juror on a Lanark inquest in 1303.

Walter was a favourite Norman personal name which with its Old English equivalent of Wealdhere come from the Old Germanic Waldhar ‘wield-here (army)’. Its popularity may have increased with Walter The Steward (1293-1327), who as the 6th High Steward of Scotland held one of the most important positions in Scotland. He married Marjory, daughter of Robert I The Bruce, and was the father of Robert II, the first in the long line of Stewart monarchs whose rule only came to an end in 1714 with the death of Queen Anne.

ET2/1 Roger son of Finlay’s child:

ET3/1 William TWEEDIE was recorded as William Teudin when he was gifted tenements in Skirling, west Peeblesshire by Robert I The Bruce (reigned 1306-1329). On the 26/11/1331 a complaint against William was lodged before the Scottish Parliament at Scone, Perthshire, by the Lord of Skirling because he had failed to perform his “Sectas et Servitia” probably the vassal’s obligatory bond of manrent and service. In 1331 William
was styled Baron of Drumelzier, which may indicate that his father had died and he had succeeded to the lands and title.


**ET3/1 William Tweedie’s children:**

ET4/1 James Tweedie grandson of Roger and possibly a son of William. In 1351 a Tweedie of Drumelzier, probably James, married the fourth daughter of Sir James Douglas and Agnes Randolph.

Sir James Douglas was born in 1286 to William, Lord Douglas The Hardy, who was the first to join William Wallace against the English in 1297, and who died in 1298. A friend and captain of Robert I The Bruce (reigned 1306-1329), and known as Hammerer of the English, The Good Douglas and The Black Douglas, James was slain in Andalusia in Spain in 1330. His widow was a daughter of Sir Thomas Randolph, Earl of Moray, who lost Broxmouth near Dunbar in East Lothian to the English. Known as Black Agnes, because of her complexion, she married again in 1338, Patrick Dunbar, 9th Earl of Dunbar and March. He had sheltered Edward II of England after his defeat at Bannockburn near Stirling in 1314, but later supported Robert The Bruce’s Scottish cause, although allowing the English garrison to use his Dunbar castle in 1333. In 1338 Agnes held out for nineteen weeks at Dunbar against the English earls of Arundel and Salisbury until they were forced to retire when Sir Alexander Ramsay arrived with reinforcements from the nearby Bass Rock.

“She kept a stir in Tower and Trench,
That brawling boisterous Scottish Wench,
Came I early, Came I late,
I aye found Agnes at the Gate”

sang the minstrels about her defense of Dunbar Castle.

James Tweedie seems to have caused trouble which his marriage with a daughter of the House of Douglas probably helped to overcome. This may explain the wording of the letters of regress [a pardon] of 8/12/1355 by Robert, who in 1371 became Robert II, King of Scots (reigned to 1390). In 1355 Robert was Steward of Scotland, King’s lieutenant and Regent for his uncle David II (reigned 1329-72) after his capture at the battle of Neville’s Cross, near Durham in England, and imprisonment in England 1346-57. The charter confirmed to James all his heritable possessions within the kingdom because he had been “received to the faith and peace of the King” by his wife’s cousin William, Lord of Douglas, Warden of the Eastern Marches. William was created 1st Earl of Douglas in 1357 by David II who returned that year from England and who confirmed the earlier letters in a charter of 4/7/1358 at Perth.

In 1362 David II confirmed payment by James Tuedi and his heirs of nine merks yearly from his possession of lands at Hopkelloche [Hopkailzie] to a mortification due to his cousin Margaret Monfode for a chaplainry in Dalmeny [earlier Dunmanyne] in West Lothian; that year David II confirmed a charter by her, establishing a chapel in the church there. Margaret was a daughter, and co-heiress with her sister, of John de Monfode de Braidwood in the county of Lanark who, in c.1320 in a charter from Robert I, was granted the barony of Skrauelyne, which she inherited with the lands of Hebbedes in Lanarkshire. Widow of John de Cragi, Margaret married in 1363, and was the 2nd wife of, Sir Alexander de Cockburn of Skirling, created ‘Ostiarius Parliament’ [doorkeeper of Parliament] by David Bruce. She was widowed for a second time in 1388.

On 8/2/1389 James Twedy of Drumelzier was recorded as the representative of Joneta de Graham, Lady of Walchtone [Watchtone] so that he could deal on her behalf with the resignation of the Hartree estate in the parish of Kilbucho in Peebleshire. The heirs of her kinsman John de Graham of Dalkeith in Midlothian, who
died in the mid 14th century, were his sisters, one of whom, Marjory, conveyed Dalkeith to the Douglas family by her marriage in c.1341 to Sir William Douglas. In 1390 James Twedy witnessed a charter at Dalkeith.

Child: ET5/1 Walter, ET5/2 John.

ET4/2 Walter de Twedy probably a great grandson of Finlay as he was styled ‘de T di’. On 27/3/1373 Walter de Twedy, “locum tenens Vicecomitis de Peblis” when he deputised for the sheriff, was recorded in the Exchequer Rolls.

ET4/3 William de Twidy probably a great grandson of Finlay as he was styled ‘de Twidy’ when he was a charter witness in 1370. On 12/6/1388 William de Tuedi was recorded in the Exchequer Rolls in connection with the burgh of Peebles. He may have been one of the men who later that year fell at Otterburn.

ET4/1 James Tweedie’s child:

ET5/1 Walter Lord of Drumelzier grandson perhaps of ET4/1 James. Walter’s father may have been one of the men who fell at Otterburn in 1388 leaving only an infant son to succeed him.

Walter possibly married his cousin, who was a daughter of Sir James Douglas and his first wife Lady Agnes Dunbar. Sir James Douglas was the eldest son of Sir John Douglas of Dalkeith and nephew and heir in 1353 of Sir William of Liddesdale, in Roxburghshire, who had acquired Dalkeith in c.1342. Sir James married lst in 1372 Lady Agnes Dunbar, daughter of Sir Patrick Dunbar, 9th Earl of Dunbar, and his wife Agnes Randolph. Sir James married 2nd Egidia, sister of Robert II, and died in 1420.

In 1416 Walter, Lord of Drumelzier, was granted an annual rent from the lands of Drumelzier. On 19/3/1426, witnessed by his son and heir James, Walter as superior granted to his kinsman Thomas Fraser [Frysale] of Fruid “for his counsel and good deeds” an annual rent of 44s from his lands of Drumelzier but on 17/12/1426 Thomas Fraser resigned to Walter for ever all his lands in the barony of Drumelzier. In 1434 Walter Tweedie of Drumelzier was a witness to the resignation by John of Geddes of his lands of Half of Ladyurd, in Kilbucho parish, to the Church of St Andrews at Peebles. John surrendered the lands by the ritual handing over of a staff and baton to his superior Walter Scott of Northington. A charter of 22/7/1434 records Walter and his son James. On 19/7/1435 Walter witnessed a charter at Peebles Castle.

Walter and James Tweedie, probably his son, were recorded in the minute book of the Responsiones during the reigns of James II (reigned 1437-1460) and James III (reigned 1460-1488) in connection with the lands of Clifton in Roxburghshire and Home Huntersland (Innerleithen) in Peeblesshire.

Walter was clearly a considerable landowner and a man of some standing for possibly almost fifty years.

Children: ET6/1 James, ET6/2 Elizabeth.

ET5/2 John de Twedy probably a descendant of Finlay as he was styled ‘de Twydi’. John (Johannes) appears as a witness in 1429 to a charter to James of Douglas by James I (reigned 1424-1437) and was recorded as a witness on 28/4/1432 in the Duke of Roxburgh’s papers.

ET5/1 Walter Lord of Drumelzier’s children:

ET6/1 James of Tweedie of Drumelzier to whom on 25/1/1422 a papal dispensation was given by the Bishop of Dunblane at Cambus Kenneth Abbey near Stirling for his marriage to Katherine of Caverhill. The dispensation was required because of their close kinship; they were related to each other ‘in the third and fourth
degrees of consanguinity’. She may have been a daughter of John de Caverhille, from the lands of that name in Manor parish, Peeblesshire, and sister of Jonete who in 1409 was recorded as spouse of William Watson of Cranystone [Cranston in Midlothian]. In 1427 Thomas de Caverhyl, a brother perhaps, had his lands of Foulleth in Peeblesshire confirmed. A relative, perhaps a sister, Marion Caverhill married into the Burnet family (her husband died before 1470), taking with her the lands of Barns in Manor, from which the Burnet family took their designation.

On 8/3/1425 under the Privy Seal at Lanark, letters of maintenance and defense were given by James I to James of Tweedy of Drumellioure in recognition of James’s bond of manrent and service to the king. On 19/3/1426 he witnessed his father’s grant to their kinsman Thomas Fraser of Fruid of an annual rent of 44s from the lands of Drumelzier. On 27/2/1436 he was appointed as bailie by his uncle Sir James Douglas, Lord of Dalkeith, for the purpose of infesting in Hartree, Richard Brown who married Elizabeth of Tweedie, James’s sister and niece of Sir James.

It was probably this James Tweedie who was mentioned, with his father Walter, in the minute book of the Libri Responsionum, which recorded feudal payments made by crown vassals, during the reigns of James II (1437-1460) and James III (1460-1488) in connection with the lands of Clifton in Roxburghshire and Home Huntersland (Innerleithen) in Peebleshire.

James Tweedie of Drumelzier’s son and apparent heir was Walter Tweedie who witnessed a charter of 9/2/1455 at Peebles by James, 9th Earl of Douglas to James, Lord Hamilton. On 8/3/1455 James Tweedie received a letter of maintenance from James IV who promised to defend him in all his lawful actions “as one of his own familiars”, and in return James Tweedie promised faithful and lifelong service, and to keep his house of Drumelzier always ready at the king’s disposal.

On 5/3/1470 James Tweedie of Drumelzier formed one of the jury at Edinburgh, who acquitted his son-in-law Andrew Ker of Cessfurde on trial “for the traitorous in bringing of James Douglas, traitor, from England within Scotland, and for treasonable communing with divers Englishmen to the hurt of the King, his realm and Lieges”.

On 14/5/1473 James Tweedie of Drumelzier handed over “a certain portion of the lands of Hopkelyou” to [his grandson] James Tweedie, the son and apparent heir of Walter Tweedie, and Margaret Gifford the spouse of James”.

On 15/12/1473 a chaplaincy was founded at the altar of St John the Baptist in St Andrew’s Church in Peebles, when James Tweedie of Drumelzier (the son and apparent heir of Walter Tweedie) and Margaret Giffert his spouse, with other persons, resigned his share of the patronage of the altar and granted it to the bailies and burgh of Peebles. It was founded more particularly in honour of James III and Queen Margaret and for the souls of James Tweedie of Drumelzier and some others and of all who had been killed in the wars of those individuals. The James whose soul was honoured was no doubt the James of this entry who certainly had died by 4/6/1475 when his son Walter was served as heir.

Children: ET7/1 Walter, ET7/2 William, ET7/3 Lawrence, ET7/4 Margaret.

ET6/2 Elizabeth of Tweedie married Richard Brown. James of Douglas, second Lord of Dalkeith, by a charter of 15/6/1434 and through his appointed bailie James Tweedie (Elizabeth’s brother), granted the lands of Hartree in the barony of Kilbucho, resigned by ET4/1 James of Tuedy (Elizabeth’s grandfather) in 1389, to Richard Brown to be held by him and the heirs of his marriage with Elizabeth of Twedi, the granddaughter [neptem] of Lord Dalkeith. This charter was confirmed by James II on 12/3/1440.
James of Tweedie of Drumelzier and Katherine of Caverhill’s children:

Walter Tweedie of Drumelzier married Christian Dickson. As a daughter and heiress of John Dickson of Smithfield, she brought with her the lands of Deanshouses in Newlands parish.

On 9/2/1455 at Peebles, Walter, son and apparent heir of James Tweedie of Drumelzier, witnessed a charter by James, 9th Earl of Douglas to James, Lord Hamilton. The Douglas and Hamilton families were mustering support against James IV to avenge the murder of the Earl of Douglas, the 9th Earl’s father.

On 10/2/1465 at Cumbernauld in Lanarkshire, Robert, Lord Fleming, Gilbert, Lord Kennedy, and Sir Alexander Boyd agreed to maintain a certain “Wat of Twedy in all his causes and quarrels”, possibly Walter Tweedie of Drumelzier. In 1467 one of the persons ordained by Act of Parliament to make certain enquiries at Peebles was “ye lord of Drumellior”.

On 12/9/1473 Sir William of Knollys, Commendator of Torphichen [see P&E/6] granted a tack of the west half of Stanhope and the west half of Oliver Castle to Walter Tweedie, son and heir of James Tweedie of Drumelzier, at a yearly rent of £15.

On 4/6/1475 Walter was served heir to his father in Drumelzier, Hopkailzie and other lands. On 14/7/1475 he was returned heir of his father, James Tweedie, in the barony of Drumelzier.

In a charter of c.1476 Walter Tweedie made a grant to Thomas Frysale of Frude, witnessed by James of Douglas of Balvany, Patrick of Levangstone of that Ilk, and others.

On 19/3/1478 Thomas Portuis of the Halkshawis [Hawkshaw] in Tweedsmuir obtained a judgement on behalf of himself and the widow and children of the late Hubert Portuis, his brother, against Walter Tweedie of Drumelzier. Also on 19/3/1478 Walter Tweedie was in dispute with Henry and John Preston over the non-payment by Walter of the dowry for his daughter’s marriage with Thomas Somerville who was lately deceased. On 11/6/1478 Walter Tweedie of Drumelzier was in dispute again, this time with Master Adam of Cokburne of Skraling about “a futit Cop of Silver with a covertour of the samyn double gilt” which Adam claimed from Walter. The dispute was adjourned, with the direction that Walter should call witnesses “gif it ples hym”, and “gif he has ony”.

Later on 18/9/1478 half of the lands of Halmyr, in Newlands parish, and the Camys were confirmed to Walter Tweedie of Drumelzier.

On 13/3/1479 Walter came into conflict with his powerful neighbors, the Hays of Yester, over a claim made by them upon him and Alexander Horsbruk of that Ilk as sureties for Gilbert Cokburne of the Glen.

On 14/2/1481 Walter Tweedie of Drumelzier served on the Inquisition which declared deliverance in the Justice Air of Peebles.

On 15/10/1487 the king issued a precept in the Acts of Parliament calling upon all prelates, bishops, abbots, earls and parsons to attend in Edinburgh to advise the king upon certain matters among others the process of the forfeiting “of ye laird of Drumelzior and Edward Hunter, etc”. The Laird of Drumelzier was clearly in trouble.

On 16/4/1489 James IV confirmed a charter by Christian Dikyson, wife of Walter Tweedie of Drumelzier and one of the heirs of John Dikyson of Smithfield, in favour of Elizabeth her daughter of lands called the Denys [Deanshouses in Newlands parish].
On 6/8/1491 in the accounts of the Lord High Treasurer “to pass to the lardis of Lammyngton, Drummelzeare [Walter Tweedie], and Hawkshawis, to gar them cess a gadering.”

Walter died in 1491.

ET7/2 William Tweedie of Quarter from whom it is likely the Tweedies of Oliver descend. The definite line dates back to the middle of the sixteenth century.

On 16/2/1489 Thomas Porteous of Hawkshaw was arraigned for having lifted seventy-four lambs from the lands of Oliver Castle belonging to William and Lawrence Tweedie, reputedly the second and third sons of James Tweedie of Drummelzier and Katherine Caverhill. Also that year William and Lawrence Tweedie were ‘put to the horn’ and their goods in consequence forfeited to their superior William, Lord of Sanct Johns. [see P&E (KS)]

In 1491 a decree directed ‘to distrenze’ William Tweedie, brother to the ‘umquhile’ Lord of Drumelzare for a sum of money, apparently the balance due by him to Christian, widow of the late Thomas Hay, sheriff-depute of Peebles. Earlier, on 6/5/1491, John Tweedie of Drumelzier had been called upon by the Lords Auditors to pay over to her the sum of £96 8s she had claimed of him, together with penalties ordained on him in default. But William was “oft tymes callit and nocht comperit”.

Children: ET8/1 Andrew, ET8/2 Thomas, ET8/3 Margaret.

ET7/3 Lawrence Tweedie of Oliver was possibly the third son. In 1489 Lawrence was ‘put to the horn’ with elder brother William.

ET7/4 Margaret Tweedie married in 1450 (and was the second wife of) Andrew Ker of Cessford and Auldtounburn, in Sprouston parish, Roxburghshire. Ancestor of the Dukes of Roxburgh, on 6/2/1452 Andrew had a charter of the king’s lands in his barony of Auld Roxburghie. In 1457 and 1459 he was one of those who conserved the truce with the English.

On 20/5/1468 Walter Ker, eldest surviving son and apparent heir of Andrew Ker of Cessfurde, was represented at Edinburgh by a George Tweedie in the purchase of the lands of Honimame [perhaps Hownam a few miles south east of Cessford]. This may be the George Tweedie, or the father of the George, who founded the Tweedie family of Essex “George Twedye who came out of Scotland from the house called Dromelzearre”.

On 5/3/1470 Andrew Ker of Cessfurde was on trial “for the traitorous in bringing of James Douglas, traitor, from England within Scotland, and for treasonable communing with divers Englishmen to the hurt of the King, his realm and Lieges”. Andrew was acquitted by the Edinburgh jury, one of whom was his father-in-law James Tweedie of Drummelzier.

On 5/4/1474 James III granted the barony of Cessford to Andrew Ker and his wife Margaret Tweedie. On 8/5/1481 a charter of James III referred to Margaret Tweedie, wife of Andrew Ker of Cessford.

ET7/2 William Tweedie of Oliver’s children:

ET8/1 Andrew Tweedie in 1492, styled Andrew Tweedie of Oliver Castle, and his kinsman Andrew and Walter of the Drummelzier family, had a suit against William Flemyn of the Borde for the possession of half the lands of Kingledoors.

ET8/2 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver Castle. Nothing is known about Thomas and it may be that he was the
grandfather, and not the father, of ET9/1 William, ET9/2 Margaret and ET9/3 Thomas. Certainly the dates
would bear this out.

The year of 1513 and the battle at Flodden when so many Scots were killed may be the reason for the missing
years in the Tweedie history.

Children: ET9/1 William, ET9/2 Margaret, ET9/3 Thomas.

ET8/3 Margaret Tweedie or daughter of Thomas Tweedie of Oliver Castle, married, in 1531, William Murray
of Romannis [Romanno] in Newlands, Peebleshire. He may have been the son of William Murray and his wife
Janet Romanno who, on marriage perhaps in 1513, brought the manor of Rothmanieic [Romanno] into the
Murray family. William Murray senior, who died c.1560, was perhaps a younger brother of Alexander Murray
and son of Patrick Murray of Falahill and Philiphaugh in Selkirkshire; another brother James married Isobel
Russell and died by 1558; in the burial aisle at the west end of Newlands church is a memorial panel showing
the name and arms of William’s brother John Murray, a wealthy London merchant who died sometime between
1600 and 1620.

After Margaret’s death, William married 2nd, in 1554, Agnes Somerville and 3rd Helen Henderson.

Children: ET9/4 John, ET9/5 child, ET9/6 Margaret, ET9/7 child, ET9/8 Elizabeth, ET9/9 John, ET9/10 child,
ET9/11 Margaret.

ET8/2 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver Castle’s children:

ET9/1 William Tweedie of Oliver Castle was granted on 11/12/1565 a feu charter of Oliver by Sir James
Sandilands, Lord Torphichen, superior of the Temple lands in Scotland [see P&E/6]. The tenure payment was
‘blench’, 1d [one penny] Scots, paid annually at Pentecost.

Children: ET10/1 Thomas, ET10/2 William, ET10/3 Robert.

ET9/2 Margaret Tweedie of Oliver Castle married, in 1565, her cousin ET9/9 John Murray, son of William
Murray of Romannis in Newlands parish, Peebleshire and his first wife ET8/3 Margaret Tweedie, probably the
sister of Thomas Tweedie of Oliver Castle.

for her child, see her husband’s numbering sequence.

ET9/3 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver Castle in 1524 was involved in a Tweedie family quarrel with the Flemings.
The feud seems to have arisen ostensibly over the marriage of Catherine Fraser but no doubt in reality over the
lands of Fruid in Tweedsmuir of which she was the heiress. A descendent of the family who had held large
estates in the upper part of Tweeddale for many years, Catherine was related to the Flemings by the marriage
of Patrick Fleming of Biggar with an heiress of Sir Simon Fraser in the 12th or 13th Century. The Flemings
claimed the superiority of Fruid. But one of Simon Fraser’s grand-daughters had married a Tweedie and the
Tweedie family thought they too had a claim on the land.

John, Lord Fleming intended Catherine to marry his (possibly illegitimate) son Malcolm. The Tweedies
however were intent on her marriage with James Tweedie, nephew of John Tweedie of Drumelzier. Around
forty or fifty members of the Tweedie family ambushed Lord Fleming and Malcolm while they were out
hawking on his lands near Drumelzier. Inevitably a fight broke out and Thomas Tweedie of Drumelzier killed
Lord Fleming. The Tweedies carried off Malcolm, who was now Lord Fleming, and imprisoned him at the
“Place of Drummelzier” where they ‘persuaded’ him to promise to confer on them “the ward and marriage of
the heiress of Fruid”. In exchange for Malcolm and as a pledge, his brother, with others, were given over to the Tweedies and held custody at Drumelzier. Catherine Fraser was dispatched to Drumelzier with the necessary deeds of title. Malcolm made it clear that it was only the Tweedie threats which had ‘convinced’ him to make the promise and that he was carrying out his promise only to secure the release of the hostages.

Within fourteen days of the death of Lord Fleming many of the Tweedies had been seized or bound down to “thole an assize”. A respite of one year was granted to James Tweedie, the nephew of John Tweedie of Drumelzier, and other persons for the “cruel slaughter of Lord John Fleming, and the reasonable taking and preserving of Malcolm, the Master of Fleming, his son and for the reif of certain gudis fro yame and yer seruandis ye samyn tyme”.

On 8/8/1525 Malcolm, Lord Fleming ‘apprised for’ [valued at] 8000 merks the greater part of Tweedie-held lands. Confirmed to him by a Crown Charter of 12/8/1525 as a consequence of his father’s slaughter, they comprised; Easter Drumelzier with the Place of Thanes [Tinnies], Hopkailzie, half of Halmyre, and Deanshous, extending to 210 merks yearly and belonging to John Tweedie of Drumelzier; Wester Drumeizer with its Place, extending to £40 yearly, which belonged to John’s son James Tweedie of Glenbrak; and Glenbreck and Glenumford [Badlieu] in Peeblesshire, and Clifton in Roxburghshire, extending to 100 merks yearly belonging to father and son. The lands appear to have been redeemed by the Tweedies within the stipulated seven years and after payment of certain fixed sums as they were later once again in occupation of the properties.

On 13/10/1529 at Peebles an assize, convened between the Laird of Drummelzier and John Fleming of Biggar, referred the case to the Lords of Council for arbitration. In the spring of 1529 at Peebles, Thomas Tweedie of Oliver Castle, John Tweedie of Drumelzier, John Tweedie dwelling with him, James Tweedie of Kilbucho and James Tweedie of Wrae were compelled to find security to appear and answer for their part in the “cruel slaughter” of John, Lord Fleming; John Hay of Y ester stood security for their appearance. Also summoned with them were James Tweedie of Drumelzier and ten others; they offered Sir Walter Scott of Branxholme as their cautioner to answer at the same time and place for the same crime.

On 4/3/1530 when the killing of Lord Fleming came up before the Lords of Council, they pronounced a decree by which John Tweedie of Drumelzier was ordered to found a chaplaincy in the church of Biggar in Lanarkshire, and to endow it with a yearly stipend which would provide for prayers for the soul of the late John, Lord Fleming. It was further ordained that “James Tweedie, heir apparent of Drumelzier, and the other chief persons concerned in the slaughter of Lord Fleming should go out of the kingdoms of Scotland and England within three months and remain abroad three years, or during His Majesty’s pleasure, and that the parties in dispute should, in the presence of the King’s Council, take each other by the hands and bind themselves for the orderly behaviour of themselves, their kin and followers”.

On 22/3/1531 this decree was confirmed by James V (reigned 1513-1542), the marriage of Catherine Fraser to James Tweedie forming part of the bargain. The king also granted a charter of the lands of Fruid to Catherine Fraser “and her spouse James Tweedie, the nepos [nephew] of John Tweedie of Drumelzier”. This indicates a degree of sympathy for the Tweedies by the king and the Lords of Council. James Tweedie and Catherine Fraser may long have been pledged to each other, from before Lord Fleming’s marriage plans for his son.

Tweedie and his followers agreed to make the three great pilgrimages of Scotland. These were St Ninian’s in Galloway, St Duthus in Ross, and St Andrews in Fife. At each place they would make an offering and call a mass to be said for the welfare of Lord Fleming’s soul. For the same purpose they also were to infeft a chaplain to say mass at the high altar of Biggar Kirk. Lastly it was agreed that James Tweedie, nephew of Walter Tweedie, should be married to one of Lord Fleming’s sisters, and that an honest and competent livelihood should, at the sight of friends, be bestowed on the young couple, and that Tweedie was also to receive the ward and marriage of the heiress of Fruid.
ET8/3 Margaret Tweedie and William Murray of Romannis’s child:

ET9/4 *John Murray* born at Romanno, Peebles c.1532. John had died by the birth of his brother in c.1547.

ET9/5 *child Murray* born at Romanno, Peebles c.1534.

ET9/6 *Margaret Murray* born at Romanno, Peebles c.1535.

ET9/7 *child Murray* born at Romanno, Peebles c.1536.

ET9/8 *Elizabeth Murray* born at Romanno, Peebles c.1537.

ET9/9 *John Murray* born at Romanno, Peebles c.1547. John married, in 1565, his cousin ET9/2 Margaret Tweedie, daughter of ET8/2 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver Castle.

Child: ET10/4 *William*.

ET9/10 *child Murray* born at Romanno, Peebles c.1550.

ET9/11 *Margaret Murray* born at Romanno, Peebles c.1551.

*ET9/1 William Tweedie of Oliver Castle’s child:*

ET10/1 *Thomas Tweedie of Oliver* whose wife Christian Moffat ‘sometime wife to Thomas of Wester Olipher’ died by 13/6/1609 when she was recorded in the Commissariat of Edinburgh.

On 18/8/1611 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver Castle had a charter from Robert Williamson of Murieston, the tenure being charged to blench for payment of one penny annually at Pentecost [see ET9/1]. Robert held the superiority of all the Temple Lands in Scotland and was the heritable baillie of the regality of Torpichen [see P&E/(KS)].

On 14/6/1619 on his son Patrick’s marriage, Thomas resigned his charter of Oliver in favour of Patrick. Thomas died by 3/2/1620.


ET10/2 *William Tweedie of Oliver* in 1604 had his cows, oxen and horses stolen by John Batesoun ‘Jock of the Scoir’, and was killed by him, Batesoun being hanged at Edinburgh for the crime.

ET10/3 *Robert Tweedie of Olipheir Castle* was recorded in 1597 in the Register of the Privy Council with Patrick Tweedie in the Lyn in Lyne parish, when they were bound over in £500 not to harm William Veitch of Kingsyde. The Veitches were similarly bound not to harm Patrick Tweedie; Alexander Cockburn standing surety in 1,000 merks for William Veitch and £500 each for James Veitch, Andrew Veitch and Alexander Veitch.

*ET9/2 Margaret Tweedie and John Murray’s child:*

ET10/4 *William Murray* married in Nisbet, Berwickshire or in Peebles 15/4/1587, Agnes Nisbet, daughter of George Nisbet.

Child: ET11/5 *James.*
ET10/1 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver and Christian Moffat’s children:

ET11/1 Patrick Tweedie of Oliver Castle married by or on 14/6/1619 Janet Bullo, daughter of John Bollo of Staine.

Bollo, Boo, Bullo or Bullok was an old Peebles family; in 1444 William Bullok (Bullo) was bailie of Peebles. In at least the 16th century the family owned lands of Bullo “vulgo nuncupatis Bonnington [Bondington] - Bullo”.

On 19/7/1572 James Tweedie, John Bullo, Martin Hay and John Wychtman, all of Peebles, and Thomas Johnstone were tried in the High Court of Justiciary in Edinburgh for the “cruel slaughter” on 5/7/1572 of John Dickisone of Wynkstone, provost of the burgh of Peebles. It apparently took place in the High Street in Peebles near Deane Gutter. The assize acquitted them with only one dissenting voice. On the day following the murder, William Dickyson of Winkstoun and his kinsmen promised to “live peaceably in time to come, and the baillies and community in like manner undertook not to molest him or his friends”. In 1581 the king granted a charter to John Bullo, chaplain of the altar of St Martin in the parish church of St Andrews of Peebles, with the consent of Sir John Tweedie, chaplain of the chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Peebles. ['Sir' was frequently assumed as a title by the priests.]

On 14/6/1619, on his marriage and on the resignation of his father, Patrick had a charter of Oliver from Thomas, Earl of Melrose, president of the Court of Session in Edinburgh. Patrick had sasine in the lands as heir of his father on 3/2/1620 and in the following month, styled ‘of Oliver’ with Janet Boo his spouse, also had sasine of the land on the east side of Oliver Castle.

On 15/5/1630 certain lands on the west side of Oliver Castle in the barony of Oliver Castle were renounced in favour of Patrick Tweedie, son lawful of Thomas Tweedie of Oliver Castle, and Janet Boo his spouse, by Alexander Tweedie in “Westsyde of Olivercastell”. Five years previously, in 1625, Alexander was seized of the lands of Oliver Castle. The renunciation was registered in Edinburgh on 24/6/1630, witnessed by John Tweedie.

On 26/10/1645 Patrick was a witness to a baptism in Tweedsmuir. On 2/8/1646 he was recorded in the Tweedsmuir parish register when he “did give in our whole Kirk contributione extending to £14 13s 4d”. He is again recorded as a witness to a baptism along with Alexander Tweedie of Kingledoors in 1647. In 1648 Patrick Tweedie of Oliver and Walter Tweedie were ordained elders for Tweedsmuir parish and “to have the chairge of collecting for the poor”.

By the late 1640s as Oliver Castle was in a ruinous state and past all repair Patrick decided to replace it. The new house at Oliver seems to have been built in c.1649 on very high ground 1000 feet above sea level.

Patrick, who was styled ‘of Wester Oliver’ and also ‘of Oliver’, died in 1655. In Tweedsmuir parish churchyard an inscription reads “Here lyes Patrick Tweedie and his son John, both of Oliver”. His widow was buried on 19/5/1679.

Child: ET12/1 Thomas, ET12/2 John, ET12/3 Walter.

ET11/2 John Tweedie was apprenticed in 1613, as son of Thomas Tweedie in Oliver, to John Thomson, locksmith in Edinburgh, and admitted as an Edinburgh burgess in 1620. On 29/1/1645 John, styled ‘elder’, had his nephew ET12/2 John, styled ‘younger’, apprenticed to him.

He married in Edinburgh 30/12/1647 Helen Johnston. On 12/11/1662, as wife of locksmith John Tweedie elder,
she was buried in Greyfriars churchyard, Edinburgh.

John may be the John of Nether Oliver who was the brother of Charles Tweedie. Nether Oliver was the land near Oliver Castle and included the site.

James Tweedie, locksmith, was admitted as an Edinburgh burgess in 1646 by right of his father.

John Tweedie, son of James Tweedie mealmaker in Stobo, was apprenticed in 1646 to John Tweedie, locksmith (presumably ‘elder’ John), admitted as an Edinburgh burgess in 1656 and married there that year Isobel Morisone (daughters baptized in Edinburgh- Anna 8/9/1657, Jonet 24/4/1659).

In Edinburgh in 1676 John Tweedie, locksmith, married Mary Stevenson (sons baptized in Edinburgh- David 15/7/1677, John 10/6/1680).

ET11/3 Robert Tweedie was apprenticed in 1613, as a son of Thomas Tweedie in Oliver, to John Aitkyne, litster in Edinburgh. This Robert may be the Robert who in 1625 was in occupation of the lands known as Orchard Knowe in the barony of Glenholm.

ET11/4 Charles Tweedie to whom on 24/1/1622 was recorded a bond for 300 merks by Katherine Tweedie, widow of John Crichton of Quarter, and her son James. Charles was a brother of John Tweedie in Nether Oliver.

Charles Tweedie in Nethersyde of Oliver was bailie on 20/10/1625 when Henry Tweedie was seized of the third part of the lands of Frude. In this year and for many years after, William Tweedie of the Wrae and Thomas Tweedie, notary and burgess of Peebles, appear frequently as witnesses to legal documents; Thomas Tweedie himself receiving seizin of the lands of Frankisland on 10/3/1626 and William Tweedie the Younger of the Wrae is recorded as having been present on the 15/6/1627 at the Weaponshaw [gathering of the militia] on the King’s Muir at Peebles.

ET10/4 William Murray and Agnes Nisbet’s child:

ET11/5 James Murray born at Romanno, Peebles c.1588.

ET11/1 Patrick Tweedie of Oliver Castle and Janet Bullo’s child:

ET12/1 Thomas Tweedie the eldest son, born possibly at Oliver Castle in Drumelzier parish probably c.1620. Thomas was a member of the Committee of War for the county of Peebles 1643-49. A feir in Oliver when as “brother to the said Johne” and with Walter Tweedie on 4/1/1652.

“did bind themselves before famous witnesses that if the said pairtites [ET 12/2 John Tweedie and Elizabeth Laidlay] did not fulfil thair bandis within fourtie dayis after thair proclamationne they sould pay their bandis to the Sessione”.

On 24/7/1653 the Tweedsmuir parish register records that “Thomas Tweidie of Oliver [and two others] delated [were informed on] to the Session for profanation of the Lord’s day by drinking in the time of divine service”.

Thomas died on 8/12/1655.

ET12/2 John Tweedie of Oliver the second son, born, possibly at Oliver Castle in Drumelzier parish, probably in the early c.1620s. On 29/1/1645 John ‘younger’, son of Patrick of Olipher, was apprenticed to his uncle ET11/2 John Tweedy ‘elder’, locksmith in Edinburgh. At Oliver is the form on vellum of the oath taken on
14/9/1653 by John Tweedie ‘younger’ when admitted as a burgess of Edinburgh.

“The aith of ilk burgess made and given be him at his admission. I doe swear that I sall be true and faithfull to the Commonwealth of England as it is now established without a King or Hous of Lords. And in order thereto I sall be obedient unto the just and good government of this citty and burgh of Edinburgh I sall to the best of my power maintain and preserve... thereof and according to my knowledge and abilities sall doe and performe all such art is and...as doe belong to a burgess of the said citty and... so help me God.”

He married, in Tweedsmuir parish on 22/1/1652, Elizabeth (Elspeth) Laidlaw (Laidlay).

In the parish registers of Tweedsmuir are the following entries:

“21 st December 1651. This day John Twedie lawful sone to Patrick Twedie in Wester Oliver and Elizabeth Laidlay in Easter Oliver wer proclaimed fro the first tyme the said Johne obliging himself to produce ane testimonial from the Kirk Session of Grayfriers where had remained these six years by past etc.”

“28th December 1651. This day Patrick Twedie of Wester Oliver did produce ane testimoniall from the church of Edinburgh for his sone Johne Twedie and Elizabeth Laidlay were proclaimed for the second tyme”

“4th January 1652. This day John Twedie and Elizabeth Laidlay were proclaimed for the last tyme and being injoyned to consigne thair pandis [bandis- bond of marriage] according to the order of the Sessione and pretending want of moneyes, Thomas Twedie feir of Oliver and brother to the said Johne, and Walter Twedie brother to the said Elizabeth Laidlay did bind themselves before famous witnesses that if the said pairtities did not fulfil thair bandis within fourtie dayis after thair proclamationne they sould pay their bandis to the Sessione”

“22nd January 1652 Johne Twedie and Elizabeth Laidlay were married after they had bein proclaimed three severall Lordis dayis at our Kirk of Tweedsmuir.”

“14th March 1652. It was declared to the Session that Elizabeth Laidlay spous to Johne Twedie sone to Patrick Twedie of Wester Oliver was brought to bed of ane chylde within six weeks effir thair marriage notwithstanding of their former declarations, and they were ordered to satisfy church discipline.”

“24th March 1652. Was baptized Walter Twedie lawful sone to Johne Twedie, the said chyld was presented by Patrick Tweedie father to the said Johne becaus he himself had not eased his satisfaction for his fornication.”

“3rd October 1652. This day Elizabeth Laidlay spous to Johne Twedie made public satisfaction for fault above referred to.” [The child, Walter, died shortly afterwards.]

At some time following his father’s death in 1655, John and his family would no doubt have moved into Oliver, a house which his father had built in c.1649 to replace the deteriorating Oliver Castle. Although no longer living in the old castle the Tweedies were sometimes still styled ‘of Oliver Castle’. John had a precept of clare constat on 7/4/1657 from the superior, John, 4th Earl of Haddington (1626-1669), for the 50 shilling Temple land on the west side of Oliver Castle.
On 23/8/1663 Elizabeth Laidley, spouse to John Tweedie of Olipher, lodged a complaint in the Tweedsmuir Parish Register against the wife of Thomas Laidley in Nether Olipher. Elizabeth and Thomas may have been of the Laidlaw family of Mossfennan.

John died on 27/5/1669; his widow was buried on 22/8/1675. In Tweedsmuir parish churchyard is the inscription “Here lyes Patrick Tweedie and his son John, both of Oliver”.

Children: ET13/1 Walter, ET13/2 Johne, ET13/3 Elspeth, ET13/4 Jonet, ET13/5 Thomas, ET13/6 Alexander, ET13/7 William, ET13/8 Jeane.

ET12/3 Walter TWEDIE born possibly at Oliver Castle in Drumelzier parish by the 1630s. On 4/1/1652 Walter and Thomas Twedie,

“did bind themselves before famous witnesses that if the said pairtties [ET 12/2 John Twedie and Elizabeth Laidlay] did not fulfil thair bandis within fourtie dayis after thair proclamationne they sould pay their bandis to the Sessione”.

Walter was described as “brother to the said Elizabeth Laidlay” which probably indicated that in the same way Thomas stood surety for his brother John, Walter stood surety for Elizabeth, his sister-in-law.

ET12/2 John Tweedie of Oliver and Elizabeth (Elspeth) Laidlaw’s children:

ET13/1 Walter TWEDIE baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 24/3/1652. Sadly Walter died later that year, probably in October.

ET13/2 Johne TWEDIE baptized in Edinburgh 13/8/1654.

ET13/3 Elspeth TWEDIE born probably c.1654. Elspeth may have married, in Tweedsmuir parish on 17/6/1680, John Tweedie in Talla in that parish.

Child: ET14/1 Jean.

ET13/4 Jonet TWEDIE baptized in Edinburgh 16/9/1655.

ET13/5 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver baptized in Edinburgh 2/11/1656. On his father’s death in 1669 Thomas succeeded to Oliver. He married, in Tweedsmuir parish on 12/6/1681, Christian Williamson, born in c.1658 or c.1661.

On 28/3/1694 he resigned Oliver in the hands of the superior Thomas, 6th Earl of Haddington (1680-1735) for new infeftment to his eldest son James, but reserved the liferent for himself. The old towerhouse of Oliver Castle may still have been standing at the Beild on 24/3/1696 when Thomas had a difficulty with his tenant there, one William Tweedie “a violent and masterful man”. In 1704 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver and Robert Tweedie of Kingledoors are among the commissioners of supply for the county nominated by Act of Parliament.

His wife died on 13/5/1709, aged 51, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

That a misfortune seems to have befallen the Laird of Olifoure (Thomas Tweedie) in Edinburgh, is suggested by the following letter:

“Myfossfennam 5/8/1713
SIR, - I have sent this servant to know how you have rested last night and I shall be to see you my self tomorrow. I shall trouble you no furder at present but to beg your pardon and forgiveness for my sad misfortune and assure you that ever after this I shall be a ready servant of yours and all your family in whatever lyes in my power and I doe hereby obleidge myself to satisfy all expences you have been or may be att upon this sad occasion and I am

Dear Sir, in great concern

Very much your most humble and

obedient friend and servant

WM. SCOTT

The next year saw Thomas Tweedie of Oliver and his sons James and Thomas in dispute with the Hunters of Polmood who went to court over it. The Tweedies were bound over to keep the peace and to appear and answer the complaint, with heavy penalties if they failed. The Tweedies laid similar complaints against the Hunters who, they said, invaded and damaged their lands and threatened them daily with bodily harm and slaughter. The proceedings took place on 20/1/1714. It is not known why they quarreled and whether any blood was spilled but perhaps the reason was connected with the ‘sad misfortune’ in William Scott’s letter.

1718 Amongst the Oliver papers are many eshewing the difficulties which the laird of Oliver suffered, in common with all other lairds, owing to the scarcity of actual coin, although possessing plenty of goods and security; and for many years the regular borrowing and paying back went on. Paid as the lairds chiefly were in “kind” there was little money at their disposal; some shopkeepers lent money on security, but the chief means of raising funds was through the country “writers”, and hardly a laird or lord was free of debt, or had an estate unburdened; he could not borrow a few pounds without getting two or three neighbors to become security as cautioners. There was many an interview in the taverns of Edinburgh, or of country towns, when business was transacted with the lawyer, anxiously discussing ways and means.

In a deed of 14/5/1719 Thomas made over the lands of Oliver and Beild to his eldest son James who then became responsible for their upkeep. He also agreed to pay his father an annuity partly in cash and partly in kind. On 22/12/1719 Thomas, the second son of Thomas, claimed his portion from his brother James, exonerating him from all further liability.

In 1724 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver, in trouble for non-payment of his doctor’s bill, was “apprehended prisoner by virtue of letters of captione raised at the instance of John Blair, Chyrurgeon” and others for non-payment of 1,800 merks. His son James Tweedie of Oliver standing surety for him, he was released on 25/2/1724, the bill being paid on the 4/6/1724.

Thomas died on 7/5/1731, aged 75, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

Children: ET14/2 James, ET14/3 Joan, ET14/4 Thomas, ET14/5 John.

ET13/6 Alexander TWEEDEIE probably John’s son, baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 20/3/1664.

ET13/7 William TWEEDEIE probably John’s son, baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 7/5/1665.
ET13/8 **Jeane Tweedie** probably John’s daughter, baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 11/4/1667.

ET13/3 Elspeth Tweedie and John Tweedie’s child:

ET14/1 **Jean Tweedie** baptized at Talla in Tweedsmuir parish 21/11/1680. Jean may have married W3/2 John Welsh, born c.1676 to W2/2 James Welsh.

Jean and her husband were probably living in West Linton parish, Peeblesshire from at least 1719 to 1721 when two of their children were born, and at Tweedhopefoot in Tweedsmuir in 1762. It was there that they both died, Jean on 23/4/1764 and her widower a few months later on 11/10/1764. They were buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


ET13/5 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver and Christian Williamson’s children:

ET14/2 **James Tweedie of Oliver** baptized at Oliver in Tweedsmuir parish 17/12/1682. His father having disposed the estate in his eldest son’s favour, James Tweedie of Oliver had a charter to it on 16/4/1694 from Thomas, 6th Earl of Haddington.

He married, in Drumelzier parish on 21/8/1718 (banns proclaimed in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire 17/8/1718), Margaret Ewart of Sailfoot, Dumfriesshire, born c.1687. In 1685 Neil Ewart of Sailfoot received head injuries when he was assaulted by Patrick Langton and his son William [who had a charter of Earlshaugh that year from the laird of Drumelzier, the superior]. They were fined £50 by Peebles Burgh Court, placed under caution and had to pay the surgeon for his services to Neil.

On 22/12/1719 his brother Thomas claimed his portion of the estate from James, exonerating him from all liability. In 1724 he stood surety for his father who had not paid his doctor’s bill.

James made arrangements with one John Hislope to build a house, The Beild, on the site of the old towerhouse of Oliver Castle. Its timber and iron-work were used by the contractors in the new building and James provided the sand and stone. The contract of 30/3/1726 contains an exact specification of the work. A stone over the door bears the initials of James Tweedie and his wife, Margaret Ewart. The Beild, on the side of the road, was at one time used as an inn.

On 4/9/1727 at the instance of James Tweedie the younger of Oliver, Thomas Dooly was ‘put to the horn’ and denounced a rebel.

After his father’s death on 7/5/1731, James replaced the house at Oliver which had been built for his great grandfather ET11/1 Patrick Tweedie in 1649 as a replacement for Oliver Castle which by then was in a ruinous state and past all repair. He “happened to disagree” with Alexander Brunton over certain points of a further contract for part of the work on the house and went to arbitration on 13/2/1739 at Edinburgh. James ‘new’ Oliver was built at or near the site of the present house.

On 15/10/1731 James was admitted to the freedom of theburgh of Peebles before the provost, officers and council. On 1/2/1732 he paid a debt of William Tweedie in Eastoun of Stobo to his creditor James Murhead. In 1735 James’s dispute with Alexander Wright ran up a bill, due to William Johnson, writer in Edinburgh, from 16/10/1735 to 25/5/1737 and amounting to £181 9s; the last item was “To my pains £50 8s”. It was finally
discharged in 1741. On 23/12/1741 James Tweedie of Oliver was declared a rebel under letters of homing issued by Michael Anderson [probably of Tushielaw], the debt no doubt arising from a dispute earlier in the year over a land lease. That same day James Tweedie paid his debt, obtained letters of discharge and also settled his legal costs of £1-10s 9d with his lawyer, John Douglas.

James died on 10/8/1753, aged 70, and was buried in Tweedsmuir possibly Traquair parish churchyard. He was succeeded by his only surviving son Thomas. The widowed Lady Oliver moved to Moffat where she lived with her daughters Christian and Margaret. She died there on 1/2/1772, aged 85, and was buried in Tweedsmuir possibly Traquair parish churchyard.

Children: ET15/1 Marion (May), ET15/2 Christian, ET15/3 James, ET15/4 Margaret, ET15/5 Jean, ET15/6 Thomas.

ET14/3 Joan TWEEDEIE born presumably at Oliver in Tweedsmuir parish 1689c. Joan’s marriage contract at Biggar with James Kello of Westborrow, Kingledoors, was dated 7/4/1715 but her father only discharged his liability under it on 30/7/1720.

ET14/4 Thomas TWEEDEIE born at Oliver in Tweedsmuir parish 6/12/1691. His father having disponed the estate in favour of his eldest son James some years earlier, on 22/12/1719 Thomas, the second son, claimed his due portion from James, exonerating him from all liability.

At Oliver [Oliver] on 1/3/1728 the contract of marriage was entered into between Thomas, then tenant in Kingledoors, and Mary Stevenson. She was born in c.1695 to Alexander Stevenson, tenant of Dreva in Stobo parish, who later, about 1739, acquired the estate of Smithfield or Venlaw. Mary was co-heir of her father with her brother Alexander, sheriff-depute of Peebleshire (who died in 1788).

In 1740 Thomas purchased the house and estate of Quarter in Glenholm parish from John Dickson (possibly related to Christian Dickson, daughter and co-heiress of John Dickson of Smithfield, and wife of ET7/1 Walter Tweedie). He retained a lease of Kingledoors and it was to there that, having temporarily abandoned Quarter, the family escaped in “the momentous year of 1745... The Tweedies, in common with most of the Lowlanders, appear not to have supported the Jacobite cause. When the Highlanders made their appearance “their invasion was regarded much as an inroad by the hill tribes of Afghanistan would be looked upon in India at the present day.”

Thomas however did help to secure the acquittal of Captain John Burnet of Grant’s Regiment (of the Highland Army) when he attested

“These are declaring that when the rebels were in this country, Mr John Burnet of Campfield was along with them, who not only did all in his power to prevent the Highlanders from committing any abuses, but obliged them to pay for what they got particularly; they took both corn and straw from other tenants as well as me, for which Mr Burnet procured payment. They likewise carried off some horses and carts, which the said Mr Burnet caused to be returned. That his deportment in general was civil and obliging, and that the country was much obliged to him is attested by Thomas Tweedie, Tennent in Kingledosre, and Andrew Murderson, in Drumelziar.

That Thomas Tweedie, Tennent in Kingledosre, and Andrew Murderson, in Drumelziar, are well affected to Government in Church and State is attested by me____, Minister of the Gospel at Drumelziar, September, 1746.”
In dispositions of 22/2/1753 Thomas settled his affairs with his son Alexander and made provision for the care of his children generally; his wife’s maiden name was shown as “Steinstoun”. In 1755, when at Kingledoors, he was a witness to the baptism of his granddaughter T4/9 Mary.

Thomas died on 9/2/1766 aged 74 and 6 weeks, and his widow on 3/2/1781 aged 88, or 6/1/1784 aged 83 or 89. They were buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. Thomas was succeeded at Quarter by his third but eldest surviving son Alexander.

Children: ET15/7 Marion, ET15/8 Christian, ET15/9 Margaret, ET15/11 Ann (Annie), ET15/12 Jean, ET15/13 Alexander, ET15/14 Thomas, ET15/15 Alexander, ET15/16 Mary.

ET14/5 John Tweedie born presumably at Oliver in Tweedsmuir parish 1694C. As the younger son, John was apprenticed on 7/4/1706 for five years to Robert McKinley [McKenlie], a merchant burgess of Edinburgh, to learn “his art and trade of merchandise”. The articles stipulated that John Tweedie, for “his better insight in the said art and trade of merchandise” shall be sent at least “one voyage to Holland or Norroway as best shall please the said Robert McKinley” who also undertakes to keep and entertain his apprentice sufficiently at bed, board and washing. Walter Tweedie of Hairstanes was a witness to these articles which were not discharged until 16th April 1713. On 19/9/1716 he was admitted to the Roll of Edinburgh burgesses as ‘burgess mt, ?B and G’.

He married, in Edinburgh on 7/8/1716, Helen Brown, daughter of John Brown and his wife Margaret Pursell who married in Colinton or Corstorphine parish, Edinburgh 3/8/1688. On 14/3/173 8 Helen was served as heir-general to her mother.

John, a merchant in Edinburgh, wrote on 3/7/1755 in indignant terms of his niece ET15/1 Marion to her sister ET15/4 Margaret in Moffat, saying he had found Mr and Mrs Miller in Edinburgh. Still a merchant in Edinburgh, he died in 1778, some time prior to December when his nephew ET15/6 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver was served heir-general to him.

ET14/2 James Tweedie of Oliver and Margaret Ewart’s children:

ET15/1 Marion (May) Tweedie born at Oliver in Tweedsmuir parish c.1719, the eldest child. May moved with her family to the Beild some time after 1726 and then to the new Oliver House after 1731. She married 1st, in Edinburgh 12/5/1745, brewer William Inglis, by whom she had two daughters. A widow, she married 2nd George Miller, leaving her two daughters in the care of her sister Margaret when she and her second husband settled in London.

Children: ET16/1 Margaret, ET16/2 Wilhelmina (Mynie, Minnie).

ET15/2 Christian Tweedie baptized at Oliver in Tweedsmuir parish 8/6/1721. Christian moved with her family to the Beild some time after 1726 and then to the new Oliver House after 1731. Following her father’s death in 1753, she moved to Moffat in Dumfriesshire with her widowed mother and sister Margaret. In a joint disposition of 20/7/1773 the two sisters left their property to their two Inglis nieces, confirmed by Christian’s will of 10/3/1775. She died in Moffat 13/3/1775, aged 52, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. Her brother Thomas was served heir-in-general to her 21/5/1776, registered 6/6/1776. Unmarried.

ET15/3 James Tweedie born at Oliver in Tweedsmuir parish 18/2/1723.

ET15/4 Margaret Tweedie baptized at Oliver in Tweedsmuir parish 1/6/1724. Margaret moved with her family to the Beild some time after 1726 and then to the new Oliver House after 1731. She was apprenticed to
Margaret Lindsay, an Edinburgh milliner, the indentures being endorsed and discharged with a certificate of faithful service in April 1743.

For many years she was pursued by Thomas Copland of Leith.

“In 1753 a gentleman of Leith lost his heart to Miss Margaret Tweedie of Oliver.

‘Dearest on earth, should I attempt to describe the strength of my passion for you, I might soon exhaust my flood of eloquence but not come up to the truth of the case. May heaven prove propitious to my earthly treasure. O how my heart akes when surly winter threatens so soon to lay his icy hand on our world, where you reside in so inclement a place.’

Despite his eloquence, the course of his love was, apparently, not smooth, for his courtship languished during ten years. In 1763 he had the happy thought of trying to alleviate for his treasure some of the discomforts of the dreich valley in which she dwelt, for a letter arrived, addressed to ‘Miss Peggy Tweedie’ with a pound of tea.’

Following his long courtship she married Thomas in Edinburgh 21/6/1767, but he died in the autumn of that year. She then joined her mother and sister in Moffat. Her brother Thomas acted for her in the winter of 1768, dealing with her affairs in Glasgow and her late husband’s creditors. Margaret died in Moffat 23/11/1774, aged 49, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

ET15/5 Jean TWEEDIE baptized at Oliver in Tweedsmuir parish 13/2/1726. Shortly afterwards, Jean moved with her family to the Beild and then to the new Oliver House after 1731. She may have married there, on 11/12/1746, Walter Anderson.

ET15/6 Thomas TWEEDIE baptized, possibly at the Beild by Oliver, in Tweedsmuir 18/11/1727. Thomas moved with his family to the new Oliver House some time after 1731. As the only surviving son, he was heir to his father in 1753. Styled Thomas Tweedie of Oliver, on 21/8/1754 he had a precept of clare constat from John Naesmyth, clerk to the admission of Notaries, who held the superiority of Oliver. In the winter of 1768 he acted for his sister Margaret, dealing with her affairs in Glasgow and her late husband’s creditors. On 21/5/1776 he was served heir-in-general to his sister Christian. In December 1778 he was served heir-general to his merchant uncle ET14/5 John. John Kirton Anderson in 1801 had a decree of removing against Thomas Tweedie of Oliver from Fingland, which had been leased to him for nineteen years on 11/4/1782 by Patrick Anderson; some forty years earlier in 1741 John’s great great grandfather Michael Anderson of Tushielaw had Thomas’s father James declared a rebel over a land lease dispute.

He married, in 1754, Jane (Jean) Brown, daughter of James Brown of Edmonstone, near Biggar in Lanarkshire, and his wife, married in Shotts, Lanarkshire 22/10/1720, Bethea Scot.

With his son Adam, Thomas planned the present house at Oliver built some time after 1786. Like Tweedies before him he farmed sheep. The Rev Thomas Muschet, in his Statistical Account of the parish written in the 1790s, comments “Mr Tweedie of Oliver, however, a respectable heritor in this parish, has found the Cheviot breed [of sheep] as hardy as the native”.

Thomas died at Oliver on 6/3/1803, aged 75, “for many years a respected member of the Kirk Session”, and his widow in 1800; both were buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. He was succeeded at Oliver by their fourth and last son Lawrence, the only one to survive him.

Children: ET16/3 James, ET16/4 James, ET16/5 Thomas, ET16/6 Adam Ewart, ET16/7 Elizabeth (Bethia or Bettie), ET16/8 Margaret (Peggie), ET16/9 Anne, ET16/10 Lawrence, ET16/11 Christian, ET16/12 Jean, ET16/13 Anne, ET16/14 Christian.
ET14/4 Thomas Tweedie and Mary Stevenson’s children:

ET15/7 Marion Tweedie baptized, probably at Kingledoors, in Drumelzier parish 6/5/1729. Marion later moved with her family to Quarter in Glenholm parish where a contract of marriage was drawn up on 8/6/1750 between Marion (signed Marrion) at Quarter and W4/1 Alexander Welsh of Hearthstone, born c.1726 to W3/1 Umphra Welsh. They married at Drumelzier on 9/6/1750.

Marion and her husband were in Drumelzier parish, probably at Patervan, by the time their first child was born in 1751. In 1788 Alexander was tenant there and at Wester Stanhope. Marion died in 1790 or 1809.


ET15/8 Christian Tweedie baptized, probably at Kingledoors, Drumelzier parish 1/4/1731. Christian later moved with her family to Quarter in Glenholm parish and was shown there when she signed the contract of marriage dated 9/6/1754 between her and T3/8 John Tweedie of Nether Minzion, son of T2/2 Alexander Tweedie and Alison Hope. Following the calling of banns in Drumelzier and Kingledoors, they married on 11/6/1754.

Christian and her family lived at Nether Minzion until about 1770 when they moved to Stanhope in Drumelzier parish. Her husband died there on 26/5/1793, aged 63, and Christian two weeks later on 11/6/1793, aged 63. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


ET15/9 Margaret Tweedie baptized, probably at Kingledoors, in Drumelzier parish 7/12/1732. Margaret died young.

ET15/10 Jean Tweedie baptized, probably at Kingledoors, in Drumelzier parish 8/4/1733. Jean died young.

ET15/11 Ann (Annie) Tweedie baptized, probably at Kingledoors, in Drumelzier parish 11/1/1735. Annie later moved with her family to Quarter in Glenholm parish. At Quarter the contract of marriage was drawn up on 18/6/1766 between Annie and the Rev Charles Nisbet of Montrose in Angus; they married in Montrose.

Charles was born in Yester parish, East Lothian 18/1/1736 to William Nisbet, schoolmaster there at Long Yester, and his wife Alison Hepburn; they married in the parish on 18/3/1724. Charles graduated MA from Edinburgh University in 1754 and was ordained as the Church of Scotland minister in Montrose parish in 1764. His sympathy for the American colonies’ Declaration of Independence in 1776, which made his position in the church uncomfortable, led to his visiting and then remaining in America. In 1786 he was elected president of Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. He lectured there on theology, classics and philosophy, the theological course being the first of its kind to be delivered in the USA. He bequeathed his library to Princeton College, New Jersey. Some of Charles’ letters to Scotland have been preserved and reproduced in The History of the Tweedie Family. Its author Michael Forbes Tweedie writes that Charles “was evidently a man of culture and observation, but like many an emigrant was not in sympathy with the order of things in his adopted country, and remained at heart a Scotchman and a Monarchist. The letters refer to many topics of interest, particularly to our American cousins, who must, however, make allowance for his evident bias; and his views of the future of the country read curiously in the light of the present day”.

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Annie and the children accompanied her husband to America where they later became naturalized American citizens. He died on 18/1/1804 and she died on 12/5/1807.


ET15/12 Jean Tweedie baptized, probably at Kingledoors, in Drumelzier parish 25/11/1737. Jean later moved with her family to Quarter in Glenholm parish. She married George Walston Stodart of Walston parish, Lanarkshire; their contract of marriage was dated 1/4/1769. Jean’s cousin ET15/16 Mary Tweedie later married George’s brother David. In 1766 George witnessed the baptism of ET 16/10 Lawrence, son of Jean’s cousin ET15/6 Thomas.

George was born in Lasswade, Midlothian 25/1/1731, the 2nd son of James Stodart, factor of the Lockhart and Carmichael estates, and his wife, married in Lasswade 20/12/1728, Marion Haigs; they had seven sons and two daughters. James, baptized in Lasswade 2/4/1703, was born to James Stodart (son of John Stodart in Liberton, now part of Edinburgh) and his wife, married in Lasswade 1/6/1694, Elizabeth Johnstoun. Marion was a daughter of Adam Haigs in Loanhead, Midlothian, and his wife Agnes Reok; they married in Lasswade 27/6/1690.

Children: ET16/23 Thomas Biggarsheils, ET16/24 James, ET16/25 Mary, ET16/26 Jean.

ET15/13 Alexander Tweedie baptized, probably at Kingledoors, in Drumelzier parish 10/10/1739. Alexander died young.

ET15/14 Thomas Tweedie baptized, probably at Quarter, in Glenholm parish 28/6/1743. Thomas died 21/8/1762 and was buried in Drumelzier parish churchyard.

ET15/15 Alexander Tweedie baptized, probably at Quarter, in Glenholm parish 27/1/1745. Alexander’s father settled his affairs with his only surviving son in dispositions dated 22/2/1753. On 23/6/1766, Alexander, styled Alexander Tweedie of Quarter, received the “diploma Montisrosae” [an ancient document with seal]. He qualified as WS, was a JP for Peeblesshire, and admitted a burgess of Peebles in 1769 and Dumfries in 1784; the admissions or tickets were on vellum. After succeeding to Quarter on his father’s death in 1776, he acquired the adjoining lands of Whitslade from William Dickson in 1777. He was recorded in Sasines in 1790 & 1797 for property in East Lothian [formerly Haddingtonshire] at Kerperstane [Carperstane near North Berwick] and at East Congalton Mains, part of Brownrigg [near Carperstane].

He married, in Carmichael parish, Lanarkshire on 8/12/1782, Anna Carmichael. She was baptized there on 20/11/1758, eldest daughter of Michael Carmichael of East End, Lanark, and his wife Mary Hay; they married in Carmichael 17/4/1756. The barony and lands of Carmichael had been in the family since at least the early 13th century.

Alexander died, probably at Quarter, 13/2/1803, aged 57, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. His widow continued a correspondence with her sons on service in Spain, India and elsewhere. She died on 11/3/1836, aged 77. Her inventory had been drawn up on 14/4/1834. In her will she said that “I also leave my granddaughter [ET17/78] Annie Hay Newbigging in special charge of my daughter [ET16/32 Mary] to do as it seemeth her meet with regard to education and if she dies without heirs of her own to leave a provision to the said Annie Hay Newbigging.”

ET15/16 Mary Tweedie was baptized, probably at Quarter, in Glenholm parish on 20/9/1748. At Quarter was drawn up the contract of marriage on 5/12/1771 between Mary and David Stodart of Eastoun; they married on that date in Dunsyre parish, Lanarkshire. David was born in 1745, the 6th son of James Stodart, factor of the Lockhart and Carmichael estates, and his wife Marion Haigs. Mary’s cousin ET15/12 Jean had earlier married David’s brother George.

After Mary’s death her widower married 2nd in Dunsyre 23/1/1791 Elizabeth Bradfute.

Children: ET16/35 Mary, ET16/36 James, ET16/37 Marion, ET16/38 David.

ET15/1 Marion (May) Tweedie and William Inglis’ children:

ET16/1 Margaret Inglis born Edinburgh 28/3/1746. When her mother remarried she left Margaret and her younger sister in the care of their aunt Margaret. Margaret married in Edinburgh 6/9/1767 James Ramadge, a merchant there.

Children: ET17/1 Margaret, ET17/2 Agnes, ET17/3 William, ET17/4 Isobell, ET17/5 Barbara, ET17/6 James, ET17/7 David, ET17/8 Jean.

ET16/2 Wilhelmina (Mynie, Minnie) Inglis born Edinburgh 1748c. When her mother remarried she left Mynie and her elder sister in the care of their aunt Margaret. Mynie married Archibald Ranking of Moffat, Dumfriesshire.


ET15/6 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver and Jane Brown’s children:

ET16/3 James Tweedie baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 27/3/1755. James died young.

ET16/4 James Tweedie baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 27/3/1757. James died young.

ET16/5 Thomas Tweedie baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 27/3/1757. Thomas died in 1762.

ET16/6 Adam Ewart Tweedie baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 28/10/1758. Adam served in the 12th Regiment, gaining the rank of captain, and was wounded at Gibraltar in 1781 when it was besieged by Spain and France. Adam was killed at Guadaloupe in the West Indies in 1794. Unmarried. [see Annex - Military]

ET16/7 Elizabeth (Bethia or Bettie) Tweedie baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 2/8/1760, witnessed by Humphray Walsh. Bettie married in the parish 16/2/1786, T4/12 Thomas Tweedie, tenant farmer at Nether Minzion; the marriage was witnessed by her uncles ET15/15 Alexander Tweedie of Quarter and James Brown of Edmonston. Thomas was a son of T3/8 John and his wife ET15/8 Christian Tweedie.

Bethia and her husband Thomas were living at Patervan in 1841 with their family. She died 5/8/1845, aged 85, and Thomas 2/6/1847, aged 86. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

Children, following their father’s number sequence: T5/1 John, T5/2 Thomas, T5/3 Adam, T5/4 Alexander, T5/5 James.
ET16/8 Margaret (Peggie) TWEEDIE baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 6/3/1763. Peggie married there 11/12/1779 John Anderson, storemaster in Cramalt; witnesses were her cousin James Brown younger of Edmonston, an engineer, and Walter Hunter of Polmood.

Her children were born in Lyne & Megget parish between 1780 and 1805. Margaret died on 27/9/1824, aged 62, and her husband on 17/8/1832, aged 78. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


ET16/9 Anne TWEEDIE baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 8/7/1764. Anne died 20/7/1766 and was buried in the parish churchyard.

ET16/10 Lawrence TWEEDIE baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 15/6/1766, witnessed by Mr Stodart, tenant in Walston, the husband of his father’s cousin ET15/12 Jean. Some time after 1786 Lawrence and his father planned and built the present house at Oliver. The fourth and last son, Lawrence was the only son to survive his father whom he succeeded at Oliver and to whom he was served heir in 1803. On 22/9/1803 he had a precept of clare constat from the superior Sir James Naesmyth of Posso in Manor parish, Peeblesshire.

In 1819 the valued rent recorded in the Tweedsmuir Parish Register for ‘Lawrence Tweedie of Oliver’ was £215-13/5d. Lawrence lived at Oliver until his death on 25/1/1837, aged 70, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. Unmarried. Oliver passed to his nephew ET17/39 George Stodart, son of his youngest sister, Christian, and her husband.

ET16/11 Christian TWEEDIE baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 1/6/1768. Christian died young.

ET16/12 Jean TWEEDIE baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 1/6/1770. ‘Miss Jean Tweedie’ died at Oliver 17/4/1787, aged 17 years 10 months, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

ET16/13 Anne TWEEDIE baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 14/9/1771. Anne married in the parish 13/4/1792, John Crawford, a Leith merchant; a witness was William Crawford, merchant of Leith.


ET16/14 Christian TWEEDIE baptized, presumably at Oliver, in Tweedsmuir parish 29/5/1774. Christian married ETI 6/23 Thomas Stodart of Cardrona Mains in Traquair parish, son of her father’s cousin ET 15/12 Jean Tweedie and her husband George Stodart.

Christian died in 1806 and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. On the death of her brother Lawrence in 1837, Oliver passed to her son George.

Children, following their father’s number sequence: ET17/39 George, ET17/40 Thomas, ET17/41 Jane, ET17/42 James, ET17/53 Laurence.
ET15/11 Ann (Annie) Tweedie and Charles Nisbet, Rev’s children:

ET16/15 Thomas NISBET born in Montrose, Angus 8/4/1767. Thomas and his family later settled in America where they became naturalized American citizens.

ET16/16 Mary NISBET born in Montrose, Angus 2/4/1769. Mary and her family later settled in America where they became naturalized American citizens.

ET16/17 William NISBET born in Montrose, Angus 1/2/1771. William and his family later settled in America where they became naturalized American citizens.

ET16/18 Alison NISBET born in Montrose, Angus 28/5/1773, twin of Ann. Alison and her family later settled in America where they became naturalized American citizens.

ET16/19 Ann NISBET born in Montrose, Angus 28/5/1773, twin of Alison. Ann and her family later settled in America where they became naturalized American citizens.

ET16/20 Elisabeth NISBET born in Montrose, Angus 2/3/1775. Elisabeth and her family later settled in America where they became naturalized American citizens.

ET16/21 Alexander NISBET born in Montrose, Angus 26/7/1777. Alexander and his family later settled in America where they became naturalized American citizens. He was appointed a judge at Baltimore, Maryland.

ET16/22 Charles NISBET born in Montrose, Angus 18/8/1778. Charles and his family later settled in America where they became naturalized American citizens.

ET15/12 Jean Tweedie and George Walston Stodart’s children:

ET16/23 Thomas Biggarsheils STODART born in Walston parish, Lanarkshire 15/2/1770. Thomas, of Cardrona Mains in Traquair parish, Peeblesshire, married 1st his second cousin ET16/14 Christian Tweedie, born Tweedsmuir 29/5/1774 to ET15/6 Thomas Tweedie and his wife Jane Brown.

Thomas and his family later lived at Biggarsheils near Biggar in Lanarkshire. After Christian died in 1806, he married 2nd in Glasgow 1/6/1809 Anne Lawson Brown. Thomas died in 1820.

Children of 1st marriage: ET17/39 George, ET17/40 Thomas, ET17/41 Jane, ET17/42 James, ET17/43 Laurence.


ET16/26 Jean STODART born in Walston parish, Lanarkshire 31/1/1777.

ET15/15 Alexander Tweedie and Anna Carmichael’s children:

ET16/27 Thomas Stevenson TWEEDEIE born at Quarter in Glenholm parish and baptized 20/4/1784. Thomas qualified as a surgeon in Edinburgh. On his father’s death in 1803 Thomas succeeded to the estates inherited and acquired by his father. As the ‘Laird of Quarter’, he was living there when recorded in Sasines in 1804 for property at Carsperstone [Carperstane in East Lothian] as heir to his father. He joined the HEICS, was commissioned as surgeon on 19/3/1805 and served with various cavalry regiments in India, Burma and at the
Cape of Good Hope. He retired from service as physician-general in 1844 but later returned to India to serve again. A JP and DL for Peeblesshire, Thomas added to the Quarter estate by purchasing many properties in Glenholm parish; in 1844 he bought and then developed Rachan (which included the old churchlands of Kirkhall); in 1847 he bought Wrae from Walter Hunter of Polmood, Lord Forbes; and in 1850 Duckpool was conveyed to him by his brother John.

He married 1st Harriet Mathews. [See Annex C The Mathews Family.]

He married 2nd on 16/3/1828 (or 1829) Benjamina Mackay. According to the 1851 Census she was born in Halkirk parish, Caithness c.1812, there were two Benjamina Mackays christened about that time, one in Barony parish, Glasgow 4/8/1811, the 4th child of John Mckay and Elizabeth Monro, who married in the county of Caithness in Thurso 3/9/1801, and the second in Latheron parish, Caithness 25/7/1815 to John Mackay. According to her death certificate however her parents were Charles Mackay and Elizabeth Mackay [but how informed was her informant?]; in the 1851 County Directory there is an entry for Charles Mackay at Middle Ballat in Balfron, Stirlingshire.

In 1851 Thomas, a landed proprietor, JP and DL, and his 2nd wife and son James were living at Rachan where he farmed 320 acres arable and 600 under hill pasture employing fourteen laborers, a coachman, cook, three female house servants and six farm servants (four male, two female). He died at Rachan House 12/11/1855, aged 71, and was buried in Glenholm parish churchyard.

His estate was valued at £4961-8/19d and included stock he owned in the East India Company, a pension from the company and one from the Bengal Medical Fund. Executors were his wife, son James, brother John, John Carmichael (2nd son of Maurice Carmichael of East End) and, retired to Edinburgh from the HEICS, Dr Thomas Inglis (sometime of Albany Street and then of Blacket Place) and Alexander Scott Esq (of Pilrig Street). William Robert Baillie WS, another executor, acted for himself and for the others.

His widow held the liferent of Rachan but ownership of this property, together with Rachan and Hallmanor cottages, Quarter and his other properties passed to his son James who was also bequeathed the residue of his estate. His two other sons by Benjamina were each given £1000 and an annual annuity of £40. His three surviving daughters by Benjamina received £80 and when they married £100.

The family were not at home at Rachan in 1861, 1871, 1881 or 1891. In the 1881 Census his widow, a fund-holder, was living at 14 Junction Parade. Brighton, Sussex, near her youngest daughter Mary, her son James’s daughter ET18/46 Amy and her son William’s son ET18/63 Herbert who were both at schools in Brighton. With her then were her daughter Annie Elizabeth’s daughters ET18/72 Lily and ET18/73 Kathleen Ringwood, unmarried visitor Catherine Mackay, a governess, born in Scotland c.1847, and a female general servant. Benjamina died at Merlindale House, Glenholm 18/12/1890 when the informant of her death was married daughter Benjamin Swift, wife of John. Testate, she left £9498-5/0d; confirmation was granted to her executors (nominated in her will dated 2/11/1868, with a codicil of 11/12/1880) who were her son James of Quarter & Rachan and her son-in-law John Swift of Keoltown, Mullingal, Ireland. She left a legacy of £2000 to each of her three daughters with the residue of her estate to be shared between them.

Proprietor of Indigo manufacturing concern in Bengal.

He had seven children by Harriet Matthews, believed to be of mixed race, daughter of Colonel Arnold Nesbit Matthews. No record of a marriage to her has been found and she is believed to have died around 1824. It is believed that the Indigo estates and therefore the families wealth were from her side of the family.

Thomas returned to the UK 1826/7 and married in 1828 Benjamina Mackay, daughter of Charles Mackay.
In his will he disowned his first family.


ET16/29 Moures (Maurice) TWEEDIE baptized, probably at Quarter, in Glenholm parish 6/10/1787. Maurice was commissioned as a lieutenant in the HEICS in 1805, served in Penang, Singapore and Malacca and retired as colonel.

He married in Ayr 9/11/1819 Elizabeth Gairdner. She was born in Monckton parish, Ayrshire c.1799 to Alexander Gairdner of Ladykirk, Ayrshire, and his wife Ann Loch, daughter of John Loch of Rachan in Glenholm parish.

All their children were born in India between c.1820 to 1838. By 1851 Maurice was living at Baberton House in Currie, Midlothian with his wife and children, unmarried sister-in-law Margaret Gairdner annuitant born Mockton c.1801, visitor Charlotte Keith (who later married Maurice’s son Alexander), a male servant, three female servants and a stable boy.

Maurice died in Edinburgh 14/12/1867.


ET16/30 Alexander TWEEDIE baptized, probably at Quarter, in Glenholm parish 24/6/1789. Alexander was commissioned as an ensign in 1808 in the 6th Madras Native Infantry, later serving as a lieutenant in the Madras Army. He died during the Mahratta War in the camp near Ellichpoor on 19/11/1818. He is remembered on a memorial-stone in Glenholm parish churchyard. Unmarried.

ET16/31 Michael TWEEDIE baptized, probably at Quarter, in Glenholm parish 14/11/1791. Michael was commissioned into the Royal Artillery in 1809, served in the Napoleonic Wars in Sicily, Italy, Spain and France, and after the defeat of Napoleon in 1815 was posted to Malta and the Ionian Islands [a group of islands off the south and west coasts of Greece; as the United States of the Ionian Islands in 1815 they came under the protectorate of Britain who since 1807 had been seizing control of individual islands from France; they were incorporated into Greece in 1863]. In 1833 he was invalided out, having gained the rank of captain.

He married in Kent 18/3/1826 Frances Forbes. She was born at the Royal Hospital, Greenwich, London and baptized 24/3/1805, daughter of Richard Walter Forbes of Rawlinson in Rolvenden, Kent, and his wife Mary. Frances, like her husband, was of Scots descent. In c.1420 her ancestor Sir John Forbes acquired Tolquhon estate in Tarves parish, Aberdeenshire by his marriage with Marjory Preston, daughter and co-heiress of Sir Henry Preston of Formartin; in 1584-89 a descendant William Forbes built [the now ruined] Tolquhon Castle.

Frances was her father’s heiress and on his death in 1834 she and Michael, a JP, inherited the Rawlinson estate (there is a Tweedie of Rawlinson coat-of-arms) to which they retired. Michael died there on 3/2/1874. His widow and daughters continued to live at Rawlinsons and were there in 1881 with three servants. She died on 19/6/1882.

ET16/32 Mary Hay TWEEDIE baptized, probably at Quarter, in Glenholm parish 7/4/1794. Mary is reputed to have turned down offers of marriage from the Earls of Hyndford and Traquair; all three remained unmarried and both earldoms became extinct.

On her mother’s death in 1836, Mary was left the special charge of her sister Ann’s daughter ET17/78 Annie with regard to education and with the request that if Mary died without heirs of her own she should leave a provision to her niece. In 1841 she was living at Quarter, of independent means, with her nieces and nephews ET17/46 Harriet Tweedie, ET17/53 Mina Tweedie, ET17/54 Charles Tweedie, ET17/55 William Tweedie and ET17/78 Ann Tweedie Newbigging. Mary probably moved to the Rachan estate in Glenholm parish after her brother Thomas purchased the property in 1844.

Mary died at Rachan Cottage 26/5/1847, just over a month after the death there of her brother John’s 1st wife, and was buried in Glenholm parish churchyard. Her inventory was recorded on 9/7/1847.

ET16/33 Ann TWEEDIE baptized, probably at Quarter, in Glenholm parish 26/2/1796. Ann married Robert Newbigging, a farmer, born c.1789. He was a tenant at Bellspool in Drumelzier parish when she died on 20/11/1824, aged 27. He died in Liverpool 30/1/1837, aged 48. They are both recorded on the family memorial-stone in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


ET16/34 John TWEEDIE born, probably at Quarter in Glenholm parish, 23/9/1799 and baptized there 28/9/1799. John went to sea, but shortly afterwards left for India where he was an indigo planter, later returning home to farm in Scotland.

He married 1st in 1846 Mary Alexander. A few days after giving birth to her only child she died at Rachan Cottage in Glenholm parish 19/4/1847, and was buried in Glenholm parish churchyard.

He married 2nd on 14/11/1849 (banns were called in Drumelzier parish and in Cuthberts, Edinburgh) Rosina Irvine Clark. She was born in St Cuthberts parish 14/3/1820 to John Clerk, master Venetian blindmaker, and his wife, Annie Lawrence, married in the parish 7/6/1809.

At one time John and his family lived at Rachan Cottage [later renamed Merlindale] on his brother Thomas’s estate. In 1848 when tenant at Patervan in Drumelzier parish he bought Duckpool in Glenholm parish from John Fowler (who resided at Rachan gate), conveying it in 1850 to his brother Thomas. The family remained at Patervan where in 1851 he was farming 80 acres arable and 320 as hill pasture and employing three laborers and four women on the farm, as well as a shepherd, ploughman, cook, table-maid, dairy-maid and nursery-maid. He was still at Patervan when he was an executor for his brother Thomas in 1855.

John died at 5 East Brighton Crescent, Portobello, Edinburgh 21/1/1864; the informant was his son John. His widow died in Biggar 5/10/1877, aged 57; the informant was her son James. John and his wife were both buried in Glenholm parish churchyard. His family may have emigrated to the Cape of Good Hope in South Africa.


Children of second marriage: ET17/80 Alexander, ET17/81 Rosina, ET17/82 James.
ET15/16 Mary Tweedie and David Stodart’s children:
ET16/35 Mary STODART baptized in Dunsyre parish, Lanarkshire 21/9/1772.
ET16/36 James STODART baptized in Dunsyre parish, Lanarkshire 22/5/1774.
ET16/37 Marion STODART baptized in Dunsyre parish, Lanarkshire 8/10/1776.
ET16/38 David STODART baptized in Dunsyre parish, Lanarkshire 10/9/1785.

ET16/2 Wilhelmina (Mynie, Minnie) Inglis and Archibald Ranking’s children:
ET17/9 James Hunter RANKING baptized in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire 8/9/1769.
ET17/10 Christian RANKING baptized in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire 26/4/1771.
ET17/11 Margaret Ewart RANKING baptized in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire 26/4/1774.
ET17/12 Ann RANKING baptized in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire 26/4/1775.
ET17/13 Janet RANKING baptized in St Cuthberts parish, Edinburgh 26/4/1783.
ET17/14 Jean RANKING baptized in Ratho parish, Midlothian 1/3/1789.

ET16/8 Margaret (Peggie) Tweedie and John Anderson’s children:
ET17/15 Jean ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish, Peeblesshire 20/9/1780.
ET17/16 Alison ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 10/9/1784.
ET17/17 Thomas ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 8/12/1787.
ET17/18 Mary ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 1/12/1790.

ET17/19 Adam ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 28/5/1791.

ET17/20 Margaret ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 21/12/1792.

ET17/21 Isabell ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 25/9/1794.

ET17/22 Anne ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 20/5/1796.

ET17/23 Walter ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 17/12/1796.

ET17/24 Christian ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 17/7/1798.

ET17/25 John ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 18/12/1802.

ET17/26 Laurance ANDERSON baptized in Lyne & Megget parish 3/12/1805.

ET16/13 Anne Tweedie and John Crawford’s children:

ET17/27 Jean CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 26/2/1793.

ET17/28 Marion CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 26/11/1794.

ET17/29 William CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 9/12/1795.

ET17/30 Anne CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 17/8/1797.

ET17/31 William or Thomas CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 30/8/1799.

ET17/32 Christian CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 7/7/1801.

ET17/33 May CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 8/2/1803.

ET17/34 John CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 22/9/1804.

ET17/35 Bethea CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 5/6/1806.


ET17/37 Adam CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 7/8/1810.

ET17/38 Thomas CRAWFORD baptized in South Leith 30/6/1814.

ET16/23 Thomas Biggarsheils Stodart and ET16/14 Christian Tweedie’s children:

ET17/39 George STODART born, probably at Biggarsheils, in Biggar, Lanarkshire 13/10/1799. George was apprenticed to Francis Wilson WS, admitted as WS 2/12/1824 and was with Oliver & Holmshaw WS at 16 Abercromby Place, Edinburgh.
He married in Edinburgh 4/6/1833 Mary Wilson Paul. She may have been born in Edinburgh in c.1809 to Alexander Paul, a Birmingham merchant.

In 1837 George succeeded to Oliver in Drumelzier parish on the death of his mother’s brother Lawrence, added Tweedie to his surname of Stodart and assumed the coat of arms of Tweedie of Oliver. He had a charter on 3/8/1838 from the superior David Anderson of Moredun in Edinburgh and, styled ‘of Oliver’ he later also owned Holmeshaw in Kirkpatrick-Juxta parish in Dumfriesshire.

In 1841 George was living at Oliver with his wife, their three eldest children, a governess, three female servants and two male servants. His wife died in October 1844, aged 35; her inventory was recorded on 27/9/1849. In 1851, a WS in practice, George was living at 16 Abercrombie Place, Edinburgh with his four sons and two house-servants. In 1851 and 1861 a housekeeper was in residence at Oliver.

George died at Oliver 26/8/1869, aged 69. He and his wife were both buried in Edinburgh, with a memorial-stone in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. Oliver and the lands he held in Dumfriesshire were inherited by his eldest son Thomas.

Children: ET18/1 Eliza, ET18/2 Thomas, ET18/3 George, ET18/4 Alexander, ET18/5 James.

ET17/40 Thomas STODART born, probably at Biggarsheils, in Biggar, Lanarkshire 3/3/1801. Thomas married in Traquair parish, Peeblesshire 11/10/1828 Robina Kerr Aitchison. She was baptized in Peebles 17/10/1808, daughter of William Aitchison and his wife, married there 12/10/1804, Mary Russell Ker.

At one time Thomas was the tenant at Whitfield in West Linton parish. He died in Kilgreggan, Dunbartonshire 20/1/1879, aged 77, and his widow on 4/9/1880, aged 72. They were buried in West Linton parish churchyard with two of their children.

Children: ET18/6 Mary Aitcheson, ET18/7 George, ET18/8 William Aitchison, ET18/9 John.

ET17/41 Jane STODART born, probably at Biggarsheils, in Biggar, Lanarkshire 4/2/1802. Jane married in Peebles parish 23/6/1826 John Aitchison. It was probably his sister who married Jane’s brother Thomas; if so John was baptized in Skirling parish, Peeblesshire 30/8/1805, son of William Aitchison and Mary Russell Ker.

In 1881, a widowed annuitant, Jane was living at 17 Randolph Crescent, Edinburgh with her unmarried daughter Anne, a cook and a housemaid. Jane died in Edinburgh 1891.

Children: ET18/10 William John, ET18/11 Christina Stodart, ET18/12 Mary, ET18/13 Jane Stodart, ET18/14 Thomas Stodart, ET18/15 John, ET18/16 Anne Stodart.

ET17/42 James STODART born, probably at Biggarsheils, in Biggar, Lanarkshire 24/6/1804. James married in St Cuthberts parish, Edinburgh 28/6/1831 Janet Liddell Steele. She was baptized in the parish 12/12/1812, daughter of Andrew Steele and his wife Marion Bell; they married in the parish 11/8/1810.

His wife died in 1840 and James in Walston, Lanarkshire 1869.

Children: ET18/17 Mary Bell, ET18/18 Thomas, ET18/19 Christina Jane, ET18/20 Helen Jane.

ET17/43 Laurence STODART born, probably at Biggarsheils, in Biggar, Lanarkshire 19/5/1805. Laurence’s mother died the following year. He married in Edinburgh 1/7/1828 Mary Ann Middleton and later emigrated to Australia.

Children: ET18/21 Thomas, ET18/22 Mary, ET18/23 John Benham.
ET16/27 Thomas Stevenson Tweedie and Harriet Mathew’s children:

ET17/44 Alexander Tweedie born at Sylhet, Assam, India 1808. When he was 12, Alexander probably came to Scotland with his brother Thomas to be educated in Edinburgh. Not long afterwards Alexander started training as a doctor at Guy’s hospital in London where his work during a cholera outbreak was commended. He took up a position as an assistant surgeon with the HEICS in Benares in northern India, but in a tragic accident shortly after his return to India, Alexander was shot and killed in 1841. Unmarried.

ET17/45 Thomas Tweedie born at Sylhet 1812. In 1820, when Thomas was 8, it is believed he came to Edinburgh with his brother Alexander to be educated. Shortly after his widowed father returned home c.1826, Thomas returned to India possibly to work in the family indigo business in Bengal, where in c.1843 he was appointed deputy magistrate.

He married 1st in 1838 Lydia Wallis, who died in 1857. His second marriage was in Calcutta, 1857, to Emmeline Eliza Jane Tiery. Thomas died in Calcutta 1878.

Children of first marriage: ET18/24 Lydia Mary, ET18/25 Lucy Maria, ET18/26 Frances Sophia, ET18/27 Thomas Wallis, ET18/28 Charlotte Margaret Dicey, ET18/29 Mary Llewelyn.

Children of second marriage: ET18/30 Emmeline Elsie, ET18/31 Henrietta Sarah Jane, ET18/32 Madelaine Alexandra, ET18/33 Maurice Howe.

ET17/46 Harriette Tweedie born at Sylhet 1815. Harriette probably came with the family to Scotland when her widowed father returned home c.1826. In 1841 Harriette was living at Quarter in Glenholm parish with her aunt ET16/31 Mary.

She married in Edinburgh 1/6/1842 Dr Veitch Sinclair, doctor of medicine. He was born there in the Canongate 28/10/1810 to John and Elizabeth Sinclair, and gained MD, LRCP Edinburgh.

In 1851 Harriette was living at 12 Elder Street, Edinburgh with her husband, daughter and three of her sons, by 1864/65 the family had moved to 4 Picardy Place and in 1881 she was at 48 Northumberland Street, Edinburgh with her children Alexander and Elizabeth. At that time her husband was head of household at 419 Liverpool Road in Islington, London, with their son Henry. A widow, Harriette died at 3 Greenbank Place, Edinburgh 9/10/1898 from age infirmity; the informant was her son Henry.


ET17/47 Maurice Tweedie born at Sylhet 1817. He returned to Scotland with his family c.1826. It is believed he returned to India and died of cholera. Unmarried.

ET17/48 Ann Tweedie born at Hoshingabad in the central provinces of India 1819. She returned to Britain with the rest of her family and married Henry Oatts, manager of the Porehatty indigo estates. They had several children and settled in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

ET17/49 John Tweedie born at Kurnool [Keruay], India 1822. It is believed he returned with his family to Britain after the death of his mother. After an education in Edinburgh. John joined the Royal Navy in 1839, and rose to paymaster-in-chief.
He married at St Martin-in-the-Fields, Westminster, London 10/3/1863 Robina Bell Duff Galloway (or Sutherland). She was born in Linlithgowshire (West Lothian) c.1831

John and his family lived in Greenock, Renfrewshire in the 1860s but by 1881 John had retired to The Cottage in Carlops, West Linton, Peeblesshire with his wife and son Arthur, a groom and a female servant. His wife died in Southend, Essex 1896 and he died at Carlops 1907.

Children: ET18/42 Arthur John, ET18/43 Harriette Minnie Agnes Annie, ET18/44 Veitch Sinclair.

ET17/50 Mary TWEDDIE born 1825 when her mother may then have died in childbirth. Mary had also passed away by the time her father returned to Scotland with the family.

ET16/27 Thomas Stevenson Tweedie and Benjamina Mackay’s children:

ET17/51 Mary TWEDDIE born in 1827. Mary died when only 5 days old.

ET17/52 James TWEDDIE born Calcutta, India 6/2/1831, baptized at Quarter in Glenholm parish 20/9/1836. James’s family home was at Rachan in Glenholm parish after his father purchased the property in 1844 and was there with his parents in 1851. He was educated at the Edinburgh Academy 1840/45 and at the Royal Military College at Sandhurst, Berkshire. He joined the 22nd and 80th Regiments as an ensign in 1851, retiring as lieutenant in 1855. No doubt he retired when his father died that year, when he was an executor of his father’s will. He succeeded to Rachan and other family properties and inherited the residue of his father’s estate. A JP and DL for the county, James was also a member of the Royal Company of Archers.

He married 1st at Kirkurd, Peebles 29/4/1858 Jane Aitken White. She was born 25/3/ 1834 to John White, of Netherurd and Drumelzier; and his wife, married in Glasgow 9/ 8/1831, Mary Sim. In 1834 John (1808-1880) had purchased Netherurd in Kirkurd parish; in 1844 he was infeft in the lands of Drumelzier which in 1841 he had inherited on the death of his father, Glasgow merchant Andrew White (son of John White of Howburn, near Elsrickle in Lanarkshire) who had bought the property in 1814. Although James and Jane were later divorced, when she died in 1923, aged 89, she was buried in the Tweedie vault at Drumelzier.

He married 2nd at Berrampore, India 30/9/1863 Emma Charlotte Cunliffe, second daughter of David Cunliffe Esq of the Bengal Civil Service (son of Lt Gen Sir Robert Cunliffe, Bt, of Acton Park, Denbigh in northern Wales). Her sister Ada later married James’ brother Charles.

Neither James nor his wife was at home at Rachan at the time of the Census of 1861, 1871, 1881 or 1891. He was probably in India managing the family Indigo business, but the collapse of the Indigo trade in the 1890s led to a drastic decline in the family wealth, which put them near bankruptcy and enforced sale of Quarter and Rachan.

He was an executor of his mother’s estate when confirmation was granted after her death in 1890. He appeared at Cheltenham in 1891. James died on 25/10/1909 and his widow on 25/10/1910.

Children of second marriage: ET18/45 Thomas Cunliffe, ET18/46 Amy Charlotte, ET18/47 Herbert James, ET18/48 Percy Charles, ET18/49 Lawrence William, ET18/50 Francis James, ET18/51 Gerald Scott.

ET17/53 Benjamina (Mina) Hay TWEDDIE born Cawnpore, India 19/4/1833, baptized at Quarter in Glenholm parish 20/7/1833. In 1841 Mina was at Quarter with her aunt ET16/32 Mary. Her family home was at Rachan in Glenholm parish after her father purchased the property in 1844. In 1851 she and her sister Annie were lodging at 4 Frederick Street, Edinburgh with George H Cossar and his wife Jane. In her father’s will (he
died in 1855) she and her sisters were each bequeathed £80 and on marriage £100.

She married on 17/12/1862 John Swift. In 1890 Mina was the informant of her mother’s death and her husband, styled of Keoltown, Mullingal, Ireland where he farmed 454 acres, and a JP for Co West Meath, was an executor of his mother-in-law’s estate when confirmation was granted. She was left a legacy from her mother of £2000; the residue of her mother’s estate was shared between her and her sisters.

Mina died on 27/7/1896.

Children: ET18/52 Mary Elizabeth, ET18/53 John L’estrange, ET18/54 Maude Mina.

ET17/54 Charles Thomas Tweedie born at Hazrapore, India 28/1/1835, baptized at Quarter in Glenholm parish 20/9/1836. In 1841 Charles and his brother William were at Quarter with their aunt ET 16/32 Mary. His family home was at Rachan in Glenholm parish after his father purchased the property in 1844. He was educated at the Edinburgh Academy 1848/51, was later an indigo planter in Bengal 1855/90 and at some time was director of Jaipur Tea company. In his father’s will (he died in 1855) he and his younger brother were each bequeathed £1000 and an annuity of £40.


In 1881 his children were living at Calder Lodge, Gringham Hill, Cookham, Berkshire where the widowed Caroline P Boilean was recorded as “assists head” aged 54 born in London; there were also a private governess, cook, parlour-maid, schoolroom-maid and wet-nurse.

Charles died in Crieff, Perthshire 22/4/1928, aged 93.

Children: ET18/55 Mina Frances, ET18/56 James Walter, ET18/57 Ada Mabel, ET18/58 Mary Dorothea.

ET17/55 William Thomas Tweedie born at Quarter in Glenholm parish 5/3/1838, baptized there 19/9/1838. In 1841 William and his brother Charles were at Quarter with their aunt ET 16/32 Mary. His family home was at Rachan in Glenholm parish after his father purchased the property in 1844. He was educated at the Edinburgh Academy 1851/52. In his father’s will (he died in 1855) he and his brother Charles were each bequeathed £1040 and an annuity of £40. William was in business in India and at the Cape of Good Hope in South Africa, returned to Scotland in 1870 and was later on the London Stock Exchange.

He married 1st at St Saviour’s Church, London 30/4/1864 Mary Cope. She was born in Stockwell, Surrey c.1841 to Francis Cope.

In 1871 William, a retired Cape sheep farmer, was living at Whitslade in Glenholm parish with his 1st wife, their first five children and a cook, nurse and housemaid. In 1881 his wife, of independent means, was living at Hazling Dane House in Sibertswold, Kent with her daughter Evelyn and a cook, domestic nurse and housemaid.

He married 2nd in 1884 Alice Lyle.

William died at Marylebone, London in 1912.

Children of the first marriage: ET18/59 Claude Francis, ET18/60 Lilian, ET18/61 Marion Elizabeth Hammond, ET18/62 Mina, ET18/63 Herbert William, ET18/64 Charles Cope, ET18/65 Katherine Mary, ET18/66 Evelyn Ada, ET18/67 Francis Douglas,
Children of the second marriage: ET18/68 Eva Katherine, ET18/69 Charles William, ET18/70 Lilian Mary, ET18/71 Herbert Maurice.

ET17/56 Annie Elizabeth Tweedie baptized, possibly at Rachan, in Glenholm parish 26/4/1847. In 1851 Annie and her elder sister Mina were living in Edinburgh. In her father’s will (he died in 1855) she and her sisters were each bequeathed £80 and on marriage £100.

She married 1st on 11/5/1868 Charles Henry Ringwood CB of Bengal, a civil engineer. He was born on 26/12/1841 and baptized at St Anne’s, Soho, Westminster, London 7/2/1842, son of Henry Taylor Ringwood and his wife Ann.

Annie married 2nd John Crumpe; there were children of this marriage.

On her mother’s death in 1890 Annie was left a legacy of £2000; the residue of her mother’s estate was shared between her and her sisters.

Children: ET18/72 Lily Maude, ET18/73 Kathleen, ET18/74 Hilda May.

ET17/57 Mary Hay Tweedie baptized at Rachan House in Glenholm parish 18/5/1854. Mary married on 29/4/1879 Douglas William Giffard MO. He was born at St Sampson, Guernsey, Channel Islands 12/1/1848 to Henry Giffard, artillery colonel and later a landed proprietor, and his wife Elizabeth Agnew.

In her father’s will (he died in 1855) Mary and her sisters were each bequeathed £80 and on marriage £100. In 1881 she was living, near her mother, at 44 Old Steine, Brighton, Sussex with her husband, a surgeon and general practitioner, and children. On her mother’s death in 1890 Mary was left a legacy of £2000; the residue of her mother’s estate was shared between her and her sisters.


ET16/30 Moures (Maurice) Tweedie and Elizabeth Gairdner’s children:

ET17/58 Alexander Lawrence Tweedie born India 24/8/1820. Alexander was educated at the Edinburgh Academy 1835/36. He joined the 1st Regiment Madras Native Infantry as an ensign in 1838, served in the China war in 1842, was present at the capture of Ching Kiang Foo, attained the rank of captain in the Madras Native Infantry in 1848, and served in Burma 1853/55.

In 1851, a captain in the HEICS, he was staying at the family home of Baberton House in Currie near Edinburgh. A visitor at the time was Charlotte Crome Keith whom he married in Currie (or in Old Machar parish, Aberdeen) 26/9/1851. She was baptized in Old Machar parish 17/6/1830, daughter of William Keith, a surgeon in Aberdeen, and his wife, married there on 27/12/1825, Mary Croom.

In 1852 Alexander was employed as assistant civil engineer in the Public Works Department. He died at sea on 19/11/1858 from a fever contracted in China and was buried in Point-deGalle in south west Ceylon [Sri Lanka].

Child: ET18/78 William Keith.

ET17/59 William John Tweedie born Madras, India 18/5/1822. William was educated at the Edinburgh Academy 1832/39. He joined the 35th and 10th Madras Native Infantry as an ensign in 1839, served in the Burmese War 1852/53 and retired in 1875 as a major general.
He married in June 1855 Mary Cradock. She was born in England c.1831 to Sheldon Cradock of Hartforth, Yorkshire.

In 1881 William was living at Glenholm in Gillsland Road, Edinburgh with his wife, children Eba and William and a cook, table-maid and house-maid.

William died in Edinburgh 15/9/1894. His widow died there at Glenholm 5/1/1917. Confirmation of her will was granted to her son William.

Children: ET18/79 Eba Margaret Isobel, ET18/80 Maurice Carmichael, ET18/81 Mary Beatrice, ET18/82 William Walter Maurice.

ET17/60 Ann Elletson TWEEDE born India c.1824. In 1851 Ann was living with her family at Baberton House in Currie near Edinburgh. It may have been this Ann who, in 1881, was an unmarried annuitant boarding at 142 Hutcheon Street West, Old Machar, Aberdeen, with Alexander Hutcheon, a widowed retired pensioned militia quartermaster (aged 83 born Kirriemuir, Angus), and his unmarried daughters

ET17/61 Maurice Carmichael TWEEDE born, probably in India, 11/9/1825. Maurice died on 20/1/1828.

ET17/58 Elizabeth Mary TWEEDE born India c.1828. In 1851 Elizabeth was living with her family at Baberton House in Currie near Edinburgh. She married in St Cuthberts parish, Edinburgh (or in Old Machar, Aberdeen) 18/10/1854 John Blaikie.

Children: ET18/83 David William, ET18/84 daughter, ET18/85 Isabella Margaret Joanna.

ET17/63 Maurice TWEEDE born India 14/11/1829. In 1851, a bank clerk in the city of Glasgow, Maurice was living with his family at Baberton House in Currie near Edinburgh. He died on 25/11/1860. Unmarried.

ET17/64 Joanna Margaret TWEEDE born India 1838c. In 1851 Joanna was a scholar, living with her family at Baberton House in Currie near Edinburgh. She married at Leamington Priors, Warwick 29/1/1863 Colonel John Woodcock of the Madras SC, son of Edward Humphrey Woodcock.

ET16/31 Michael Tweedie and Frances Forbes’s children:

ET17/65 Alexander Forbes TWEEDE born in Glasgow 30/12/1826. Alexander married at Rolvenden in Kent 28/4/1859 Alice Bell, who was born in London c.1835 to Robert Bell.

In 1881 Alexander, a solicitor, and his wife were visiting the Burra family at Morghew Hall, Tenterden, Kent. Home was Bickley Park, Bonnington, Bromley, Kent where several of the children were living in 1881 with unmarried visitor/school teacher Ottilie Frichinghans born Germany c.1855 and five servants.

After his parents’ deaths he inherited Rawlinson. Alexander died on 19/7/1896 and his widow on 24/9/1927.


ET17/66 Marian TWEEDE born at Rawlinson in Rolvenden, Kent 25/6/1828, baptized at St John’s, Portsea, Hampshire 12/9/1828. Marian married on 1/6/1869 Robert Thomas Gibbon Gibbon Monypenny. He was born in Rolvenden c.1823 to Thomas Gibbon Gibbon-Monypenny, DL & JP.
In 1881 she and her husband, a former colonel and a JP, were living at Maytham Hall, Rolvenden, Kent with
their daughter Ethel Maude, visitor Edith M Brockman 9 scholar born London, niece ET18/113 Edith (brother
Maurice’s daughter) a scholar, governess Euphynse Caraganate 24 born London and three domestic servants.

Marian’s husband died in 1893 and she on 31/1/1928.

Child: ET18/96 Ethel Maude.

ET17/67 Frances TWEEDEIE born in Woolwich, Kent 5/5/1830. In 1881 Frances was living with her mother
at Rawlison in Rolvenden, Kent. She died in November 1886. Unmarried.

ET17/68 Ellen Mary TWEEDEIE born at Rawlison in Rolvenden, Kent 6/4/1832. In 1881 Ellen was living
there with her mother. She died on 18/4/1926. Unmarried.

ET17/69 Richard Walter TWEEDEIE born Woolwich, Kent 6/3/1834, baptized there at St Mary Magdalene
4/4/1834. Richard married on 30/3/1869 Mary Louisa Baird, born in Russia c.1849 (naturalized British subject)
to Charles John Baird, civil engineer.

In 1881 Richard, a solicitor, was living at 13 Linden Gardens, Kensington, London with his wife and three
eldest daughters, a nurse and four servants. He died on 19/3/1916 and his wife on 4/1/1918.

Children: ET18/97 Margaret Carmichael, ET18/98 Charles Montagu, ET18/99 Winifred Hay, ET18/100 Sylvia

ET17/70 Michael TWEEDEIE born at Rawlison in Rolvenden, Kent 23/6/1836. Michael joined the Royal
Artillery, served in the Crimean War, was promoted to lieutenant-colonel and later to major-general.

He married on 19/9/1872 Louisa Bateson Hammond. She was born in Chester Street, London c.1850 to Peter
Hammond of Hutton Bonville in Yorkshire.

In 1881 Michael was living at Herbert Road, Champion Terrace, Plumstead, Kent with his wife and children,
and a cook, parlourmaid and two nurses. He died on 8/8/1917 and his wife on 31/1/1939.

Children: ET18/104 Ralph, ET18/105 Henry Carmichael, ET18/106 Hugh Justin, ET18/107 Lannoy Barkly,

ET17/71 Maurice TWEEDEIE born at Rawlison in Rolvenden, Kent 18/3/1838. Maurice was a colonel and
served in the Indian Mutiny, He married on 29/12/1866 Emma Elizabeth Battie, daughter of E J Battie, a civil
engineer. They had seven children. Maurice died on 17/2/1923 and his widow on 11/6/1932.

Children: ET18/112 Michael Edward, ET18/113 Edith Maude, ET18/114 Maurice Carmichael, ET18/115 John
Lannoy Forbes, ET18/116 Francis Forbes, ET18/117 Alice Mabel Forbes, ET18/118 Gladys Marian, ET18/119
Alexander Forbes.

ET17/72 Myra Elizabeth TWEEDEIE born at Rawlison in Rolvenden, Kent 25/6/1840. Myra married on
26/5/1859 Thomas A Roberts, who was born in Tenby, Pembridge, Wales c.1825.

In 1881 Myra and her husband, a barrister-at-law. were living at 7 Gordon Place, St Pancras, London with their
children, a nurse, nurse-maid, parlour-maid and cook.

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Myra died on 1/11/1929.


ET17/73 John Lannoy Tweedie born at Rawlinson in Rolvenden, Kent 6/5/1842. A colonel in the Royal W Kent Regiment, John was awarded the DSO.

He married on 15/9/1891 Emma Constance Murray, daughter of William G Murray.

John died on 28/8/1920 and his widow on 7/9/1925.

Children: ET18/127 Constance Mary, ET18/128 Kathleen Hay L, ET18/129 Olive Murray L.


ET16/33 Ann Tweedie and Robert Newbigging’s children:

ET17/75 Alexander Tweedie Newbigging born possibly at Bellspool in Drumelzier parish and baptized there 17/4/1816. Alexander was no more than 6 when his mother died and only 21 on his father’s death in 1837.

He married, in Dumfries parish 22/11/1841, Helen Kennedy, born to Thomas Kennedy and his wife, married Dumfries 17/7/1825, Jean Pringle.


ET17/76 John Tweedie Newbigging born possibly at Bellspool in Drumelzier parish and baptized there 5/12/1817. John was only 7 when his mother died and 20 on his father’s death in 1837. Just two years later John died in Jamaica 28/8/1839, aged 22. He was recorded on the family memorial-stone in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

ET17/77 Robert Newbigging born, possibly at Bellspool, in Drumelzier parish and baptized there 24/9/1819. Robert was only 5 when his mother died and 18 on his father’s death in 1837. Just a year later Robert died on board Woodstock from Jamaica 7/8/1838, aged 18, He was recorded on the family memorial-stone in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

ET17/78 Anne (Annie) Tweedie Newbigging born, possibly at Bellspool, in Drumelzier parish 15/5/1821. When Annie was only 3 her mother died. She was then presumably cared for by her maternal grandmother, Anna Carmichael/Tweedie, on whose death in 1836 Annie was left in the special charge of her mother’s sister ET16/32 Mary “to do as it seemeth her meet with regard to education and if she [Mary] dies without heirs of her own to leave a provision to the said Annie”. In 1837 Annie was orphaned when her father died. In 1841 Annie was living at Quarter with her aunt Mary.

She married Robert Murray. He was baptized in Temple parish, Midlothian 2/1/1814, son of Andrew Murray and Mary Melrose.
In 1851 Annie was living at Spittal, Penicuik, Midlothian with her husband, a farmer of 954 acres employing 7 laborers, their four eldest children and her husband’s niece Barbara Murray, born Temple 1836 to Jonathan Murray (baptized in Borthwick parish, Midlothian 1808) and his wife Margaret Finlayson. In 1881 Annie was living at 18 Lonsdale Terrace, Edinburgh with her husband, a grocer & wine merchant employing 1 man & 1 boy, their children, visitors married son Andrew, Lizzie Anderson married born Penicuik c.1861 and granddaughter ET19/70 Lizzie Veitch and a female servant.

A widow, Annie died at 18 Lonsdale Terrace 7/2/1901, aged 80, when the informant was her son James. She was remembered on the family memorial-stone in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

Children: ET18/138 Andrew, ET18/139 Mary Hay Tweedie, ET18/140 Robert, ET18/141 Annie Tweedie, ET18/142 James, ET18/143 John William, ET18/144 Helen Agnes, ET18/145 Jane Newbigging.

**ET16/34 John Tweedie and Mary Alexander’s children:**

ET17/79 John Tweedie born at Rachan Cottage [later renamed Merlindale] in Glenholm parish and baptized there 23/6/1847. His mother died a few days later. By 1850 John and his father had moved to Patervan in Drumelzier parish and was there with his family in 1851. In 1861 he was boarding with Sarah Carruthers at Fruid in Tweedsmuir parish. In 1864 he was the informant of his father’s death at 5 East Brighton Crescent, Portobello, Edinburgh.

**ET16/34 John Tweedie and Rosina Irvine Clark’s children:**

ET17/80 Alexander Tweedie baptized at Patervan in Drumelzier 26/10/1850. Alexander was there with his family in 1851.

ET17/81 Rosina Tweedie baptized at Patervan in Drumelzier 3/6/1852.

ET17/82 James Tweedie baptized at Patervan in Drumelzier 18/7/1854. In 1877 James was the informant of his mother’s death in Biggar, Lanarkshire.

**ET17/39 George Stodart (later Tweedie-Stodart) and Mary Wilson Paul’s children:**

ET18/1 Eliza Stodart born or baptized in Edinburgh 9/9/1834. In 1837 when her father succeeded to Oliver, he added Tweedie to their surname of Stodart. In 1841 Eliza was living at Oliver with her family. In 1881 she was living with brother George at 7 Hartington Gardens, Edinburgh. She died at 93 Comely Bank Avenue, Edinburgh 11/10/1914. Unmarried. Confirmation of her estate, valued at £6855-10/Sd, was granted to her brother Thomas.

ET18/2 Thomas Tweedie-Stodart born in Edinburgh 4/12/1838, baptized there 25/2/1839. In 1841 Thomas was living at Oliver with his family. In 1851 he was a scholar living at 16 Abercrombie Place, Edinburgh with his father and brothers. He was educated at Edinburgh Academy 1849/54. On his father’s death in 1869, Thomas inherited Oliver and the lands his father held in Dumfriesshire. He was convener of Peebles County Council and chairman of the School Board and of Peebles Parish Council.

He married in Edinburgh 11/7/1871 Eleanora (Ellie) Littledale Dick. She was born in St Andrews parish, Fife 26112/1851 to Rev John Dick and his first wife Mary Littledale. Ellie’s parents married in Glasgow 22/1/1850 but after her mother’s death on 27/3/1862 her father married 2nd 12/5/1864 Celia Brodie (who died in Edinburgh 1906). Ellie’s father was the Rev John Dick (1821-1901), parish minister of Tweedsmuir, who on 25/11/1874 wrote to T6/6 Alexander Tweedie, great great grandson of ET14/4 Thomas Tweedie of Quarter,
entreatning him to agree to a revised proposal of reducing the amount of soil at the top of a Tweedie burial-lair
by 13 inches, to allow better use of the ground at the top of the slope.

In 1871 Thomas was living at Oliver, a landowner and farmer, employing a housekeeper, a female general
servant and six laborers. In 1881 Thomas was farming at Oliver, an estate of 1144 acres. With him were his wife
and children, a housemaid, nurse and cook. In 1891, a proprietor and farmer, he was recorded at Oliver with his
wife, 2nd daughter, son, visitor Thomas P Wingate age 16 born in Glasgow (to Paterson Wingate, shipbuilder,
and his wife Jessie C Murray), a cook and a housemaid.

Thomas died at Oliver 8/10/1917, aged 79. Confirmation of his estate, valued at £2598-12/4d, was granted to
his executors who included his only son Lawrence and his wife’s relative Henry Littledale Dick (perhaps her
brother baptized Edinburgh 5/101 1853). Lawrence inherited Oliver but Thomas’s widow held the liferent until
she died there 8/1/1933, aged 81. Thomas and his wife were buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard with their
son.

Children: ET19/1 Mary, ET19/2 Eleanora, ET19/3 Lawrence.

ET 18/3 George TWEEDIE-STODART born in Edinburgh 18/1/1841, baptized 23/3/1841. In 1841 George
was living at Oliver with his family. In 1851 he was a scholar living at 16 Abercrombie Place, Edinburgh with
his widowed father and brothers and was educated at Edinburgh Academy 1852/57. Apprenticed to his father,
he was admitted as WS 14/3/1867 and later was with Fraser, Stodart & Ballingall.

In 1881 he was living at 7 Hartington Gardens, Edinburgh with his sister Eliza and two unmarried servants.
George’s home remained at 7 Hartington Gardens but he died in Naples, Italy 23/5/1882, perhaps on a visit to
his brother Alexander. Unmarried. Confirmation of his estate was granted to his sister Eliza.

Alexander was a scholar living there at 16 Abercrombie Place with his father and brothers and was educated at
Edinburgh Academy 1852/57. He graduated MD from Edinburgh University and was a physician in Naples,
Italy for many years. Alexander died on 31/3/1907.

ET18/5 James TWEEDIE-STODART baptized in Edinburgh 15/11/1844. Shortly after his birth and the
month before his baptism, James’s mother had died in childbirth. In 1851 he was a scholar living at 16
Abercrombie Place, Edinburgh with his widowed father and brothers. He was educated at Edinburgh Academy
1854/58 and at the Edinburgh Institute 1858/60.

At one time he was a wine merchant in Leith. In 1881 James, a retired corn chandler, was living at 6 The
Terrace, Eltham, Kent with his wife Amelia Stacey, born in Lambeth, London c.1851 and one servant.

James died in 1896.

ET17/40 Thomas Stodart and Robina Kerr Aitchison’s children:

ET18/6 Mary Aitcheson STODART baptized in Traquair parish, Peebles 24/8/1830. Mary died on 28/10/1851,
aged 22, and was buried in West Linton parish churchyard.

ET18/7 George STODART baptized in Traquair parish, Peebles 14/10/1831. George died on 11/6/1846, aged
15, and was buried in West Linton parish churchyard.

ET18/8 William Aitchison STODART baptized in Traquair parish, Peebles 24/8/1833.
ET18/9 John STODART baptized in Tynron parish, Dumfries 19/9/1838. In 1881 John was a married factor at Blairmore Farm in Dunoon, Argyll with a cook, housemaid and shepherd. He was farming 800 acres, of which 310 were arable, and employed twenty-three men, six women & two boys.

ET17/41 Jane Stodart and John Aitchison’s children:

ET18/10 William John AITCHISON baptized in Peebles parish 8/5/1827. William married in Canongate parish 2/6/1853 Mary Hannah Stodart, born in Drumelzier parish c.1829. In 1881 his widow was head of household at 10 Buckingham Terrace, Edinburgh with her unmarried sisters Sarah J Stodart aged 61 born Ashford, Middlesex and Agnes M Stodart aged 57 born Trecastle, Glamorgan, Wales, nephews ET 19/5 John and ET 19/6 Thomas Begbie and niece ET19/22 Janet Steele Stodart.

ET18/11 Christina Stodart AITCHISON baptized in Peebles parish 27/11/1828. Christina married in 1856 Thomas Begbie, born in Dirleton parish, East Lothian 22/11/1816 to George Begbie, farmer (died 1855), and his wife Agnes Allan.

Christina and her family lived at Queenstonbank in Dirleton parish, where in 1861 her husband was farming 450 acres, until her death there on 7/2/1864, aged 35. Her widower, a member of the Kirk Session, of the Parochial Board and the School Board and chairman of the Sanitary Committee, died when visiting a friend at 1 Hillside Crescent, Edinburgh 18/2/1878, aged 61.

Children: ET19/4 George, ET19/5 John Aitchison, ET19/6 Thomas Allan.

ET18/12 Mary AITCHISON born in Canongate parish, Edinburgh 26/1/1832.

ET 18/13 Jane Stodart AITCHISON baptized in Edinburgh 7/11/1834. Jane married there on 10/1/1861 John Fletcher Wilmot, born Salisbury, Wiltshire c.1831. In 1881 she was living at Datchet Road in New Windsor, Berkshire with her brewer husband, children and two servants.

Children: ET19/7 John Aitchison, ET19/8 Thomas, ET19/9 Hugh B, ET19/10 Mary.


In 1881, a brewer & maltster employing forty-seven men & two boys, Thomas was living at 4 Kilgraston Road, Edinburgh with his wife and children, a cook, table-maid, laundry-maid, house-maid and nursery-maid.


ET18/15 John AITCHISON baptized in Canongate parish, Edinburgh 30/8/1839.

ET1 8/16 Anne Stodart AITCHISON baptized in Edinburgh 12/4/1841. In 1881, an unmarried annuitant, Anne was living there with her widowed mother at 17 Randolph Crescent.
ET17/41 James Stodart and Janet Liddell Steele’s children:

ET18/17 Mary Bell STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 23/10/1832.

ET18/18 Thomas STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 4/5/1835. Thomas married in Edinburgh 15/6/1866 Margaret Matheson Shand. She was baptized in Tranent parish, East Lothian 23/5/1845, daughter of John Shand, farmer at Wolfstar in Ormiston parish, and his wife Ann Isabella Brown; they married there on 10/2/1832 and in 1881, Ann (born in England c.1813), a widow living on income from dividends, was head of household at 43 Inverleith Row, Edinburgh with her four unmarried children, cook and housemaid.

In 1881 Thomas was living at Biggarsheils, a farmer of 250 acres employing six men, six women & two boys, with wife and children and a nurse, cook, cattleman, ploughman & stable boy.


ET18/19 Christina Jane STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 19/2/1838. Christina married there on 8/8/1861 David Stodart.

Child: ET19/25 Janet Steele.

ET18/20 Helen Jane STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 13/11/1839.

ET17/43 Laurence Stodart and Mary Ann Middleton’s children:

ET18/21 Thomas STODART baptized in South Leith 7/5/1831. Thomas may have emigrated to Australia with his family.

ET18/22 Mary STODART baptized in South Leith 22/4/1833. Mary may have emigrated to Australia with her family.

ET18/23 John Benham STODART baptized in South Leith 17/6/1836. John may have emigrated to Australia with his family.

ET17/45 Thomas Tweedie and Lydia Wallis’ children:

ET18/24 Lydia Mary TWEEDIE born 1839, baptized in Calcutta.

ET18/25 Lucy Maria TWEEDIE born in 1844. Lucy died in India 1870.

ET18/26 Frances Sophia TWEEDIE born in India 1845.

ET18/27 Thomas Wallis TWEEDIE born at (Duckin Ilhezapore), Calcutta, West Bengal 21/7/1848. He was employed in the Indian Civil Service as manager of the Government Court of Wards.

Thomas married at Hazaribagh, Bengal 1878 Edith Lane, daughter of William Lane.

He died in India in 1917.

ET18/28 Charlotte Margaret Dicey TWEEDEIE born 1850, baptized in Calcutta.

ET18/29 Mary Llewelyn TWEEDEIE born in Calcutta, West Bengal 12/5/1855.

ET17/45 Thomas Tweedie and Emmeline Jane Tiery’s children:

ET18/30 Emmeline Elsie TWEEDEIE born Calcutta, West Bengal 10/10/1858. Emmeline died there at Chowringhee 1882.

ET18/31 Henrietta Sarah Jane TWEEDEIE born 1860, baptized in Calcutta.

ET18/32 Madelaine Alexandra TWEEDEIE born 1862, baptized in Calcutta.

ET18/33 Maurice Howe TWEEDEIE born in Dinagapore, eastern Bengal 1865. Maurice may have been living in Christchurch, New Zealand by 1915.

ET17/46 Harriette Tweedie’s and Veitch Sinclair’s children:

ET18/34 Harriette Eliza SINCLAIR born, probably at 21 Elder Street, Edinburgh 31/8/1844. In 1851 Harriette, a scholar, was living there at No 12 with her family and in 1881, unmarried, at 48 Northumberland Street with her mother and brother Alexander. She died probably in Morningside, Edinburgh 1932.

ET18/35 Veitch Thomas SINCLAIR born, probably at 21 Elder Street, Edinburgh 7/5/1846.

ET18/36 Alexander James SINCLAIR born probably at 21 Elder Street, Edinburgh and baptized in Edinburgh 4/10/1847. In 1851 Alexander was living there at No 12 with his family and in 1881, a doctor of medicine, he was head of household at 48 Northumberland Street, with his mother, sister Elizabeth, visitor Henry Ware an art student aged 18 born in England, a cook and housemaid. He died in Edinburgh 1889.

ET18/37 Henry John Tweedie SINCLAIR born, probably at 21 Elder Street, Edinburgh 9/9/1849. In 1851 Henry was living there at No 12 and in 1881, unmarried, at Liverpool Road in Islington, London with his father. In 1898 when living at Manderston, 5 Quin Street in Higham, Birmingham, Henry was the informant of his mother’s death. In 1912 he may have been living at 242 Newhaven Road, Edinburgh. Henry died in South Leith 1924, aged 75.

ET18/38 James Edward SINCLAIR born, probably at 12 Elder Street, Edinburgh 5/12/1850. In 1851 James was living there with his family and in 1881 was a medical assistant to Henry John Knight, MRCS & LSA London, at 6 Wellgate in Rotherham, Yorkshire.


ET18/40 Augustine William SINCLAIR born in Edinburgh 12/6/1856.

ET18/41 Adelaide Jane SINCLAIR born in Edinburgh 27/1/1858.

ET17/49 John Tweedie and Robina Bell Duff Galloway’s children:

ET18/42 Arthur John TWEEDEIE born in Greenock, Renfrewshire 28/1/1864. In 1881 Arthur was living at The Cottage in Carlops, West Linton, Peeblesshire with his parents. He later moved to Egypt where he was managing Director of Port Said and Suez Coal Company.
Arthur married 1st in Suez, Egypt 1887 Kate Marion Besly; lived at Braunton, Devon; wife died 1939. He married 2nd in 1940 Constance Harris.

Arthur died 1972.

Children: ET19/28 Douglas Royle, ET19/29 Doris, ET19/30 John Norman, ET 19/31 Constance Mary.

ET18/43 Harriette Minnie Agnes Annie Tweedie born Greenock 18/7/1865. Harriette died there that year.

ET18/44 Veitch Sinclair Tweedie born in Edinburgh 19/11/1867. Veitch died shortly afterwards.

ET17/52 James Tweedie and Jane Aitken White’s children:

ET18/45 Thomas Cunliffe Tweedie born, probably at Rachan, in Glenholm 14/8/1864. Thomas was general manager in the Indigo business.

He married 1st in 1893 Emily Sophia Jackson Muspratt Muspratt-Williams, daughter of Major General J Muspratt Muspratt-Williams. They later divorced. He married 2nd at Calcutta in 1925 Gertrude Eleanor Bateman.

Thomas died in 1937.

Child: ET19/32 Douglas Oswald.

ET18/46 Amy Charlotte Tweedie born, probably at Rachan, in Glenholm 10/9/1865. In 1881 Amy was a boarding scholar at 7 Arundel Terrace, Brighton, Sussex; her father’s mother lived nearby.

ET18/47 Herbert James Tweedie born, probably at Rachan, in Glenholm 20/4/1867. Herbert died there on 11/1/1868.

ET18/48 Percy Charles Tweedie born Liverpool 23/3/1869. In 1881 Percy was a scholar, living at Rachan House in Glenholm parish.


Later he was living at Risden in Hawkhurst, Kent and died there on 1/10/1938, aged 69.

Child: ET19/33 John Lawrence.

ET18/49 Lawrence William Tweedie born, probably at Rachan, in Glenholm 17/8/1870. In 1881 Lawrence was a scholar, living at Rachan House. He drowned at Negrete, Buenos Aires 17/10/1900.

ET18/50 Francis James Tweedie born, probably at Rachan, in Glenholm 21/2/1872. In 1881 Francis, a scholar, was living there at Rachan House. He was a lieutenant in the East Lancashire Regiment and later a planter and manager of Dilli, Assam Tea Syndicate in 1917. Francis married at Hazaribagh, India 1919 Gertrude Agnes Scott.

ET18/51 Gerald Scott Tweedie born, probably at Rachan, in Glenholm 24/11/1874. In 1881 Gerald, a scholar, was living there at Rachan House.
He married on 29/1/1908 Maude Emily Abigail Hawkesworth Smyth, daughter of Thomas James Smyth, DL & JP, of Ballynegall in Co Westmeath, Ireland (his obituary was published on 10/11/1951).

Gerald joined The Royal Scots. On 17/7/1911, as captain of No 5 Company, he was one of the officers of the 1st Battalion detailed to furnish “an officers’ guard at Holyrood Palace at 3pm on the day of their Majesties’ arrival in Edinburgh.” On 18/7/1911 he attended or was presented at his Majesty’s Levee at the Palace. In 1912 he attained the rank of major and early in the First World War, on 22/8/1914, led C Company, of the 2nd Battalion of the 3rd Division, at Mons in Belgium where they “formed the inlying picquet and established outposts on the Mons-Harmignies Road”. Gerald was wounded.

ET17/53 Benjamina (Mina) Hay Tweedie and John Swift’s children:

ET18/52 Mary Elizabeth SWIFT born some time after December 1862.

ET18/53 John L’estrange SWIFT born probably in the 1860s.

ET18/54 Maude Mina SWIFT born in Glenholm 17/9/1867.

ET17/54 Charles Thomas Tweedie and Ada Frances Cunliffe’s children:

ET18/55 Mina Frances TWEEDIE born in India 1866. In 1881 Frances was living at Calder Lodge, Gringham Hill, Cookham, Berkshire with her brother and sisters.

ET18/56 James Walter TWEEDIE born at Porechattie, Japore, India 1869. In 1881 James was living at home with his siblings. He was later an indigo planter and manager of the Jaipur Tea Company. He married Alice Bertha Cummings, daughter of R T Cummings.


ET18/57 Ada Mabel TWEEDIE born in Edinburgh 22/8/1871. In 1881 Ada was living at home with her siblings. She married in 1902 William Starbuck Griffith of Milford Haven in Pembrokeshire, South Wales.

ET18/58 Mary Dorothea TWEEDIE born Maidenhead, Berkshire 1880. In 1881 Mary was living at home with her siblings. She married in 1902 Morton Barnet MD of Crieff.

ET17/55 William Thomas Tweedie and Mary Cope’s children:

ET18/59 Claude Francis TWEEDIE born at the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa 1865. In 1871 Claude was living at Whitslade in Glenholm parish with his family. He married in 1886 Nellie Louise Jewett. Claude died in 1898; when his will was proven in 1908 he was styled ‘of Hayward, California’.


ET18/60 Lilian TWEEDIE born at the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa 1866. In 1871 Lilian was living at Whitslade in Glenholm parish with her family. In 1881 she was a boarding scholar with sisters Marion, Mina and Katherine at a girls’ boarding school at Ebley Court in Stonehouse, Gloucestershire. Lilian died in Kensington, London 1884.

ET18/61 Marion Elizabeth Hammond TWEEDIE born at the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa 1867. In 1871 Marion was living at Whitslade in Glenholm parish with her family. In 1881 she was a boarding scholar with sisters Lilian, Mina and Katherine at a girls’ boarding school. Marion died in Kensington, London 1882.
ET18/62 Mina TWEEDIE born at the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa c.1869. In 1871 Mina was living at Whitslade in Glenholm parish with her family. In 1881 she was a boarding scholar with sisters Lilian, Marion and Katherine at a girls’ boarding school.

ET18/63 Herbert William TWEEDIE born at sea 1870. In 1871 Herbert was living at Whitslade in Glenholm parish with his family. In 1881 he was a boarding scholar at 11 Alexandra Villas, Brighton. Herbert died in Tasmania, an island state of Australia, in 1884.

ET18/64 Charles Cope TWEEDIE born at Whiteside, Glenholm 12/11/1871. Charles died in infancy.

ET18/65 Katherine Mary TWEEDIE born in Ealing, Middlesex and baptized there 10/5/1873. In 1881 Katherine was a boarding scholar with sisters Lilian, Marion and Mina at a girls’ boarding school.

ET18/66 Evelyn Ada TWEEDIE born in Chiswick, Middlesex 1877. In 1881 Evelyn was with her mother at Hazling Dane House in Sibertswold, Kent.

ET18/67 Francis Douglas TWEEDIE born 1878. Francis served in the 2nd Brabant’s Horse. He was killed in action at Steynsberg, South Africa in 1901, aged 23.

ET17/55 William Thomas Tweedie and Alice Lyle’s children:

ET18/68 Eva Katherine TWEEDIE born 1887.

ET18/69 Charles William TWEEDIE born 1889.

ET18/70 Lilian Mary TWEEDIE born 1893.

ET18/71 Herbert Maurice TWEEDIE born 1896.

ET17/56 Annie Elizabeth Tweedie and Charles Henry Ringwood’s children:

ET18/72 Lily Maude RINGWOOD born in Dibrooghur, West Bengal, India 10/10/1872. In 1881 Lily and her sister Kathleen were living with their grandmother Benjamina Mackay/ Tweedie and a governess at 14 Junction Parade, Brighton, Sussex.

ET18/73 Kathleen RINGWOOD born in Dibrooghur, West Bengal, India c.1874. In 1881 Kathleen and her elder sister Lily were living with their grandmother Benjamina Mackay/ Tweedie and a governess at 14 Junction Parade, Brighton, Sussex.

ET18/74 Hilda May RINGWOOD born in Dibrooghur, West Bengal, India 2/5/1876.

ET17/57 Mary Hay Tweedie and Douglas William Giffard’s children:

ET18/75 Douglas Henry Rendell GIFFARD born in Brighton, Sussex 1880. In 1881 Douglas was living there with his family at 44 Old Steine.

ET18/76 Colin Hay GIFFARD born in Brighton, Sussex 1881. In that year’s census Colin was aged just one month, and living there with his family at 44 Old Steine.

ET18/77 Gordon Carmichael GIFFARD born in Brighton, Sussex 1886.
Alexander Lawrence Tweedie and Charlotte Crome Keith’s child:

William Keith Tweedie born in Old Machar, Aberdeen 19/4/1856. When William was just 2 1/2 years old, his father died at sea from a fever.

He married in Forres, Moray 18/8/1896 Isabella Margaret Joanna Blaikie, daughter of John Blaikie. William later was styled ‘of Faillie & Inverernie’ in Inverness-shire.

Children: ET19/41 John Alexander, ET19/42 Eva Margaret.

William John Tweedie and Mary Cradock’s children:

Eba Margaret Isobel Tweedie born in Madras, East Indies c.1858. In 1881 Eba was living at Glenholm in Gillsland Road, Edinburgh with her family. She married on 15/12/1885 Robert McNair. A widow, she died on 2/2/1950.

Maurice Carmichael Tweedie born on 10/4/1860. Maurice died on 19/1/1866.

Mary Beatrice Tweedie born in Rauchi, West Bengal, India 5/3/1867. Mary died on 5/9/186?

William Walter Maurice Tweedie born in Bengal, India 12/1/1870. In 1881 William, a scholar, was living at Glenholm in Gillsland Road, Edinburgh with his family. He served as a lieutenant in the 21st Hussars (Inverernie), a light armed cavalry, and as a captain in the Royal Field Artillery in the First World War.

William married on 21/2/1911 Gwendoline Mary Cradock Smithson. Daughter of Harry Sheldon Cradock Smithson, JP of Inverernie in Inverness-shire, and his wife Emily Getty of Belfast, Gwendoline died on 28/12/1914. After his mother’s death in 1917, William was granted confirmation of her estate.

Child: ET19/43 John Alexander.

Elizabeth Mary Tweedie and John Blaikie’s children:


daughter Blaikie born Old Machar, Aberdeen 8/10/1861.

Isabella Margaret Joanna Blaikie born Old Machar, Aberdeen 19/4/1863.

Alexander Forbes Tweedie and Alice Bell’s children:

Michael Forbes Tweedie born at Rolvenden, Kent 30/3/1860. Michael was educated at Repton School in Derby. In 1881, a solicitor’s articled clerk, he was at the family home of Bickley Park in Bonnington, Bromley, Kent.

He married on 10/7/1890 Marian Angela Clare Ellis, who was born in Australia c.1862 to Arthur Ellis of the Indian Civil Service. In 1881 she and her brother Arthur F. Ellis an undergraduate aged 20 born in Australia, were staying at Old Cottage, Chislehurst Road, Bromly, Kent where the head of household was her unmarried aunt Marian Ellis, aged 53, born Bloomsbury, London, who had an income arising from houses and dividends. Also in the household were Marian Ellis’ unmarried sister Louise aged 45 and brother Thomas F. Ellis aged 59, a cook and two housemaids,
Michael later was editor of The History of the Tweedie Family, published in 1902, became FSA in 1906 and was awarded the C St John in 1929. His wife died on 7/7/1926 and he died on 7/2/1938.


ET18/87 Katherine Alice TWEEDE DIE born at Rolvenden, Kent 20/11/1861. In 1881 Katherine was living at the family home of Bickley Park, Bonnington, Bromley, Kent. In 1939 she was at the family home of Rawlinson in Rolvenden, Kent with sisters Laura and Mary; Rawlinson was sold later that year. Katherine died on 16/4/1943. Unmarried.

ET18/88 Maurice Albert TWEEDE DIE born at Rolvenden, Kent 19/7/1863. In 1881 Maurice was a boarding scholar at Repton School in Derbyshire. He married on 11/9/1901 Eva Mary Pomfret, daughter of William Pomfret Pomfret, MP, DL, of Mystole, Canterbury, Kent. Maurice died on 25/5/1934.

Child: ET19/46 Kenneth Pomfret.

ET18/89 Laura Beatrice TWEEDE DIE born at Rolvenden, Kent 25/3/1865. In 1881 Laura was a scholar, living at the family home of Bickley Park in Bonnington, Bromley, Kent. In 1939 she was at the family home of Rawlinson in Rolvenden with sisters Katherine and Mary. The house was sold that year and she moved to Orchard House in Tenterden, Kent. Unmarried.

ET18/90 Emily Hamilton TWEEDE DIE born at Rolvenden, Kent 12/1/1867. In 1881 Emily was a scholar, living at the family home of Bickley Park in Bonnington, Bromley, Kent. She married on 17/11/1898 Stephen Carson Paul, a civil servant, who was born in Bruton, Somerset c.1851. Emily’s husband died on 17/8/1911 and she died on 8/9/1951.

ET18/91 Mary Isobel TWEEDE DIE born at Rolvenden, Kent 11/10/1868. In 1881 Mary was a scholar, living at the family home of Bickley Park, Bonnington, Bromley, Kent. In 1939 she was at Rawlinson in Rolvenden, Kent with sisters Katherine and Laura. Mary died on 16/3/1947. Unmarried

ET18/92 Alexander Robert TWEEDE DIE born at Rolvenden, Kent 3/12/1871. In 1881 Alexander was a boarding scholar at Elm House, Maple Road, Kingston-on-Thames, Surrey, and later was educated at Repton in Derbyshire. He qualified FRCS Eng, LRCP London, served as a colonel in the RAMC (TF) in the Boer War and the First World War and was awarded the TD.

He married on 1/9/1908 Anna Cadle Mahin, daughter of Frank W Mahin, US consul.

Alexander died on 18/3/1936. In 1953 his widow was living at 28 The Ropewalk in Nottingham.

Child: ET19/47 Ruth Hamilton.

ET18/93 Kenneth Digby TWEEDE DIE born at Rolvenden, Kent 10/3/1873. In 1881 Kenneth was a scholar, living at the family home of Bickley Park in Bonnington, Bromley, Kent. He was educated at Repton in Derbyshire and later gained AMIMechE.

He married on 2/6/1906 Mary Alice Sadler. She was born in Stoke-by-Nayland in Suffolk c.1877 to Robert Stebbing Sadler and his wife Alice F. In 1881 Mary was living at the Old House in Great Horkesley, Essex, where her father farmed 230 acres.

Kenneth died in Peking 17/2/1910. His widow died in May 1940.

ET18/94 Louisa Moira TWEEDE born at Rolvenden, Kent 12/12/1874. Louisa died there on 15/12/1875, just one year old.

ET18/95 Ethel Jane TWEEDE born at Rolvenden, Kent 24/6/1876. In 1881 Ethel was living at the family home of Bickley Park in Bonnington, Bromley, Kent.

She married on 24/6/1903 Edward Keane Ridley, a major in the Dorset Regiment. He was born in Worthing, Sussex c.1862 to Edward Ridley (who later lived at East Hill House in Charmister, Dorset). In 1881 Edward, a 2nd lieutenant in the Hertfordshire militia, was an army pupil boarding at 1 East Villa, Upton Park, Upton-cum-Chalvey, Buckinghamshire.

Ethel may have predeceased her husband who was living at Dudswell House near Berkhamsted, Berkshire when he died on 13/1/1947.


ET17/66 Marian Tweedie and Robert Thomas Gibbon Gibbon-Monypenny’s child:

ET18/96 Ethel Maude MONYPENNY born Ryde, Isle of Wight 1861. In 1881 Ethel was living with her parents at Maytham Hall in Rolvenden, Kent.

ET17/69 Richard Walter Tweedie and Mary Louisa Baird’s children:

ET18/97 Margaret Carmichael TWEEDE born in Paddington, London and baptized there at St James 14/3/1871. In 1881 Margaret, a scholar, was living at 13 Linden Gardens, Kensington, London with her family.

ET18/98 Charles Montagu TWEEDE born in Paddington, London 15/6/1872 and baptized there at St James 15/7/1872. Charles died, probably in Kensington, 24/7/1880.

ET18/99 Winifred Hay TWEEDE born Kensington, London c.1878. In 1881 Winifred was living there at 13 Linden Gardens with her family. She died on 27/7/1935.

ET18/100 Sylvia Murray TWEEDE born Kensington, London c.1879. In 1881 Sylvia was living there at 13 Linden Gardens with her family.

She married on 20/6/1905 Charles Spottiswoode Weir, LLB, son of James Weir of Singapore and London. Sylvia and her husband later resided at Robins Wood, Portnalis Rise, Wentworth, Surrey. There were children of the marriage.


ET18/102 Muriel Forbes TWEEDE born probably in Kensington, London in the mid 1880s. Muriel later lived at 281 Park West in west London.

ET18/103 Eirene Frances Stewart TWEEDE born probably in Kensington, London in the late 1880s. Eirene married on 8/12/1910 Richard Whittow of Muryn in Brockenhurst, Hants. There were children of the marriage.
Michael Tweedie and Louisa Bateson Hammond’s children:

ET18/104 Ralph Tweedie born in St Pierre Port, Guernsey 25/8/1873. In 1881 Ralph was a scholar, living with his family at Herbert Road, Champion Terrace, Plumstead, Kent.

ET18/105 Henry Carmichael Tweedie born at Old Charlton, Kent 1876. In 1881 Henry was a scholar, living with his family at Herbert Road, Champion Terrace, Plumstead, Kent. He was educated at the Royal Military College, joined the North Staffordshire Regiment in 1896, served in the Boer and First World Wars and retired in 1925 as Lt-colonel. He was awarded the DSO in 1902 and the OBE in 1919 and became a JP in 1939.

He married on 26/12/1914 Catherine Lucy Minnie Prior. She was a daughter of Colonel A W Prior, JP, of Datchet, Buckinghamshire.

In 1937 Henry was appointed JP for Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, where he lived at Beechwood with his wife and daughters.

Children: ET19/50 Ida Carina, ET19/51 Olive Patricia.

ET18/106 Hugh Justin Tweedie born Old Charlton, Kent 6/4/1877. In 1881 Hugh was living with his family at Herbert Road, Champion Terrace, Plumstead, Kent. He joined the Royal Navy served in the First World War commanding the Grand Fleet flotillas 1917-20 and HMS Marlborough 1922-28, as adc to King George V 1925, in China and Africa, was created KCB as Sir Hugh in 1933, and appointed admiral in 1935. He retired in 1936 but was recalled when the Second World War broke out in 1939. [see Annex - Military]


ET18/107 Lannoy Barkly Tweedie born Waltham Abbey, Essex 5/11/1878. In 1881 Lannoy was living with his family at Herbert Road, Champion Terrace, Plumstead, Kent. He later served in the Boer War.

He married on 11/8/1908 Apes Dorothy Bennefield.

Child: ET19/58 Keith Hugo.

ET18/108 Maurice Tweedie birth details not known. There is no record for him in Burke’s LG.

ET18/109 Evelyn Blanche Tweedie born 1881. In 1953 Evelyn was with her sisters at Trinity Road in Folkestone, Kent. Either Evelyn or her sister, Ida, took holy orders and became a nun.

ET18/110 Dorothy Augusta Tweedie born 1884. In 1953 Dorothy was with her sisters at Trinity Road in Folkestone, Kent. She was in the Voluntary Aid Detachment in WWI and a nurse with red cross medals.

ET18/111 Ida Mildred Tweedie born 1890. In 1953 Ida was with her sisters at Trinity Road in Folkestone, Kent.

Maurice Tweedie and Emma Elizabeth Battie’s children:

Edith Maude Tweedie born in Lucknow, West Bengal 14/1/1869. In 1881 Edith was a scholar, living with her father’s sister ET17/66 Marian and her family at Maytham Hall in Rolvenden, Kent. She died in 1946. Unmarried.

Maurice Carmichael Tweedie born at Rolvenden, Kent 23/3/1870. In 1881 Maurice was a boarding scholar at Dover College, Folkestone Road, Hougham, Kent. He served as a detective inspector with the Indian Police. He married on 13/11/1906 Mildred Le Gros Clarke, daughter of Alfred Ashley Clarke of Ravensdene in Rye, Sussex.

Maurice retired to Houghton Green in Playden, Sussex.


John Lannoy Forbes Tweedie born, probably in Lucknow, India 10/11/1872. John served as a lt-col with the Gloucestershire Regiment in Egypt, South Africa and the First World War and was awarded the DSO.

He married on 5/3/1921 Irene Isabel Maudslay, daughter of Cpt Eustace Reginald Maudslay of the 16th Lancers.

Children: ET19/60 Marion Alison, ET19/61 Gerald.

Francis Forbes Tweedie born, probably in Lucknow, India, 29/8/1874. Francis married on 29/3/1908 Hilda Fernihough, daughter of E C F Fernihough of Rock Ferry, Cheshire.

Child: ET19/62 Denis F.

Alice Mabel Forbes Tweedie born probably in India c.1876. Alice married 1st on 17/2/1902 Cpt Walter Lorenzo Alexander, born c.1873 to George and Susan Alexander of Rathvindon, Erindale, Co Carlow, Ireland. Walter was commanding the 2nd battalion of the Yorkshire Regiment when he was killed in action at Festubert, France on 14/5/1915, aged 42; he was buried in Le Touret Military Cemetery, Richebourg-L’Avoue, Pas de Calais, France. Alice was living at the Thatched Cottage in Northiam, Sussex at that time.

Alice married 2nd on 1/2/1927 Herbert Cyril Coaks of Flatropers in Beckley, Rye, Sussex, eldest son of Herbert Coaks.

Gladys Marian Tweedie born probably in India c.1877. Gladys married on 27/4/1912 Maj-Gen Howard Ensor, son of Edward Ensor, MA. Howard served in the RAMC, was awarded the GB, CMG, CBE and DSO and died on 12/11/1942. In 1953 Gladys, who had 2 sons and 2 daughters, was living at Osborne in Hawkhurst, Kent.

Alexander Forbes Tweedie baptized at Sitapur, India 2/10/1879. Alexander died there just over 3 weeks later, on 25th October.

Myra Elizabeth Tweedie and Thomas A Roberts’ children:

Fanny T Roberts born in St Pancras, London c.1862. In 1881 Fanny was living there at 7 Gordon Place with her family.

Myra H Roberts born in St Pancras, London c.1864. In 1881 Myra, a scholar, was living there at 7 Gordon Place with her family.
ET18/122 Archibald C ROBERTS born in St Pancras, London c.1865. In 1881 Archibald, a scholar, was living there at 7 Gordon Place with his family.

ET18/123 Ada M ROBERTS born in St Pancras, London c.1867. In 1881 Ada, a scholar, was living there at 7 Gordon Place with her family.

ET18/124 Mabel S ROBERTS born in St Pancras, London c.1871. In 1881 Mabel, a scholar, was living there at 7 Gordon Place with her family.

ET18/125 Dora M ROBERTS born in St Pancras, London c.1878. In 1881 Dora was living there at 7 Gordon Place with her family.

ET18/126 Charles C ROBERTS born in St Pancras, London c.1879. In 1881 Charles was living there at 7 Gordon Place with his family.

ET17/73 John Lannoy Tweedie and Emma Constance Murray’s children:

ET18/127 Constance Mary TWEEDIE no details known.

ET18/128 Kathleen Hay L TWEEDIE no details known.

ET18/129 Olive Murray L TWEEDIE no details known.

ET17/71 Alexander Tweedie Newbigging and Helen Kennedy’s children:

ET18/130 Thomas Kennedy NEWBIGGING baptized Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 26/9/1842. Thomas died before his brother Thomas’s birth in 1858.

ET18/131 Mary Ann Tweedie NEWBIGGING baptized Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 14/5/1844. Mary Ann married there on 29/9/1867 Andrew Johnstone McIntosh. He was baptized in Lochmaben parish, Dumfriesshire 9/12/1839, son of George McIntosh and his wife Violet Thomson, both born in the county, George in Dryfesdale parish 1802 and Violet in Lochmaben parish c.1809 and married in Lochmaben 1838; in 1881 George was managing 249 acres of arable farmland at Boreland Farm in Caerlaverock parish, Dumfriesshire, employing three men and three women, and living at the farmhouse with his wife, daughter Fanny born Lochmaben c.1848 and a domestic servant, dairymaid and farm servant.

In 1881 Mary Ann was living at 1 Gordon Street, Dumfries with her veterinary surgeon husband, their 3 children, a general domestic servant and a groom.

Children: ET19/63 George, ET19/64 Helen (Ella) Kennedy, ET19/65 Alexander Newbigging.

ET18/132 Robert NEWBIGGING baptized Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 27/5/1847.

ET18/133 Jane Pringle Kennedy NEWBIGGING baptized Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 3/7/1851.

ET18/134 Helen Mary Ronald NEWBIGGING baptized Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 28/7/1853.

ET18/135 Robina NEWBIGGING born Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 26/11/1855. Robina was a witness at the marriage of her cousin ET18/141 Annie Tweedie Murray in 1880.
ET18/136 Thomas Kennedy NEWBIGGING born Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 2/2/1858.

ET18/137 John NEWBIGGING born Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 31/3/1862.

ET17/78 Anne (Annie) Tweedie Newbigging and Robert Murray’s children:

ET18/138 Andrew MURRAY baptized at Temple, Midlothian 30/7/1843. In 1851 Andrew was a scholar, living with his family at Spittal, Penicuik, Midlothian. In 1881, married and a grocer employing 1 man & 1 boy, he was visiting his parents at 18 Lonsdale Terrace, Edinburgh.

ET18/139 Mary Hay Tweedie MURRAY baptized in Carlops, West Linton, Peeblesshire 15/2/1846. In 1851 Mary was living with her family at Spittal, Penicuik, Midlothian.

She married in Penicuik 1/6/1866 Robert Veitch. He was born in Stow, Midlothian 8/3/1844 to Robert Witch and his wife Joan Fox who married there 2/6/1843.

In 1881 Mary was living at 3 Craigside Place, Edinburgh with her husband, a grain laborer, and their children.

Children: ET19/66 Annie Tweedie, ET19/67 Robert, ET19/68 Andrew Murray, ET19/69 John, ET19/70 Eliza (Lizzie) Brydon Duncan, ET19/71 James, ET19/72 Helen A.

ET18/140 Robert MURRAY baptized in Carlops, West Linton 11/4/1848. In 1851 Robert was living with his family at Spittal, Penicuik, Midlothian. In 1881, an unmarried grocer employing 3 men & 4 boys, he was living with his family at 18 Lonsdale Terrace, Edinburgh.

ET18/141 Annie Tweedie MURRAY born Spittal, Penicuik, Midlothian 30/10/1849, baptized in Penicuik 9/12/1849. In 1851 Annie was living at Spittal with her family.

She was at 10 Brougham Street, Edinburgh when she married, at the groom’s address of 18 Lonsdale Terrace, Edinburgh 3/8/1880 (Free Church of Scotland form), Duncan Fraser, a teacher of music; witnesses were Alexander Martin and the bride’s cousin ET 18/135 Robina Newbigging. Duncan was born in St Cuthbert’s parish, Edinburgh 31/5/1847 to Neil Fraser, a coach hirer’s coachman, and his wife, married in Edinburgh 26/11/1838, Eliza Muirhead. Duncan had 1st married in Edinburgh 20/4/1871 Jessie Dempster who died there in 1877.

In 1881 Annie was still living at 10 Brougham Place, Edinburgh with her husband, his two sons by his 1st marriage, both born Newington, Edinburgh, Harry Duncan born 1875 and Andrew Dempster born 1877, and a female servant. In 1912/13 Annie and her husband, FEIS, were living at 11 Braidburn Terrace, Edinburgh where he taught singing.

Annie’s husband died at 11 Braidburn Terrace, Edinburgh 9/1/1921 and Annie in Newington, Edinburgh 22/5/1939. They were both buried in Morningside Cemetery, Edinburgh.

ET18/142 James MURRAY baptized in Penicuik, Midlothian 13/6/1852. In 1881, an unmarried grocer employing 1 man & 2 boys, James was living with his family at 18 Lonsdale Terrace, Edinburgh. In 1901 he was the informant of his mother’s death.

ET18/143 John William MURRAY born Penicuik, Midlothian 18/8/1858. In 1881 John, an engine fitter, was lodging at 28 Albany Street, Edinburgh, with Frank Adams and family.
ET18/144 Helen Agnes MURRAY born Penicuik, Midlothian 20/5/1864. In 1881 Helen was a scholar living with her family at 18 Lonsdale Terrace, Edinburgh.

ET18/145 Jane Newbigging MURRAY born Penicuik, Midlothian 14/3/1868. In 1881 Jane was a scholar living with her family at 18 Lonsdale Terrace, Edinburgh.

ET18/2 Thomas Tweedie-Stodart and Eleanora Littledale Dick’s children:

ET19/1 Mary TWEEDE-STODART born Oliver in Tweedsmuir 20/4/1873. In 1881 Mary, a scholar, was living there with her family.

She married in St Giles parish, Edinburgh 11/6/1919 Robert Traill Rose. An artist born in England c.1861, in 1881 her husband was a book-keeper visiting John A Falconer GP and his family, and by 1912 was at 130 George Street, Edinburgh.

By 1937 Mary and her husband were living at 1 Ventnor Terrace and remained in Edinburgh until his death there in Newington 1942, aged 81. Mary died in Tweedsmuir 1953.

ET19/2 Eleanora TWEEDE-STODART born Oliver in Tweedsmuir 18/10/1874. In 1881 and 1891 Eleanora, a scholar, was living there with her family.

She married William Brown, BSc, MICE, director of irrigation in Ceylon [now Sri-Lanka]. By 1939 they were living at 12 Hallhead Road, Edinburgh.

ET19/3 Lawrence TWEEDE-STODART born Oliver in Tweedsmuir 26/9/1876. In 1881 and 1891 Lawrence, a scholar, was living there with his family. He qualified as a civil engineer.

He married on 5/10/1908 his cousin Lilla Ramsay Hannay Dick. She was born on 31/1/1886 to his mother’s brother Rev John Crawford Dick (born in Glasgow 15/12/1850, eldest son of Rev John Dick and his 1st wife Mary Littledale), Church of Scotland minister of Eskdalemuir parish, Dumfriesshire and his wife (maiden surname Armstrong).

In 1917 Lawrence was living at 4 Dennartt Estate, Seccgivee Road in Shanghai, where he was engineer-in-chief with the Chinese Maritime Customs, when his father died and he inherited his father’s properties including Oliver of which his mother held the liferent. In 1937 Lawrence was living at 30 Bracket Place, Edinburgh but no doubt moved to Oliver on his mother’s death in 1938, He died at Oliver 25/1/1963, aged 86, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard with his parents. His widow died in Broughton parish, Peeblesshire 1981, aged 95.

Children: ET20/1 Oliver, ET20/2 Jean Eleanor, ET20/3 Eleanor Littledale, ET20/4 Nancy Margaret.

ET19/4 Christina Stodart Aitchison and Thomas Begbie’s children:

ET19/5 George BEGBIE born at Queenstonbank in Dirleton parish, East Lothian 18/3/1857. In 1861 George was living there with his family. In 1881 he was head of household at Dirleton Farmhouse with a housekeeper and housemaid, and farmed 458 arable acres employing 13 men, 12 women and 5 boys. George died in 1886. Unmarried.

ET19/5 John Aitchison BEGBIE born at Queenstonbank in Dirleton parish, East Lothian 15/11/1859. In 1861 John was living there with his family. In 1881, a corn merchant’s clerk, he was living at 10 Buckingham Terrace, Edinburgh in the home of the widow of his uncle ET18/10 William.
John married, at Rosehall United Presbyterian Church, Edinburgh 23/3/1888, Edith Marian McFarlane, born Leith 8/2/1866, eldest daughter of John McFarlane of Glenbourne, Oswald Road, Edinburgh, brass-wire clothmaker and proprietor of the *Scottish Leader*, and his wife Marion Elizabeth Newton. The article in *The Haddingtonshire Courier* noted that over 300 guests were present and that among the over 150 presents, there was one from Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carnegie of New York.

At the time of his marriage John was shown as ‘of Bombay’ but seems to have settled at Queenstonbank where he and his wife had at least 3 sons (born 1889, 1891 and 1893) and a daughter (born 1896).

ET19/6 *Thomas Allan BEGBIE* born at Queenstonbank in Dirleton parish, East Lothian 1/8/1862. In 1881 Thomas, a manure merchant’s clerk, was living at 10 Buckingham Terrace, Edinburgh in the home of the widow of his uncle ET 18/10 William.

He married, at St James’s Episcopal Church, Aberdeen 20/4/1886, Margaret Henrietta Hampton Forshaw, born Edinburgh 22/4/1863, eldest daughter of James Hampton Forshaw of 19 Ashley Road, Aberdeen, hotel manager of the Imperial Hotel, Aberdeen, and his wife, married Edinburgh 22/12/1862, Mary Ann Smith Reynolds.

Thomas and his wife lived in London where he died at 15 South Hill Park Gardens 26/2/1896.

**ET18/13 Jane Stodart Aitchison and John Fletcher Wilmot’s children:**

ET19/7 *John Aitchison WILMOT* baptized at St Botolph without Aldgate, London 22/4/1864. In 1881 John, a scholar, was living at Datchet Road in New Windsor, Berkshire with his family.

ET19/8 *Thomas WILMOT* born Windsor, Berkshire c.1868. In 1881 Thomas, a scholar, was living there at Datchet Road in New Windsor with his family.

ET19/9 *Hugh B WILMOT* born Windsor, Berkshire c.1870. In 1881 Hugh, a scholar, was living there at Datchet Road in New Windsor with his family.

ET19/10 *Mary WILMOT* born Windsor, Berkshire c.1871. In 1881 Mary, a scholar, was living there at Datchet Road in New Windsor with her family.

**ET18/14 Thomas Stodart Aitchison and Euphemia Grey Ritchie’s children:**

ET19/11 *Elizabeth Milne AITCHISON* born Edinburgh 27/9/1861. In 1881 Elizabeth was living there at 4 Kilgraston Road with her family.

ET19/12 *John AITCHISON* born Edinburgh 3/2/1863. In 1881 John was living there at 4 Kilgraston Road with his family.

ET19/13 *George Ritchie AITCHISON* born Edinburgh 19/10/1864. In 1881 George, a scholar, was living there at 4 Kilgraston Road with his family.

ET19/14 *Jane Mabel AITCHISON* born Edinburgh 22/12/1866. In 1881 Jane, a scholar, was living there at 4 Kilgraston Road with her family.

ET19/15 *Euphemia AITCHISON* born Edinburgh 5/8/1868. In 1881 Euphemia, a scholar, was living there at 4 Kilgraston Road with her family.
Wilhelmina Mary AITCHISON born Edinburgh 15/8/1870. In 1881 Wilhelmina, a scholar, was living there at 4 Kilgraston Road with her family.

Janet Maude AITCHISON born Edinburgh 23/6/1874. In 1881 Janet, a scholar, was living there at 4 Kilgraston Road with her family.

Thomas Stodart AITCHISON born in Edinburgh 1880. In 1881 Thomas was living there at 4 Kilgraston Road with his family.

Thomas Stodart and Margaret Matheson Shand’s children:

John James STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 19/2/1867. John died there that year.

John James STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 3/7/1868. In 1881 John, a scholar, was living at Biggarsheils near Biggar in Lanarkshire with his family.

Ann (Annie) Isabella Shand STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 7/1/1870. In 1881 Annie, a scholar, was living at Biggarsheils near Biggar in Lanarkshire with her family.

Janet Steele STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 18/9/1871. In 1881 Janet, a scholar, was living at Biggarsheils near Biggar in Lanarkshire with her family.

Thomas STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 20/5/1873. In 1881 Thomas, a scholar, was living at Biggarsheils near Biggar in Lanarkshire with his family.

Duncan Macfarlane STODART born in Walston, Lanarkshire 1877. In 1881 Duncan was living at Biggarsheils near Biggar in Lanarkshire with his family.

Christina Jane Stodart and David Stodart’s child:

Janet Steele STODART born in Lanark 28/7/1862. In 1881 Janet was living at 10 Buckingham Terrace, Edinburgh with her mother’s cousin ET18/10 William.

Thomas Wallis Tweedie and Edith Lane’s children:

Thomas William Leonard TWEEDIE born in Barharwa, India 1879.

Charles Hungerford Lane TWEEDIE born in Hazarabagh, Bengal 1880. Charles was a mining engineer. He married at Middleton Row, Calcutta 1927 Violet Margaret Thompson. Charles died in Calcutta 1935.

Arthur John Tweedie and Kate Marion Besly’s children:


Children: ET20/5 Paul Peregrine, ET20/6 Stephanie Clara.

Doris TWEEDIE born, possibly in Hertford, 1891. Doris married in 1922 Lucius French-Blake.

Children: ET20/7 Deidre, ET20/8 Caroline.

ET19/31 Constance Mary Tweedie born in Port Said, Egypt 1903.

ET18/45 Thomas Cunliffe Tweedie and Emily Sophia Jackson Muspratt Muspratt-Williams’ child:

ET19/32 Douglas Oswald Tweedie born at Hazrapore, India 1895. A planter, David served as 2nd lieutenant in the Black Watch in the First World War, took part in the Battle of the Somme in Belgium/France when he was injured. He was later convicted in London in 1918 of a minor fraud, which was blamed on the injury.

He married at Madras Cathedral, India 1927 Bessie Rachel Hawes.

Children: ET20/9 David, ET20/10 Rosemary.

ET18/48 Percy Charles Tweedie and Agnes Ann Massy-Dawson’s child:


Children: ET20/11 Michael John Charles, ET20/12 James Alvan, ET20/13 Penelope Anne.

ET18/56 James Walter Tweedie and Alice Bertha Cummings’ children:

ET19/34 Mabel Eileen Tweedie born 1899.

ET19/35 Charles Maxwell Tweedie born at Dibrugah, India 1900. Charles was a tea planter and manager of the Assam Tea Company, India in 1940. He married in Calcutta 1934 Veronica Cara Westmacott.

ET19/36 Norah Gertrude Tweedie born 1902.

ET18/59 Claude Francis Tweedie and Nellie Louise Jewett’s children:

ET19/37 Marion May Tweedie born 1889.

ET19/38 Herbert William Tweedie born 1890.

ET19/39 Nina Viola Tweedie born 1892.

ET19/40 Walter Ervin Tweedie born 1896.

ET18/78 William Keith Tweedie and Isabella Margaret Joanna Blaikie’s children:

ET19/41 John Alexander Tweedie born probably in the late 1890s. John, styled ‘of Faillie & Inverernie’, was a captain.

ET19/42 Eva Margaret Tweedie born probably in the late 1890s.
ET18/82 William Walter Maurice Tweedie and Gwendoline Mary Cradock Smithson’s child:

ET19/43 John Alexander Tweedie born 4/12/1912. John’s mother died when he was just two years old.

ET18/86 Michael Forbes Tweedie and Marian Angela Clare Ellis’s children:


ET19/45 Doyne Forbes Tweedie born 21/3/1896. Doyne was educated at Repton in Derbyshire, served as a captain in the Staffordshire Regiment (The Staffs) in the First World War and worked in the City of London. He married on 4/11/1925 Enid Mary Morgan-Brown, daughter of Heathcote Morgan-Brown.

Child: ET20/14 Ann.


Child of first marriage: ET20/17 Andrew Carmichael.

Child of second marriage: ET20/18 Olivia.

ET19/43 Edward Alexander Keane Ridley born 16/4/1904. Edward was educated at Wellington College, Berkshire, studied at Keble College, Oxford, qualified as solicitor 1928, joined the Treasury Solicitor’s Department 1934, served there as principal assistant solicitor 1956-69 and was awarded the CB 1963. In 1975 he had published Wind Instruments of European Art Music. Unmarried.
ET18/105 Henry Carmichael Tweedie and Catherine Lucy Minnie Prior’s children:


ET19/51 Olive Patricia TWEEDIE born 30/4/1918.

ET18/106 Hugh Justin Tweedie and Constance M. Crossman’s children:

ET19/52 Mona Constance Mary TWEEDIE born 24/3/1908 married Professor William M. Macmillan. There are two sons and two daughters of this marriage. Mona has published a number of books of an academic nature one of which was on her ancestor Sir Henry Barkly colonial governor.

ET19/53 Hugo Edward Forbes TWEEDIE born on 8/3/1910. Hugo married on 1/7/1939 Prudence Mary Addington. He served as a lt-cmdr in the Royal Navy in the Second World War in Mombasa, East Africa, and was awarded the DSC.


ET19/54 Michael Leonard TWEEDIE born on 1/11/1911. Michael served as lieutenant in the Guides Cavalry, and was killed on the North West Frontier of India 30/3/1934.


Children: ET20/24 Sarah Patricia, ET20/25 Amanda Jane Anne, ET20/26 Simon Vere.

ET19/56 Jocelyn Louisa Grace TWEEDIE born on 15/7/1916. Jocelyn married on 27/8/1938 Colonel John Carver of the Royal Engineers. Col. Carver’s mother was widowed and later remarried to Bernard Montgomery who was to become Field Marshal, Earl of Alamein. Three sons and a daughter were born to Jocelyn and John.

ET19/57 Dorithie (Dot) Gertrude TWEEDIE born on 7/6/1918. Dorithie married Colonel Michael Matheson. There are three children of this marriage, a son and two daughters.


ET18/107 Lannoy Baikly Tweedie and Agnes Dorothy Bennefield’s child:


ET18/114 Maurice Carmichael Tweedie and Mildred Le Gros Clarke’s child:


ET18/115 John Lannoy Forbes Tweedie and Irene Isabel Maudsley’s children:

ET19/61 Marion Alison Tweedie born on 15/1/1930.

ET19/62 Gerald Tweedie born on 7/7/1933.

ET18/116 Francis Forbes Tweedie and Hilda Fernhough’s child:


ET18/131 Mary Ann Tweedie Newbigging and Andrew Johnstone McIntosh’s children:

ET19/64 George McIntosh born Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 7/5/1868. In George was living at 1 Gordon Street, Dumfries with his family.

ET19/65 Helen (Ella) Kennedy McIntosh born Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 9/12/1869. In Ella was living at 1 Gordon Street, Dumfries with her family.

ET19/66 Alexander Newbigging McIntosh born Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire 5/3/1873. In 1881 Alexander was living at 1 Gordon Street, Dumfries with his family.

ET18/139 Mary Hay Tweedie Murray and Robert Veitch’s children:

ET19/67 Annie Tweedie Veitch born Peebles 16/12/1866. In 1881 Annie was living with her family at 3 Craigside Place, Edinburgh.

ET19/68 Robert Veitch born Carlops, Peeblesshire 3/7/1868. In 1881 Robert was a scholar, living with his family at 3 Craigside Place, Edinburgh.

ET19/69 Andrew Murray Veitch born Spittal, Edinburgh 10/4/1870. In 1881 Andrew was a scholar, living with his family at 3 Craigside Place, Edinburgh.

ET19/70 John Veitch born Edinburgh 1875c. In 1881 John, a scholar, was living there with his family at 3 Craigside Place.

ET19/71 Eliza (Lizzie) Brydon Duncan Veitch born Edinburgh 1876. In 1881 Lizzie was living there with her Murray grandparents at 18 Lonsdale Terrace.

ET19/72 James Veitch born Edinburgh c.1879. In 1881 James was living there with his family at 3 Craigside Place.

ET19/73 Helen A. Veitch born Edinburgh 1881. In 1881 Helen was living there with her family at 3 Craigside Place.

ET19/3 Lawrence Tweedie-Stodart and Lilla Ramsay Hannay Dick’s children:

ET20/1 Oliver Tweedie-Stodart born 8/11/1909. Oliver was educated at Loretto in Musselburgh near Edinburgh and studied at Edinburgh University.

ET20/2 Jean Eleanor Tweedie-Stodart born 15/9/1911. Jean married in Newington, Edinburgh 1939; her married surname was Davidson. She died in Broughton, Peeblesshire 1994.
ET20/3 Eleanor Littledale TWEEDE-STODART born Largo, Fife 16/3/1913. Eleanor married in Edinburgh 1957; her married name was Bradshaw. She died in Peebles 2000.

ET20/4 Nancy Margaret TWEEDE-STODART born 10/9/1919.

ET19/28 Douglas Royle Tweedie and Ethelwyn Majorie Chanter’s children:

ET20/5 Paul Peregrine TWEEDE born in Alexandria, Egypt 1921.

ET20/6 Stephanie Clara TWEEDE born at Braunton 1924. Stephanie married Rhoderick Macleod who carried out extensive research on her family. In 1996 they were living at Harelawslack in Dumfriesshire.

ET19/30 John Norman Tweedie and Molly Keogh’s children:

ET20/7 Deidre TWEEDE born in c.1926.

ET20/8 Caroline TWEEDE born in c.1928.

ET19/32 Douglas Oswald Tweedie and Bessie Rachel Hawes’s children:

ET20/9 David TWEEDE was living at Rachan House, Selwyn Gardens, Cambridge in 1996.

ET20/10 Rosemary TWEEDE married Neville Lee. In 1996 Rosemary was living at Billingshurst, West Sussex.

ET19/33 John Lawrence Tweedie and Anne Elinor Wilson’s children:

ET20/11 Michael John Charles TWEEDE born on 10/5/1943.

ET20/12 James Alvan TWEEDE born on 22/1/1945.

ET20/13 Penelope Anne TWEEDE born on 30/4/1946.

ET19/45 Doyne Forbes Tweedie and Enid Mary Morgan-Brown’s child:

ET20/14 Ann TWEEDE born 17/8/1926.

ET19/46 Kenneth Pomfret Tweedie and Ethel Joan Morgan’s child:

ET20/15 Jill Alison TWEEDE born 13/8/1930.

ET19/46 Kenneth Pomfret Tweedie and Edina Mary Coleclough’s child:

ET20/16 son TWEEDE born 28/8/1938.

ET19/48 Michael Sadler Tweedie and Audree Gabriele de Lalene-Laprade’s children:

ET20/17 Andrew Carmichael TWEEDE born on 19/2/1945.
Michael Sadler Tweedie and Odile de Lalene-Laprade’s children:

Olivia TWEEDIE born on 22/1/1949.

Hugo Edward Forbes Tweedie and Prudence Mary Addington’s children:

Teresa Francis TWEEDIE born on 14/5/1940.

Alexander Hugh Carmichael TWEEDIE born on 13/5/1942.

Dominic James Drumelzier TWEEDIE born on 24/7/1945.


Vere Justin Tweedie and Anne Temple Githa Hoare’s children:

Sarah Patricia TWEEDIE born 4/2/1947 in Ceylon. She married Edward Charles Townsend son of Rear Admiral Townsend and has three sons and a daughter.

Amanda Jane Anne TWEEDIE born 2/11/1948 in Ceylon. She married John Wright and has one son and two daughters.

Simon Vere TWEEDIE born 26/5/1954 in Kuala Lumpur Malaya. He married Margaret Mary O’Kelly, daughter of Colonel John Francie O’Kelly RAMC.


Keith Hugo Tweedie and Patricia Holland’s children:

Julian Michael Barkly TWEEDIE born on 17/1/1937.

Jennifer Evelyn TWEEDIE born on 11/10/1941.

Joan Catherine TWEEDIE born on 29/9/1947.

Michael Wilmer Forbes Tweedie and Elvira Amy Toby’s children:

Charles Carmichael Forbes TWEEDIE born on 9/10/1939.

Anne Elizabeth TWEEDIE born on 7/9/1941.

The Tweedie Family

AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

linked to the Early Tweedie and Welsh families
by the marriages of
T4/19 Alexander Tweedie to W5/10 Ann Welsh
daughter of
W4/1 Alexander Welsh to ET15/7 Marion Tweedie

“Thank God for the iron in the blood of our fathers”
Theodore Roosevelt - 26th US President
The Tweedie Family

T1/1 Alexander TWEEDE born probably in Tweedsmuir parish, Peeblesshire c.1652. He may have been the son of David Tweedie of Hawkshaw, who drew up a deed in 1695 and who at that time had a son Alexander of Nether Minzion. This may be the same David, of Nether Minzion, who drew up a deed in 1706. [Register of Deeds 2/92, 392.]

It was probably this Alexander who was at ‘Nether Menyian’ when his son Alexander was apprenticed in Edinburgh in 1702. He died at Badlieu [Badlew] in Tweedsmuir parish in January 1727, aged about 75, and was buried in the family grave in the parish churchyard.

Children: T2/1 David, T2/2 Alexander, T2/3 John.

T1/1 Alexander Tweedie’s children:

T2/1 David TWEEDE baptized Tweedsmuir May 1683, probably a son of T1/1 Alexander. He may have been the David whose daughter was born at Halkshd [possibly Halkshaw] in 1721 and who later was at ‘Bedlieu’ when his son Alexander was apprenticed in Edinburgh in 1729.

Children: T3/1 Alexander, T3/2 Isobel.

T2/2 Alexander TWEEDE born probably in Tweedsmuir parish c.1685. It was probably this Alexander who was apprenticed on 10/7/1702 to Alexander Black, an Edinburgh merchant & burgess.

He married Alison Hope. She was baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 30/11/1696, daughter of Robert Hope whose wife, married Tweedsmuir 12/10/1676, may have been Marion Welsh.

Alexander was probably farming at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir when their first recorded daughter was born in 1721. He was appointed an elder into the Tweedsmuir Kirk Session on 1/10/1728 and made a factor in 1735. Alexander and his family lived at Nether Minzion until his death at the age of 54, on 21/4/1740, the same day his youngest child was born; whether he ever saw this daughter is not recorded. He was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard beside his son Alexander (1737), soon followed by his daughter Jane the same year (1740), and his daughter Isobel (1741).

A debt Alexander appears to have incurred to Alexander Hodge of Briglands was repaid, a few months after his death, by his son Robert on 9/7/1740. His widow died on 28/3/1747 [the year 1746 is given as a possible interpretation of the gravestone inscription with her age as 60 but, as she had given birth to her Tweedsmuir Parish Church
Peeblesshire
last child in 1740, either the year or the age must be wrong?). She was buried beside her husband and children, later joined by their daughter Ann (1772).


T2/3 John TWEEDEIE possibly a son of T1/1 Alexander. He may have been the John who married in Newlands parish 14/5/1714 Margaret Ramadge, possibly baptized Stobo parish 29/8/1690, daughter of John Ramadge.

John was living at Nether Minzion on his wife’s death in 1746, aged 57, and his in 1751, aged 65. They were both buried in Broughton parish churchyard.

Child: T3/13 John.

T2/1 David Tweedie’s children:

T3/1 Alexander TWEEDEIE was apprenticed on 9/7/1729 to William Cant, an Edinburgh skinner & burgess.

T3/2 Isobel TWEEDEIE born at Halkshd [possibly Halkshaw] in Tweedsmuir 17/2/1721.

T2/2 Alexander Tweedie and Alison Hope’s children:

T3/3 Robert TWEEDEIE born at Nether Minzion, Tweedsmuir about 1719. Robert took over the tenancy of the farm when his father died on 21/4/1740. Shortly afterwards on 9/7/1740 he repaid a debt his father had incurred to Alexander Hodge of Briglands, witnessed by Robert Hunter of Polmood and James Murray tenant in Stenhope.

Robert remained at the farm until his death on 28/9/1749, aged about 30. He was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard beside his brother Alexander (1737), his father (1740), sisters Jane (1740) and Isobel (1741), and his mother (1746), later joined by sister Ann (1772). Unmarried.

T3/4 Margaret TWEEDEIE born at Nether Minzion 17/2/1721. It may have been this Margaret who married in Tweedsmuir parish 10/6/1753, W4/4 John Welch, possibly born in the parish in 1722 to W3/2 John Welch and ET14/1 Jean Tweedie.


T3/5 Jane TWEEDEIE born at Nether Minzion 12/8/1722. Jane died there 29/6/1740, aged just 17, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish kirkyard beside her brother Alexander (1737) and her father (1740), later joined by her sister Isobel (1741), her mother (1746), her brother Robert (1749) and their sister Ann (1772).


Children: T4/1 Alexander, T4/2 Agnes, T4/3 James, T4/4 Nelly, T4/5 John, T4/6 Robert, T4/7 Ally, T4/8 Veronica,
T3/7 Alexander TWEEDIE born at Nether Minzion about 1725. Alexander died in November 1737, aged just 12, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish kirkyard where he was later joined by his father (1740), his sisters Jane (1740) and Isobel (1741), his mother (1746), his brother Robert (1749) and their sister Ann (1772).

T3/8 John TWEEDIE born at Nether Minzion 16/6/1729. John would no doubt have taken over the tenancy of the farm on his brother Robert’s death in 1749 and worked as a storemaster.

John and his younger brother James jointly owned the croft, crops and animals on the farms of Easter and Wester Stanhope, of Dreva in Stobo parish, and of Over and Nether Minzion, Hopehead, Atterstane and Courhope on the Lord Chief Baron’s land in the neighboring parish of Tweedsmuir, and the lands of Easter Dollarbeg in Clackmannanshire (for which they had paid £1100 sterling). But following James’s death in 1777, the entire estate as it stood at Whitsunday 1778, including money owing and debts to be paid, was divided on 12/8/1778 between John and his nephew T4/19 Alexander, James’s eldest son. In this settlement John secured the stocking of the horse, noll and sheep at Nether Minzion and Wester Stanhope valued at £2194-14/5 1/2d. As the value of Alexander’s share was greater, Alexander was obliged by Alexander Welsh, tenant of Patervan (who, with the other arbiter, Robert Welsh of Mossfennan, had been called upon to ascertain the quantity and values of the crofts) to pay his uncle half the £27-10/5d difference. The Easter Dollarbeg lands were to be owned jointly between them.

A tack was later drawn up between Sir James Montgomery and John at Dreva for the farm of Easter Stanhope in 1805 for 19 years from and after the term of Whitsun 1804, the actual entry date. Details were similar to those of the 1805 Wester Stanhope tack for his nephew T4/19 Alexander.

He married, on 11/6/1754 (banns were called in Drumelzier and Kingledoors), ET15/8 Christian Tweedie, daughter of ET14/4 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver and his wife Mary Stevenson (daughter of Alexander Stevenson of Dreva). John and his family remained at Nether Minzion until about 1770 when they moved to Stanhope in Drumelzier parish.

John and his wife lived at Stanhope until his death on 26/5/1793, aged 63, and hers two weeks later on 11/6/1793, aged 63. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


T3/9 James TWEEDIE born at Nether Minzion, about 1732. Following a contract of marriage drawn up and signed at Overminzon on 30/1/1759, James, the tenant farmer at Nether Minzion, married, in Tweedsmuir parish 2/2/1759, W4/9 Mary Welsh, who was born on 8/4/1727, second daughter of W3/14 John Welsh (1703-1779), tenant of Over Minzion, and his wife W4/2 Mary Welsh. Witnesses to the contract were John Blacklaw and John Tennent (the surname which he signed or Tunning which was the surname shown in the contract), who were both servants to Mary’s father.

James farmed at Nether Minzion until at least 1766, when his fifth child was born, but moved to Dreva in Stobo parish about 1767 and was the tenant farmer there. He and his brother John jointly owned the croft, crops and animals on the farms of Easter and Wester Stanhope, of Dreva in Stobo parish, and of Over and Nether Minzion, Hopehead, Atterstane and Courhope on the Lord Chief Baron’s land in the neighboring parish of Tweedsmuir, and the lands of Easter Dollarbeg in Clackmannanshire (for which they had paid £1100 sterling).

James and his wife lived at Dreva until his death there on 9/11/1777, aged 47. He was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. A few months earlier he had drawn up a deed, on 14/7/1777, disposing and assigning all his estates, heritable & moveable, to his eldest son Alexander who was to make payments from the estate to James’s
two surviving daughters Mary and Alison, and his sons John and Robert, for all of whom Alexander was to be responsible until they came of age or married. The deed was drawn up by James Montgomery, Lord Chief Baron, and witnessed by “James Kirkcaddie tutor to my children and the said James Montgomery writer hereof”. His rights to the joint estate, with his brother John, thus passed to Alexander. The agreement to the division of this entire joint estate, including money owing and debts, was made the following year, on 12/8/1778, and witnessed by James’s widow and in part by her father, both of whom stood as curators for Alexander and had given advice on, and consented to, the settlement.

His widow Mary, who survived her husband by over 40 years, died at Dreva 6/1/1818, aged 90, and was buried beside him. She was known to her great, great, great grandchildren as Grannie Mutch because of the mutch she was wearing in a portrait, commissioned by her son John about a year before her death, and which hung in the drawing room at Phantassie, the home of her great great grandson T7/18 Robert and his family. The picture is still in family ownership, as are the stone and setting from one of her brooches. A brown stone set in gold scroll filigree flower work, it is inscribed on the back “M T died 6th Jan 1818”.


T3/10 Marion Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, and baptized there 27/7/1735 in the presence of James (or Thomas) Hope and John Wallishe. Marion married, in Tweedsmuir parish 1/4/1762, Michael Anderson of Crawmault [Cramalt].

T3/11 Isobel Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, 31/5/1738. Isobel died there on 7/10/1741, aged 3, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish kirkyard beside her brother Alexander (1737), her father and her sister Jane (both in 1740), later joined by her mother (1746), brother Robert (1749) and their sister Ann (1772).

T3/12 Anne Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, 21/4/1740, the same day her father died. Anne’s baptism was witnessed by John Welsh. She died at Broadwood, Pennycook [Penicuik], Midlothian 2/3/1772, aged 32 and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish kirkyard beside her brother Alexander (1737), her father and her sister Jane (both in 1740), her sister Isobel (1741), her mother (1746) and her brother Robert (1749).

T2/3 John Tweedie and Margaret Ramadge’s child:

T3/13 John Tweedie baptized Stobo 18/9/1715. John died in 1749 was buried in Broughton parish churchyard; there is a family gravestone.

T3/6 Veronica Tweedie and Alexander Gibsons’ child:

T4/1 Alexander Gibson baptized In Eddleston parish, Peebleshire 13/2/1753.

T4/2 Agnes Gibson baptized In Eddleston parish, Peebleshire 16/5/1753.

T4/3 James Gibson baptized In Eddleston parish, Peebleshire 27/11/1754.

T4/4 Nelly Gibson baptized In Eddleston parish, Peebleshire 22/2/1758.

T4/5 John Gibson baptized In Eddleston parish, Peebleshire 29/9/1760.

T4/6 Robert Gibson baptized In Eddleston parish, Peebleshire 29/9/1760.

T4/7 Ally Gibson baptized In Eddleston parish, Peebleshire 17/1/1762.

T4/8 Veronica Gibson baptized In Eddleston parish, Peebleshire 29/11/1765.
T3/8 John Tweedie and ET15/8 Christian Tweedie’s children:

T4/9 Mary Tweedie born at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, Peeblesshire 28/3/1755. Mary’s baptism the same day was witnessed by her grandfather ET14/4 Thomas Tweedie in Kingledoors and her aunt ET15/7 Marion’s husband W4/1 Alexander Welsh in Stanhope.

T4/10 Allison Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, 31/12/1756.

T4/11 Marion Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, 23/1/1759. Marion’s baptism was witnessed by her uncle T3/9 James Tweedie, also of Nether Minzion.

She married, in Drummelzr parish 15/10/1798 and was the 3rd wife of, W4/24 Rev William Welsh, Church of Scotland minister in Drummelzr parish. He was baptized, possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir, on 2/6/1743, son of W3/15 George Welsh and his wife W4/3 Janet Welch.

Marion and her husband lived in Drummelzr parish until his death on 28/1/1806 and hers on 28/11/1837.

T4/12 Thomas Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, 23/12/1760. Thomas moved with his family to Stanhope in Drummelzr parish about 1770, but a division of the stocking of farms in 1778 gave his father those at Nether Minzion. Thomas was the tenant farmer there at the time of his marriage. He later farmed at Patervan, part of the Polmood lands in Drummelzr parish.

He married, in Drummelzr parish 16/2/1786, ET16/7 Elizabeth (Betty or Bettea); the marriage was witnessed by her uncles ET15/15 Alexander Tweedie of Quarter and James Brown of Edmonston. Betty was baptized in Tweedsmuir on 2/8/1760, daughter of ET15/6 Thomas Tweedie of Oliver and his wife Jean Brown.

Thomas and his wife were living at Patervan in 1841 with their children John, Thomas and James and James’s wife Jean. They both died there, his wife on 5/8/1845, aged 85. and Thomas on 2/6/1847, aged 86, and were buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. His inventory was recorded on 11/7/1848. He was later joined by son John (1846), by his wife, and by their son Thomas (1877).

Children: T5/1 John, T5/2 Thomas, T5/3 Adam, T5/4 Alexander, T5/5 James.

T4/13 Alexander Tweedie born at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, 24/5/1763. Alexander’s baptism was witnessed by his uncle T3/9 James Tweedie, also of Nether Minzion, and by James’ father-in-law W3/14 John Welsh of Over Minzion.

T4/14 James Tweedie born at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, 6/5/1766. James’s baptism was witnessed by W3/14 John Welsh of Over Minzion (father-in-law of his uncle T3/9 James) and W3/2 John Welsh of Tweedhopefoot, storemaster there. He moved with his family to Stanhope in Drummelzr parish about 1770. James died at Brighouse 11/6/1793, aged 28, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

T4/15 Margaret Tweedie born at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, 18/2/1768. Margaret’s baptism was witnessed by her uncle T3/9 James Tweedie also of Nether Minzion and by his father-in-law John Welsh of Over Minzion.


T4/17 Robert Tweedie born at Stanhope, 25/11/1773. Robert died on 6/7/1799, aged 26, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish kirkyard.
Christian Tweedie was born at Stanhope, 14/11/1777. Christian died there just 2 weeks old on 24/11/1777. She was buried in Tweedsmuir parish kirkyard.

James Tweedie and Mary Welsh’s children:

Alexander Tweedie born at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, 30/12/1759. Alexander’s baptism was witnessed by John Welsh (probably his grandfather W3/14) and his uncle T3/8 John Tweedie. He moved with his family to Dreva in Stobo parish in the late 1760s when his father took over the tenancy of the farm there, which later passed to him. Alexander inherited all his father’s estates, heritable & moveable, subject to paying 3/5ths of the moveable estate to his sisters and brothers, for whose education, clothing and maintenance he was to be responsible.

Following his father’s death on 9/11/1777, it was ordained at Edinburgh on 26/6/1778 that the disposition and assignation from father to son be registered. The entire estate as it stood at Whitsunday 1778, including money owing and debts to be paid, was divided on 12/8/1778 between Alexander and his uncle T3/8 John. In this settlement Alexander secured the stocking of the horse, noll and sheep at Over Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, Dreva, Hopehead, Atterstane and Courhope. As the value of his share, at £2222-4/-11d, was more than that of his uncle John’s, he was obliged by another uncle (later becoming his father-in-law) W4/1 Alexander Welsh, tenant of Patervan (who, with the other arbiter, Alexander’s great uncle W3/16 Robert Welsh of Mossfennan, had been called upon to ascertain the quantity and values of the crofts) to pay John half the £27-10/-5d difference.

The lands at Easter Dollarbeg in Clackmannanshire, which his father and his uncle John had jointly bought, were to be owned jointly between Alexander and John. But by 4/9/1788 it is clear, from a letter Alexander sent to Andrew Hamilton Esq of Spittlehaugh WS (to whom Alexander’s brother John was apprenticed), that the lands were no longer in their possession. Alexander was obviously a very busy man; in his letter he says “happy to have the pleasure of seeing you at Dreva but as my business takes me quite frequently from home I would take it kind if you could let me know before that I may be at home.”

He married, in Drummelzier parish 21/9/1790, W5/10 Anne Welsh. She was baptized there on 8/12/1768, daughter of W4/1 Alexander Welsh of Patervan and his wife ET15/7 Marion Tweedie.

Tacks were drawn up at Edinburgh on 26/3/1805 between the heritable proprietor, Sir James Montgomery of Stanhope, Baronet, His Majesty’s Advocate for Scotland, and Alexander, the tenant, for the lands & farms of Dreva and of Wester Stanhope in Drummelzier parish for 19 years from and after the term of Whitsunday 1804, the actual entry date. There was a tack duty for Dreva of two hundred and eighty-five pounds and for Wester Stanhope of four hundred and twenty pounds sterling. “…at two terms in the year Lammas and Candlemass by equal portions, beginning the first terms payment thereof at Lammas one thousand eight hundred and five and the next terms payment at Candlemas thereafter…”. Both tacks were witnessed by Robert Stewart writer in Edinburgh, Gilbert Hamilton servant to Sir James Montgomery, W5/34 Robert Welsh Esquire younger of Mossfennan and John Tweedie residing at Quarter (probably Alexander’s brother).

A receipt dated 24/12/1801 at Edinburgh by James Cowan, tenant in Craigburn, for the sum of £21-12/- due to the representatives of the late William Tennants, tenant in Windlaw [possibly Venlaw], from Alexander, tenant in Dreva, has survived the years and is still in family hands. Also surviving is a letter to Alexander, from a Joseph Gap of Dumfries dated 31/3/1810 and about rent at Broughton cottage. [But whether the rent was from or to Alexander is not clear.]

Another letter, this one from a customer, a Peebles flesher John Scott, and dated 8/1/1811, acknowledges that he justly owed Alexander £25-15/- A note made by Alexander on the letter states that “if pointedly paid I mean
to give back £2 as a luckspenny as he complains of the cattle being light”. A couple of months later, in March, when Alexander was in Peebles, £10 of the debt was paid. [Unfortunately there is no record of whether the balance was forthcoming!]

Alexander and his wife lived at Dreva until his death on 17/3/1811, aged 51, and hers on 2/11/1824, and were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard, he with his daughter Caroline (1813) and son John (1826). The inventory of Annie’s personal estate was registered on 5/10/ 1826 [SRO’s Index of Inventories in Peebles Sheriff Court; SC 42 20 1814-78, p 486].


T4/20 Mary Tweedie born at Townhead of Nether Minzion, 2/11/1762. Mary was baptized on 22/11 in the presence of her grandfather W3/14 John Welsh of Over Minzion, her uncle T3/8 John Tweedie of Nether Minzion and her great grandfather W2/2 John Welsh of Tweedhopefoot. A few years later she moved with her family to Dreva in the late 1760s.

In her father’s disposition of 14/7/1777 Mary was to be looked after by her elder brother Alexander and to share equally with her younger sister Alison, 1/5th of their father’s moveable estate in 1777, but only when each came of age or married. The deed was witnessed by “James Kirkcaddie tutor to my children”.

Mary died, probably in Edinburgh 20/11/1832, aged 70, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard on the 24th.

T4/21 Grizzell Tweedie born at Dreva in Stobo parish, 22/9/1763. As there was no mention of her in the disposition her father drew up on 14/7/1777 Grizzell must have died by that date.

T4/22 Alison Tweedie born at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir, 23/11/1764. Alison’s baptism was witnessed by her uncle T3/8 John Tweedie also of Nether Minzion, her grandfather W3/14 John Welsh of Over Minzion and Robert Hope the younger of Glenbrack [perhaps a relative of her father’s mother]. A few years later she moved with her family to Dreva in the neighboring parish of Stobo in the late 1760s.

Alison was to be looked after by her elder brother Alexander and to share equally with her elder sister Mary, 1/5th of their father’s moveable estate in 1777, but only when each came of age or married. The deed was witnessed by “James Kirkcaddie tutor to my children”. In the settlement of her father’s joint estate (with his brother T3/8 John) on 12/8/1778, a debt of £100 was recorded for Alison’s patrimony-property she had inherited from either her grandfather or her father.

T4/23 John Tweedie born at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, 28/8/1766. John’s baptism was witnessed by his grandfather W3/14 John Welsh of Over Minzion and his uncle W4/4 John Welsh of Tweedhopefoot. Within a year or so he had moved with his family to Dreva in the neighboring parish of Stobo. John was to share equally with his younger brother Robert 2/5th of their father’s moveable estate in 1777, but only when each came of age or married, until which time he was to be looked after by his elder brother Alexander; the deed was witnessed by “James Kirkcaddie tutor to my children”. Apprenticed to Andrew Hamilton (who had dealings with his brother Alexander in 1788), John was appointed a Writer to the Signet in Edinburgh on 23/11/1795. He worked as a lawyer, was one of the original partners in the Edinburgh WS firm of Tweedie, Graham & Anderson of 31 Great King Street (later Graham, Johnstone & Fleming WS at 4 Albyn Place), and was keeper of the minute book for the Society of Writers to the Signet 1830-47.
When his brother Alexander died on 17/3/1811, John appears to have taken Alexander’s young sons John and Robert under his wing. He resided in Edinburgh and it was from there that he wrote, probably about them, in his letter to their brother T5/8 James at Dreva on 1/5/1815. The main purpose of the letter however was to let James know that Sir James Montgomery could not agree to the terms John had proposed about the renewal of James’s Dreva lease. John copied to him a letter from Sir James Montgomery.

From at least 1809 and possibly until after 1836, John’s country home was at Moreham Bank near Haddington, perhaps joined in 1836 by his brother Robert whose old friend Peter Forrest was a brother of the owner of the house, James Forrest. (James died in 1825 and left the house to his niece Alison Martine nee Forrest). He also commissioned a portrait of his mother about a year before her death in 1818; had a very lifelike portrait of him appearing in Kay's Portraits; presided over the Haddington & Its Vicinity Penny-a-Week Bible Society; and was treasurer of John Hume’s Mortification (this referred to property left by John Hume which was destined in the first place for binding an apprentice yearly and the remainder to go to pious charitable purposes). He held property at Beechhill of Moreham West Mains, at Elphinstone and in Tranent parish; registered his inventory on 11/10/1826 and made a discharge to the executors of his second cousin W5/28 George Welch on 15/1/1828.

Later, probably when the lease of Morhambank expired, John moved permanently to Edinburgh perhaps in the late 1830s but certainly by 1841 when the Martine family were in occupation of Morhambank. He lived in the city until his death on 18/3/1847. His niece T5/11 Ann Tweedie, who was residing with him then and had been doing so for many years, would have acted as his housekeeper, as he was unmarried. He was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. In his will, which he had drawn up on 26/9/1846, he appointed Ann as his sole executrix and universal legatrix.

The terms of the will were:- an annuity to his brother Robert: legacies to his great nephew T6/10 John Tweedie Waugh, his great niece T6/3 Elizabeth Tweedie, W6/9 Miss Catherine Welsh (daughter of his second cousin W5/27 Alexander Welsh) of Howe Street for the purchase of mournings, his faithful clerk Colin Galbraith (who was also to receive the Minute Book bound up in volumes as it would be of more use to him than any other person) and his excellent servant Janet Wallace: to his nephew T5/8 James Tweedie in Coats, John’s gold watch, chain, keys and seals and, to be kept as a family heirloom, his silver cup or jug (presented to him by certain gentlemen in his office in 1828); to his niece-in-law Mrs Tweedie [Janet Gibson Ker- see entry for her husband T5/8 James] the engraving of the late Sir Ralph Abercromby; to his niece T5/12 Margaret Tweedie/Waugh his silver waiter or server; to her husband Robert Waugh in Eweford his silver punch bowl and spoon and Henrys Commentary or Bible with full plates in 3 volumes; and to his friend Archibald Anderson of Bruntsfield Place his single gold brilliant ring, made by Randell & Bridges London.


T4/24 Robert TWEEDEIE born at Dreva in Stobo parish, 22/1/1769 or 71 and baptized on 27/1. Robert was to share equally with his brother John 2/5th of their father’s moveable estate in 1777, but only when each came of age or married, until which time he was to be looked after by his eldest brother Alexander; the deed was witnessed by “James Kirkcaddie tutor to my children”. Robert later left for East Lothian, where he was a tenant farmer at Longnewton near Gifford 1803-22. At that time it was the custom for the local farmers to meet each August for a social dinner in Crossgate Hall, a country inn (long since demolished) in Mainshill of Morham. Robert was one of the company and so was Peter Forrest. It was Peter’s brother James (and after his death in 1825 his niece Alison Martine nee Forrest) who owned Morham Bank, near Haddington where Robert’s brother John lived.
In 1822 Robert moved from Longnewton to West Hopes remaining there until his retirement in 1836. An inventory for him was registered on 1/3/1827 [SRO's Index of Inventories in Peebles Sheriff Court SC 42 20 1814-78, p 505]. "A weel kent and respected farmer", on market days he liked to wear top boots, a yellow-buttoned blue coat, a light vest and a broad-rimmed hat. With his short legs and full figure, he must have been an easily recognized figure in Haddington. His portrait appeared in Punch about 1840 under the title A Stout Scotch Farmer and a very lifelike one in Kay's Portraits. He was mentioned as “Robert Tweedie of West Hopes” on pages 398-409 of John Martine’s Reminiscences of the Royal Burgh of Haddington [published by John Menzies & Co, Edinburgh and Glasgow 1883].

When he retired, Robert joined his brother John at Morhambank but probably within the next couple of years, perhaps when the lease there expired, they both moved into Edinburgh, Robert becoming a victual dealer at 2 Hamilton Place, Tollcross. Robert and his brother John, known as “the two Dromios”, appeared in caricature in a collection of original portraits of memorable citizens of Edinburgh drawn by Benjamin W Combie (1837-1844) with notes by William Scott Douglas. A note described them “Robert is a very stout man and John very thin, and they were evidently well-known characters in Edinburgh during the years 1795 to 1847 or thereabouts”.

When John bequeathed him an annuity of £10 in 1846, Robert was living in Huntly Street, Canonmills. He died there at No 2 14/10/1856, aged 85 or 87; the informant was his nephew Alexander. Robert was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. Unmarried.

T4/12 Thomas Tweedie and ET16/7 Bethea Tweedie’s children:

T5/1 John Tweedie born at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, Peeblesshire and baptized on 29/11/1786. John moved to Patervan in Drumelzier parish with his family and was living there with them in 1841, when he was an agricultural laborer. He died on 18/5/1846, aged 59, and was buried in Tweedsmuir churchyard beside his mother (1845), later joined by his father (1848) and his brother Thomas (1877).

T5/2 Thomas Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, and baptized on 8/12/1788. Thomas moved to Patervan with his family and was living there with them in 1841, when he was an agricultural laborer. By 1851 he had retired to Crook Inn, Tweedsmuir, with his niece Mary.

Thomas died in Biggar, Lanarkshire 22/4/1877, aged 88, and was buried in Tweedsmuir churchyard beside his mother (1845), his brother John (1846) and his father (1848). Unmarried.

T5/3 Adam Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, and baptized 5/8/1791.

T5/4 Alexander Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, and baptized 14/11/1792.

T5/5 James Tweedie born at Nether Minzion, and baptized 28/7/1795. James moved to Patervan with his family and was living there with them in 1841, when he was an agricultural laborer. He may have married Jean.

T4/19 Alexander Tweedie and W5/10 Anne Welsh’s children:

T5/6 Marion Tweedie born at Dreva, Stobo parish, Peeblesshire 23/12/1791, and baptized 27/12. Marion married, in the parish on 2/11/1814, James Murray, tenant of Over and Nether Drochil in Newlands parish. He was born in that parish on 18/1/1781 to James Murray of Craigend, tenant at Flemington Mill, and his wife Elizabeth Gibson. [see Annex D The Murray Family].

Marion and her family moved to Craigend when her husband succeeded his father there in 1817; his brother
William remained at Drochil. Sadly just 3 years after her marriage, and following the birth of her second child, Marion died at Drochil 6/1/1818, aged only 26. She was buried in Newlands churchyard, the burial-place of the Murray family.

Her widower, known as “Old Drochil”, was a cornet in the Peeblesshire Yeomanry Cavalry in 1826, later promoted to lieutenant. On 25/6/1839 he and his elder son were named as trustees in a disposition & settlement drawn up by T5/8 James Tweedie, brother of his late wife. In 1840, following the death of his cousin James Aitken [see Murray Annex], he bought property in Newlands parish from the Aitken family- Callands (for £8000), an estate lying on the right bank of the Lyne Water and whose mansion he renovated, and part of Bordlands- and gave them to his son James in 1841. He farmed 400 acres of arable land and 800 agricultural acres at (the 9-windowed) Drochil Castle and lived there (1851 and 1861 Census) with his second wife, Margaret Anderson, a widow whom he had married in 1840. She was born in Edinburgh 20/11/1798 to Adam Anderson and Jane Steel.

James died at Craigend 14/8/1867, aged 86, and was buried with his first wife in Newlands churchyard. His widow died on 18/6/1872, aged 75.

Children: T6/1 James, T6/2 Alexander.

T5/7 Mary Tweedie born at Dreva, 6/6/1793 and baptized 16/6. Mary married her cousin W5/35 Alexander Welsh, tenant in Cardon, Chapelgill and Glenkirk. He was born in Glenholm parish 19/2/1785 to W4/29 William Welsh, tenant in Cardon, and his wife W5/3 Christian Welsh.

Mary’s death on 22/12/1824 (just a few weeks after her mother’s death) and Alexander’s by 1825 left their three children orphaned, the eldest of whom was only seven.


T5/8 James Tweedie born at Dreva, 19/12/1794, and baptized 25/12, twin brother of Alexander. James took over the tenancy of the farm when his father died in 1811. A few years later when the lease of Dreva was about to expire, he and his lawyer uncle T4/23 John, who acted for him, drew up proposals for the renewal of the lease. The landowner, Sir James Montgomery, at first was unable to agree the terms- John informed his nephew of this on 1/5/1815- but the difficulties were obviously resolved as James was still farming at Dreva when his brother Alexander died in 1827. Tenant farmer of Coates on the Earl of Hopetoun’s estate in the East Lothian parish of Gladsmuir, Alexander granted, assigned and disponed to James, his (only surviving) brother, all his goods, means and estate. James, who had drawn up a bond of caution for his executors on 18/4/1826, took over the tenancy of Coates farm but must have also continued at Dreva. Undated is a survey James had carried out of the arable land on Dreva farm. A burgess ticket in favour of James Tweedie Esq of Derva was sealed at Peebles on 31/17/1827, when he was “created, received and admitted burges and guild brother of the burgh of Peebles”.

He married, in Peebles parish 4/7/1830, Janet Gibson Ker. She was baptized there on 14/10/1808, one of seven children of James Ker and his wife Elizabeth (Betty) Wightman.
On 25/6/1839 James drew up a trust, disposition and settlement for his trustees: James Murray of Craigend (his brother-in-law - see entry for T5/6 Marion); T6/1 James Murray of Drochil Castle (his nephew); the Rev John Ker (his brother-in-law), minister of Polmont parish, Stirlingshire, whose nomination was revoked on 7/4/1843; Robert Waugh, tenant of Eweford (his brother-in-law - see entry for T5/12 Margaret); T4/23 John Tweedie (his uncle); and John’s two partners Patrick Graham and Peter Anderson. The deed allowed James’s wife, if he died before her, to reside at Coates while the farm remained unsublet; required the son who succeeded to the farm to continue her in possession during her lifetime and widowhood; and gave powers to his trustees to arrange for the farm to be managed until it devolved upon his eldest (surviving) son at the age of 14, and to divide the residue and remainder of his means and estate, including farm stockings and sums of money, equally between all his surviving children.

James and his family lived at Coates, where he was employing four house servants in 1841, and where he was a registered elector for the parish of Gladsmuir. In 1846 he inherited from his uncle T4/23 John, his gold watch, its chain (still in Tweedie hands), keys and seals and his silver cup or jug (presented to John by the gentlemen in his office). His wife was left an engraving of the late Sir Ralph Abercromby (1734-1801, Scottish MP, during the Napoleonic Wars was general in command of a successful landing at Aboukir Bay in 1801 but was mortally wounded).

The year after his uncle’s death, James himself died, on 18/1/1847 aged 52, and was buried in Gladsmuir parish churchyard, later joined by his sons John (1848) and Robert (1859) and daughter Ann (1884). In compliance with the conditions of his deed of trust, registered on 28/1/1847, his widow ran the farm until her eldest son, Alexander, was able to take over the management but she continued to help him until at least 1861 (employing two house servants in 1851 and one in 1861). By 1871, and in 1881, she was living at White Villa, Lasswade, Midlothian with her two unmarried daughters Ann and Mary; their income came from invested money. She died on 24/4/1893, aged 84, and was buried beside her husband and their children, later joined by their daughter Mary (1915).

[James: Index of Inventories Peebles Sheriff Court SC 42 20 1814-78, p 475; Register of Deeds RD5 vol 335, folio 415; Index to Estates of Defuncts 1846-65 E 58, registered in 1847.

Janet: Edinburgh Commissary Office Index of Inventories 1893-97 vol 315, folio 880; Confirmations & Inventories].


T5/9 Alexander TWEEDIE born at Drea, 19/12/1794, and baptized 25/12, twin brother of James. Alexander later moved to East Lothian, perhaps to work with his uncle T4/24 Robert at Longnewton farm in Gifford parish, but at some point took on his own tenancy at Coates and Banglaw in Gladsmuir parish. He drew up a deed of settlement on 17/2/1827, just a few weeks before his death on 13/3/1827, aged 32. Unmarried.

Under the terms of the deed Alexander granted, assigned and disposed to James, his (only surviving) brother, all his goods, means and estate: an annuity of £10 for life to his servant Janet Proudfoot: a payment of £10 to his principal servant William Pegan: a legacy of £1000 sterling payable over 5 years to each of his (only surviving) sisters Ann and Margaret or, failing, their heirs; to his nephews T6/1 James and T6/2 Alexander Murray, the children of his deceased sister Marion and her husband James Murray of Craigend; and to his nephews and niece W6/26 William, W6/27 Anne and W6/28 Alexander Welsh, the children of his deceased sister Mary and her husband W5/35 Alexander Welsh, late tenant in Cardon.

[Register of Deeds 1827 Vol 335, Folio 415, 37 for the entry and Vol 344, Fol 101, 132 for the registration on 21/3/1827; Index to Estates of Defuncts 1827-45 B 1282, registered in 1828.]
T5/10 **Alison Tweedie** born at Dreva, in March 1797. Alison died there on 25/3/1826, aged 19. Her inventory was registered on 11/10/1826. [Index of Inventories Peebles Sheriff Court SC 42 20 1814-78, p 493.]

T5/11 **Ann Tweedie** born at Dreva, 28/3/1799. Ann was left a legacy of £1000 for 5 years in her brother Alexander’s will dated 17/2/1827. She later resided for many years with her uncle T4/23 John in Edinburgh and, in his will dated 26/9/1846, he appointed her his sole executrix and legatrix, leaving her the bulk of his estate on his death in 1847.

Ann was living at 8 Keir Street by 1862/63 and, a fund-holder, died there 3/12/1868; the informant was her nephew T6/10 Alexander Waugh of Eweford. Unmarried.

T5/12 **Margaret Tweedie** born at Dreva, 3/11/1800, and baptized 22/11. Margaret may have moved to East Lothian as housekeeper to her brother Alexander when he took on the tenancy of Coates farm in Gladsmuir parish and possibly remained there after his death; he left her a legacy of £1000 for 5 years in his will dated 17/2/1827, when his twin brother John took over the tenancy.

She married, in Gladsmuir parish 26/6/1830, Robert Waugh. He was born in Uphall parish, Linlithgowshire (now West Lothian) c.1801 to John Waugh and Helen Auld (marriage banns were called in Uphall parish 26/11/1798 and they married in Midcalder, Midlothian the following day). Robert later moved to East Lothian where he farmed at Eweford near Dunbar, and where he was a registered elector for the town of Dunbar.

In her uncle T4/23 John Tweedie’s will dated 26/9/1846, he left his silver waiter or server to Margaret, and his silver punch bowl and spoon and Henry’s Commentary or Bible to her husband.

Margaret and her family lived at Eweford (employing four house servants in 1841 and 1851, and two in 1861) until her husband’s death on 26/10/1859, aged 58, and hers on 10/1/1862, aged 61. They were buried in the old parish churchyard of Dunbar beside their son Alexander (1852) and daughter Ann (1856), later joined by their son John (1872), who had succeeded to the lease of Eweford.


T5/13 **John Tweedie** born at Dreva, 24/9/1802 and baptized 11/10.

When their father died on 17/3/1811, John and his brother Robert may have been taken under the wing of their lawyer uncle T4/23 John. He resided in Edinburgh and it was probably these nephews about whom he wrote in his letter to their brother T5 8 James on 1/5/1815 “...The boys are scarcely doing as well as formerly, John in particular is often complaining of inward complaints which is the cause of his being absent & he is either much troubled with his complaints, or I rather think is not so fond of his books as formerly, but too much given to play. They must have a private teacher for the three missing months, & I am going to set about this immediately which I trust will have a good effect. They are boys of a fine disposition but not so attentive as could be wished, and I am really surprised about my namesake who once promised to be most industrious, but I hope that he will soon get different, probably it is indisposition of body, & therefore I have a delicacy in saying too much at present.”

John died at Dreva 4/4/1826, aged 23, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard with his father (1811) and sister Caroline (1813). Nearly fifty years later, in 1874, the parish minister requested permission from John’s nephew T6/6 Alexander Tweedie for a quantity of soil to be taken off the grave. Alexander’s reply of 12/11/1874 alluded to John having been first “by some very stupid mistake laid in Mr Murray’s ground & had to be removed...”. A few days earlier Alexander had sought advice from his cousin W6/26 William Welsh who,
referring to John’s first burial, said in his letter of 10/11/1874 that “When the error was found out orders were
given to dig a grave under the [Dreva] stone.”


When their father died on 17/3/1811, Robert and his brother John may have been taken under the wing of their
lawyer uncle T4/23 John who resided in Edinburgh. An extract of a letter he wrote to their brother T5/8 James
on 1/5/1815 is shown in the previous entry.

Robert died at Dreva 19/10/1826, aged 22.

18. Her inventory was registered on 11/10/1826. [Index of Inventories Peebles Sheriff Court SC 42 20 1814-78,
p 490.]

T5/16 Caroline Tweedie born at Dreva, July 1810. Caroline died there on 15/12/1813, aged 3, and was
buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard with her father (1811) and later her brother John (1826).

T5/6 Marion Tweedie and James Murray’s children:

T6/1 James Murray born at Drochil in Newlands parish, Peeblesshire, 18/10/1815. James was left a legacy,
of £1000 sterling payable over 5 years, in his uncle T5/9 Alexander Tweedie’s will in 1827, by which time
James and his father and brother (his mother had died in 1816) had moved to nearby Craigend. On 25/6/1839
when he and his father were named as trustees in a disposition & settlement drawn up by his uncle T5/8 James
Tweedie, he was styled therein “of Drochil Castle”. After his father bought Callands and part of Bordlands in
1840 in Newlands parish, and gave them to him in 1841, he was known as James of Callands. He was a farmer
and land-owner.

He married, in South Leith 19/4/1844, Isabella Mackie. She was baptized there on 16/3/1820, daughter of John
Mackie, a Leith wine merchant, and his wife Jane Smart. In 1827/28 John’s business was conducted at 50
Bernard Street but home was at 10 Hermitage Place.

The Murray family may have lived part of the year in Edinburgh, perhaps at 4 Brandon Street, Leith (they were
there from at least 1865 to 1872), and part in Peeblesshire on the Callands estate in Newlands parish,
Peeblesshire. He divided the liferent of Clashiemuir field near Mountaimcross between his two eldest sons, but
after their renunciation of it in 1883, he sold it out of the family.

In 1881 James and his family were living at Callands where he farmed 420 acres, 90 arable, employing five
men and a woman, and a female and a male servant. James and his wife lived latterly at Viewfield House,
Lasswade until her death there on 30/7/1883, aged 63, and his on 21/12/1892, aged 77. They were both buried
in the Murray family burial-place in Newlands parish churchyard beside their son Charles (1871), later joined
by their son James (1915) and daughters Isabella (1920) and Marion (1937).

Children: T7/1 James, T7/2 John Mackie, T7/3 Jane Isabella, T7/4 Marion Tweedie, T7/5 Thomas, T7/6
Charles Charteris, T7/7 Arthur Edward.

T6/2 Alexander Murray born at Drochil, 4/12/1817. Alexander’s mother died just a few weeks after his
birth. He was left a legacy, of £1000 sterling payable over 5 years, in his uncle T5/9 Alexander Tweedie’s will
in 1827, by which time he and his father and brother had moved to nearby Craigend. He worked as a
commission agent in Edinburgh.
He married, in St Cuthbert’s parish 3/6/1845, Alice Wilson Peacock.

Alexander died at 7 East Preston Street, Edinburgh 5/1/1859, aged 41, and was buried in the Grange cemetery. His widow had died by her son James’s marriage in 1877.

Children: T7/8 James, T7/9 Andrew, T7/10 Catherine (Kate) Alexandria.

T5/8 James Tweedie and Janet Gibson Ker’s children:

T6/3 Elizabeth Waugh TWEEDEIE born at Coates farm on the Earl of Hopetoun’s estate in Gladsmuir parish, East Lothian, 28/6/1831, and baptized 26/7. Elizabeth was recorded there in the 1851 Census, aged 19. From her great uncle T4/23 John, she was left in 1847 a legacy of £10, quite a small fortune for a girl of 16.

She married, in Gladsmuir 18/4/1854, James Todrick, a farmer at nearby Aberlady. He was born in Haddington parish 27/12/1821 to Archibald Todrick, procurator fiscal for Haddington and agent for the Bank of Scotland 1817-1850, and his wife Catherine Howden (d 17/3/1874, aged 91) they married in Haddington parish on 17/10/1812; their other children, all born in the parish, were Thomas 1814, Robert 1816, Archibald 1818 and William 1829. [See Annex G The Todrick Family]

Later, by 1855/56, farming 380 acres at Spittal in Aberlady parish and a county elector for Aberlady, James Todrick witnessed the marriage contract between his brother-in-law T6/7 James Tweedie and Ann Margaret Lindsay Porteous on 29/11/1862. She and her husband lived at Spittal until his death on 11/11/1872, aged 50. Elizabeth then took over Spittal farm and in 1881 was farming 417 acres there, of which 409 were arable, employing 10 men, 15 girls and 2 boys. Elizabeth died on 11/3/1889, aged 57. She and her husband were both buried beside their elder daughter Jessie (1856) in the Todrick family’s private burial-place on the south west wall of St Mary’s parish churchyard, Haddington.

Children: T7/11 Janet (Jessie) Tweedie, T7/12 Archibald (Archie), T7/13 Catherin (Kate) Howden, T7/14 James.

T6/4 Ann TWEEDEIE born at Coates, 9/6/1834 and baptized 9/7. Ann was was recorded there in the 1841 Census, aged 6. By 1871, and in 1881, she was living at Whitehill Villa, Lasswade, Midlothian with her mother and her younger sister Mary; their income came from invested money.

In a letter to “Alick”, her brother, dated 21/6/1884, she said that if there was any money over from paying the expenses of her illness etc, she wanted their sister Mary to give £10 for the poor there and any beyond to their niece T7/13 Kate Todrick. Ann died at Whitehill Villa 18/7/1884, aged 50, and was buried in Gladsmuir parish churchyard beside her father (1847) and brothers John (1848) and Robert (1859), later joined by her sister Mary (1915) and their mother (1893). Unmarried. Testate, Ann is recorded in the Record of Inventories Vo1234 p 470. 11/8/1884]

T6/5 Mary TWEEDEIE born at Coates, 23/1/1836 and baptized 3/3. Mary was recorded there in the 1841 Census aged 5, and in 1851 aged 15 and a scholar, and aged 26 in 1862. By 1871, and in 1881, she was living at Whitehill Villa, Lasswade, Midlothian with her mother and her unmarried sister Ann; their income came from invested money. Mary later lived at Mackies Mill, Thornton, Fife and died there on 14/2/1915, aged 79. Unmarried. She was buried in Gladsmuir parish churchyard beside her father (1847), brothers John (1848) and Robert (1859), her sister Ann (1884) and their mother (1893).

Mary had drawn up a deed on 1/2/1906 leaving a legacy to her niece T7/13 Kate Todrick, and, from the residue of the estate, two thirds to Mrs Herbert Tweedie, widow of her nephew T7/27 Herbert James Tweedie, residing
T6/6 Alexander Tweedie born at Coates, 18/12/1837 and baptized 23/1/1838. Alexander was recorded there in the 1841 Census aged 3, in 1851 aged 13 and a scholar, and in 1861 aged 23 and a farmer. He was not quite 9 when his father died. His mother ran the farm until he took it over in practice when he was 14 but officially as tenant in 1857, although she continued to help him for some time afterwards.

After a contract of marriage had been drawn up by Jardine, Stodart & Frasers WS and witnessed by the bride’s brother T6/14 Robert, James Lumsden farm steward at Eweford and James Honyman Smith clerk to the WS firm, Alexander married, at Eweford, Dunbar 26/9/1865, his cousin T6/17 Jemima Waugh. She was born there on 26/5/1843 to Robert Waugh, its tenant farmer, and his wife T5/12 Margaret Tweedie, whose brother James was Alexander’s father.

By the 1871 Census, when his wife’s sister T6/18 Alison Waugh was visiting them, Alexander was in full and sole charge of Coates farm and was head of the household (at that time employing four servants to look after his 16-windowed farmhouse, and three in 1881). He remained the tenant farmer there for over 50 years, and, as befitting a prominent East Lothian agriculturalist, he introduced steam cultivation. Latterly he was probably the only farmer in East Lothian who still maintained a complete outfit of steam-ploughing tackle. As a keen member of the United East Lothian Agricultural Society, he also served on its committee of directors. An arbiter and valuer, he took a wide interest in public affairs generally, and had a lifetime’s connection with St John’s United Free Church in Haddington.

On 25/11/1874 the Rev John Dick of the Manse, Tweedsmuir [his daughter Eleanora Littledale Dick married ET18/2 Thomas Tweedie-Stodart, great great grandson of ET14/2 James Tweedie of Oliver], entreated Alexander to agree to the revised proposal of reducing the amount of soil at the top of the Tweedie burial-lair by 13 inches, to allow better use of the ground at the top of the slope. Alexander had earlier written to his cousin W6/26 William Welsh who replied on 10/11/1874, pointing out that their grandfather T4/19 Alexander, aunt T5/16 Caroline and uncle T5/13 John were buried in that piece of ground. On 18/12/1874 Alexander replied to the Rev Dick stating that he had to “still positively refuse to have the ground touched. The grave alluded to was so shallow it was only on consideration that the heavy stone was to be placed on top the burial was proceeded with.”

Alexander and his wife lived at Coates but he died at Queen Street Hotel, Edinburgh 16/2/1901, aged 63. The funeral took...
place at Gladsmuir Parish Church, where he was buried. Three gravestones on the east wall mark the burial place of Alexander, his widow who died on 12/8/1908 aged 65, two of their daughters (1870 and 1880), two of their sons (1878 and 1884), his parents (1847 and 1893), two of his brothers (1848 and 1859) and two of his sisters (1884 and 1915).


T6/7 James TWEEDEIE born at Coates, 17/9/1839 and baptized 6/10. James was recorded there in the 1841 Census aged 1, and in 1851 aged 11 and a scholar. While still a young man he left for India, becoming a partner in Messrs Macnee & Company, merchants in Bombay. He could only have been there a couple of years before he made a visit home, when he married, at Prestonkirk, East Linton on 2/12/1862, Ann Margaret Lindsay Porteous, daughter of the minister there.

Ann was born in Riccarton, Ayrshire 29/8/1839, to the Rev James Porteous, who transferred to Prestonkirk, East Lothian in 1843, and his wife Jemima Donald nee Baxter. [See Annex E The Porteous Family]

An Ante-nuptial Contract of Marriage between James Tweedie Esq. and Miss Ann Margaret Lindsay Porteous was drawn up on 29/11/1862. Trustees appointed in the contract were her father, her brother James, the Rev William Paul of Whitekirk, the Rev Walter Scott of Whittingham, James’s sister Elizabeth’s husband James Todrick, who was also a witness to the marriage, and advocate Charles Gray of Spittal.

James took his new wife to India, where he continued the family tradition of agriculture by growing cotton, tea and tobacco. This was at a time when the import of these crops into Britain from America had been drastically reduced during the American Civil War 1861-65, when the southern states who grew them were prevented from exporting them by the naval blockade mounted by the northern federal states. By 1867 James’s wife had come back to Britain for the birth of their second child, and the family settled in Hoylake near Liverpool [an important port on the west coast of England trading particularly with America in the 19th century]. It was there that James was able to develop his interest in golf; he
was a charter member and honorary secretary of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club, whose nine-hole course was laid around a race-track. In the club’s book, published in 1899, he is listed as a winner of the monthly medal in 1876 and 1878, the Bombay challenge cup in 1877, and the silver cup in 1881. His house at Burton Place, which overlooked the Irish Sea, was not far from the first tee of the golf course. But he obviously must have made regular visits back to Scotland as he was shown at Coates when elected a vice-president of the newly formed Haddingtonshire Liberal Association in January 1880.

In the 1881 Census James is shown as secretary of an insurance company (the Scottish Union and National), living at 22 Falkner Street, Liverpool with his children Herbert, Minnie, Alec, Laurence, Maude and James with cook Jane Heath and housemaid Annie R Johnson. Later unaccompanied by husband James or any of their children, his wife was visiting her mother and her aunt at the manorhouse in East Linton at the time of that Census.

As a cotton merchant/broker and bank investor, James prospered until shortly after 1884 when the bank suffered a financial reverse and he had to meet the double jeopardy standard by paying twice the value of the stock in the event of a bank failure. He decided to head for the USA and, financed by a loan of £5000 from his brother Alexander, which was secured by a life insurance policy, and in an agreement with the Scottish Land Corporation, he and his family left for Neosha, in the south west corner of Missouri, in 1886 to raise livestock on land exceeding 300,000 acres. Unfortunately, as neither the land nor the climate was conducive to stock-raising, the project was abandoned by 1890 and the family moved to Chicago in Illinois.

James and his wife lived there with their younger sons until his death on 24/8/1891, aged 51. (The loan to his brother was
repaid by the insurance policy on his death). His widow died on 23/4/1894, aged 54, only a few days after the death of their youngest son Alexander. They were buried at Oak Woods cemetery in Chicago, later joined by sons James and Lawrence (both 1898), daughter-in-law (1904) and her husband, their eldest son, Herbert (1906).

The golfing interest begun by James was maintained by future generations and has become a family tradition of the American Tweedies.

Children: T7/26 James Lindsay, T7/27 Herbert James, T7/28 Minnie Kerr, T7/29 James Lindsay, T7/30 Lawrence Porteous, T7/31 Lucy, T7/32 James Kinlock, T7/33 Maude, T7/34 Alexander Lindsay.

T6/8 John Tweedie born at Coates, 24/8/1844 and baptized 26/9. John died there on 31/8/1848, aged 2 years, and was buried in Gladsmuir parish churchyard beside his father (1847), and later joined by brother Robert (1859), sisters Ann (1884) and Mary (1915) and his mother (1893).

T6/9 Robert Ker Tweedie born at Coates, 26/8/1846 and baptized 27/9. Robert there died on 23/9/1859, aged 13, and was buried in Gladsmuir parish churchyard beside his father (1847), brother John (1848) and later with his sisters Ann (1884) and Mary (1915) and mother (1893).

T5/12 Margaret Tweedie and Robert Waugh’s children:

T6/10 John Tweedie Waugh born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 20/4/1831, and baptized 25/5. John was brought up there and, in 1847 was left, by his great uncle T4/23 John Tweedie, a legacy of £30, which to a boy of 16 must have been quite a fortune. He took over as tenant farmer at Eweford when his father died in 1859, also leasing Dunbar Old Common, Lochend and Halihill, and was a member of the United East Lothian Agricultural Society. In 1868 he was the informant of the death of his aunt T5/11 Ann Tweedie.

John continued to live at the farmhouse, a substantial 16-windowed property, with his unmarried sisters and brother and two servants, until his death on 27/9/1872, aged 41. He was buried in the old parish churchyard of Dunbar beside his sister Anne (1836), their brother Alexander (1852), and their parents (1859 and 1862). Unmarried.

T6/11 Anne Waugh born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 16/10/1832, and baptized 11/11. Anne died there on 8/1/1836, aged just 3 years and 3 months. She was buried in the old parish churchyard of Dunbar, later joined by her brother Alexander (1852), their parents (1859 and 1862), and her brother John (1872).

T6/12 Alexander Waugh born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 16/1/1835, and baptized 5/2. Alexander was brought up there and recorded at the farmhouse in the 1841 Census but was absent in 1851; he may have been working away from home or visiting relatives or friends. He died at Eweford 27/8/1852, aged only 17. Alexander was buried on 1/9 in the old parish churchyard of Dunbar beside his sister Anne (1836), later joined by their parents (1859 and 1862), and his brother John (1872).

T6/13 Helen Waugh born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 31/1/1836, and baptized 24/2. Helen grew up at the farmhouse and continued to live there, when her parents died, with her unmarried brothers and sisters. In 1871 she leased Viewfield (now in Countess Road), Dunbar and, with her unmarried sisters, moved there in 1876. By that time her elder brother John was dead (1872) and her other brother Robert, who had taken over from him the tenancy of the farm, was married with a family.

Helen was a visitor at the Clarendon Hotel in Princes Street, Edinburgh in 1881 but lived at Viewfield until her death on 30/1/1883, aged 47, and was buried in the old parish churchyard, later joined by her sisters Margaret (1920), Alison (1921) and Annie (1925). Unmarried.
Robert WAUGH born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 5/2/1837, and baptized 20/3. Robert grew up at the farmhouse and continued to live there while he was a merchant in Dunbar and, after their parents died, with his unmarried brothers and sisters. He was a witness on 26/9/1865 to the contract of marriage between his sister Jemima and their cousin T6/6 Alexander Tweedie, tenant farmer at Coates in Gladsmuir parish.

He married in Chicago, USA 28/5/1872 Susan Steele. She was born there on 2616/1840 to George Steele and his wife Annie Morrison; perhaps Robert’s business had earlier taken him to the USA and that may have been how he had met her. He took over the tenancy of Eweford when his elder brother John died later in 1872 and was employing three house servants in 1881. Robert also served as factor to Lord Dalhousie.

Robert remained as tenant farmer at Eweford until his death, at Veitch’s Hotel, George Street, Edinburgh 4/2/1891, the day before his 54th birthday. His widow continued to farm, leasing not only Eweford, but also West Barns Mains and part of Lochend from the Warrender family (one of the principal proprietors in Dunbar parish) in 1898, and, by 1904, Hallhill, Latchpark. A poetry book, which once belonged to her, is still in family hands. Susan later moved into Dunbar firstly living at Springfield and then with her eldest daughter at 10 Marine Road. She died there on 30/8/1921, aged 81, and was buried in the old parish churchyard beside her daughter Margaret (1874) and her unnamed youngest daughter (1881), later joined by her eldest daughter Annie (1940).

Children: T7/35 Annie Steel, T7/36 Margaret Tweedie, T7/37 Robert Tweedie, T7/38 daughter.

Margaret WAUGH born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 10/5/1838, and baptized 26/6. Margaret grew up at the farmhouse and continued to live there, when her parents died, with her unmarried brothers and sisters. In 1876 she and her sisters moved away from Eweford to Viewfield (now in Countess Road), Dunbar. Margaret lived there, on an income from dividends, until her death on 2/1/1920, aged 82. She was buried in the old parish churchyard beside her elder sister Helen (1883), later joined by their younger sisters Alison (1921) and Annie (1925). Unmarried.

Anne (Annie) WAUGH born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 18/9/1839, and baptized 18/10. Annie grew up at the farmhouse and continued to live there, when her parents died, with her unmarried brothers and sisters. In 1876 she and her sisters moved away from Eweford to Viewfield (now in Countess Road), Dunbar. Annie lived there, on an income from dividends, until her death on 25/2/1925, aged 86. She was buried in the old parish churchyard beside her sisters Helen (1883), Margaret (1920) and Alison (1921). Unmarried.

Jemima (Jessie) WAUGH born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 26/5/1843 and baptized at Belhaven Church 25/6. Jessie was brought up in the farmhouse there. A sketch of her as a young woman in 1861, and a photograph of her later on in life are still in family hands. [See page110 for photograph of her and her husband]

Jessie married, at Eweford 26/9/1865, T6/6 Alexander Tweedie, tenant farmer at Coates in Gladsmuir parish. In the 1871 Census her younger sister Alison was shown as a visitor at Coates, possibly helping her to look after the new baby, 6 month old James. Jessie died at Coates 12/8/1909, aged 65, and was buried, with her husband, in Gladsmuir churchyard.


Alison WAUGH born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 7/10/1846 and baptized 5/11. Alison grew up at the farmhouse and continued to live there, when her parents died, with her unmarried brothers and sisters. In the 1871 Census she was shown as a visitor at Coates, the home of her sister Jemima, possibly helping her to look after the newest arrival there, 6 month old T7/18 James, her nephew. In 1876 she and her unmarried
sisters moved away from Eweford to Viewfield (now in Countess Road), Dunbar. Alison was a visitor at the Clarendon Hotel in Princes Street, Edinburgh in 1881 but lived at Viewfield until her death on 8/9/1921, aged 74. She was buried in the old parish churchyard beside her sisters Helen (1883) and Margaret (1920), later joined by their sister Annie (1925). Unmarried.

**T6/1 James Murray and Isabella Mackie’s children:**

T7/1 **James Murray** born Leith, 3/2/1845. James lived with his family at Callands in Newlands parish, Peebleshire where with his brothers and sisters he was taught by a tutor until attending Edinburgh Academy 1858-60. In 1877 he was a witness at his cousin T7/8 James’s marriage. In 1881 he was living at Drochil, where he farmed 1200 acres, of which 500 were arable, and was employing 11 men and 1 woman; his unmarried housekeeper was Isabella Cunningham, 39, b Borthwick Midlothian.

After retiring from farming he joined his sisters at 23 Mayfield Terrace, Edinburgh. James died there on 6/2/1915, aged 70, and was buried in Newlands churchyard, Peebleshire beside his brother Charles (1871), their mother (1883) and father (1892) later joined by their sisters Isabella (1920) and Marion (1937). Unmarried.

T7/2 **John Mackie Murray** born at Callands, Newlands parish, Peebleshire 26/11/1846. John lived there with his family and, with his brothers and sisters, was taught by a tutor until attending Edinburgh Academy 1858-60. He later renounced, in favour of his brother James, his share of their liferent of Clashiemuir field near Mountaincross in Newlands parish. He was an East India merchant, a merchant at one time in Glasgow, and in 1881 was living on income from house property.

He married, in Glasgow 12/4/1879, Felicia Burness. She was born in Montrose, Angus 4/2/1850 to Robert Burness and Isabella Burnet; they married there 23/12/1832.

In 1880 John was living with his wife and son at 24 Dublin Street in Edinburgh. By 1881 they were at Ardlочan. Kirkoswald, Ayrshire with a female servant, and by 1883 had moved to Callands. In 1937 when he was the informant of his sister Marion’s death and the executor of her estate, John’s address was 42c Courtfield Gardens, London.

Child: T8/1 **Norman**.

T7/3 **Jane Isabella Murray** born Leith, 8/6/1851. Isabella and her family lived at Callands in Newlands parish, Peebleshire where she and her brothers and sisters were taught by a tutor.

She was living with her family at Newlands in 1881 and then, by 1905, at 23 Mayfield Terrace, Edinburgh with her sister Marion and latterly with their brother James. Isabella died there on 1/6/1920, a few days short of her 69th birthday and was buried in Newlands churchyard, Peebleshire beside her brother Charles (1871) and their mother (1883), father (1892) and brother James (1915) later joined by their sister Marion (1937). Unmarried.

Testate, with an estate of £5187-13/-, Jane was recorded in Confirmations & Inventories; her executor was sister Marion.

T7/4 **Marion Tweedie Murray** born Leith, 26/4/1853. Marion and her family lived at Callands in Newlands parish, Peebleshire where she and her brothers and sisters were taught by a tutor.

She was living with her family at Newlands in 1881, with her sister Isabella at 23 Mayfield Terrace, Edinburgh (by 1905), and latterly with their brother James. Marion, who was a fund-holder, and in 1920 executor to
Isabella, died at home on 18/9/1937, aged 84, and was buried in Newlands churchyard, Peeblesshire beside her brother Charles (1871) and their mother (1883), father (1892), brother James (1915) and sister Isabella (1920). Unmarried.

Testate, Marion was recorded in Confirmations & Inventories.

T7/5 Thomas Alexander MURRAY born at Callands, Newlands parish, Peeblesshire 4/2/1857. Thomas lived there with his family; he and his brothers and sisters were taught by a tutor. He was living with his family at Newlands in 1881. He worked as a factor.

He married Agnes Porteous.

Thomas died at Gowrie House in Liff parish, Angus 5/10/1904, aged 47.

Child: T8/2 Agnes.

T7/6 Charles Charteris MURRAY born at Callands, Newlands parish, Peeblesshire 2/10/1862. Charles lived there with his family; he and his brothers and sisters were taught by a tutor. He died at 4 Brandon Street, Edinburgh 3/2/1871, aged 8; the informant was his brother John. Charles was buried in Newlands churchyard, Peeblesshire.

T7/7 Arthur Edward MURRAY born at 4 Brandon Street, Edinburgh 4/10/1865. Arthur and his family lived at Callands in Newlands parish, Peeblesshire where, with his brothers and sisters, he was taught by a tutor until attending Edinburgh Academy 1876-79. In 1881 he was a boarding scholar at Dollar Institution, Institution Place, Dollar, Clackmannanshire. He was living at 10 Royal Crescent on marriage and worked as a clerk/assistant cashier with the Caledonian Insurance Co, Edinburgh.

He married, in a Church of Scotland ceremony at Veitch’s Hotel, George Street, Edinburgh 24/9/1895, Louisa Georgina McHutcheon of 6 Albany Street; a witness was W7/27 Alexander Welsh, his second cousin. Louisa was born in Edinburgh 11/8/1867 to Borthwick Gilchrist McHutcheon, a banker (born Edinburgh 3/7/1833 to William McHutchin and his wife Catharine Scott), and his wife Louisa Margaret Adam (born Edinburgh 19/7/1844 to Patrick Adam, SSC, and his wife Louisa Margaret Roberts); their other children were William John Scott born 1865, and Violet Marion born 1869 who married Ossian Donner, a Finnish legate to the Court of St James. In 1881 Louisa and her sister Violet were boarding scholars at a school for ladies at Warrender Park Terrace in Edinburgh. At that time her father, retired, was one of several boarders at Orvost, Duirinish on the Isle of Skye with physician John Maclean and his family; her mother was living at 611 Great King Street, Edinburgh with her parents and her unmarried artist brother Patrick (born in Edinburgh 1852).

Arthur and his family lived at 26 Warriston Crescent (by 1899) later moving to 96 Findhorn Place (by 1904) and to Bellevue Lodge, 5 Dick Place (by 1908). He was executor to his brother James in 1915 and informant of his sister Jane’s death in 1920. Arthur died on 23/8/1925, aged 59, and his widow on 3/6/1934, aged 66.

Testate, Arthur was recorded in Confirmations & Inventories.

Children: T8/3 Violet Marion, T8/4 James (Jim) Mackie.

T6/2 Alexander Murray and Alice Wilson Peacock’s children:

T7/8 James MURRAY baptized in Edinburgh 13/7/1848. James worked as a secretary for a fire insurance company.
He married, at St Leonard’s Church, East Claremont Street, Edinburgh 27/2/1877, Clara Schubert; witnesses were his sister Kate and cousin T7/1 James Murray. Clara was born in Konigsberg, Prussia in c.1851 to Louis Schubert, a professor of music, and his wife Johanna Walter.

On marriage James was living at 77 George Street and Clara at 66 Northumberland Street. By 1881 they were at 7 Fettes Row, Edinburgh with their children, his unmarried sister Kate and a cook, housemaid and nurse.

Children: T8/5 Alice Kate, T8/6 Clara Louisa Schubert.

T7/9 Andrew MURRAY baptized in Edinburgh 13/10/1850.

T7/10 Catherine (Kate) MURRAY baptized in Edinburgh 14/5/1852. In 1877 Kate was a witness at her brother James’s marriage and in 1881 was living with him and his family. Unmarried.

T6/3 Elizabeth Waugh Tweedie and James Todrick’s children:

T7/11 Janet (Jessie) Tweedie TODRICK born in Aberlady, East Lothian 8/2/1855. Jessie died there on 6/12/1856, aged just 22 months. She was buried in the Todrick family’s private burial-place on the south west wall of St Mary’s parish churchyard, Haddington, later joined there by her parents (1872 and 1889).

T7/12 Archibald (Archie) TODRICK born in Aberlady, 19/9/1856, twin brother of Kate. Archie was living with his family at Spittal farm in 1871, when he was a scholar, and in 1881, remaining there until 1897 when it was taken over by his second cousin T7/8 Alexander Welsh. He was captain of ‘C’ Company Aberlady 7th VBRS (Volunteer Brigade Rifle Corps).

T7/13 Catherin (Kate) Howden TODRICK born in Aberlady, 19/9/1856, twin sister of Archie. Kate was living with her family at Spittal farm in 1871, when she was a scholar, and in 1881. She was left the residue of her aunt T6/4 Ann Tweedie’s estate in 1884 and a legacy from another aunt, T6/5 Mary Tweedie, in 1915. Unmarried, she died at Burnhead House, Liberton, Edinburgh 22/12/1927, aged 71. Her cousin and next of kin, Thomas William Todrick procurator fiscal in Haddington, was granted confirmation.

T7/14 James TODRICK born at Spittal farm, Aberlady, 2/5/1860. James was recorded there in the 1871 Census as a scholar, and in 1891 living on private means. An enthusiastic golfer and a regular player over Luffness, he was held in high esteem locally. He later emigrated to Wawanesa, North West Territories, Canada, and died there 10/10/1895, aged 35. Confirmation was granted to his brother Archibald, who was his executor and next of kin.

T6/6 Alexander Tweedie and T6/17 Jemima Waugh’s children:

T7/15 Margaret Tweedie born at Coates in Gladsmuir parish 22/6/1866. Margaret lived there until she and her sisters moved to Eweford farm with their brother John when he took over the tenancy from their Waugh grandmother about 1909. Margaret died at the farm 10/12/1928, aged 62, and was buried in Dunbar old parish churchyard beside John (1913) and sister Annie (1918), and later joined by their sisters Nell (1937) and Nettie (1947). Unmarried.

T7/16 Janet Ker Tweedie born at Coates, 14/10/1867. Janet died on 23/8/1870, aged 2 years and 10 months, and was buried in Gladsmuir churchyard, later joined by her brothers and sister James (1878), Alison (1880), Charles (1884) and their parents (1901 and 1908).
T7/17 Helen (Nell) Tweedie born at Coates, 2/3/1869. Nell lived there until she and her sisters moved to Eweford farm with their brother John when they took over the tenancy from their Waugh grandmother about 1909. A Christian Scientist, Nell died at the farm on 24/2/1937, aged 67, and was buried in Dunbar old parish churchyard beside her brother John (1913) and sisters Annie (1918) and Margaret (1928) and later joined by their sister Nettie (1947). Unmarried.

T7/18 James Ker Tweedie born at Coates, 24/9/1870. James died there on 5/9/1878, aged 7 years and 11 months, and was buried in Gladsmuir churchyard beside his sister Janet (1870) and later joined by his sister Alison (1880), brother Charles (1884) and parents (1901 and 1908).

T7/19 Jemima (Nettie) Tweedie born at Coates, 2/5/1872. Nettie lived there until she and her sisters moved to Eweford farm with their brother John when he took over the tenancy from their Waugh grandmother about 1909. Known as Aunt Daisy to her nephews and nieces, she spent her later years at 12 Belgrave Place, Edinburgh and died there 13/12/1947, aged 75. Nettie was buried in Dunbar old parish churchyard beside her brother John (1913) and sisters Annie (1918), Margaret (1928) and Nell (1937). Unmarried.

Still in family hands are her silver 3 piece tea-set dated Edinburgh 1817; a William IV salver about 10”, made of Sheffield plate in 1828, 3 scroll feet, inscribed ‘MT’ and presented to T5/12 Margaret Tweedie by James Murray of Craigend (widower of her sister T5/6 Marion) perhaps as an engagement present; a heavy & ornate silver 3 piece tea-set dated 1864 and inscribed ‘JW’ (probably an engagement present belonging to Margaret’s mother T6/17 Jemima Waugh); and a 13” salver dated London 1868 with the Ker crest of a mailed fist with ‘tout dr’ (always right).

T7/20 Anne (Annie) Tweedie born at Coates, 30/12/1873. Annie lived there until she and her sisters moved to Eweford farm with their brother John when he took over the tenancy from their Waugh grandmother about 1909. She died at the farm on 9/11/1918, aged 45, and was buried in Dunbar old parish churchyard beside her brother John (1913) and sisters Margaret (1928), Nell (1937) and Nettie (1947). Unmarried.

T7/21 Robert Waugh Tweedie born at Coates, Gladsmuir 23/10/1875. Robert was educated at the Knox Institute, Haddington, then at Merchiston Castle School in Colinton Road, Edinburgh 1890-92, and was later chairman of the governors. After service in the 7th and 8th Royal Scots in the First World War commanding the 2/8th Volunteer Battalion, Lt Col Tweedie, to which rank he had by then been promoted, was awarded the TD. Many letters of thanks were sent to Robert and/or his wife from various naval ships for the cases, bags etc of fruit, vegetables and eggs which the Tweedies had sent out to them.

Robert took over the tenancy of Coates on his father’s death in 1901; an extract of the balance sheet of Coates Farm for the crop of 1902 was drawn up by Fraser, Stodart & Ballingall, WS. He also farmed at Trabroun and Lavrockhead until 1919, when he gave up the lease on Coates, bought Phantassie estate, and started farming at Eweford. (The latter, his mother’s birthplace, had been tenanted by his younger brother John and was later taken over by Robert’s eldest son Lex.) A prominent agriculturalist, he was an office-bearer in the National Farmers’ Union and of the United East Lothian Agricultural Society. He was also a successful racehorse owner, winning in 1932 the Foxhunters’ Steeplechase at Liverpool with Ballybrack, ridden by his second son Reg. Active in various local bodies, including the British
Legion, he was a deputy lieutenant and a JP for the county, a member of the East Lothian Territorial Association, president of East Linton’s curling club, and of its Boy Scouts, and served on the congregational board of St Andrews Church.

He married, at Westbourne Church, Glasgow 22/4/1909, Mary Kennaway Ronaldson. She was born at 1 Albert Street, Pollokshields 16/10/1876 to John Martine Ronaldson, chief inspector of mines, and his wife Janette Stuart Kennaway. John's brother George was farming in East Lothian at Kilduff Mains and it was while Mary was acting as housekeeper to her uncle and his wife that she and Robert met, and subsequently married. [See Annex F The Ronaldson Family]

From 1920 Robert and his family lived at Phantassie, whose farm he had bought the year before. He died there on 21/11/1941, aged 66. Included in the inventory prepared after his death was an embossed silver water jug circa 1827, perhaps the jug left by his great great uncle T4/23 John to his grandfather T5/8 James. Mary died on 14/2/1956, aged 80. They were both cremated and their ashes buried in Prestonkirk churchyard.

Children: T8/7 Alexander (Lex) John, T8/8 Robert Reginald (Reg), T8/9 May Ronaldson, T8/10 Alison Waugh, T8/11 Douglas George, T8/12 Margaret Anne.

T7/22 Alexander TWEEDEIE born at Coates, in 1878. Alexander no doubt would have attended the Knox Institute, Haddington, before furthering his education at Merchiston Castle School in Colinton Road, Edinburgh 1893-94. After graduating MB, ChB from Edinburgh University, he was based at 44 Upper Parliament Square, Liverpool and worked as a ship’s surgeon on the SS City of Manchester. He died from heat apoplexy in Calcutta 15/5/1907, aged 29. [Confirmations and Inventories]

T7/23 Alison TWEEDEIE born at Coates, 31/8/1879. She died there on 5/8/1880, aged 11 months, and was buried in Gladsmuir churchyard beside her sister Janet (1870) and brother James (1878) and later joined by their brother Charles (1884) and parents (1901 and 1908).

T7/24 John Ker TWEEDEIE born at Coates, 3/3/1881. John was educated at Merchiston Castle School in Colinton Road, Edinburgh 1893-97. He probably worked at Coates for his elder brother Robert until taking over the lease of Eweford farm from his grandmother Susan, widow of T6/14 Robert Waugh, about 1909: But after just a few years he suffered from a liver complaint and died at Eweford 20/4/1913, aged 32. John was buried in Dunbar old parish churchyard, later joined by his sisters Annie (1918), Margaret (1928), Nell (1937) and Nettie (1947). Unmarried. After John’s death, Eweford was farmed by his brother Robert and then by Robert’s eldest son Lex.
T7/25 Charles Tweedie born at Coates, 2/7/1882. He died there on 3/3/1884, aged 1 year and 8 months, and was buried in Gladsmuir churchyard beside his sisters and brother Janet (1870), James (1878) and Alison (1880) and later joined by their parents (1901 and 1908).

T6/7 James Tweedie and Ann Margaret Lindsay Porteous’ children:

T7/26 James Lindsay Tweedie born in Bombay, India 27/8/1863. His birth was noted in the 2/10/1863 edition of the The Haddingtonshire Courier.

T7/27 Herbert James Tweedie born in Bombay, India 26/7/1864, just across the road from the home of Rudyard Kipling [a famous British writer 1865-1936]. Herbert had come to Britain by 1867 when his parents returned there to live in England, firstly in Liverpool and then at nearby Hoylake. In the 1881 Census Herbert is shown as an apprentice cotton dealer, living at 22 Falkner Street, Liverpool with his family.

With the golf course of the Royal Liverpool Golf Club close to, and his father’s golfing example before him, it is not surprising that he became interested in golf while still a youngster and during his formative years developed skills as a fine amateur golfer. He is listed in the club’s book as winner of the Boy’s Medal in 1874 and 1875 (a considerable achievement as the tournament was open to boys up to the age of 15), of the Bombay Cup and of the Summer Silver Jug in 1882, and of the monthly medal and the optional monthly subscription in 1884.

He married, in Hoylake near Liverpool 15/9/1886, Mary Armson. She was born in Coventry, Warwickshire 13/11/1865 to Daniel Armson and his wife Martha (Ellen) McEllen. When Mary and her youngest sister Florence were orphaned in 1882 they were looked after by their uncle William McEllen. [See Annex A The Armson Family]

Herbert and Mary’s honeymoon had of necessity to include his parents and his brothers and sisters as the whole Tweedie family were on their way, via Niagara Falls, to a piece of land in Neosho in Missouri, USA, where Herbert was to assist the manager in raising livestock. But the venture failed [see his father’s entry] and a new career was launched in Chicago in golf and sporting goods. He was golf representative with A G Spalding & Brother managing their Chicago store for the rest of his life. He was also western golf manager for Crawford, McGregor & Canby Company of Dayton, Ohio, at the same time manufacturing golf clubs and designing golf courses.

Golf courses which in Cornish & Whitten’s The Golf Course he was given credited for laying out are: Belmont, Downer’s Grove; Bryn Mawr, Chicago; Exmoor CC, Highland Park; Flossmoor CC (formerly Homewood CC), 1898; Glen View 1904; LaGrange (NLE 9) 1899; Midlothian CC 1898; Park Ridge 1906; Hinsdale CC, Chicago
1902; Rockford CC 1899; Washington Park CC, Chicago (NLE), Westward Ho CC, Oak Park (NLE); Maple Bluff CC, Madison, Wisconsin (NLE) 1900; Onwentsia/Lake Forest (A 9) 1908 remodeled and added with James and Robert Foulis and H J Whigham; adviser to Colonel J Hamilton Gillespie, Saratoga, Florida. His impressive background in golf led to his participation in laying out a nine-hole course at Belmont in 1892 which became the original location of the Chicago Golf Club (the first golfing organization in Chicagoland the oldest 18 hole course in America) of which he was a founding member and on whose executive committee he served. When the Chicago club moved to Wheaton in 1894, Herbert and others built a new course at the Belmont links and founded the Belmont Golf Club, over which he presided for 3 years. He was known by many thousands of golfers as ‘Pop’.

An extract from the Manchester Guardian, reproduced in The Haddingtonshire Courier on 15/11/1901, states that “In the early eighties, and even before then, the name of Tweedie was a well-known one in the circles of Hoylake, and although it is not often heard at Hoylake nowadays, it must be quite as well known as ever at Chicago. To Mr. Herbert J. Tweedie the Belmont Club owes much of its progress and prosperity, and I see from an American paper that Mr. Tweedie has been doing the course further honour by breaking the record. These Americans have a way of their own in reporting golf. The paragraph is headed, ‘Tweedie Sets Golf Record,” and goes on to say that in four-balled match Mr. Tweedie ‘smashed’ the amateur and professional record of the Belmont course by completing the two rounds in 81’.”
By 1900 he and his family had moved to Downer’s Grove near Chicago and had lived there for a few years. It is believed that the family moved to Ellis Avenue, Wheaton in 1902. Sadly, his wife died on 23/4/1904, aged 39. She was remembered by her oldest child Violet as “a soft, gentle, and total lady at all times, with a tiny little 18 inch waist. Her motto was ‘If you can’t say anything nice, do not say anything at all.’”. Just over 2 years later Herbert himself died, on 11/7/1906, two weeks short of 41, leaving a young family orphaned. He had married Caroline (last name unknown) after Mary’s death, but she was not up to the task of raising 7 children by herself. Herbert and Mary, together with his parents and his brothers and sisters, are buried at Oak Woods cemetery in Chicago.

Children: T8/13 Violet Maude Mary, T8/14 Douglas Herbert, T8/15 Dorothy (Doss) Ruth, T8/16 Norman James, T8/17 Herbert (Herb) Armson, T8/18 Lawrence Porteous, T8/19 Helen Alexandra.

T7/28 Minnie Ker Tweedie born at Hoylake near Liverpool, 5/6/1867. In the 1881 Census Minnie is shown as a scholar, living 22 Falkner Street, Liverpool with her family. She moved with her family to the USA in 1887 and stayed in Neosho, Missouri before settling in Chicago, Illinois.

She married in Chicago 21/10/1896 Benjamin Franklin Grace of Florida. He was born in Screven, Georgia 1868 to Capt. Christopher Columbus Grace (died there in 1918) and his wife Mary Jane Reddish who married in Appling, Georgia 9/5/1866. Minnie and Benjamin moved to Screven, Georgia to overcome allergies.

Known as Aunt Sis, she inherited her elder brother Herbert’s clock (of 1839 and now with T10/40 James Bradley Tweedie), portraits, some pictures and coffee/tea-set which she handed down to Herbert’s grandson T9/21 Douglas Herbert Tweedie Jr and later to his great granddaughter T10/41 Nora Tweedie Capers. In her aunt T6/8 Mary Tweedie’s will in 1915, Minnie was left one third of the residue of her aunt’s estate. Minnie’s husband died in 1927 and Minnie in 1929.

Child: T8/20 Herbert Lindsay.
T7/29 **Jemima Lindsay Tweedie** birth registered in the Wirral, Liverpool 1869. She died there in infancy.

T7/30 **Alexander Lindsay Tweedie** born a 36 Huskisson Street, Hoylake near Liverpool 18/4/1870. In the 1881 Census Alexander is shown as a scholar, living at 22 Falkner Street, Liverpool with his family. He moved with them to the USA in 1887 settling in Chicago, Illinois. He died there of typhoid fever at 957 West Harrison Street 14/7/1887, aged 17. He was buried at Oak Woods cemetery in Chicago beside his father (1891), his mother (1894) and later by his brothers James and Lawrence (both 1898), their sister-in-law, Mary (1904) and her husband, their eldest brother, Herbert (1906).

T7/31 **Lawrence Porteous Tweedie** born in Hoylake near Liverpool, 1872. In the 1881 Census Lawrence is shown as a scholar, living at 22 Falkner Street, Liverpool with his family. He must have started his golfing career at an early age, which was not surprising as the golf course was close to, and he had his father’s and his elder brother’s golfing examples before him. He won the Boy’s medal in 1884 at the age of 12, not quite meeting his brother’s earlier achievement, but considerable all the same as the tournament was open to boys up to the age of 15. When the family moved to the USA, eventually settling in Chicago, Illinois by 1890, he played golf at Jackson Park, at Englewood, at Belmont, when the Chicago Golf Club was founded there in 1892, at Illinois Golf Club, at Onwentsia, which he represented in tournaments in 1896, at Washington Park, where he tied with brother Herbert for the scratch medal, at Louisville, Kentucky, of whose golf club he was made captain in 1897, and at Exmoor Country Club, Chicago that autumn.

Originally in the foundry business, he moved from there to take up the post of golf professional at the Indianapolis Country Club but shortly after doing so, Lawrence died in Indianapolis 14/8/1898, at the early age of 26. He was buried in Oak Woods cemetery in Chicago beside his father (1891), youngest brother Alexander and their mother (1894), and their brother James (1898), later joined by his sister-in-law (1904) and her husband, his eldest brother, Herbert (1906). Unmarried.

T7/32 **Lucy Tweedie** born probably in Hoylake near Liverpool, 5/4/1873. Lucy died there on 8/9/1873, just 5 months old. She was buried in Prestonkirk churchyard, East Linton in East Lothian, Scotland, later joined by her maternal grandfather James Porteous (1876).

T7/32 **James Kinloch Tweedie** born in Hoylake near Liverpool, 5/6/1874, twin brother of Maude. In the 1881 Census James is shown as a scholar, living at 22 Falkner Street, Liverpool with his family. He moved with his family to the USA in 1887 settling in Chicago, Illinois. He died there on 5/1/1898, at the early age of 23, and was buried in Oak Woods cemetery in Chicago beside his father (1891), youngest brother Alexander and their mother (1894), joined a few months later by his brother Lawrence (1898), and within a few years by their sister-in-law (1904) and her husband, their eldest brother, Herbert (1906). Unmarried.

T7/34 **Maude Tweedie** born in Hoylake near Liverpool, 5/6/1874, twin sister of James. In the 1881 Census Maude is shown as a scholar, living at 22 Falkner Street, Liverpool with her family. She died there that year, just 7 years old.
T6/14 Robert Waugh and Susan Steel’s children:

T7/35 *Annie Steel Waugh* born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 19/3/1873. Annie was brought up there, and recorded as a scholar in the 1881 Census. Tall and well-built, she later lived with her widowed mother at 10 Marine Road, Dunbar and owned a chow dog with a black tongue. Annie died there on 27/10/1940, aged 67, and was buried in the old parish churchyard beside her sister Margaret (1874), their younger unnamed sister (1881) and their mother (1921). Unmarried.

T7/36 *Margaret Tweedie Waugh* born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 7/5/1874, and died at nearby Viewfield 14/8/1874, aged 3 months. Margaret was buried in the old parish churchyard of Dunbar, later joined by her younger unnamed sister (1881), their mother (1921) and elder sister Annie (1940).

T7/37 *Robert George Waugh* born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 23/2/1880. Robert was educated at Merchiston Castle 1891-97 and was farming at Eweford at least in 1913. He married Annie Denholm Drummond. Robert died at 1 Frederick Crescent, Dunfermline 20/12/1936, aged 56; his informant was his sister-in-law C H Drummond.

T7/38 daughter Waugh born at Eweford near Dunbar, East Lothian 1/6/1881 and died the same day. She was buried in Dunbar old parish churchyard beside her sister Margaret (1874), later joined by their mother (1921) and elder sister Annie (1940).

T7/2 John Mackie Murray and Felicia Burness’ child:

T8/1 *Norman Murray* born at 24 Dublin Street, Edinburgh 19/1/1880. In 1881 Norman was living with his family at Ardlochan, Kirkoswald, Ayr.

T7/5 Thomas Alexander Murray and Agnes Porteous’ child:


T7/7 Arthur Edward Murray and Louisa Georgina McHutcheon’s children:

T8/3 *Violet Marion Murray* born at 26 Warriston Crescent, Edinburgh 29/9/1899. Violet later moved with her family to Bellevue Lodge, 5 Dick Place, and in 1925 was executor, with her brother, to their father. Of independent means, she died in the Royal Edinburgh Hospital 3/12/1984, aged 85. Unmarried.

T8/4 *James (Jim) Mackie Murray* born at 96 Findhorn Place, Edinburgh 30/4/1904. Jim later moved with his family to Bellevue Lodge, 5 Dick Place, and in 1925 was executor, with his sister to their father. He was educated at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh, and qualified as an architect. His interests included horticulture and politics; he was president of Horley Conservative Party in 1972.

He married, at Holy Trinity, Brompton, London in 1935, Winifred Lamb, a secretary. She was born in Newark, Nottinghamshire in 1906 to Herbert Lamb and his wife Edith Mary Appleyard.

Jim and his wife lived in Horley, Surrey until her death in 1983, aged 77, and his in 1984, aged 80.

T7/8 James Murray and Clara Schubert’s children:

T8/5 Alice Kate MURRAY born in Edinburgh 1878. In 1881 Alice was living with her family at 7 Fettes Row, Edinburgh.

T8/6 Clara Louisa MURRAY born in Edinburgh 1879. In 1881 Clare was living with her family at 7 Fettes Row, Edinburgh.

T7/21 Robert Waugh Tweedie’s children:

T8/7 Alexander (Lex) John TWEEDE born at Coates, Gladsmuir parish, East Lothian 14/5/1910. Lex spent most of his childhood there, moving with the family to Phantassie in East Linton, Prestonkirk parish in 1920. He was educated at Warriston Prep School, Moffat and then at Merchiston Castle School in Edinburgh 1924-29. He served in the Second World War as an officer with the 8th Battalion of the the Royal Scots and later with the Home Guard. He farmed at Trabroun, at Eweford and at Cocklaw and was chairman of the livestock auctioneers Oliver & Sons. He bought Eweford, West Barns Mains and part of Lochend from the Warrender family on 15/5/46 and sold the property to Alex Taylor of Grangemouth on 31/5/1967, thus ending over 137 years of Waugh/Tweedie management; his great grandfather Robert Waugh had farmed there from at least 1830. His interests included horse-riding, hunting, point-to-pointing, the Scout Movement, Dunbar rugby club and local affairs.

He married, at St Mary of Wedale Church, Stow 1/7/1939, Eileen Isobel Irving Elliot. She was born on 30/8/1911 to William Irving Elliot, farmer at Middletoun, Stow, and his wife Isabella Turnbull Douglas.

After retiring, Lex and his wife lived in Preston Road, East Linton until his death at Belhaven Hospital in nearby Dunbar 16/12/1985, aged 75. [Obituary in East Lothian Courier of 20/12/1985.] His widow died at Dunbar on 2/2/2005.


T8/8 Robert Reginald (Reg) TWEDIE born at Coates, Gladsmuir parish, East Lothian 6/7/1911. Reg spent most of his childhood there, moving with the family to Phantassie in East Linton, Prestonkirk parish in 1920. He was educated at Warriston Prep School, Moffat, Dumfriesshire and then at Merchiston Castle in Colinton, Edinburgh 1926-29. He farmed at Middlethird in Gordon, Berwickshire. A keen horseman, he rode one hundred and twenty-eight winners between 1932 and 1949 including his father’s horse Ballybrack which won the Cheltenham Foxhunters’ race in 1934, and was chairman of the Kelso race course and as a member of the Jockey Club attended meetings in London. In 1989 the first Reg Tweedie Novices’ Chase was run, in honour of his managing of the course.

He married, at Roxburgh Church, Roxburghshire 28/7/1937, Elizabeth (Betty) Isabella Margaret Roberton. She was born at Ladyrig 22/8/1912 to John Roberton, farmer at Ladyrig by Kelso, and his wife Elizabeth Mary Cowe. Betty rode in the first point-to-point course held by the United Border Hunt in 1933.

They both also owned and trained racehorses, including the steeplechaser Freddie, who won the Vaux Gold Tankard, the Cheltenham Foxhunters’ title in 1964, the Mildmay Steeplechase in 1965, the Gallacher Gold Cup at Sandown in 1966 and many others. One of the horses his wife bred, Rosie Wings, was the mother of over fifty winners on the flat. After Freddie and Rosie Wings had been retired they shared the same field at Middlethird for the rest of their lives.

Reg died 18/7/1999. His widow still lives on the Middlethird farm.


May owned the portrait of Grannie Mutch (W4/9 Mary Welsh wife of T3/9 James Tweedie) and 2 pictures; one of her Tweedie grandmother T6/17 Jessie Waugh, one of which was taken in 1861 some 4 years before her marriage (showing a good looking young woman in her early twenties); and one of May’s uncles R Martin Ronaldson in a sailor suit in 1890 (photographed by Bara of Ayr): and 3 framed photographs of family houses; Eweford (Waugh), and Coates and Phantassie (Tweedie).

When her husband retired the couple made their home at Phantassie which May had bought from her brother’s estate. She and her husband lived there until his death on 12/11/1994 in his 85th year, and hers on 28/10/1995, aged 82. Her daughter’s son is the fourth generation of the family at Phantassie.

Child: T9/10 Patricia Mary.

Alison Waugh Tweedie born at Coates, 26/8/1914. Alison spent her early childhood there, moving with the family to Phantassie in East Linton, Prestonkirk parish in 1920. She was educated at Rothesay House, Edinburgh, and at Priorsfield, Surrey and was a VAD in the Second World War. She inherited a bullet-silver teapot from her maternal aunt Wynne Ronaldson who had inherited it from her sister Nettie.

She married, at St Andrew’s Church in East Linton 24/2/1940, Cuthbert Alan Usher Cunningham. He was born at the Roxburghe Hotel, Edinburgh 27/4/1901 to St Clair Cunningham, farmer and landed proprietor of Hedderwick Hill near Dunbar, and his wife Elizabeth Usher (married Edinburgh 30/4/1885). A “mud” student at Phantassie in 1923, Cuthbert first met his future wife when she was only 9. (Alan’s brother Norman was also a “mud” student there.) He succeeded his mother as the tenant farmer of Hedderwick Hill, Dunbar (on the Earl of Haddington’s estate), owned West Barns farm, managed Baro (for Mrs Younger) and The Park, Earlston, Berwickshire (for Major & Mrs Sharpe), and farmed at Threepwood, Galashiels, Selkirkshire, which he had bought before the Second World War, from 1940 until his retirement in 1981. He was chairman of Roxburgh County Roads Department and was a JP.

Alison and her husband retired to the Glebe, Lauder, Berwickshire where, after his death on 20/3/1991, aged 89, she continued to live until the Autumn of 1992 when she moved to a smaller house within Lauder. Latterly Alison was cared for in a nursing home in Galashiels until her death on 16/3/2002, aged 87.


Douglas George Tweedie born at Coates, 14/3/1918. Douglas spent his very early childhood there, moving with the family to Phantassie in East Linton, Prestonkirk parish in 1920. He was educated at Warriston Prep School, Moffat, and at Merchiston Castle in Colinton, Edinburgh 1932-36, graduated MA and LLB from Peterhouse College, Cambridge University in the late 1930s, and was appointed WS on 12/7/1948. Serving as aide-de-campe to 2 generals commanding the 15th division of the 8th Territorial Battalion of the Royal Scots during the Second World War, Captain Tweedie was twice mentioned in dispatches and was awarded the TD. After the War he joined Fraser, Stoddart & Ballingwall WS in Edinburgh. President of the East Linton British Legion, he was also colonel commandant of the East Linton cadet corps, chairman of the Berwickshire and East Lothian Unionist Association and of the Community Association, and a member of the Royal Company of Archers.

Douglas lived at Phantassie, East Linton, whose gardens he regularly opened to the public under the Scottish
Gardens Open Scheme, and which he allowed local organizations to use for fetes etc. He died on 18/7/1982, aged 64. His funeral took place at Prestonkirk Parish Church, where he was buried. [Obituary in East Lothian Courier of 23/7/1982]. Unmarried.

T8/12 Margaret Anne Tweedie born at Phantassie, 28/2/1921 and was brought up there. Anne was educated at Rothesay House, Edinburgh. At the beginning of the Second World War in 1939 she was put in a reserved occupation category, but on 19/9/1943 she joined the ATS as a private (Army number W/264480) and was demobbed on 15/9/1945. Her testimonial reads “Military Conduct very good. This auxiliary has worked well and conscientiously during her service. She is thoroughly reliable and has a quiet but pleasant manner.” On her release her war gratuity amounted to £25-4/-.

Even when Peace came the effect of War lingered on. A National Registration card still had to be carried at all times, as proof of identity. And furnishing a house was limited not only by the number of clothing coupons people were able to collect from friends and relatives, but also by success in raffles. At house sales the names of those interested in buying curtains, or beds etc. were put in a hat (or equivalent) and the successful ticket holder paid the set price and took the goods. The three beds Anne bought in this way were still with her until very late in her life.

She married, at St Andrews Church, East Linton 21/1/1947, and divorced 21/12/1978, David Gordon Rennie, a farmer. He was born on 2/7/1917, the third son of John Rennie CBE, a farmer, and his wife Hilda Cowley.

After honeymooning in Klosters, Switzerland and also visiting Davos and St Moritz, they returned home to Little Pinkerton only to find the farm blocked with snow. All they had for lighting were paraffin lamps as electricity was not to be installed for another 6 months. Although a nice house there were three outbreaks of dry rot, the extinguishing for two of which the couple had to pay. The farm, originally on the Roxburghe estate, was at first rented and later bought from Portland Cement (now ICI) together with Brandsmill. Nether Falla at Eddleston in Peeblesshire was a further purchase. After many years they sold Little Pinkerton but kept Brandsmill, which Anne rented to her elder son David, who bought it in November 1985.

In April 1961, the year before her daughter started school, Anne decided to buy a house in Dunbar, employ teachers and run it as a small school for young boys and girls. Called Kirklands (and costing £3,750), it operated for a few years and is now an Abbeyfield Home. As well as this school, she also owned and managed a popular riding school at Brandsmill, registered with the BHSAI. Her interests, apart from horses, were gardening, and breeding cairn dogs.

After separating from her husband Anne and the children lived at West Barns Farm House for 3 years. For 2 of those years she was a driver with Ghillie Travel taking tourists all over Scotland. In 1979 Anne moved to 

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Craigour, East Linton and, shortly after, took on emergency work for the Helping Hands agency, which varied from cooking lunch for Princess Margaret’s son to dog walking. Craigour, which was left to her sister May by their aunt R Gladys Evelyn Ronaldson, was rented by Anne until she bought it on 31/10/1985.

Anne lived in East Linton until her death at the Western General Hospital, Edinburgh on 23/9/2000, aged 79. She was buried in Prestonkirk churchyard.


T7/27 Herbert James Tweedie and Mary Ellen Armson’s children:

T8/13 Violet Maude TWEEDE born in Neosho, Missouri 1/1/1888. Shortly afterwards Violet moved with her parents to Chicago, Illinois and by 1900 she and her family were living in Downer’s Grove. When she was 18 her widowed father died. As her grandparents were already dead and, of her father’s seven brothers and sisters, only her aunt Minnie (Aunt Sis) in Screven, Georgia, was still alive, Violet, with her brother Douglas, only 16, and sister Doss, only 14, were left with younger brothers and sisters to care for. Between them, they assumed responsibility for the raising of the children until her marriage.

She married, in Trinity Episcopal Church, Wheaton near Chicago 24/6/1909, William Wallace Steven, a real estate and insurance agent who was born at Pleasant Hill in Milton Township, DuPage County, Illinois 27/1/1853. She and her family lived at 423 Front Street, Wheaton until his death in 1931, aged 78.
A classical music and opera lover, who also liked to recite Shakespeare while doing the dishes, she was a civic leader, a charter member and president of the Women’s Department Club, a member of the Episcopal Church and of the League of Women voters, and served on the School and Library Boards. Violet died in Santa Barbara, California in 1977, aged 89. She is remembered with great fondness and affection by her granddaughter T10/35 Patt, whose memories include spending weekends walking with her around Pasadena and attending concerts, ballets and movies, and by her 5’2” great granddaughter T11/10 Barbie, who recalls her 5’9” height, her gentleness and her ladylike manner.


T8/14 Douglas Herbert Tweedie born in Chicago, Illinois 30/5/1890, the first to bear that name. By 1900 Douglas and his family had moved to Downer’s Grove. Growing up there, near the Belmont Golf Club, was great fun for Douglas. He would hitch a ride on the tender of the train from Downer’s Grove to Belmont. He played golf with his father. Doug had taken up the sport at the age of 9, competed in pater-filius events, and paddled a birch bark canoe on the DuPage river. When 14 he went to work on a farm near Lake Geneva in Wisconsin and studied at the Lewis Institute of Technology from 1905 but at 16 had to return to Wheaton on his widowed father’s death in 1906. As he, with his sisters Violet, just 18, and Doss, just 14, had to take on the task of caring for the younger children, he went to work for Spalding sporting goods house to help support the family, looking after their education until his marriage in 1915. Despite working long hours all week he found the time each Sunday without fail to visit his youngest sister Helen after she was adopted; these visits he continued to make until she grew up.

Douglas later resumed his studies, this time at Alexander Hamilton Institute 1920-24, and such was his ability, that after starting as stock boy and elevator operator, he quickly rose to the position of store manager, western manager, and then vice-president in charge of retail operations (1936-38). He was the first to use the endorsements of famous athletes on sports equipment i.e. Bobby Jones, Louise Suggs and Patty Berg on golf clubs. Upon leaving Spalding he formed a Sales Representative company with his son, Douglas Jr, that encompassed the middle west. After WWII he founded Tweedie Industries, which until 1954 pioneered, developed and produced large fiberglass mouldings to produce children’s sleds and furniture.

His interest in sports continued into adulthood. Although he became a amateur heavyweight boxer and as a member of the Chicago Athletic Club played squash and swam many lengths of their indoor pool during the winter, golf was his greatest love. He joined Glen Oak Country Club at the age of 30 and immediately won the club championship that first year and five other times and served as club president for two terms. All of his children were taught to play the game and strong traditions of golf continue this day among his grandchildren and great grandchildren.
He married, in Wheaton near Chicago 6/2/1915, Alice Finch Wanzer. She was born in Chicago 13/11/1891 to Edwin Titus Wanzer, a grain broker and florist, and his wife Etta Elizabeth Finch, a graduate of Lombard College and a school teacher. Alice was educated at Wheaton High School to 1910 where she was an ardent suffragette, studied physical education at Chicago Normal School of Physical Education and Expression to 1912 and worked as a playground instructor at Chicago Park 1912-15. She was a Daughter of the American Revolution, a master bridge player, president of the Wheaton Women's club, a charter member and president of Wheaton Garden Club and a world traveller.

Family values were of prime importance to Douglas. At age 16 he assumed the care of his younger siblings, raised his own four children, and again with his wife Alice, made a home for Edwin Wanzer, his father-in-law, and finally for his widowed son, Edwin, and his two small girls, Lynne and Carol. Still caring for his family, and just three weeks before his son Ed’s marriage, Douglas died in Indianapolis, Indiana, 6/4/1954, age 63. His widow, Alice, died in Wheaton 28/8/1988, aged 96.

He had been known as the fun and adventurous Grandpa. On a weekend he would call his daughter and daughters-in-law and tell them to have the grandchildren ready; he was taking them ice skating, to the park, to the zoo or to the swimming pool. This was a brave move since there were so many of them. He always managed to keep control of the situation; if you were good there would be a wonderful adventure to be had. Those times are some of the fondest childhood memories shared by several of his grandchildren.

Another tradition that Douglas and Alice established was the purchase of a small cottage in Pentwater, Michigan on the shores of Lake Michigan that remains in his family today. There he would always have a work plan to repair and restore the cottage and remove sand blown up the sandy dune to partially cover the cottage roof. Then in the afternoon build a diving raft with a spring board, swim in the breakers, and referee softball games on the beach with the young people. Other family cottages have reinforced this family tradition by descendants who appreciate the joys and beauty of Lake Michigan and this special gift from Alice and Douglas.

T8/15 Dorothy (Doss) Ruth TWEEDEIE born in Englewood, Chicago 9/9/1892. By 1900 Doss and her family had moved to Downer’s Grove. Just 14 when her widowed father died in 1906, she and her elder brother Douglas had always been the best of friends and it was the two of them, with their elder sister Violet, who looked after the rest of the family. When Douglas went to work she “was the glue that held them all together” by taking over the management of the house and her four young siblings; her youngest sister Helen felt that it was Doss who saved the family. After completing her high school education in the Wheaton school system and with financial help from T8/14 Douglas, she attended the Chicago Normal School of Physical Education and Expression 1914-16. Perhaps the long years of caring for the family had taken their toll and left her more vulnerable to illness for she contracted TB and spent some time at the nearby Winfield Sanitarium [now Central Dupage Hospital] for rest and recovery. Although she recovered, she was labeled as an arrested case of TB.

She married, in Englewood 23/9/1916, Robert Spurgin, who was born on 27/5/1897 to Robert Spurgin. After some deliberation she went ahead and had a child but within a short time her illness returned. The couple left their son with his paternal grandparents and moved to the warm and sunny climate of Rosewell in New Mexico in hopes of a recovery. Sadly, Doss died there on 27/5/1922, aged only 29. Her widower died on 3/3/1984, aged 86.


T8/16 Norman James TWEEDEIE born in Normal Park, Chicago 20/12/1895, and by 1900 had moved to Downer’s Grove. Norman’s middle name of James carried on an old Tweedie family tradition and his interest in golf, and indeed all sports, carried on a new one. After obtaining excellent exam results at Wheaton High School and with financial help from elder brother Douglas, he studied at the Purdue University and at the University of Illinois. While there he was injured playing football and was given a blood transfusion from Douglas. (In one of his obituaries it is reported, “In 1916, while a student at the University of Illinois, he contracted pernicious anemia” though this could not be verified.)

He recovered enough to volunteer for military service in the First World War, against the protests of his brother Douglas. He was one of the first from Wheaton to enlist and the first to die. (His name is on a World War I memorial at the North Side Park, Wheaton) Sadly while in officers’ training at Camp Taylor, Kentucky he was on guard duty outside all night and came down with an illness, probably
influenza (there was a major epidemic at that time 1917-18), which developed into pneumonia, taking his life on 24/3/1918, at the age of only 23. Norman, who was described by his younger sister Helen as a “beautiful young man”, was buried in Wheaton cemetery, later joined by his brother Lawrence (1920). Unmarried.

T8/17 **Herbert (Herb) Armson TWEEDIE** born in Rogers Park, Chicago 2/10/1897, and by 1900 had moved to Downer’s Grove. Herb grew up between Norman and Lawrence in age and in academic ability. Although he felt his eldest brother Douglas had enough energy for the whole family, he too played his part in sports by running the mile for Wheaton High School and carrying the football with dexterity. The happy-go-lucky member of the family with a very kind heart and manner, he took easy care of his young nephews and nieces, to give their parents a rest, and if any of them needed a lift somewhere Uncle Herb was always available. They all, without exception, loved having him in charge. His nephew T9/23 Douglas remembers Herb giving up a game of billiards to give him aid and comfort when he was upset after a car crash; Douglas had been taking friends to the railway station in his car when the accident happened, with Douglas the innocent party.

Herb tried chicken farming in California but this was not entirely successful and later he simply dropped out of sight of the family. He died in California in September 1963 and left his estate to a kindly lady who had taken care of him in his later years. Unmarried.

T8/18 **Lawrence Porteous TWEEDIE** born in Rogers Park, Chicago 18/11/1899, and named after his paternal uncle. By 1900 Lawrence and his family had moved to Downer’s Grove. Orphaned by the loss of his parents by the time he was 7, Lawrence was brought up by his sisters Violet and Doss and brother Douglas. He was very close to Doss, no doubt particularly so after the marriages of Violet and Douglas in 1909 and 1915. When Doss married in 1916, he felt her departure keenly, a circumstance to which he never made the adjustment, despite, with brothers Norman and Herbert moving in with their eldest sister, Violet and her family. Lawrence shared a love of sports with his brothers and, like Norman, wanted to serve in the military. To build up his body for this purpose he decided, after leaving Wheaton School, to work as a lumberjack at River Falls, Minnesota but tragically he drank some polluted water and this caused his death on 9/2/1920, at the early age of 20. He was buried in Wheaton cemetery, beside his brother Norman (1918). Unmarried.

T8/19 **Helen Alexandra TWEEDIE** born in Downer’s Grove, west of Chicago 24/3/1902. When Helen was 4, her widowed father died and her elder brother Douglas took on the responsibility of looking after the family. The impact he had on young Helen cannot be overstated; he loomed as an almost mystical figure in her memories and tales of her youth. But it was her second eldest sister Doss who assumed the role of mother and according to Helen “became the glue that helped hold the young family together.” It is not known exactly when but it was later decided that Helen was simply too young to be without a proper mother and family friends Frederick and Sara MacIsaac agreed to take her in and raise her along with their own children. Within a year a childless couple, Edmund and Anne Graf, close friends of the Maclsaacs, offered to formally adopt Helen. Douglas had but one stipulation; Helen must always be allowed to have contact with the Tweedies. The Grafs willingly agreed and Douglas continued the Sunday visits until Helen grew up.

The Grafs were well-off financially and could give Helen the kind of advantages her own family could not provide. Edmund was in commercial real estate, and Anne was active socially with charitable organizations, liked music, played the piano herself and attended many concerts. Helen too loved music and began studying music at Northwestern University, Chicago in 1918 (she joined the PEO and Alpha Chi Sororities there), but
when the family moved to Pasadena, California she transferred to the University of Southern California in 1920 and graduated BA with honors in 1922. A pianist, Helen also performed in the thriving arts community in Pasadena.

Her granddaughter, T10/60 Katherine MacIsaac Miller, has written about Helen and her life as follows:

“She retained a strong sense of being a Tweedie her entire life and always blessed that her brother had put her in the care of such kind and loving people as the Grafs. The Grafs were indulgent parents who delighted in the creative and independent spirit of their young charge. Helen assumed their name upon the adoption, retaining Tweedie as her middle name until her marriage. She recalled attending many adult social functions at their home, never being made to feel that she was too childish to attend. Her opinions were always listened to with respect and her creative offering met with enthusiastic applause. On more than one occasion, guests at the Graf home were told, “And now, Helen will entertain us with an interpretive dance”, or “Helen will now perform for us on the piano”. She grew up a privileged daughter in a privileged society.

Helen’s love of music never wavered, and in 1918 at the tender age of 16 she began studying music in the hopes of someday becoming a concert pianist. These were heady times in Chicago and Helen was caught up in them. Her studies suffered, although she did manage to earn several medals for competitive swimming, and she remembered this time as her “Flapper Stage”. Her parents must have been troubled by her behavior because Edmund Graf rather suddenly retired and moved the family out to the gentler clime, and more sedate lifestyle, of Pasadena, California. The move seems to have knocked some sense into Helen because after the transfer she became a model student.

The Grafs lived in Pasadena in a splendid home designed by the renowned architectural team of Greene & Greene. The work of these brothers, especially their homes in Pasadena, are widely considered to be the architectural pinnacle of the American Arts & Crafts Movement.”

She married, in Pasadena, California on 12/8/1931, Donald MacIsaac. He was born on 9/2/1895 to Frederick MacIsaac, a Chicago mining engineer specializing in tunnels, and his wife Sara Greene Robinson; it was this couple who had given a home to Helen before she was adopted. Donald, who with his family had moved to New York in 1910, studied at Brooklyn Tech before entering Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania in 1913, from where, because of the United States’ entry into the First World War, he made arrangements to graduate BSc in civil engineering - early in 1917. He served with the 11th Railway Engineers of the US Army in Europe, which suffered the first American casualties in France. He was awarded, in 1918, the US Distinguished Service cross and the British George V medal for Bravery in the Field. After the war he worked as an engineer with general contractors, managing construction jobs worldwide, until the mid 1930s when he formed construction firm partnerships firstly with Charles Rainey, styled MacIaac & Rainey, and, after Rainey’s retirement, with Arthur Menke, styled MacIaac & Menke, until Don’s retirement in 1951 (the
business continued under this name until Menke’s death in the early 1960s. Important projects undertaken by MacIsaac & Menke included the original docks at Port Hueneme, Southern California, the Sunnyside Mine in Utah, the development of the Atomic Energy Plant at Hanford, Washington and Hughes’ first aircraft plant in El Segundo, California, after which, when the firm was made the lead contractors by Howard Hughes for his aircraft, they were kept busy for years. It was perhaps their most profitable work. Don was president of the Southern California Chapter of the Association of General Contractors of America in 1945.

It was when he was working in Long Beach, California about 1929, overseeing the construction of the Edison Plant on Terminal Island, that his younger brother and parents joined him, the Maclsaacs and Grafs friendship was renewed and Helen and Don were re-acquainted. When they became engaged in 1930 Helen was reminded that at the age of 5, she had announced that one day she would certainly marry Don “when she grew up”. The couple began married life in Pasadena and it was there that their children were born but shortly after
the birth of the twins, the family moved to Downey, a small, rural town near Los Angeles, where they owned an orange grove. Their large house, at 1006 Easy Street (now East Florence Avenue), had to be re-designed in 1939 following a fire which severely damaged the lower interior and which had been caused by Helen leaving wet washing over a radiator to dry. In 1951 Helen and Don retired to Eugene, Oregon where they bought a ranch, christening it Mac Haven, and reared purebred polled Herefords. Not long afterwards Don was diagnosed as having cancer of the prostate but fortunately it was able to be controlled. They decided to sell up and go back to California in 1957, leasing a large, lovely flat in San Francisco with spectacular views over Fisherman’s Wharf. But later they wanted to be closer to their son Doug and his family in Santa Barbara and moved there in 1964, enjoying the warmer weather and the opportunity to garden once more. They were joined by their daughter Anita and her boys while her husband served in Vietnam in 1965, and in 1968 by the newly-separated Doug. Sadly Don’s health had been declining and in August that year, he died, aged 73.

Doug remained with his mother, each one helping the other cope with loss and in 1969 Anita and her children returned during her husband’s second spell of duty in Vietnam. For a year or so, the 3-bedroomed house was crowded with 3 adults and 3 children and twice a week Doug’s 2 children, but by 1971, Helen’s family had all moved away; Anita and her husband were re-united, Doug had re-married and she was left with the house to herself. She remained there until 1989 when following a stroke, she had to spend the last 14 months of her life in a convalescent home. Helen died in August 1990, aged 88.

Her granddaughter, Katherine MacIsaac Miller writes again about Helen and her life as follows:

“The years spent in San Francisco with Don were the happiest years of Helen’s life. They were full of all the things Helen loved best; concerts, plays, museums, social and charitable functions, and a wide circle of friends. She swam several times a week at the YWCA as well as continuing her long daily walks. She was active both in her college sorority, Alpha Chi, as well as in PEO, a philanthropic and educational sorority, and maintained this involvement after moving to Santa Barbara at the University of California’s Santa Barbara Chapter of Alpha Chi and a local chapter of PEO.

The final period of Helen’s life was one of great personal development. She had battled for years with severe bouts of depression which she began researching in an effort to understand them. She had a close circle of women friends, including Mary Minish, a friend from her days at Northwestern, in Chicago. Gardening continued to be a source of inspiration and delight with her small backyard gradually transforming into a year-round floral showcase. She rediscovered an interest in, and an affinity for growing, roses. Walking daily kept her in excellent physical condition and constant interaction with her grandchildren kept her young in spirit. During the years 1974-80 several of her grandsons lived with her for periods. This constant exposure to young people opened Helen up to new ideas and she found that without the constraints of a husband or a grown up children’s expectations, she was eager to explore the changes happening in society, as well as the changes she had undergone through the years. She sustained the close relationships with her two granddaughters Kathy and Sara, visiting them yearly and corresponding with them regularly. In 1977, the first of her great-grandchildren was born. Before her death, Helen had 11 members of this new generation and amazingly enough, although great distances separated them, at least five of these children have distinct memories of her.

Helen remained active, living in her home, until 1989 when she suffered a stroke while recovering from a bladder infection. She spent the last 14 months of her life in a convalescent home, politely detesting every minute. Her children and grandchildren visited often and her great grandchildren were favorites of the staff, but Helen was clearly ready to move on. On a visit with her, only five days before days before her death, Helen spoke with her granddaughter, Kathy, saying “You
mustn’t feel sad. You see, I have so many people waiting for me. I’m ready to go. I’m willing to be released”. She died quietly on a warm summer day in August, 1990 and her ashes were scattered in her beloved rose garden in the backyard of her home. Her son bought the home and tended to the garden until his death. Her memorial service became a joyous two-day family reunion, just as she would have loved.

Helen’s spirit is seen in so many ways in her family. Her love of art and music live on in her two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren who are accomplished pianists and a granddaughter and several great-grandchildren who are artists and designers. Her athleticism is seen in nearly every member of a family filled with golfers, tennis instructors, skiers, swimmers and runners. Several of her grandsons attended college on athletic scholarships. Her great intellect is honored with eleven college degrees and two advanced degrees distributed among her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Her deep spirituality and abiding faith were powerful influences on a grandson who entered the ministry. But perhaps her greatest legacy is the strong sense of responsibility to family which so many of her descendants cite as the guiding force in their lives. She would be so pleased to see this family history has reconnected members of her far-reaching Family Tree.”


T7/28 Minnie Ker Tweedie and Benjamin Franklin Grace’s child:

T8/20 Herbert Lindsay GRACE born Dade City, Florida 24/11/1897, where he lived until he was about six years old. Lindsay, with his parents, moved to Georgia and lived in Waycross, later moving to Screven, Georgia, attended school at Blackshear, and graduated from Georgia Military College, Milledgeville, Georgia. After finishing school, he returned to Screven, Georgia, and while a young man, served as Mayor of Screven, and for a number of terms served on the local School Board. He was elected to represent Sub-District No 4 as a Georgia Director of the American Turpentine Farmers Association.

Lindsay married in Florida c.1926 Mary Sue Thomas, who was born on 14/12/1906, Patterson, Georgia, and lived in Screven where they made their home since marriage. Lindsey and Mary were childless.

T8/2 Agnes Murray and Robert Band’s children:

T9/1 Douglas Alexander Niven BAND


Children: T10/1 Jennifer, T10/2 Heather.

T8/4 James (Jim) Mackie Murray and Winifred Lamb’s children:

T9/3 Lesley Ann MURRAY born in London in 1936. Lesley studied at Brooklyn College, New York, graduated BA in 1981 and majored in comparative literature. Latterly Lesley was a public information and publications manager for the National Council on Alcoholism in New York 1979-89. Her interests include bridge and watercolor painting and she is a member of the steering committee of the Brooklyn Heights Interfaith Shelter for the Homeless.

She married, in New York in 1964, Richard Wesley Lull, who was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1933 to Richard Lull and his wife Charlotte; both of Chicago. A computer programmer with the US Navy, Richard (Lesley’s
husband) died in Brooklyn in 1971.

Leslie lives in Brooklyn. No children.

T9/4 **Alexander (Alex) John MURRAY** born in Newark in 1939. Alex was educated at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh, studied at Kelham Theological College 1958-63, gained MA, Dip Th, Dip Lib & Dip Soc, served as a Church of England clergyman 1964-80, and was a member of INCUNABULA and president of the Bamton bowling club 1977-80. Since 1982 he has worked with alcoholics, drug addicts and prisoners, was visiting librarian to Woodbrooke (Quaker) College, Birmingham in 1989, librarian and bursar to Edgbaston College and prooderos to the English speaking Greek & Russian Orthodox Churches in Birmingham & Rugby 1989-90, and is now the education officer and drugs counselor in the Langley House Trust, Ramsbottom, Lancashire.

He married, at St Mary the Boltons, London 29/5/1965, Gillian Bell; they were divorced in 1980. She was born in Southampton 27/10/1937 to Alexander Beatty Bell, a bank manager now retired, and his wife Gladys Gwendoline Crees, was educated at Daventry Grammar School 1950-55, did secretarial work 1956-66, and since 1982 has been a medical secretary.

Alex now lives in Ramsbottom and Gillian on the Isle of Wight.

Children: T10/3 Sarah Katherine, T10/4 Rachel Elizabeth, T10/5 Clare Bridget, T10/6 Dominic.

T8/7 **Alexander (Lex) John Tweedie and Eileen Isobel Elliot’s children:**

T9/5 **Peter Alexander TWEEDIE** born at Haddington, East Lothian 24/5/1941 and brought up at Eweford near Dunbar. Peter was educated at St Mary’s School, Melrose and at Merchiston Castle School in Colinton, Edinburgh. He studied estate management at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester and qualified as a chartered surveyor. Employed for over 25 years with Irvine Development Corporation, latterly as Head of Estates, until the closure of the Corporation in 1996. Peter now works for the Woodland Trust.

He married, at St Stephen’s and West Parish Church, Broughty Ferry, Angus 24/8/1978, Katharine (Kate) Ann Gray, a nursing tutor, of 15 Fairhill Road, Broughty Ferry. Kate was born at West Bay Nursing Home, Broughty Ferry 12/1/1949 to John Gray, a Dundee solicitor (born Falkirk, Stirlingshire 7/5/1906, and died 16/11/1971), and his wife Elsie McHattie (born Dallas, Morayshire 28/11/1910, and died 8/10/1992).

Peter and his family live in Dundonald, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire.

Children: T10/7 Robert (Robbie) John, T10/8 Neil Alexander, T10/9 Blair Peter, T10/10 Ewen Scott.
T9/6 Gordon David Tweedie born at Eweford, 6/12/1942 and brought up there. Gordon was educated at St Mary’s Prep School, Melrose and at Merchiston Castle School in Colinton, Edinburgh and studied at the Agricultural College, Edinburgh for 2 years. He played rugby for the Scottish Boys’ 15, for Melrose, the South of Scotland and the Barbarians and had trials for the Scottish team. A farmer at Cocklaw, Oldhamstocks until he sold the farm in November 1985, he has now farmed at the Pleasance, near Dunbar since October 1987.

He married, on 27/5/1978, Maureen Elizabeth Moncrieff, a farmer’s daughter from Straiton, Leuchars. She died in a car accident on 18/12/1990.

Gordon and his family live at The Pleasance.

Children: T10/11 Michael James, T10/12 Joanna Margaret.

T9/7 Rona Eileen Tweedie born in Edinburgh, 20/8/1950 and brought up at Eweford. Rona was educated at St Margaret’s School, Edinburgh 1959-68, trained as secretary at the Edinburgh College of Commerce 1969-70, and had a working holiday in South Africa, Australia and New Zealand 1973-75. As a personal assistant and administrator she worked for the English Speaking Union 1975-80 escorting a tour party to South America in 1979, the Scotch Whisky Association 1981-84, and the Rugby World Cup in 1991 and 1999. Since 1988 she has been a freelance administrator/secertary.

She married, at Athelstaneford Parish Church 23/10/1982, Alexander (Alec) D Stevenson of Elie, Fife, who worked for East Kilbride Development Corporation, transferring on its closure to East Kilbride District Council, which became South Lanarkshire Council, until 1998, and then for the National Lotteries Charities Board.

Rona and her husband live in Edinburgh. Her interests include squash, tennis, skiing and gardening.

T8/8 Robert Reginald (Reg) Tweedie and Elizabeth Margaret Irving Robertson’s children:

T9/8 Robert John Tweedie born at Middletthird, Gordon, Berwickshire 28/6/1939, baptized and brought up there. John was educated at Clifton Hall, Newbridge, West Lothian where he was Head Boy, and at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh. His National Service was spent with the 5th Royal Tank Regiment in Yorkshire, Germany and Norway 1959-61. He is a sheep farmer at Buchtrig Hownam, near Jedburgh, Roxburghshire.

He married, at Ford Church in Northumberland 11/6/1963, Diana Davidson of Tithe Hill near Cornhill-on-Tweed in Northumberland. Diana was the only daughter of William Davidson and his wife Mary Smith; the Davidson family had farmed Tithe Hill for over 200 years and Diana’s son Michael continues to farm there.
John and his wife live at Buchtrig Hownam.


T9/9 Douglas Kay Tweedie born at Middlethird, Berwickshire 30/3/1942, baptized and brought up there. Douglas was educated at Clifton Hall, Newbridge and at Tabley House, Knutsford. After farming experience in Australia he succeeded his father at Middlethird. A keen horseman, in his youth he won a point-to-point, and was Master of the Berwickshire Hounds. Douglas is a DL for Berwickshire. He married Senga Aglen. Douglas and his family live at Middlethird.

Children: T10/16 Jamie Roberton, T10/17 Senga Louise.

T8/9 May Ronaldson Tweedie and Robert George Stephen’s child:

T9/10 Patricia Mary Stephen born at the Simpson Memorial Pavilion, Edinburgh 13/3/1954 and baptized at home at Phantassie, where she was brought up. Patricia was educated at the Misses Duncans’ Academy, Belhaven near Dunbar, at Melrose Grammar School, Roxburghshire, at St George’s School for Girls, Edinburgh and at Queen Margaret’s, Escrick Park, Yorkshire, where she enjoyed all sports and was team captain for netball, rounders and lacrosse, which she also played for the North of England. She studied at secretarial college for one term, spent the summer of 1972 in Canada, and, after 3 years at the University of Kent, Canterbury where she initiated a campaigning feminist group, graduated BA Hons in the History of Politics in 1975. She worked when a student and after in direct selling, in hotels and restaurants, and for Gateways Wholefoods, Canterbury in 1976, in which she later became a partner. Now called Canterbury Wholefoods, and wholly owned by Patricia, it sells wholefoods etc, both retail and wholesale, and employs twenty. She returned to the University of Kent 1990-91 graduating MBA, began a post graduate degree in Business Administration, but transferred to Edinburgh University Management School in 1992 graduating in 1993. Her interests include squash, swimming and reading, all occasionally, bridge, food, walking, the motor car, films, the environment, green politics and travel.

After a number of years in Canterbury, Patricia returned to Phantassie, which she owns, in April 1992, and where she now lives with her partner Ralph Curry and their son.

Child: T10/18 Finn Stephen.

T8/10 Alison Waugh Tweedie and Cuthbert Alan Usher Cunningham’s children:

T9/11 Andrew Ronaldson Cunningham born at Threepwood, Berwickshire 20/10/1941, where he was baptized and brought up. Andrew was educated at Blainslie village school, at Clifton Hall, Newbridge and at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh. He farmed at Oxton Mains, Lauder, Berwickshire and was also an agricultural contractor until 1990/91 when he set up a vehicle repair garage. He returned to contracting in 1997. He married, on 1/5/1965, Elma Beattie of a Rosewell farming family in Midlothian. She works as a school auxiliary at Channelkirk Primary School, Berwickshire. Andrew and his family live at Bridgend, Oxton.

Children: T10/19 Alan William, T10/20 Morag.

T9/12 Alison Mary Cunningham born at Threepwood, 14/4/1943, where she was baptized and brought up. Mary was educated at Blainslie village school, Melrose Grammar School and at Craigmount School, Minto House, Hawick. With her brother Norman, she travelled round New Zealand home helping and meeting up with him regularly. After returning to Scotland Mary, who trained at Atholl Crescent School of Domestic Science in
Edinburgh, worked in hotels and it was in one of them, the Lynwilg by Loch Alvie, that she met her future husband.


For many years Mary has run a bed & breakfast business at Glenmore near Aviemore, Inverness-shire.

Children: T10/21 Duncan Norman, T10/22 Peter Alexander.

T9/13 Norman CUNNINGHAM born at Threepwood, 7/3/1945, where he was baptized and brought up. Norman was educated at Melrose Grammer School, and at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh. With his sister Mary, he travelled round Australia and New Zealand working on farms and meeting up with her regularly. On his own, he, a very fit young man, hitchhiked up America and Canada, visiting relations on the way. He was a sheep farmer.

He married, on 9/5/1968, Anne Stewart, daughter of Bert Stewart, farmer at Remote near Pathhead, and his wife. There was concern for Anne, who had a hole in her heart, but it was Norman who died, just 7 months later, on 14/12/1968, at the early age of 23. He had a rapidly spreading form of cancer. While in Australia and New Zealand, when he and a friend had lived rough for a while, they had caught, cooked and eaten a wild duck. A few days after Norman’s death his friend died too, from the same type of cancer. It is likely that the duck had been poisoned and that eating it had caused their deaths. Norman was buried in Crichton parish churchyard. (His widow married again, in Blackpool on 13/2/1988; her second husband is Graham Jones.) No children.

T9/14 Hermione Jill CUNNINGHAM born at Threepwood, 5/7/1948, where she was baptized and brought up. Jill was educated at Melrose Grammer School, and at Oxenfoord Castle School, Pathhead. After taking a course and passing an exam on child management, she trained as a Norland nanny and worked as a children’s nanny. She later owned a stationer’s in Newbridge, just to the west of Edinburgh, but currently works at the Wester Hailes Education Centre there in Edinburgh.

She married, on 30/10/1971, David Robertson, a master joiner. Jill and her family live in Newbridge.


T9/15 Margaret Anne CUNNINGHAM born at Threepwood, 4/10/1952 and baptized at Earlston Parish Church. Margaret was brought up at Threepwood, was educated at Melrose Grammer School and at Oxenfoord Castle School. A member of the Lauder Young Farmer’s Club before her marriage, she was also their secretary. She worked as a clerkess for the Bank of Scotland in Edinburgh, Lauder, Melrose and Galashiel, and is currently the registrar for Lauder and Duns.

She married, at Lauder Kirk, Berwickshire 27/4/1976, Maxwell Dick, an hotelier, a buyer of stock on the hoof and an exporter of frozen meat to France etc, and now on the office administration side of this business.

Margaret and her family live in Lauder, Berwickshire.

Children: T10/26 Stewart Maxwell, T10/27 Alison Margaret, T10/28 Iain Osborne.

T8/12 Margaret Anne Tweedie and David Gordon Rennie’s children:

T9/16 David Malcolm RENNIE born in Edinburgh, 12/12/1953 and baptized 23/3/1954 at Little Pinkerton, where he was brought up. David was educated at Kirklands School, Dunbar (owned and run by his mother), at East Barns Primary School, at Tabley House, Knutsford, and at Dunbar Grammar School. He farmed at
Brandsmill, as tenant to his mother from whom he bought the farm in November 1985, and was also an agricultural contractor.

He married, at Olhamstocks Parish Church 25/11/1977, Sheila Margaret Ainslie of Linkshead, Cockburnspath, who was born on 25/4/1955.

David lived with his family at Brandsmill until he died of a rare cancer in Edinburgh 10/6/1991, aged 37. His widow, who has since remarried, still lives there with the family.

Children: T10/29 Jill Caroline, T10/30 Sarah Diana, T10/31 David Andrew.

T9/17 Susan Alison RENNIE born at the Simpson Memorial Pavilion, Edinburgh 12/1/1957. Susan was brought up at Little Pinkerton. She was educated at Kirklands, Dunbar, at St Margaret’s, Edinburgh and at Dunbar Grammar School. Her interests included horses and dogs. She worked in hotels, and in the Bank of Scotland’s accounts department as a bookkeeper.

She married, at Broxburn Registry Office 27/3/1987, Ivor Sutherland, who was born in Edinburgh 27/7/1957. He was an electronics engineer with Ferranti, studied for further electronic qualifications at Eskbank College for 2 years, and now runs his own burglar alarm business.

Susan and her family live in Broxburn, West Lothian.

Children: T10/32 Graham David, T10/33 Alan Mark.

T9/18 Hugh Gordon RENNIE born at Little Pinkerton, 3/5/1959 and was brought up there. Hugh was educated at Kirklands, Dunbar, at Gillsland Park, Edinburgh and at Dunbar Grammar School, where he was a keen rugby player. He studied horticulture and was a fish farmer at Dunbar and Abbey St Bathans. He was then employed as a machine operator at the building of Torness Nuclear Power Station. Since then he has been a machine operator and heavy good driver with a number of local haulage contractors and open cast mining companies.

Shortly after his marriage in July 1982, he contracted Hodgkin’s disease, an illness which was to last to January 1983. He was not fully recovered and back at work until August that year. After living in Lanarkshire for several years because of his employment in open cast mining, Hugh and his second wife Mel moved back to Dunbar. Hugh is also a keen motorcyclist and tours Scotland regularly.

He married for the first time, at Dirleton Parish Church 4/6/1982, and divorced in 1988, Lynn Margaret Kerr of East Linton, a children’s nanny, and daughter of Olive Kerr; the marriage was childless.

He married for the second time, in Toronto, Canada 8/7/1995, Melanie (Mel) Downing. Hugh and his second wife live in Dunbar.

T8/13 Violet Maude Mary Tweedie and William Wallace Steven’s children:

T9/19 Wallace STEVEN born at home in Wheaton, Illinois 20/4/1910. Wallace was educated at Wheaton High School where, a keen athlete, he competed successfully in track events and would have been captain of the track team in his senior year there. But, tragically, as a result of a car/train crash he died in 1927 at the age of 18.

Beatrice Mirth Steven

Beatrice Mirth STEVEN born at home in Wheaton, Illinois 29/12/1912. Mirth, later known as Cousin Mirth or Aunt Sissie, was educated in Wheaton graduating from high school in 1930, and as bachelor of music education from the Columbia School of Music in 1934. After her father died in 1931 she adopted her uncle Doug as a substitute father, and enjoyed a close relationship with him. As a pianist, she accompanied bands, orchestras and combos and also taught piano and voice lessons, directed the church choir and played the organ for many years. Music was one of her great loves.

She married for the first time in 1935, and divorced in 1948, Kenneth Roughton, who was born in 1901 and died in 1959; the marriage was childless. She married for the second time, on 21/7/1951, Edward (Eddie) Harold Hammerberg. He was born in Escanaba, Michigan 23/7/1899 the third of eight children of Alex Hammerberg of Sweden and his wife Mary Frederickson. Eddie worked for the Ford Motor Co as a precision tool-maker machinist, and for the US Government Research & Development at China Lake, California 1954-64, when he retired. Into his third career of landscape artist, he specialized in the Californian countryside.

During the Second World War Mirth joined her mother and her younger sister in California. When she and her second husband stayed in the Mojave desert, her niece Patt accompanied them and recalled “a caravan of artists and musicians journeying out into Death Valley for a camping trip with the children sleeping in camping bags while the adults sang camp songs under the stars around the campfire until the sun came up.”

Mirth and Eddie continued to live in California- in Santa Barbara- where her life was still filled with music and artistry until their deaths at the Cottage Hospital, from colon cancer, his on 5/9/1998, aged 99 and hers on 6/4/2000, aged 87.

Mirth was survived by her step-daughter Jocelan Rainey.

The following is an extract from a piece written in Mirth’s memory on 15/4/2000:

“From the very first, Mirth was able to play any song she heard by ear. Such a gift was from God. As she said ‘I came equipped’. At age seven her parents were determined she would learn to read music. Her first ten years of lessons were with Elsie Cromer. Developing that side of her talent was Mirth’s gift to God. She could play anything by ear or sight-read whatever you ‘put before her transposing any key requested with variations beyond belief. Mirth was 14 when she gave her semi-professional recital in their Wheaton home to celebrate the acquisition of her new piano, the Mason-Hamlin parlor grand, that was her companion for 73 years. It was a combined Christmas and birthday gift.

Mirth’s 35th birthday was celebrated on the Pasadena Path with her as accompanist for five different voice studios. She was organist at St Michael’s Episcopal Church, played by night at the Starlight Room and was the center of every musical happening in the China Lake area.

She was 38 when she met her husband Ed on a blind date at a private New Year’s Eve party. At that time she was a pit-pianist for the Pasadena Playhouse.
She and her group of musicians played for every grade school in the entire area for many years and is fondly remembered by all. Mirth and her Singers Showcase were frequent and beloved performers at numerous retirement and nursing homes bringing the joy of music into countless lives. She will also be remembered for her eight years of requested playing at the Timbers Restaurant on Winchester Canyon Road. Mirth will be greatly missed by her singers, audiences and all who knew her.”

Child from second marriage: T10/34 Carol Alexa.

T9/22 Rosemary Pearl STEVEN born in a Chicago hospital, Illinois 28/12/1918 and referred to as a blue baby as she stopped breathing many times. Her middle name Pearl was requested by her brother Ronnie, aged 6, who died before she was born. Rosemary was known affectionately by her family as ‘Babe’. She was educated at Wheaton High School, Illinois and, after moving to California about 1939 with her mother, studied at Pasadena City College, sharing a room with her cousin T9/22 Joy. She worked as a secretary for Lockheed Aircraft Company, Burbank until 1943 when she resigned to stay at home and raise a family. Her interests included playing the piano and the violin. She also loved to dance, any dance, especially Scottish country dancing, and playing tennis and other sports.

She married, in Las Vegas, Nevada 3/8/1941, John (Jack) Edwin Linder, whom she had met at Pasadena City College. Jack was born about 1920 to John Edwin Linder (of German origin), and his wife Mayda Newton Carnahan (of Irish origin; her mother, Mabel Newton, was born in Batavia, Illinois in 1875, and adopted by the Blanchard family of Downer’s Grove). He worked as an electronics engineer with Aerojet in Azusa.

Rosemary lived in California with her family until her death there from liver disease in Glendale Memorial Hospital 3/5/1961, aged 42. Her husband died in 1982.

Child: T10/35 Patricia (Patt) Steven.

T8/14 Douglas Herbert Tweedie and Alice Finch Wanzer’s children:

T9/23 Douglas Herbert TWEEDIE born in Chicago, Illinois 11/3/1916 and named after his father. Douglas was educated at nearby Wheaton’s public grade schools 1921-29, at Wheaton Community High School 1929-33, studied at Depauw University, Greencastle, Indiana 1933-37 graduating BA, and at the School of Commerce, Northwestern University 1937-1939 gaining partial masters. He served in the 3111th Signal Service Battalion of the US Army Signal Corps as a private first class/expert rifleman/teletype operator in the European Theatre Operations of the Second World War in England, France, Belgium and Germany (Bremen) 1942-45. Before his war service he worked in retail with Sears Roebuck 1937-39, as a tool inspector for Boeing Airplane Co 1941-43, and as a representative for an athletic goods manufacturer 1939-1998. After the war he was vice-president of Tweedie Industries Inc 1946-56 and was an active partner in Tweedie Bros (sales representative for band uniforms, choral risers and equipment, girl’s gym suits and athletic goods) 1956-92. He designed band uniforms for Purdue University, Notre Dame, Wheaton North High School, Glenbard East High School and others. An avid model railroader, Mr. Tweedie entertained his children and his grandchildren with his exceptionally large standard gauge train layout which occupied the entire basement of his house. He also often entertained his friends with his piano and saxophone playing. Though classically trained, his true expertise was Jazz and Swing. His other interests included golf, cinematography, and linguistics; particularly French.
He married, in St James Parish, Kansas City, MO 20/9/1941, Mary Catherine Glynn. She was born in Topeka, Kansas 16/4/19 to William Edward Glynn, a merchant in Blue Rapids, Kansas, and his wife Mary Ellen Sage. Mary graduated BS from Marymount College 1935-39, studied fine arts at Chicago Academy of Fine Arts in 1940, and at the College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Illinois in 1971. She was a high school teacher 1939-40, a greeting cards designer for Hallmark 1940-41 and a portrait & landscape artist participating in Annual Invitational Fine Art Exhibition at Oakbrook. She was active in the Wheaton Garden Club exhibiting in the Chicago Flower and Garden Show. She taught art lessons at both St. Michael and St. Mark Catholic Grade Schools.

His lifelong devotion to his wife and children inspired all who knew him. His love of language and humor was appreciated by everyone. His skills at storytelling preserved much of the family history. He was a great correspondent writing personal letters to friends and family daily in his own inimitable style.

Douglas and Mary lived in Wheaton most of their lives except for a 3 year period during the war. After his long battle with Parkinson they moved to a retirement community until his death on 14/12/2000. Mary died of a stroke 30/3/2003

Joy Constance Tweedie born in Chicago, Illinois 8/7/1918. Raised in Wheaton, Illinois, Joy graduated from Wheaton Community High School in 1936 and BA from Wellesley College in 1940, was a librarian 1941-42 and a bookkeeper/accountant 1948-89. She was trained by her mother as a ballet dancer and her father taught her to play golf at an early age. Her interest in the game culminated in a term as president of the Chicago Womens’ District Golf Association and later the preparation of womens’ slope ratings for each of the sixty-six members’ clubs. She is an elder and deacon in the Presbyterian Church and a past president and active member of Wheaton Garden Club.

She married, in the family home in Wheaton 7/3/1942, John Duffin Olson. He was born in Wheaton 5/2/1918 to John Duffin Olson, a railroad engineer, and his wife Sarah Jane Brewis. John graduated BA from Western Illinois University in 1942, served as a major in the US Army Air Corps from 1941 to the end of the Second World War in 1945 and was a sales engineer 1945-1990.

Joy and her husband live in Goshen, Indiana where they continue to enjoy playing golf on a regular basis. She remembers her older brother Douglas, Jr. as a fount of wisdom, her younger brother Eddie as a playmate and energetic dancing partner and her younger sister Mary as a firm friend and amusing confidant.

Children: T10/42 Jay Duffin, T10/43 Jeffrey Craig, T10/44 Leslie Anne.

Edwin Clarence Tweedie born in Chicago, Illinois 27/3/1921. Edwin graduated from Wheaton Community High School in 1938, studied at DePauw University, Lawrence College and graduated BS at the College of Commerce of Illinois University in 1943. He served in the US Army 1943-46 in California and Hawaii training in field artillery and later serving at the headquarters of the Pacific Ocean Area Command. His next eight years were spent in the department store business in Chicago followed by a change into both residential and industrial real estate brokerage until his retirement in 1990. In 1995 Edwin became a part-time faculty instructor for the Older Adult Institute at the College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. By 2000 he was teaching a “Living History” course and was co-teaching a course in “Islam”, “America and the Middle East”, and other history classes. In addition to being active on Realtor Boards in DuPage County and Chicago, he became the first president of the District #200 Board of Education after having chaired school referendums including Wheaton North and Wheaton-Warrenville South high schools. He organized with a lawyer friend the North Beach Association of Pentwater, Michigan after negotiating the purchase of about one hundred and forty.
vacant lots in the subdivision during the early 1960s. Continuing the family tradition in golf he joined Chicago Golf in 1957 and made certain that his seven children and seven grandchildren along with various nieces and nephews received instruction and played the game at his club during his membership of 44 years to Chicago Golf Club in Wheaton. The original Chicago Golf Club had been established at Belmont, Illinois, Southwest of Chicago by T7/26 Herbert J. Tweedie and other golf enthusiasts. His other interests include genealogy, history, writing, bridge, hiking and current affairs.

He married for the first time, in Beverly Hills, Chicago 28/6/1947, Phyllis Owen Montague. She was born in Beverly Hills 18/7/1924 to Orlo Owen Montague, a Chicago industrial realtor, and his wife Elizabeth Shaw. Phyllis graduated from Morgan Park High School, studied at Lawrence College and graduated with a major in psychology from Colorado University, Boulder, Colorado. She worked in the personnel department of Wieboldt Stores where she met her future husband. When they moved from Chicago to Glen Ellyn in 1949 Phyllis became active in the junior women club. While on holiday in Pentwater, Michigan, Phyllis contracted polio and died at Batavia, Illinois 24/7/1952, at the early age of 28.

He married for the second time, at Springfield, Illinois 24/4/1954, Henrietta Kestner, nee Herndon. She was born in Springfield 28/5/1923 to Dr Richard Fleetwood Herndon and his wife Henrietta Robinson. Henrietta junior graduated from Springfield High School and with a BA from Smith College in 1945. She was a girl scout leader and a botanical illustrator. Her interests include sketching, gardening, birdwatching and teaching at all levels of education.
Edwin and his second wife, who adopted each other’s daughters, settled with their four little girls in the family homestead in Wheaton and soon added a son and two more daughters. The property housed three generations of the family during family ownership of fifty-five years.

Children of the first marriage: T10/45 Lynne Ann, T10/46 Carol Elizabeth,

T9/26 Mary Alexa TWEEDIE born in Chicago, Illinois 17/1/1926. Mary was raised in Wheaton, Illinois, graduated from Wheaton Community High School in 1943, studied at University of Wisconsin 1943-46, and graduated BSc in pharmacy from Wayne State University 1947-48, worked part-time 1965-1988 first as a retail pharmacist and then as the chief pharmacist at Hawthorn Center Hospital for emotionally disturbed children until she retired. Her interests include travel, gardening, golf and skiing. She was an elder and deacon in the Farmington First Presbyterian Church and does voluntary work for the Red Cross, Meals-on-Wheels and drives the elderly to medical appointments.

She married, at the family homestead in Wheaton 8/6/1946, Robert Arthur Larson. He was born in Sparta, Wisconsin 28/4/1922 to Arthur Ludwig Larson, a salesman there, and his wife Lillian Veronica Rudkin, an office typist. Robert graduated BPh from the University of Wisconsin; studied at the School of Commerce and worked in the tax department of the Bendix Corporation (now called Allied Signal) as an accountant and later as corporate manager 1945-81.

Mary’s husband died on 4/1/1995 and was beloved by all who knew him for his gentle manner and delightful wit. Mary lives in Farmington, Michigan.

T8/15 Dorothy (Doss) Ruth Tweedie and Robert Spurgin’s child:

T9/27 Robert SPURGIN III born in Chicago, Illinois 7/1/1919. Robert studied at the New Mexico Military Institute 1936-38 and at Purdue University 1938-40, and served during the Second World War with the US Army Air Corps as a pilot, flying instructor, first lieutenant and tactical pilot with 86th Squadron 79th Fighter Group 1942-43 but, after being shot down and captured by the Germans in El Hamma, Tunisia, he was held as a POW 1943-45. He was awarded the POW medal, the American service medal and the EAME ribbon with 3 bronze stars. The war over, he resumed his studies at Purdue 1946-47, and then worked as a mechanical engineer, as an iron-founder/superintendent/salesman with National Gray Iron 1947-76 as a foundry designer in the USA, Mexico and Brazil, where he was a coffee-grower in Sao Paulo 1980-82. His interests include breadmaking, woodcutting, hiking, fishing and hunting deer. He is also an amateur radio operator.

He married for the first time, in Moultrie, Georgia 20/5/1942, and divorced 6/1/1961, Elizabeth Hanna Hashagen. She was born in Boston, Massachusetts 27/12/1919 to a master mariner, John Hashagen, and his wife Oceana Hopkins, an artist. Elizabeth studied at Florida State College for Women 1937-41 graduating BS, and worked in real estate sales and as a welfare worker.

He married for the second time, in Minneapolis, Maine 15/9/1961, Margaret Lorraine Gustafson. She was born there on 28/11/1919 to Arthur Gustafson and his wife Valerie Rud. Margaret died at Cd Satellite Naucalpan, Mexico 26/1/1974, aged 54. The marriage was childless.

He married for the third time, in Mexico DF, Mexico 21/4/1975, Therezinha de Andrade. She was born in Sao Sebastiao da Grama, Sao Paulo, Brazil 23/1/1931 to Jose Ribeiro de Andrade and his wife Antonia De Mesquita. Therezinha taught latín and was a secretary.

Robert and his forth wife, Lois Marjorie Good, live in Isle, Minnesota. Lois was born 18/6/26 in White River, South Dakota.

Children of the first marriage: T10/56 John Robert, T10/57 Douglas Heywood, T10/58 Jane Tweedie, T10/59 Margaret Elizabeth.

T8/19 Helen Alexander Tweedie and Donald MacIsaac’s children:

T9/28 Douglas Tweedie MacISAAC born in Pasadena, California 15/3/1933, and named after his mother’s brother; it was a measure of the love and admiration his parents felt for Douglas Tweedie, as traditionally the first son of a MacIsaac had always been named Donald. Doug and the family moved to Downey, near Los Angeles, in 1936 and was educated at Downey High School until 1951 when the family moved to a ranch in Oregon.

In 1951 Doug entered the US Marine Corps. While serving as a corporal with the 1st Marine Division in the Korean War 1951-53, he was wounded in combat and was awarded The Purple Heart Medal. In 1953 he was also awarded The Bronze Star Medal with combat “V”. In Korea he successfully passed the Fleet exam and was qualified to enter the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland but upon his return Stateside he learned of his
father’s cancer and obtained a discharge from the Marine Corps.

Doug returned to the family’s Oregon ranch and studied at Oregon State University 1954-56. After moving to California in 1956, he followed his father into the construction business and continued working as a general contractor. He participated in the construction of many noteworthy residences in Santa Barbara, Montecito and Santa Ynez as well as large commercial projects including the University of California at Santa Barbara, Cottage Hospital and Nordstrom’s. He retired in 1994.

He married for the first time, in Downey, California 26/6/1955, Charlotte Ann McCurdy. She was born on 21/4/1936 to Richard Frank McCurdy and his wife Katherine Anna Marie Elizabeth Pavlovich. Doug and Charlotte divorced in 1968. She remarried (her surname is now Widling) and lives in Santa Barbara, California.

He married for the second time, in Las Vegas, Nevada 26/12/1971, Winifred Ann Everett nee Smith. She was born in Lubbock, Texas 23/7/1940 to Winston and Olive Smith, and died in 1998. Doug adopted his second wife’s two children from her previous marriage and, after their divorce in 1975, was given custody of them and the child of their marriage raising all three as a single parent.

He married for the third and finally, in Lake Tahoe, California 28/4/1997, Alison Myers who was born in 1936.

Doug and his first wife and daughter lived in Corvallis, Oregon until 1956 when they moved to California, firstly to his childhood home-town of Downey and then in 1962 up the coast to Santa Barbara. After his separation and divorce in 1968, Doug lived nearby with his parents, enabling him to spend more time with his children who spent many nights and weekends with him there. On remarriage in 1971 he and his second family established their own home in Santa Barbara. After his widowed mother’s death in 1990, Doug purchased the family home and continued tending the lovely gardens. During his final illness, he remained at his beloved home, cared for by his children and died there on 15/5/1998. His widow died in 1999.

Children of the first marriage: T10/60 Katherine (Kathy) Ann, T10/61 Brian Sean, T10/62 Donald Robinson (Bob).

Children of the second marriage: T10/63 Shawn Noel Smith, T10/64 Shannon Michelle Everett, T10/65 Joshua (Josh) Shane.

T9/29 Sally Jane MacISAAC born in Pasadena, California 11/12/1935, twin sister of Anita. Although their mother was attended by an obstetrician, rather than the more usual general practitioner, both she and her doctor were completely taken by surprise at the appearance of twins! Sally and the family moved to Downey near Los Angeles in 1936, and to a ranch in Oregon 1951. She was educated at University High School, Eugene to 1954, studied at Oregon University graduating BSc in 1969 and MSc in. 1970, taught in a primary school 1970-87, and was an education administrator from 1987 to 1995 when she retired. She particularly enjoyed the last fifteen years working with new immigrants from all over the world who did not speak English. It helped her to understand what her ancestors went through when they left Scotland. Her interests include sports, hiking and travelling.

She married, in Eugene, Oregon 23/9/1954, Ronald Dean Edmiston. He was born there on 27/5/1935 to local florists John Loren Edmiston and his wife Ruth Thompson. Ronald served in the US Naval Reserves as SKG1 1954-62, was a salesman and owned an auto parts store where he employed his three sons. His enthusiasm and interest in people continue in retirement in his volunteer work as lighthouse guide and a civil war guide.

Sally and Ron live in Albany, Oregon. The family’s visit to Scotland in 1992 helped their understanding of their Scottish roots. They travel the U.S. now in their recreational vehicle and spend winters in the Southwest states
and Oregon in the Winter continuing their volunteer work in various state parks.

Children: T10/66 Michael (Mike) John, T10/67 Donald (Don) Stanley; T10/68 Steven (Steve) Rand, T10/69 Sara Lynn, T10/70 David (Dave) Bruce.

T9/30 Anita Mary MacIsaac born in Pasadena, California 11/12/1935, twin sister of Sally. Anita and the family moved to Downey near Los Angeles in 1936, and to a farm near Eugene, Oregon in 1951 which is now Buford State Park, Mt. Pisces. She graduated from University High School, Eugene 1953, studied at Stanford University, Palo Alto, California 1953-1955, and at George Washington University 1955, and University of Hawaii 1964. Kindergarten teacher Quantico, Virginia 1955 and a tennis instructor coach in 1978-82 and played in the senior tennis tournament circuit in Southern California.

She married, at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church in Eugene, Oregon June 8, 1955, Edward (Ned) Winslow Cuthbert. He was born in Rahway, New Jersey 7 February 1933 to Winslow Ridge Cuthbert, a lawyer and office manager with Standard Oil Co. in Bombay, India and his wife Ellen Sylvia Shellenberger, both deceased and buried in Willamette National Cemetery in Portland, Oregon. Ned graduated BS from Oregon State College in 1955, MS from American University, Washington, D.C. in 1971, served as an officer with the United States Marine Corps, attaining the rank of Lieutenant Colonel 1955-1978, was awarded the meritorious service, the bronze star, joint service, assorted Vietnamese service and National Defense medals and a meritorious citation. He then worked as a procurement manager with Hughes Aircraft Co. at Santa Barbara Research Center 1978-84.

Anita and her family spent over 20 years stationed at various locations in the USA while Ned served in Vietnam in 1965 and 1969. She and the children stayed with her parents and then her widowed mother in Santa Barbara, California. She and her husband now divide their time between Solana Beach, California and Blue River, Oregon.

Children: T10/71 Winslow (Win) Rolfe, T10/72 Donald (Don) Hugh, T10/73 Edward (Ted) Raye.

T9/2 Robert Murray Niven Band and Nan’s children:

T10/1 Jennifer BAND no details known.

T10/2 Heather BAND no details known.

T9/4 Alexander (Alex) John Mackay Murray and Gillian Bell’s children:

T10/3 Sarah Katherine MURRAY born in Newcastle under Lyme, 2/1/1968. Sarah was educated at Cowes High School, Isle of Wight 1981-86, and graduated from Surrey University, Guildford with a 1st class degree in German and international relations in 1991. She married, in Cowes 27/7/1991, Jens Kind and lives in Leipzig, Germany where she works for the Salvation Army.


T10/4 Rachel Elizabeth MURRAY born in Stafford, 18/3/1970. Rachel was educated at Cowes High School, Isle of Wight 1983-88, and studied accountancy/financial management originally at the University of Warwick in 1990 transferred to Sheffield Polytechnic. Her home is on the Isle of Wight.

T10/5 Clare Bridget MURRAY born in Birkenhead, 18/2/1974. Clare was educated at Cowes High School, Isle of Wight 1987-91, and studied landscaping at Canning Horticultural College. Her family home is on the Isle of Wight.
T10/6 **Dominic MURRAY** born in Birkenhead 30/10/1975. Dominic was educated at Cowes High School. His family home is on the Isle of Wight.

T9/5 Peter Alexander Tweedie and Katharine Ann Gray’s children:

T10/7 **Robert (Robbie) John TWEEDIE** born at Ayrshire Central Hospital, Irvine 28/7/1979 and baptized at Dundonald Parish Church. Robbie was educated at Dundonald Primary School and at Belmont House School, Newton Mearns where he was dux of the school and captain of rugby. He graduated with a Master of Physics 1st class at Edinburgh University and is currently working in research for a PhD. Robbie’s family home is in Dundonald, Ayrshire.

T10/8 **Neil Alexander TWEEDIE** born at Ayrshire Central Hospital, Irvine 25/2/1981 and baptized at Dundonald Parish Church. Neil was educated at Dundonald Primary School and at Belmont House School, Newton Mearns. He played rugby for Scotland at under 18 and under 19 level. He graduated with a BSc (Hons) in estate management from Heriot Watt University in Edinburgh in 2002. He works as a chartered surveyor with Jones Lang Lasalle in Edinburgh. Neil’s family home is in Dundonald, Ayrshire.

T10/9 **Blair Peter TWEEDIE** born at Ayrshire Central Hospital, Irvine 29/12/1983, twin brother of Ewen, and baptized at home in Dundonald. Blair was educated at Dundonald Primary School, and at Belmont House School, Newton Mearns where he was house captain. He graduated in 2005 from Edinburgh Univ. with 1st class honours BSc in physics. He and his brother Ewen were included in the Glasgow Thistles Rugby squad in 2002 and subsequently played for Glasgow at Under 20 level in 2003. Blair and his family live in Dundonald, Ayrshire.

T10/10 **Ewen Scott TWEEDIE** born at Ayrshire Central Hospital, Irvine 29/12/1983, twin brother of Blair, and baptized at home in Dundonald. Ewen was educated at Dundonald Primary School, and at Belmont House School, Newton Mearns where he was captain of rugby. He is studying computational physics at Edinburgh University. He and his brother Blair were included in the Glasgow Thistles Rugby squad in 2002 and subsequently played for Glasgow at Under 20 level in 2003. Ewen and his family live in Dundonald, Ayrshire.

T9/6 Gordon David Tweedie and Maureen Elizabeth Moncrieff’s children:

T10/11 **Michael James TWEEDIE** born at the Eastern General Hospital, Edinburgh 28/8/1979 and baptized at Oldhamstocks Parish Church. Michael was educated at the Compass School, Haddington, at Belhaven Hill, Dunbar and at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh. He graduated BTech in rural resource management from Edinburgh University in 2002. His family home is at The Pleasance, Dunbar.

T10/12 **Joanna Margaret TWEEDIE** born at the Eastern General Hospital, Edinburgh 2/8/1981 and baptized at Oldhamstocks Parish Church. Joanna was educated at the Compass school, Haddington and at Oxenfoord Castle School, Pathhead, Midlothian, at St Margaret’s and at St George’s both in Edinburgh. She is studying multi-media studies at Newcastle University. Joanna lives with her family at The Pleasance, Dunbar.

T9/8 Robert John Tweedie and Diana Davidson’s children:

T10/13 **Clare Elizabeth TWEEDIE** born in Kelso, Roxburghshire 27/6/1966, and brought up at Buchtrig Hownam, Jedburgh, Roxburghshire. Clare was educated at St Mary’s Convent in Berwick, Northumberland, England and at St Margaret’s, Newington, Edinburgh until 1984 when after leaving school she visited relatives in South Africa. On her return she trained as a registered general nurse at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, specializing in theatre work. Clare took time off to travel round the world, part of the time with her brother Peter. When she came back to Scotland, she became a member of the Royal Infirmary’s liver transplant team. From 1994 she worked as a nurse practitioner at Hong Kong’s new airport when it was under construction.
She married, in Jedburgh 14/12/1996, Alan D Walker who works in global communications. He is the eldest son of David and Kay Walker of Gullane.

Clare and her family live in Perth, Australia.

Children: T11/4 Rory David Tweedie, T11/5 Lewis William Tweedie, T11/6 Jamie Alexander Tweedie

T10/14 **Michael John TWEEDEIE** born in Edinburgh 26/3/1969 and grew up at Buchtrig Hownam, Jedburgh. Michael was educated at St Mary’s Prep School in Melrose, Roxburghshire and at Merchiston Castle School in Colinton, Edinburgh. He is keen on rugby, was a member of the Kelso rugby team which visited Boston, USA in May 1992, and has won cups for playing the bagpipes. He farms at Tithe Hill, near Cornhill-on-Tweed in Northumberland; his mother’s Davidson family have farmed there for over two hundred years.

He married, at Melrose 6/6/1997, Diana Dun, youngest daughter of James P Dun of Colmslie, Selkirkshire, and his wife Jennifer Dod. She was educated at Melrose Grammar School, Earlston High School and St Margaret’s Edinburgh. She travelled to America in 1988, New Zealand and Australia in 1995. Dianna is a freelance cook.

Michael and his family live at Tithe Hill.

Children: T11/7 Robert (Robbie) James, T11/8 Hamish Michael

T10/15 **Peter William Robert TWEEDEIE** born in Edinburgh 16/5/1971, baptized at Hownam, Jedburgh and brought up at Buchtrig Hownam, Jedburgh. Peter was educated at St Mary’s Prep School, Melrose and at Merchiston Castle School, Colinton, Edinburgh. His interests include playing the bagpipes (he is a member of Kelso pipe band), restoring vintage machinery and skiing; he also recently ran in the Great North Run. Peter travelled round Australia and New Zealand for 6 months in 1992 with his sister Clare, working on farms.

He married, at Ingram Church, Powburn near Alnwick in Northumberland 25/9/1998, farmer’s daughter Ailsa Mary Telford. Ailsa was born in Alnwick 11/10/1973, eldest daughter of farmers Roland and Kathleen Telford of Branton East Side, Powburn. She was educated at Branton Primary School, Powburn, St Mary’s Prep School, Melrose and Casterton School Kirby Lonsdale, Cumbria, where she was deputy head girl and captain of both hockey and tennis, graduated BSc in countryside management from Newcastle-upon-Tyne University, worked for the National Farmers Union and now works as the Scottish Executive Rural Affairs Department’s project officer for the Borders area as part of the European funded Rural Diversification Programme; her interests are hockey, point-to-point riding and fox hunting. Peter and his wife live at Buchtrig Hownam near Jedburgh which Peter farms with his father.


**T9/9 Douglas Kay Tweedie and Senga Aglen’s children:**

T10/16 **Jamie Roberton TWEEDEIE** born Eastern General Hospital, Edinburgh 1/7/1974 and baptized at Legerwood. Jamie was educated at Gordon Primary School, Aysgarth School, Yorkshire and at Glenalmond, Perthshire, and graduated in agriculture from Newcastle-upon-Tyne University in 1996. After travelling and working in Australia and New Zealand, he attended the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst and was commissioned into the 1st Battalion Kings Own Scottish Borderers in 1999 serving in Cyprus, the Falkland Islands and Britain including South Armagh in Northern Ireland. His interests include farming, country sports and rugby. Jamie’s family home is at Middlethird, Berwickshire.

T10/17 **Senga Louise TWEEDEIE** born at the Eastern General Hospital, Edinburgh 26/9/1976 and christened at Legerwood Church. Louise was educated at Gordon Primary School and Queen Margaret’s School, York and graduated in publishing and the history of art from Oxford Brookes University in 1998. She worked in France

**T9/10 Patricia Mary Stephen and Ralph Curry’s child:**

T10/18 *Finn Stephen CURRY* born in Edinburgh, 20/1/1994. Finn attends East Linton Primary School. He and his parents live in East Linton at Phantassie, the Tweedie family home since his mother’s grandfather purchased it in 1920.

**T9/11 Andrew Ronaldson Cunningham and Elma Beattie’s children:**

T10/19 *Alan William CUNNINGHAM* born 17/12/1971. Alan studied agricultural engineering at St Boswells. His interests include aircraft and RAF history. He is currently serving with the RAF.

He married Judith Ann Blackburn who was born on 5/10/1973 and studied hospitality management at Queen Margaret’s College, Edinburgh. They live in Wales.


**T9/12 Alison Mary Cunningham and Charles Ferguson’s children:**

T10/21 *Duncan Norman FERGUSON* born 24/9/1970. Duncan was educated in Inverness-shire at Aviemore Primary School and at Kingussie High School. A water bailiff on the River Spey, he is interested in fishing and skiing. He married on 13/5/2000, Julie Chadwick. Duncan and his family live in Inverness-shire.


T10/22 *Peter Alexander FERGUSON* born 18/4/1973. Peter worked at a local fish farm and for the Rothiemurchus estate before studying leisure & recreation at Auchencruive Agricultural College, Ayrshire. He is now head deerstalker on the estate. His interests include fishing and skiing. Peter’s family home is near Aviemore, Inverness-shire.He married Rebecca Cottam on 30/7/2005.

**T9/14 Hermione Jill Cunningham and David Robertson’s children:**

T10/23 *Alison Wendy ROBERTSON* born at the Western General Hospital, Edinburgh 12/12/1974 and baptized at Ratho Church. Wendy was educated at Hillwood Primary School, Ratho and atCraigmount High School, Edinburgh, worked in a nursery school and with mentally handicapped children, trained as a nursery nurse at Stevenson College, Edinburgh and is now a nursery officer with the Social Work Department.

She married on 25/5/2002 David Hay. Wendy and her husband live in Livingston.

T10/24 *Douglas John ROBERTSON* born at Western General Hospital, Edinburgh 20/5/1977. Douglas was educated at Hillwood Primary School, Ratho, Midlothian and at Craigmount High School, Edinburgh. He studied greenkeeping at Oatridge Agricultural College, West Lothian, he was a trainee greenkeeper at Gogarburn golf course near Ratho, a member of the ground staff at Murrayfield Rugby Stadium in Edinburgh and is now head groundsman at West Ham United Football Club in East London.

He married on 26/7/2003 Joanne Pike. Douglas and his wife live in Dagenham, Essex.
T10/25 Elizabeth Mary ROBERTSON born Bangour Maternity Hospital, West Lothian 27/2/1980 and baptized at Ratho Church, Midlothian. Elizabeth was educated at Hillwood Primary School, Ratho Station and at Craigmount High School, Edinburgh. She trained in hospitality management at Telford College in Edinburgh and, after working as a tour operator for 3 years, works in a recruiting agency. She married on 9/1/2003 Mehmet Karoglu (born 19/6/1975) originally from Turkey. They live in Edinburgh.

Child: T11 Emily Jane born 9/7/2004 (late addition, un-numbered).

T9/15 Margaret Anne Cunningham and Maxwell Dick’s children:

T10/26 Stewart Maxwell DICK born in Stirling, 26/5/1978 and baptized nearby at Doune. Stuart was educated in Berwickshire at Lauder Primary School and at Earlston High School. He graduated with honours from Edinburgh University. Stuart married Michelle Wood on 30/9/2005 and they live in Lauder.

T10/27 Alison Margaret DICK born in Edinburgh, 14/2/1982 and baptized at Lauder Parish Church. Alison was educated in Berwickshire at Lauder Primary School and at Earlston High School. Alison is training to become a teacher. She lives with her family in Lauder.

T10/28 Iain Osborne DICK born at the Borders General Hospital, Melrose, Roxburghshire 15/3/1989 and baptized in Berwickshire at Lauder Parish Church. Iain, who was educated at Lauder Primary School from 1994, lives with his family in Lauder.

T9/16 David Malcolm Rennie and Sheila Margaret Ainslie’s children:

T10/29 Jill Caroline RENNIE born at the Eastern General Hospital, Edinburgh 21/4/1979 and baptized at Dunbar Parish Church, East Lothian 24/6/1979. Jill was educated at Innerwick Primary School, East Lothian and at Dunbar Grammar School. Her family home is at Brandsmill, Innerwick.

T10/30 Sarah Diana RENNIE born at the Eastern General Hospital, Edinburgh 17/9/1981, and baptized at Dunbar Parish Church 11/11/1981. Sarah was educated at Innerwick Primary School, where she enjoyed playing football, and at Dunbar Grammar School. She lives with her family at Brandsmill, Innerwick.

T10/31 David Andrew RENNIE born Eastern General Hospital, Edinburgh 25/12/1983 and baptized at Dunbar Parish Church in February 1984. David was educated at Innerwick Primary School, where he was a member of the school football team, and at Dunbar Grammar School. He lives with his family at Brandsmill, Innerwick.

T9/17 Susan Alison Rennie and Ivor Sutherland’s children:

T10/32 Graham David SUTHERLAND born in Bangour General Hospital, West Lothian 28/11/1988. Graham, who has rich auburn hair (probably inherited from his Ronaldson forbears), lives with his family in Broxburn, West Lothian.

T10/33 Alan Mark SUTHERLAND born at St John’s Maternity Hospital, Livingston, West Lothian 10/12/1990. Alan lives with his family in Broxburn, West Lothian.

T9/21 Beatrice Mirth Violet Steven and Edward Harold Hammerberg’s child:

T10/34 Carol Alexa HAMMERBERG born in Santa Barbara, California 20/1/1952. Carol always had a gift for writing poetry, even as a child. At the age of 11 while watching the funeral procession of John F Kennedy, the president of the USA who was assassinated in 1963, she composed the poem The Long Walk. It was
published and can now be found in the Kennedy Library, Massachusetts. She was educated at high school in Santa Barbara until 1970 and graduated with a degree in sociology from the City College there in 1973.

Carol, who had two further poems published, died from breast cancer at the Cottage Hospital, Santa Barbara 15/6/1998.

T9/22 Rosemary Pearl Steven and John Edwin Linder’s child:

T10/35 Patricia (Patt) LINDER born in Glendale, California 14/11/1942. As teenager, Patt accompanied her aunt T9/19 Mirth and uncle Eddie during their stay in the Mojave desert; her experience there included watching the wild burros and untamed horses, and seeing the old stagecoach trails and deserted mining towns. She was educated at Burroughs High School, China Lake, California to 1960, studied at Nova Commercial College 1973-74, and took courses in natural field studies at USDA Graduate School in 1976. She worked for the Department of the Interior in the US Fish & Wildlife Service as a clerk/secretary/admin assistant in the Division of Wildlife Refuges, Law Enforcement and Biological Services 1974-83 and would have liked to have been the refuge manager. She is county vice-president of the County Extension Family, Education Community, county chairman of the environment, organizer of the cancer support groups for three counties. In 1997 she joined the Three River Dulcimer Association, a group of 25 who meet weekly and, with hammered and mountain dulcimers, tin whistles, bowed psaltry and autoharp, perform and entertain at local nursing homes, retirement centres, church events, weddings and Elderhostel programmes. They recently added Scottish and Irish folk tunes to their repertoire. Her other interests include gardening, making craft items from recycled goods, folklore and folkcraft, travelling, and generally enjoying life!

She married for the first time, at St Margaret’s Episcopal Church, Washington DC 11/11/1961 and divorced in Fairfax, Virginia in 1978, Harold William "Nick" Nickerson jr. He was born in Searsport, Maine 15/8/1941 to Harold William Nickerson (his family has been traced back to an Indian tribe who held territories in what is now New England), a blacksmith in Maine and New Hampshire, and his wife Adella Stella Smith of Manchester, New Hampshire (her family left England on the Mayflower). Nick was educated in Ellsworth, Maine to 1959, studied at Oceanside Commercial College, California 1963-65, and served as a master gunnery sergeant (a Vietnam veteran) in the US Marine Corps 1959-92.

She married for the second time Charles (Chuck) Raymond Chapman. He was born in Bismarck, North Dakota 29/6/1925 to Dr Ray Chapman, a dentist, when younger, to musician Lawrence Welk, and later practicing in Hazen, North Dakota, and his wife Ellen Marie Lind. Chuck gained AS from the North Dakota School of Forestry, graduated BS from Utah State University and MA from Wyoming University, served as a corpsman in the US Navy in the Second World War from 1943 but was held as a POW in Little Caledonia Islands until 1946 when, due to a disability, was discharged from the USN in 1946. He was a biologist with the US Fish & Wildlife Service 1950-70, and an administrator with Fisheries Research from 1970 and a general physical scientist from 1973 until his death from colon cancer at home in Fairfax, Virginia 13/3/80.

She married for the third time, in Colorado Springs, Colorado 14/4/1981, Lawrence Edward (Pete) Hancock. He was born in Louisville, Kentucky 4/12/1925 to Lawrence Jones Hancock, a businessman/farmer in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and his wife Jessie Mae Unser, a medical secretary there. Pete was educated at Hopkinsville High School, studied at Madison Trade School in 1943, at North Carolina University in Chapel Hill 1949-50 and at Connecticut University in 1963, served as a sergeant during the Second World War with

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82nd Airbourne at Fort Bragg, North Carolina and in the Philippines from 1944, in communications and later in the Reserves until 1956, and worked in the Department of Defense for 39 years until he retired on 31/12/1981.

Patt lived in and explored Hawaii, California, Virginia and New Hampshire until her third marriage, since then she has visited the American National Parks and researched the people and the businesses of Neosho, Missouri at the time of the Tweedie arrival in the USA in 1887. She and her husband live in Waverly, Tennessee.


**T9/23 Douglas Herbert Jr Tweedie and Mary Catherine Glynn’s children:**

T10/36 Alice (Allie) Mary TWEEDEIE born in Wichita, Kansas 16/4/1943. She was raised in Wheaton, Illinois and attended St Michael’s Catholic School and Miss Betty Jean’s school of dance. Alice drowned while vacationing with her family at their cottage in Pentwater, Michigan, 1/8/1951, just 8 years old. She was bright and lively and, being the oldest, very much in charge. Her death changed the structure of the family forever.

T10/37 Douglas Herbert Tweedie born in Evanston, Cook County, Illinois 22/9/1944, and named after his father and grandfather. Douglas was educated at Wheaton High School 1958-62, studied at Notre Dame University 1962-64, and at the University of Illinois, Chicago 1964-68 graduating BArch, served in the US Air Force Medical Corps Reserves 1968-72, practices as an architect 1969 to date, and started his own architectural firm, Tweedie Associates Architects, in 1992. His projects have ranged from educational buildings, sports stadiums, multi-story car-parks and subway systems in Chicago to a hospital in Saudi Arabia. A member of the Cliff Dwellers club of Chicago 1978-81, he was secretary for 2 years and a member of the board of directors for 3 years. His interests include photography, travel and music, especially the cello.

He married, in Lake Forest, Illinois 28/6/1969, Marian Jean McCurry. She was born in Chicago 22/1/1944 to Paul Durbin McCurry (1903-91), an architect, and his wife Irene Bell Reid (1907-2005), a Chicago teacher and commercial artist. Marian studied at Vassar College 1962-66 graduating BA in biology, attended University of Michigan’s school of architecture 1967-69, and has practiced as an architect since 1969, full-time since 1988. She is also an artist specializing in pen and ink drawings.

Douglas and his wife live in Evanston, Illinois.

T10/38 Ellen Glynn TWEEDIE born in Elmhurst, DuPage County, Illinois 27/3/1950. She was educated in private grade schools and graduated from Wheaton North High School, Illinois in 1968. Ellen studied art at Clarke College 1968-70 and psychology at North Central College, Naperville, Illinois 1984-86 and worked in accounting 1970-90. Since 1990 she has jointly owned with her husband Wyckoff Advertising, Inc, specializing in graphic design, web design and commercial photography. She was a scout leader and community chairman of the Girl Scouts of America 1974-89. Her interests include painting, photography and photograph restoration, genealogy, gardening, gourmet cooking and playing the violin and piano.

She married for the first time, in St Peters burg, Iowa 7/3/1970, and divorced in 1983, Raymond E. Krek. He was born in Collinsville, Illinois to a Ford Motor Company employee, August R. Krek and his wife, Giovanna Pani, a seamstress and homemaker. They lived in Wisconsin where Ray practiced law and their three children were born. Upon her divorce she and her children, Amy, Liza and David, returned to her home town, Wheaton, Illinois.

She married for the second time, in Wheaton, Illinois 8/9/1990, Thomas Roger Wyckoff. He was born in Hinsdale, Illinois 6/6/1951 to Roger Wyckoff, a portrait photographer, and his wife Jane Drew. After graduating with a degree in journalism from Drake University in 1973, Thomas became a photographer & graphic designer and for 10 years worked for his father with his friend James Tweedie, the brother of his (at that time future) wife. In 1986 he purchased half the assets of his father’s original business and renamed it Wyckoff Advertising, Inc. Since their marriage he and his wife have jointly owned the advertising agency. He is a private pilot and together he and his wife enjoy travelling across the country in their small plane.
Ellen and her husband each have three children from a first marriage; his are Christopher, Katharine and Joshua. The blending of the two families began with a three-week camping trip of 5,000 miles through Colorado, New Mexico, Texas and Louisiana. Although now residing all across the country, the six children regard each other as brothers and sisters and correspond regularly. Ellen and her husband live in Wheaton, Illinois.


T10/39 Mary Sara TWEEDE born in Elmhurst, Illinois 3/6/1952. Sara was educated in private grade schools and graduated from Wheaton North High School, Illinois in 1970, studied at Loretto Heights College, Denver and graduated BS in design from Cincinnati University in 1977. As a student and after graduating she was a design director for Robert Design Company in Chicago, Illinois where she was responsible for magazine, cosmetic packaging and annual report projects. She worked in Washington DC as a design director for four years, the first two years with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development and the third and fourth with the US Department of Agriculture, when she created printed material for five agencies including the National Forest Service. She taught graphic design at the Corcoran School of Art in Washington DC 1988-93.

Since 1982 Sara has run her own business of Tweedie & Associates which produces an array of printed and electronic communication products including posters, magazines, brochures, multi-media CD-ROMs and web-sites for both the public and the private sector. Since 1988 she has received NASA fellowships, grants, and contracts to produce public outreach and educational material which explain how environmental issues are studied from space. NASA projects include a Mission to Planet Earth poster series about environmental issues such as ozone, the greenhouse effect and the carbon cycle, the Asian Monsoon CD-ROM and website and the Rainforest web-site.

She received design awards from national and international competitions including Communication Arts and Print magazines, Chicago and Washington DC art directors club and the National Endowment for the Arts. She lectures and gives workshops on Earth science both in the US and other countries such as Germany and Sweden. She is a science partner for the Volvo Ocean Sailboat race. Her interests include travelling the globe, walking the beach in Pentwater, Michigan, skiing the western US, cycling the C&O canal along the Potomac river, ballet from everywhere, Puccini operas, art museums especially the Louvre in Paris and “most everything my sons do”.

She married, in Wayne, Illinois 12/8/1978, Henry David Snyder. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland 12/9/1946 to Henry Joseph Snyder, a manager for Bethlehem Steel Corp, and his wife Albina Bevan, a sales assistant for Hutzlers department store. David was his class’ valedictorian at Loyola Jesuit high school in Baltimore, graduated BS from Boston College, Boston 1968, MA in mathematics and PhD in physics from Columbia University, NY 1971-78, and completed his dissertation at Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory in Batavia, Illinois, working with Nobel laureate Leon Letterman as his advisor. His research group discovered the first Quark. David taught physics in El Salvador for the Peace Corps and continues to teach physics to the deaf at Gallaudet University in Washington DC. He has received fellowships from NASA to develop an accelerator in zero gravity.
Sara and David collaborate to develop and publish Earth science, biology and chemistry curriculum which support graduation requirements for high school students in the state of Maryland. She and her family live in Kensington, Maryland.


T10/40 James Bradley Tweedie born in Elmhurst, DuPage County, Illinois 30/10/1953. James was educated at Wheaton North High School, Illinois 1967-71, studied at the College of Dupage 1972-73 and at the University of Illinois, Chicago in 1974, worked as a photographer for Bresnahan Portraits and Wyckoff Portraits and has owned Wyckoff Portraits, Inc, (now named Wyckoff-Tweedie Photographers) since 1982. He was the official photographer for the 100th anniversary book of Chicago Golf, the oldest 18 hole golf-course in USA. James is also a lecturer and author on the art of digital portrait photography for Fujifilm, USA. His articles appear on the website, www.shootsmarter.com as well as on the official Fujifilm site. His interests include golf, music particularly the violin, the guitar and the harmonica, woodworking and furniture making, and he has rebuilt two homes.

He married, at West Chicago, Illinois 1/9/1974, Sharon Lee Deschamps. She was born in Mason, Michigan 23/12/1952 to Robert L Deschamps, a Chicago industrial designer now retired, and his wife Nita Claire Grant, a dollmaker. Sharon was educated at Wheaton North High School, where she met and dated James, studied at the College of Dupage and at University of Illinois, Champaign, was a daycare teacher, a secretary with McDonalds Corporation and worked for the US Post Office before becoming a seamstress/draaper and owner of Ideas in Fabric. She is also co-owner of Wyckoff-Tweedie Photographers where she works with her husband managing the business.

James and his family live in Downers Grove, Illinois.


T10/41 Nora Marie Tweedie born in Hinsdale, Illinois 25/11/1957. Nora graduated from Wheaton North High School in 1975 and BA in communications from University of Illinois At Chicago Circlein 1979. She worked as a director of marketing at Northside Realty, a senior marketing consultant for Morris & Fellows, all in Atlanta, Georgia and as vice president of marketing for The Westfield Group a shopping center consortium based in Los Angeles, California 1997-2000. She now works as a marketing consultant for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Her interests include sailing, golf and classical dressage riding. She owns a Swedish Warm Blood horse which she and her daughter ride and show.
She married first, in Wheaton 27/6/1981, and divorced in 1993, George (Jerry) Joseph Hund. He was born in Canton, Ohio 20/2/1957 to George Hund, a local engineer, and his wife Margaret. Jerry graduated with a BS from Butler University in 1975 and is regional sales manager with Pack Agin. They had one child, Margaret.

She married second, in a quiet ceremony with a view of the sea at Malibu, California 9/11/2000, John (Jack) Davison Capers Jr, an attorney for King & Spaulding in Atlanta, Georgia. He was named one of the best attorneys in America 2005-2006. Educated at Vanderbilt University (1975) and University of Georgia School of Law (1978). He was born in Augusta, Georgia to John D. Capers, an attorney and his wife, Margaret Sherman, a homemaker. He proposed to Nora by presenting her with a Fraser Clan plaid as both families are entitled to wear this particular tartan.

Nora and Jack live in Atlanta, Georgia with Maggie and his two children, Grayson and Hayes.

Child: T11/24 Margaret (Maggie) Catherine.

**T9/24 Joy Constance Tweedie and John Duffin Olson’s children:**
Jay Duffin Olson born in Chicago, Illinois 27/3/1943. Jay grew up in Wheaton, Illinois and spent summers in Pentwater, Michigan. He was educated in the Wheaton school system after overcoming an early bout of polio before he was 10. He developed an artistic skill during his teenage years at Wheaton High School, graduated from Illinois University BA in 1967, MFA in 1969 and later a doctoral degree. He was art professor at Sioux Falls University, South Dakota for 22 years, was affiliated with Augustana College and also a professional artist. He was chairman of the art department of Sioux Falls University, member and past president of the Civic Fine Arts Center of Sioux Falls and of the Siouxland Arts Community, a member of the YMCA, the Isaac Walton Archery Club and associated with Minnehaha Ice and Recreation. His paintings hang in private collections and in San Diego State University, Illinois University, South Dakota State University, Worthington Community College, Avera MC Kennan Hospital, the Sioux Falls University, Augustana College, El Paso Arts Center and the Sioux Falls Civic Fine Arts Center.


Jeffrey Craig Olson born in Aurora, Illinois 13/9/1945. Jeffery grew up in Wheaton, Illinois were he felt blessed to be raised by parents who truly loved one another, surrounded by extended family of uncles, aunts and cousins where every holiday was a special time getting together, creating great excitement and joy. His fondest memories are of the mostly harmless adventures conceived by his older brother, Jay, with he and his cousin, Dougie Tweedie, in tow.

Jeffrey graduated BA, major: Pre-Law from Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio in 1967. He continued his education in the Air Force Pilot Training, Air Force Transportation School, University of Michigan Continuing Education, Kellogg Graduate School, and Thunderbird School of International Study. He served as a Captain/Pilot in the US Air Force 1967-71. While in the service, he was named Air Force Junior Officer of the Year for transportation in both 1969 & 1970, participated in 3 visits of President Nixon into the Pacific region, on the recovery of the astronauts for Apollo 9, 11 and 13 and Kissinger’s visit to China. His business career started as unit sales manager for Procter & Gamble 1971-1974. For the next two years he was a sales manager for Sea Crest in Washington, NC, a division of Standard Industries. 1976-1978 he was general manager of C.J.Heck Corporation, a marine, R.V. and Lawn and Garden Equipment company covering five southwestern states. From there he moved to Goshen, Indiana where he was Vice President of Sales & Marketing for Starcraft Industries 1978-1987. At Brunswick US Marine Division in Arlington, Washington he was General Manager 1987-1989, Senior Vice President of Sales & Marketing 1989-1993, Division President of Brunswick Marine and then Brunswick Corporation 1992-1996. In 1996 Jeff returned to Goshen, Indiana where he was Sr. Vice President of Sales & Marketing for Starcraft Automotive Corp. until 1998. He is currently president of

Jeffrey Olson Family at Pentwater, Michigan -2003
Front row from left: Jared Kink, Jeffrey, Jane, little Abigail, Heather
Back row: Jeniffer, Joy, John, Joshua, Erin, John Morrow with Michael in arms, Christina, Devon Uberita with Jack in arms.
Glastron/Larson Boats in Little Falls, Minnesota.

He married, in Xenia, Ohio in July 1968, Jane Ellen Arnold, born on 12/4/1944 Dayton, Ohio to Vincent Arnold a teacher, coach and Supervisor of Physical Education for the Kettering Schools and Ruth Cook Arnold a home-economics teacher. Jane was raised on a farm in Kettering, Ohio with many happy childhood memories. Jane received a BA in education from Otterbein College (as her parents before her and later her siblings) and became a French teacher. After raising four children, she returned to school to complete an ESL degree in teaching English as a Second Language. Other interests and hobbies are Horseback riding, tennis, golf, reading and a volunteer Mentor for MOPS group and church activities.

Jeffrey and Jane live in St Cloud, Minnesota. Their proudest accomplishment is their family and happy marriage of 37 years. “We’ve been blessed beyond measure through the raising of our family and watching them grow and develop successful lives and families of their own. Grandchildren Abigail, Michael and Jack are special rewards for parenting.”


T10/44 Leslie Anne OLSON born in Aurora, Illinois 1/7/1950. Leslie was raised in Wheaton, Illinois, graduated from Wheaton North High School (1968) where she was a cheerleader, qualified RN from DuPage College in Glen Ellyn, Illinois in 1976 and graduated BS in nursing from St Francis University in 2001. She specializes in neo-natal care and has worked at Central DuPage Hospital for 25 years where she served as a staff nurse, charge nurse and unit manager. She has also had experience at several other hospital through agency work.

Leslie continued her interest in sports, competing in a triathlon in 1990 and also participates in long distance bicycling with a group of women who have planned excursions together for 25 years at various locations throughout the United States. Carrying on the family tradition, Leslie enjoys a game of golf. She was a den mother for both of her sons and manager of their hockey team. Her other interests include restoration of antiques and homes, gardening and crossword puzzles. Her children and grandchildren are the delight of her life.

She married, in Wheaton 27/2/1971, and divorced in 1994, Geoffrey Ryan, who was born in Pottlatch, Idaho on 14/3/1947 to John Patrick Ryan, who worked in the lumber industry and Ann Elizabeth Hickey, a business women. Geoffrey the second of four children worked from Sales to Vice President in the election specialities supply business. After retiring he has done consulting in this area.

Leslie lives in Glen Ellyn, Illinois.


T9/25 Edwin Clarence Tweedie and Phyllis Owen Montague’s children:

T10/45 Lynne Ann TWEEDIE born to Edwin and Phyllis Montague Tweedie in Glen Ellyn, Illinois 1/7/1949 and adopted by Henrietta Herndon Tweedie in 1954. Lynne graduated sociology (outstanding major) from DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana in 1971. After teaching grades 7 & 8 she received an endorsement to teach K-8 from the University of Northern Colorado in 1975. For the next 12 years she was a classroom teacher and team leader for grades 3-6, taught art and music, wrote curriculum, and was named “Distinguished Educator” in 1983 and “Outstanding Educator” in 1986 by the Platte Canyon School District in Bailey Colorado. After earning a library media endorsement from the University of Colorado in 1987, she worked as an elementary library media specialist from 1987-1998 and was the chair of the district curriculum committee. In 1990 she initiated a school-wide effort to raise 1,000,000 pennies to assist the Nature Conservancy’s preservation of a high altitude Fen near Fairplay Colorado; by 1992 the 600 students at Deer Creek Elementary had exceeded their goal and received national recognition for their efforts. Currently she is co-head of adult
services and reference librarian for the Putnam County Library and does most of the non-fiction book selection.

Her interests include watercolor painting, close-up photography, butterfly collecting and basketry. She served on the board of the Park County Cultural Council and as a volunteer for school and girl scouting functions, is currently on the board of Horizons, a community education organization, serves on the board of CoCoDa, an organization that raises funds to educate teachers in El Salvador, and volunteers at the public library. She and her husband enjoy playing the guitar and singing together, mountain-biking, golf, gardening and traveling. They both take part in local theatre, she as an accompanist, and he as an actor.

She married, in Wheaton, Illinois 2/6/1973, Christopher John Wurster. He was born in Charlotte, North Carolina 20/11/1947 to John Wurster (awarded the purple heart and silver star for his Second World War Army service), a plant manager in Cincinnati, Ohio, and his wife Betty Stemler, a businesswoman. Christopher graduated BA in communications from DePauw University in 1969 and MA in community organization from Northern Colorado University in 1975. As a conscientious objector he did alternative service in group homes in Los Angeles, California and Denver, Colorado, worked in Denver in hospitals, at the Museum of Natural History and at Regis University in the 1980s, was capital gifts officer for Depauw University 1996-2000 and is currently the director of alumni at Depauw. He started the Platte Canyon Rescue Service and a state-wide network of emergency medical technicians in the 1970s, was president of the Colorado Association of Fund Raisers 1989-90, volunteer chairman of the Park County Rural Health Services 1989-93, is chapter adviser to the Phi Psi House and the Kiwanis Club and serves as president of the local homeowners association. His other interests include playing rock and roll and flyfishing.

Lynne, who retained her own surname of Tweedie after marriage, lived with her family in Bailey Colorado, on 16 acres, at 9,000 feet backed up to the Pike National Forest from 1973 to 1998. Their self-designed log-house, which they built themselves, relied on passive and active solar and a wood burning stove for its heat. The house was expanded twice before they left for their current home on 3 mostly wooded acres in Greencastle, Indiana. This one they designed but hired a contractor to build.


T10/46 Carol Elizabeth Tweedie born to Edwin and Phyllis Montague Tweedie in Glen Ellyn, Illinois 10/2/1951 and adopted by Henrietta Herndon Tweedie in 1954. Carol was educated at Wheaton North High School, Illinois to 1969, graduated from Depauw University, Indiana in 1973, worked with George J Ball Seed Co, West Chicago, Illinois 1973-75, with Odyssey Books in Evergreen, Colorado as owner 1975-80 and employee 1980-1984, and as a self-employed daycare provider in her own home 1984-89. Since 1989 she has been employed at the Evergreen Public Library in
Jefferson County, where she provides a reference service to children and adults, gives storytimes and teaches a variety of classes to the public including Internet to children. Her interests include piano playing, photography, birdwatching, yoga, hiking, cycling, volleyball and other sports particularly softball and soccer, both of which she coaches, and is a soccer team manager. She volunteers at schools, the library and with a number of community groups such as the Audobon Society, Habitat for Humanity and Drive Smart and is a cub scout leader.

She married, in Evergreen 7/5/1978, Charles (Chuck) Burdick. He was born in Denver, CO 20/8/1951 to Dr Francis Dale Burdick, a doctor there of internal medicine, and his wife Joan Nettle, a primary school teacher. Chuck was a firefighter with Littleton Fire Department 1973-79, ran Burdick Design & Woodworking 1979-88, graduated in business administration (bachelor) from Phoenix University in 1989 and in management (master) from Regis University in 1992. He rejoined Littleton Fire Department as a firefighter in 1981, was battalion chief 1989-91, divisional chief training officer 1991-99 and was appointed second-in-command as chief of operations 1999 to date. In April 1999 he was one of the first fire personnel on the scene at the Columbine High School shooting tragedy when 15 people died in Littleton. He helped to direct students fleeing from the school to safety and filled the command position in charge of fire and medical operations. He has since travelled the USA presenting a programme on the events and the lessons to be learned, beseeching communities to establish preventative measures of their own.

Carol and her family live in Evergreen.


T9/25 Edwin Clarence Tweedie and Henrietta Herndon Kestner’s children:

T10/47 Kate Dana TWEEDE born to Henrietta at Dayton, Ohio 28/4/1948, a child of the first marriage of Edwin’s second wife and adopted by him in 1954. Kate graduated from Ferry Hall in Lake Forest, Illinois in 1967 and with a major in art education from Denver University, Colorado in 1971. Over the years she worked as a waitress, cook, substitute teacher, dancer and model and lived in Denver, Aspen and Steamboat Springs in Colorado, in Homer and Anchorage in Alaska, in Hawaii, in the Caribbean, in San Diego, California and in Gloucester, Massachusetts.

Lynne Tweedie - Chris Wurster Wedding, Wheaton, Illinois - 1973
Tweedie Sisters from left: Helen, Lynne, Kate, Carol, Joy, Nancy
She married in Pentwater, Michigan in August 1982 Jack Lucas, first mate, whom she had met while working as chef on the Arco tankers which ran between the Panama Canal and Valdez in Alaska. They divorced in 1984.

An adventurer, avid hiker, entertaining story-teller and creative painter and potter, Kate was working on upgrading her teacher certification in English as a second language at Colorado University when she died on 9/1/1989. She chose to die in Puerta Vállarta, Mexico. Kate was buried in the Tweedie family plot in Wheaton cemetery where her tombstone reads: “The race is not always to the swift.”

T10/48 Nancy Lucille Tweedie born to Henrietta at Washington courthouse, Ohio 27/12/1950, a child of the first marriage of Edwin’s second wife and adopted by him in 1954. Nancy graduated from Wheaton North High School in 1969, studied at Denver University 1969-71 and was part of World Campus Afloat in 1991. Her interests include gardening, skiing and voluntary work for her church.

She married, in Wheaton, Illinois 26/3/1977, John Nagy. He was born in Washington DC 11/3/1943 to (the late) John Joseph Nagy, a broadcast engineer, and his wife Kate Roonan of McLean, Virginia. John graduated BS from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1965 and PhD from Pennsylvania University in 1972, and is a scientist at Brookhaven National Lab designing hardware and software systems for ecology experiments.

Nancy, who is a homemaker, lives with her family in Shoreham, New York.


T10/49 Richard Douglas Tweedie born in Aurora near Wheaton, Illinois 15/7/1955. Richard was educated and graduated from Wheaton North High School in 1973, graduated with a major in history and business administration from Northland College in Ashland, Wisconsin on the shores of Lake Superior in 1977. He began his business career as a trainee at Fellowes Manufacturing headquarters plant near Chicago, moved to Colorado where he worked for Pioneer Development (a building co.), Westinghouse Credit Corporation and Pozzi Wood Windows, returned to Chicago to work for Alcoa Building Products (a division of the Aluminum Company of America) as a district manager in Chicago then in Baltimore, Maryland and presently in Dousman, Wisconsin. His interests include photography, cycling, golf, skiing, and remodeling houses and cottages.

He married Jamie Smith Carlson on 7 July 2002 on the lawn of the family cottage overlooking the blue waters of Lake Michigan. Jamie Smith Tweedie was born February 22 1953 in Waukesha, Wisconsin. She graduated from Waukesha South High School in June 1971 and received a BA in Fine Arts from the University of Wisconsin in May 1975. She became a professional ballerina for many years prior to teaching ballet. She then embarked upon a business career after qualifying for
a real estate broker’s license and then transferred into banking focusing on real estate loans and management. She married Kenneth Carlson on 24/10/1975 and the marriage ended in August 2000. Jamie has two children: Kami born in 1981, graduated from Kettle Moraine High School in June 1999 and is a scholar at the U. of Wisconsin. She married Jamey Hitchcock in October 2002. They have a daughter, Kalissa Ann. The second child is James Gordon born on 22 August 1986 who is a senior at the at the Kettle Moraine High School and upon graduation in 2002 will pursue his studies at the University of Wisconsin.

Richard lives in Dousman, Wisconsin


In the autumn of 1978 Joy flew to London then spent a month in Greece before leaving on an overland bus and travelling through Turkey, Iran, and Pakistan to New Delhi via the Khyber Pass, she made it to Kathmandu in Nepal. There she became engaged to Ernie Ferriby, her English-born bus driver. While he drove the bus back to Greece, Joy flew on ahead to London as it was no longer safe to travel through Afghanistan. She had contracted hepatitis and spent time recovering at Ernie’s parents’ home in London. The day before she was due to fly back to the States, Joy was driving a jeep which rolled and she was killed, on 27/5/1979.

An affectionate, intellectual person, who loved animals, she was passionately involved in protecting the environment. Joy was buried in the Tweedie family plot in Wheaton cemetery where her tombstone reads: “Eagle In Flight, Our Love Goes With You”.

T10/51 Helen Henrietta Tweedie born in Aurora, Illinois 29/9/1961. Helen graduated from Wheaton North High School in 1979 and with a BA in mass communications from Denver University in 1984. She was a video producer 1984-92, and held various positions in different companies throughout Colorado.

She married in August 1995 Eric Wightman in a beautiful mountain setting alongside a mountain stream. Eric is a computer programmer/engineer for aeroplane parts with Sanco Corporation. He is the father of four boys from his first marriage.

Helen and her husband, who both enjoy skiing, golf, hiking, biking and camping, live in Idaho Springs, Colorado where his sons visit them at weekends for skiing outings and camping trips.
Mary Alexa Tweedie and Robert Arthur Larson's children:

Alexa Louise LARSON born in Detroit, Michigan 10/7/1948. Alexa graduated from Farmington High School, and with a BA with honors from Western Michigan University in 1969, taught second grade 1971-74 and first grade since 1985 at public schools in Allegan, Michigan. Her interests include needlework, stained glass creations, pottery, weaving and painting.

She married, at St Priscilla’s Catholic Church, Livonia, Michigan 16/8/1969, Mark Frederick Birkam. He was born in Detroit 13/4/1948 to Frederick Francis Birkam, a physician, and his wife Arlene Dorothy Atherton, a registered nurse. Mark graduated BA in education from Western Michigan University in 1970 and MA in 1974, is working on a second master’s in medieval studies and since 1970 has taught at high school. He is a football and track coach.

Alexa and her family live in Otsego, Michigan.


Robert Tweedie LARSON born in Detroit, Michigan 8/9/1951. Robert graduated with business and history degrees from Western Michigan University in 1973, worked as an insurance analyst from 1974 and is now the supervisor of disability claims at Metropolitan Life. He participates in triathlons for recreation.

He married, in Detroit 22/6/1974, Linda Sue Isard. She was born there on 3/4/1950 to William Avery Isard (died 1968), and his wife Sarah Kathryn Walton of Farmington, Michigan. Linda graduated BS in special education with high honors from Western Michigan University in 1972 and a M.ED in education from Wayne State University in 1976, and since 1972 has worked as a teacher consultant in special education in the Birmingham, Michigan Public Schools.

Robert and his family live in Novi, Michigan.

Child: T11/43 Elena Lynne.


He married, in East Lansing, Michigan 19/6/1976, Martha Dolene Mercer. She was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan 3/1/1951 to Orin Sylvester Mercer, a plant maintenance manager with Keebler Co. now retired in Jenison, Michigan, and his (late) wife Elsa Mae Osmer, once a qualified nurse in Wyoming, Michigan. Martha was educated at Lee High School in 1969, graduated B S from Western Michigan University in 1973 and, after becoming AHCP certified, worked as a medical technologist in Michigan State University 1970-76, and as a medical technologist/echocardiagram technician 1976-80.

Stephen and his family live in Newark, New Jersey.


Gary Lindsey LARSON born in Detroit, Michigan 21/9/1956. Gary graduated BS in engineering with honors from Michigan State University in 1978, and MBA from University of Detroit in 1994. He worked as a
computer systems supervisor with Ford Motor Credit Co 1978-93 and with Ford Motor Co 1993-2000, and is presently a systems program manager for Ford Motor Co. His interests include golf, cycling, skiing, swimming, running and triathlons.

He married at Redford Baptist Church in Detroit 29/7/1978, Cherilyn Sue Jurek (her family line can be traced back to 1831). She was born in Detroit 29/8/1956 to Bernard James Jurek, a manufacturing manager with Chevrolet Motor Division of General Motors, and his wife Eileen Mary Dahl; both of Farmington, Michigan. Cherilyn graduated BA with high honors from Michigan State University in 1978, and now works part-time as the office manager for Schauer Business Forms.

Gary and his family live in Livonia, Michigan.


T9/27 Robert Spurgin and Elizabeth Hanna Hashagen’s children:

T10/56 John Robert SPURGIN born in Indiana, 14/3/1943.

T10/57 Douglas Heywood SPURGIN born in Georgia, 29/6/1946.

T10/58 Jane Tweedie SPURGIN born in Illinois, 19/6/1954. Jane’s married name is Schonman.

T10/59 Margaret Elizabeth SPURGIN born in Illinois, 9/12/1955. Margaret’s married name is Chant.

T9/28 Douglas (Doug) Tweedie MacIsaac and Charlotte Ann McCurdy’s children:

T10/60 Katherine (Kathy) Ann MacISAAC born in Corvallis, Oregon 27/3/1956. Shortly afterwards Kathy moved to Downey, California with her parents and then in 1962 up the coast to Santa Barbara. She was encouraged by her grandmother T8/15 Helen Tweedie MacIsaac to study piano throughout her youth and to pursue her interest in the arts. Inspired by her grandmother’s lifelong pursuit of new challenges and personal growth, she returned to school at the age of 31 and qualified AA (Associate of Arts) in interior design at Bellevue Community College, Washington in 1992. She is self-employed as a freelance interior designer with her own firm, Bonniebrook Interiors, which specializes in commercial and residential fine art solutions. Kathy gives a great deal of her time to various non-profitmaking and charitable organizations, especially those which focus on children and the arts. Her other interests include drawing, piano, reading, gardening, skiing and golf.

She married, in Santa Barbara, California 24/9/1977, Karl Layne Miller. He was born in Pocatello, Idaho 25/2/1951 to Florence Miller, later Gabrielson. He was adopted by his mother’s elder brother John Thomas.
Miller, a plumber/pipefitter now retired, and his wife Sylvia Lorraine Hanson. Karl graduated BBA (bachelor of business administration) from Idaho State University in 1973 and MBA (master of business management) from the University of Puget Sound in 1982, and is executive vice-president of Commercial Banking for Unit Safe Deposit Bank in Stockton, California. His interests include golf, running and skiing.

After spending the years 1979-97 in greater Seattle, Washington, Kathy and her family live in Stockton, California.


T10/61 Brian Sean MacISAAC born near Los Angeles in Bell, California 9/1/1958. Brian moved with his family up the coast to Santa Barbara in 1962. A gifted athlete, he received football scholarships and studied at the University of Hawaii in 1976 and at the University of Arizona 1977-79. He is a licensed California tile contractor and has owned and operated Tile Design Works since 1985. His interests include camping with his family and coaching youth baseball, softball and football.

He married, in Santa Barbara, California 14/9/1985, Margaret (Peggy) Joan Kellogg. She was born there on 9/10/1960 to Herbert Joseph Kellogg, owner of a local men’s clothing business (now deceased), and his wife Mary Lee Hughes. Peggy has worked as a financial assistant since 1987.

Brian and his family live in Santa Barbara.


T10/62 Donald Robinson (Bob) MacISAAC born in Santa Barbara, California 9/6/1963. Bob graduated BBA in finance from California State University, Northridge in 1989, and has worked as a bank officer since 1989. His interests include golf and skiing.

He married, in La Canada, California 10/7/1993, Cheryl Ann Olson. She was born in Arcadia, California 15/4/1964 to Clair Vigil Olson, a California State bank examiner now retired in Thousand Oaks, and his wife Sondra Jean Gossett, a secretary/school district employee now retired. Cheryl graduated BA in liberal studies from California State University, San Diego in 1986, taught at a primary school 1988-95 and is currently a homemaker.

Bob and his family live in Bellingham, Washington.


T9/28 Douglas (Doug) Tweedie MacIsaac and Winifred Ann Smith/Everett’s Children:


T10/64 Shannon Michelle MacISAAC born in Santa Barbara, California 13/11/1969, a daughter of Douglas’ second wife and adopted by him in 1971. Shannon is a certified nursing assistant.

She married, in 1987, Narsamalu Reddy; they were divorced in 1993. A single parent, Shannon lives in Santa Barbara with her daughter.

Child: T11/57 Mikaila Michelle.
Joshua (Josh) Shane MacISAAC born in Santa Barbara, California 14/8/1973. Josh married, in Bakersfield, California 21/1/2000, Juliane Hernandez of San Jose. They both work with people who are developmentally disabled at a health care facility in Bakersfield, California, where they live.

Sally Jane MacIsaac and Ronald Dean Edmiston’s children:

Michael (Mike) John EDMISTON born in Eugene, Oregon 17/4/1955. Mike carries on the family tradition of selling. He married, in Santa Barbara, California 30/10/1976, Elizabeth Foss. She and her daughters are keen horsewomen and win prizes at local fairs.

Mike and his family live in Albany, Oregon.


Donald (Don) Stanley EDMISTON born in Eugene, Oregon 12/1/1957. Don gained the high school diploma at West Albany High School, Oregon in 1975, qualified AS (Associate of Science) in law enforcement at Linn Benton Community College in 1982, and worked as a warehouseman with NK Lawn & Garden Co 1977, and is now a traffic manager for an Oregon seed firm (a multi-million dollar agribusiness).

He married, in Albany 25/4/1987, Theresa (Terry) Wright. She was born on 6/3/1960 to Ovin Wright and his wife Christine Pickens. Terry was educated at Gresham High School, Oregon (1978), Linn Benton Community College in 2001 and works as a registered nurse in a local hospital.


Steven (Steve) Rand EDMISTON born in Eugene, Oregon 19/8/1958. Steve was educated at West Albany High School, Oregon to 1974, studied at Bible College of the Assembly of God to 1992, works as an automotive electrician and as a senior pastor. His calling has inspired him to lead churches, preach to the imprisoned and perform the marriage ceremonies of his nephew, Chris, his daughter, Heather and son, Joshua.

He married, in Albany 19/1/1980, Shirley Ann Shaffner. She was born there on 13/9/1958 to Dennis George Schaffner, a local carpenter, and his wife Katherine Susan Schaecher. Shirley was educated at West Albany High School 1975-77 and worked as a bank teller 1978-80, a teacher 1986-92 and a buyer for a gift shop 1992 to present.

Steve and his wife live in Albany, Oregon.


David (Dave) Bruce EDMISTON born in Eugene, Oregon 28/9/1961. Dave worked as an automotive paint technician and, still in the automotive field, is now in management. He married, in Reno, Nevada 15/9/1990, Luann Joy Hull. She was born in California 31/7/1964 to Corciell Hanser Hull, a systems analyst in Albany OR, and his wife Luverna Juneau Eisman.
Dave and his family live in Albany, Oregon.


T9/30 Anita Mary MacIsaac and Edward Winslow Cuthbert’s children:

T10/71 Winslow (Win) Rolfe CUTHBERT born in Camp Pendleton, California 21/7/1956. Win graduated BSc in civil engineering and computers from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1978 and works as a computer software architect.

He married, in Greenwich, Connecticut in September 1982, Catherine Metz. Born 30/7/1957 to Harold Metz, retired vice-president of United Technology, and his wife Mary Calveville, mother of nine children and a Eucharist minister. She graduated BSc in biology from Mt. Holyoke University in 1979 and MBA from Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts in 1986.

Win and family live in San Luis Obispo, California.


T10/72 Donald (Don) Hugh CUTHBERT born in La Jolla, California 30 July 1957. Don graduated from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, California with a BS in Forest Management in 1981. He is president of Formations, a molding and wood products company with manufacturing facilities in both the USA and China.

Don married his first wife, Elizabeth Bromfield in Fallbrook, California in 1980 and divorced in 1983.

He married 2nd in South Africa on 20 November 1999 to Tracy Lynn Schwartz; born to Ronald Schwartz, an attorney and now deceased, and Marcia Pherrin Schwartz, a computer programmer and is now retired. Tracy graduated from the University of Maryland in 1988 with a degree in Environmental Science. After working in South Africa for several years moved to Laguna Beach, California where she met and married Don.

Don and his wife live in California.

T10/73 Edward (Ted) Raye CUTHBERT was born in Honolulu, Hawaii on 3/2/1962. Ted graduated from the University of California, Santa Barbara with a degree in accounting 1985. He is currently a Senior Vice President for Coldwall Banker Commercial Real Estate in La Jolla, California. His interests are golf and tennis.

He married in Newport Beach, California, 5/5/1989, Susan (Sue) Gail Silverstein. Sue was born in Santa Monica, California 7/4/1960 to Fred Silverstein, CEO of California Faucets and his wife, Sonia Feldman, now retired from her own travel agency. Sue studied at San Diego State University and works in retail with Nordstrom.

Ted and his family live in California.

Children: T11/71 Mathew Edward, T11/72 Emily Susan.

T10/3 Sarah Katherine Murray and Jens Kind’s children:


T11/3 **Samuel KIND** born 22/5/1999. Samuel lives in Leipzig, Germany with his family.

T10/13 **Clare Elizabeth Tweedie and Alan D. Walker**’s children:


T11/5 **Lewis William Tweedie WALKER** born in Hong Kong 24/8/1999. Lewis lives in Perth with his family.


T10/14 **Michael John Tweedie and Diana Dun**’s children:

T11/7 **Robert (Robbie) James TWEEDEIE** born at Borders General Hospital, Melrose, Roxburghshire 20/10/2000. Robbie lives with his family at Tithe Hill, Northumberland.


T10/21 **Duncan Norman Ferguson and Julie Chadwick**’s child


T10/35 **Patricia (Patt) Steven Linder and Harold William Nickerson**’s children:

T11/10 **Barbara (Barbie) Jean NICKERSON** born in Bethesda, Maryland 13/10/1962. Barbie was educated at Nokomis High School, Maine to 1980, gained a nurse’s aid in nursing homes certificate, worked as a cashier, as a cake decorator, in catering and in a craft shop. Her interests include woodworking and dressmaking, particularly costumes and party and wedding dresses.


She married second, in Manchester 28/6/1995, Donald (Don) Keith Harter. Don is a speciality car painter who favors Chevrolets of the 1950-60 era. In 1997 he was commissioned by author Stephen King’s wife to paint her husband’s Jaguar silver as a 25th wedding anniversary gift. Barbie and her husband plan to go into business together when she will upholster car interiors and he will customize the exteriors. Barbie and her family, who are avid fans of the Nascar circuit, live in Manchester.
Children of 1st marriage: T12/1 Bethanie Marie, T12/2 Michael Andre Donald.
Child of 2nd marriage: T12/3 Keith Andrew.

T11/11 Steven William NICKERSON born at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, California 28/12/1964. Steven was educated at Old Mill High School to 1982, studied at Ann Arundel Commercial college 1982-83, served in the US Air Force 1983-1992, was a computer programmer in finance 1992-93 and as a tax preparer and now works for Pay Pal Computer Co. in Omaha and travels around the country with his job. His interests include hunting & fishing, he is a Sunday School teacher and also a youth advisor.

He married, in Ellicott City, Maryland 11/1/1985, Sherrie Gay Shawen who was born on 25/3/1965.

Steven and his family live near Oakland, Nebraska in a 1902 rural schoolhouse which they are turning into their home. He and his wife teach their children at home.


T11/12 Bethanie Holly NICKERSON born in Honolulu, Hawaii 12/9/1971. After her Spanish class trip to Madrid and Morocco in 1988 Bethanie came home with a greater appreciation of the USA and her own town. She was educated at Waverly Central High School to 1990 in which year she was valedictorian of her class, a 4H camp wildlife counselor for the 3rd year running, State big chief 4H grand prize-winner of Vanderbilt Science Fair, given the DAR award, won the National ELK scholarship and National 4H for Wildlife, was Exchange Club “Student of the Year” and the girls state representative in the All-State band as a flute and piccolo player. Bethanie studied environmental research at Dupont 1991-92, graduated BSc in chemistry from the University of Tennessee in Martin in 1994 and is a research & development chemist for Dupont. She is also busy with the Explorers science clubs in the community and plans to develop a new hobby of photography. With her sister and brother, Bethanie is the 14th generation, through their father’s mother, from ancestor Stephen Hopkins who arrived on the Mayflower in 1620; all three are members of the Mayflower Society.

She married, in Gatlinburg, Tennessee 19/12/1992, James Todd Delfunt. He was born in Nashville, Tennessee 20/12/1966, the youngest of six children to Jack Delfunt, a mechanic in Ardmore, Tennessee and his wife Imojean Coulter, a sales clerk and seamstress. Todd was educated at McGavoch High School to 1986, graduated B S from Auburn University, Alabama in 1990, and since then has been a chemical engineer for Dupont where he is the finishing operation’s area manager. His interests include playing the guitar and the trombone, fishing and racketball; he is also a children’s baseball coach.
Bethanie and her husband travelled on business and for pleasure all around the US and have also visited Europe and South America. They moved to Wilmington, Delaware in 2001 just before the birth of their first child who Bethanie will look after as a “stay-at-home mom”.


**TI0/37 Douglas Herbert Tweedie III and Marian Jean McCurry’s children:**

T11/10 **John Fraser Tweedie** born in Chicago, Illinois 2/3/1972. John, who inherited the family’s red hair, was educated at Evanston High School to 1990, studied English and art at Lake Forest College, Illinois and graduated with a BA in fine arts. He was employed by the Art Institute of Chicago for several years where he set up exhibits, maintained inventory and packaged and transported priceless art pieces in the USA and Europe. He now works for a private auction house. John resides in Chicago, where he continues with the family interest in music playing guitar in a band, which performs at local venues.

T11/14 **Catherine Reid Tweedie** born in Chicago, Illinois 13/12/1975. Catherine was educated at Evanston High School (1993), graduated with a BA in fine art from Beloit College, Wisconsin (1997). She is now a potter in Chicago designing and producing stoneware for restaurants and private collectors. Catherine live in Chicago.

T11/15 **Alexander Douglas Tweedie** born in Evanston, Illinois 26/4/1979. Alexander was educated at Evanston High School. His interests include music, photography and cycling. In 2003 he took a solo tour in Alaska on his bike armed with “bear spray” along a portion of the Alaskan Highway.

**TI0/38 Ellen Glynn Tweedie and Raymond Krek’s children:**

T11/16 **Amy Ellen Krek** born in Watertown, Wisconsin 19/10/1973. Amy was educated at Wheaton North High School. She took dancing classes for a number of years before studying in Chicago at Columbia College for a degree in theatre. She also studied yoga and reiki. Amy is a yoga instructor in St. Charles and Wheaton, Illinois.

She married Paul Davis, who was born on 27/9/1974, the only child of Paul Davis, a computer software trainer and Nancy Riena, a secretary for an insurance company. He is employed at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

Amy and her family live in St Charles, Illinois.


She married John Mario Massaro, her high school sweetheart, on 14/4/2001, a year after both graduated from Viterbo College. After enduring the cold winters in Wisconsin for four years they opted to move to the temperate climate of Seattle. John is a car enthusiast, sculptor and mortgage broker.

Liza and her family live in Seattle, Washington

Child: T12/16 Isabella Soleil.
David Douglas KREK born in Madison, Wisconsin 18/8/1981. David graduated from Wheaton North High School, Wheaton, Illinois (2000) and Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana (2004) with a BSc in Sales Management from the school of business. His sophomore year in college he spent a semester abroad at the University of Wales, Swansea. After he graduated he moved to Seattle and is employed by Banker’s Life as a salesman of insurance and annuities. He interests include playing the violin, home remodeling, travel and the arts.

Mary Sara Tweedie and Henry David Snyder’s children:

James Bevan SNYDER born in Washington DC 9/9/1982. James graduated there from Saint Anselm’s Abbey High School in May 2001 and is working on a degree in Material Science Engineering at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. When not in school he lives in Kensington, Maryland with his family.

Andrew David SNYDER born in Gaithersburg, Maryland 8/12/1985. Andrew graduated Saint Alban’s High School in Washington DC. and is presently studying pre-med. at the University of Chicago. When not in school he lives in Kensington, Maryland with his family.

James Scott TWEEDIE born in Hinsdale, Illinois 20/2/1980. James graduated from Downers Grove North High School where he was an avid gymnast. He has a degree in Physics and a minor in Latin and Italian from the University of Illinois in Champaign. He enjoys playing the saxophone and guitar, writing and recording music. James works and lives in Chicago, Illinois and in his spare time is writing a book.


Meghan Lee TWEEDIE born in LaGrange, Illinois 22/8/1984. Meghan graduated Downers Grove North High School, Illinois 2003. She runs the mile in track competition and during the cross country season runs 2.5 miles. She also likes running with her Dad in the longer but non-competitive lengths of 5K (6.4 miles) and has a keen interest in photography. Megan is presently attending New York State University at Oswego studying Graphic Design. In the summer she lives in Downers Grove with her family.

Margaret (Maggie) Catherine HUND born in Atlanta, Georgia 28/10/1987. She attends Westminster Upper School in Atlanta, where she is an editor of the school’s fine arts magazine, The Embryo, and active in their Outdoor Leadership program where she escorts young people into the wilderness to study nature, ecology, and survival techniques. Margaret, who has her own horse, loves to ride with her mother. She lives in Atlanta with her mother, step-father Jack Capers, step-sister Grayson Capers, and step-brother Hayes Capers.

Jay Duffin Olson and Gayle Smith’s children:

Duffin John OLSON born in Champaign, Illinois 17/2/1968. Duffin was raised in Sioux Falls, South Dakota and works as a health care technician. He lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Tait Clifford OLSON born in Sioux Falls, South Dakota 19/6/1970. Tait works as an independent building contractor and continues to live in Sioux Falls.
TI0/43 Jeffrey Craig Olson and Jane Arnold’s children:


John Morrow was born in Chicago, Illinois and grew up in Fort Wayne, Indiana. After DePauw, he attended Notre Dame Law School where he graduated with his J.D. in 1996. John and Heather lived in the Cleveland area from 96-00 where John worked for Baker and Hosteler and Heather worked as an associate in public finance at NatCity Investments. They moved to Mill Creek, WA in 2000 where they currently reside. John is a partner with Heller Ehrman in their Venture Law Group and Heather is full-time at home.


Child: T12/19 Madison Jackson (Jack).

T11/29 *Jennifer Penrose Olson* born in Little Rock, Arkansas 28/1/1974. She graduated with a BA from Willamette University in Salem, Oregon (1996) and a MA in Education from University of Washington (1999). While at the University of Washington she met Jarred R. Kink and they were married June 30, 2001 in Seattle. Jennifer and Jarred are both high school teachers for Everett Public Schools and live in Seattle, Washington.


TI0/44 Leslie Anne Olson and Geoffrey Ryan’s children:

T11/31 **Judson (Jud) Kenneth Ryan** born in Hinsdale, Illinois 17/4/1969. Judson was raised in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. He graduated from Glenbard West High School 1987, and received BA from Northern Illinois University in 1994. During High School and College he was an avid hockey player. He now enjoys a good game of golf. Jud works in Sales for an electoral specialty business. After many years in Chicago, he now resides in Glen Ellyn, Illinois after purchasing the Ryan family homestead.

T11/32 **Andrew (Drew) Richard Ryan** born in Hinsdale, Illinois 15/3/1972. Andrew was raised in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. He graduated from Glenbard West High School 1990. In High School he played hockey on a travelling team as his father and brother before him. He is also an avid golfer and hunter. He owned and operated a private business in the food field, and is now a mortgage broker for Capital Mortgage.

He married on 25/6/1999 Margaret Faith, a school teacher to Ryan Faith, an Irish immigrant & factory worker and Mary Anne Faith, a business woman. Andrew and his family live in Sugar Grove, Illinois.


T11/33 **Megan (Meg) Lydia Ryan** born in Hinsdale, Illinois 29/4/1976. Meg was raised in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. She graduated from Glenbard West High School (1994), BS from Eastern Illinois University (1999), and a MSc from De Paul University (2004) in Biology. After her undergrad study Meg taught 5 years at Amos Alanzo Stagg High School in Orland Park turning on young minds to the wonder of science. She is currently employed by the Lincoln Park Zoo. For several years Meg owned and showed her American Saddle Bred horse. Her other interests include decorating and scrapbooking.
Megan married James (Jimmy) DeGeorge 8/12/2003 in a beautiful evening ceremony in the ballroom on the top floor of the Allerton Hotel with the twinkling lights of Chicago as the backdrop. Jimmy works in Sales for a company that produces mortgage programming software. They are expecting their first child, Sophia Rose, October, 2005.

Megan and Jimmy live in Chicago, Illinois.

**T10/45 Lynne Ann Tweedie and Christopher John Wurster’s children:**

T11/34 **Celsea Joy Wurster** born in Bailey, Colorado 8/11/1979 and named after her aunt Joy Tweedie. Celsea graduated as valedictorian from Platte Canyon High School, Colorado in 1998 and graduated with a BA in drama, cum laude, Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio. Since graduating, she has had an internship in arts administration at the Kennedy Center in Washington DC, has substitute taught, and was house manager at the Eugene O’Neil Theatre in Connecticut for a summer.

T11/35 **Stacey Lynne Wurster** born in Bailey, Colorado 16/6/1984. Stacey graduated Greencastle High School, Indiana in 2002. She is a sophomore biology major at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana where she participates in track, cross country, acappella, wilderness training and visual arts.

**T10/46 Carol Elizabeth Tweedie and Charles Burdick’s children:**

T11/36 **Dylan Addington BURDICK** born in Evergreen, Colorado 21/3/1981. Dylan graduated from Conifer High School in 1999 and now attends Colorado University in Boulder where his major is Psychology. His interests include music and all sports, particularly soccer and four-wheeling. His family home is in Evergreen.

T11/37 **Cori Alice BURDICK** born in Evergreen, Colorado 8/4/1984. Cori graduated from Conifer High School in 2002. She is attending the University of Colorado in Boulder. Her interests include travel, she visited France in 1998, the National Honor Society, the Key Club and soccer. Cori lives in Evergreen with her family.

**T10/48 Nancy Lucille Tweedie and John Nagy’s children:**


Adam married Shannon Morral 15/10/2003 in Pennsylvania. They live in Baltimore, Maryland.


T11/40 **Mark Edwin NAGY** born in East Patchogue, New York 7/11/1983. Mark graduated from Wading River High School, New York in 2001 and was considered one of the top volleyball players in the region. He is now attending Rutgers University. He lives in Shoreham, New York with his family.

**T10/52 Alexa Louise Larson and Mark Frederick Birkam’s children:**

writing from Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo and works in the National City Bank.

He married, at the Blessed Sacrament Church in Allegan, Michigan 8/8/1998, Dymphna Moduying. Born in Sabah, Malaysia, she graduated BA in art from Western Michigan University and works in the office of Friend of the Court.

Daniel and his wife live and work in Kalamazoo.

T11/42 Therese Alexa BIRKAM born in Kalamazoo, Michigan 26/8/1976. Therese was raised in Allegan, Michigan, graduated BSc in sports medicine and geography with honors from Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, Michigan in 1998. She earned a MHS degree in Physician Assistant Studies at the University of South Alabama in Mobile, Alabama in 2003. She is now employed as a Physician’s Assistant in St. Cloud, Minnesota.

T10/53 Robert Tweedie Larson and Linda Sue Isard’s child:

T11/43 Elena Lynne LARSON born in Southfield, Michigan 28/3/1984. Elena graduated from Novi High School and was active in marching and concert bands. She attends Arizona State University majoring in Political Science and Women’s Studys.


T10/54 Stephen Arthur Larson and Martha Dolene Mercer’s children:


T11/45 Adam Robert LARSON born in Grand Rapids, Michigan 3/7/1983. Adam graduated from St Benedict’s Preparatory School in Newark, New Jersey and now attends Greenville College in Illinois where he is studying music. He enjoys lacrosse and playing religious music on his guitar. Adam lives with his family in Newark, New Jersey.

T11/46 Amber Renee LARSON born in Grand Rapids, Michigan 25/3/1985. Amber graduated with the North Jersey Home School Association’s class of 2003 and is now studying at the Baptist Bible College in Pennsylvania. Her interests are music and photography. Amber’s family home is in Newark, New Jersey.

T10/55 Gary Lindsey Larson and Cherilyn Sue Jurek’s children:

T11/47 Audra Elyse LARSON born in Detroit, Michigan 26/4/1984. Audra graduated from Stevenson High School in Livonia, Michigan and is now a student at Eastern Michigan University. She is presently interested in dance and lives with her family in Livonia, Michigan.

TI0/60 Katherine (Kathy) Ann MacIsaac and Karl Layne Miller’s children:

TI1/49 **Andrew (Andy) John MILLER** born in Bellevue, Washington 7/2/1980. Andy is currently taking a creative writing program at California State University in San Francisco. He is an accomplished guitar player and his interests include drawing, reading, jazz, golf and snowboarding. Andy’s family home is in Stockton, California.

TI1/50 **Adam Douglas MILLER** born in Bellevue, Washington 13/3/1982. Adam is currently taking a graphic design program at California State University in Sacramento. He is a regionally recognized musician, playing bass guitar and keyboards, as well as a fine artist who has designed the cover artwork for several compact discs released in 1999. His interests include music, drawing, painting and snowboarding. Adam’s family home is in Stockton, California.

TI1/51 **Katherine (Katie) Marie MILLER** born in Thousand Oaks, California 12/10/1985. Katie’s interests include reading, singing and driving a golf cart for the family golfers! She lives with her parents in Stockton, California.

TI0/61 Brian Sean MacIsaac and Margaret Joan Kellogg’s children:

TI1/52 **Megan Renee MacISAAC** born in Santa Barbara, California 23/10/1987. Megan is an award-winning athlete, competing at local, regional, State and National levels in various sports. She lives in Santa Barbara with her family.

TI1/53 **Ian Patrick MacISAAC** born in Santa Barbara, California 15/9/1989. Ian lives there with his family and pursues his interests in baseball, football and golf.


TI0/62 Donald Robinson (Bob) MacIsaac and Cheryl Ann Olson’s children:


TI0/64 Shannon Michelle Everett MacIsaac and Narsamalu Reddy’s child:

TI1/57 **Mikaila Michelle REDDY** born in Hayward, California 3/2/1990. Mikaila lives in nearby Santa Barbara with her mother.

TI0/66 Michael (Mike) John Edmiston and Elizabeth Foss’ children:

TI1/58 **Christopher (Chris) Ron EDMISTON** born in Santa Barbara, California 11/5/1977. Chris, like his father, carries on the family tradition of selling. He married, on 15/4/2000, Dana Hulbert; his uncle Steve officiated at the ceremony. Dana was born on 2/7/1977 to Roger and Carmen Hulbert.

Chris and his wife live in Wilsonville, Oregon.

Child: T12/23 **Alexis Erin**.
Nicholas Tad EDMISTON born in Albany, Oregon 2/17/1984. Nicholas lives there with his family.

Mychaela Dee EDMISTON born in Albany, Oregon 22/3/1986. Like her mother and sister, she is a keen horsewoman and wins prizes at local fairs. Mykayla lives in Albany with her family.

Deja EDMISTON born in Albany, Oregon 9/11/1988. Like her mother and sister she is a keen horsewoman and wins prizes at local fairs. Deja lives in Albany with her family.

Donald (Don) Stanley Edmiston and Theresa Wright’s children:


Steven (Steve) Rand Edmiston and Shirley Ann Shaffner’s children:


David (Dave) Bruce Edmiston and Luann Joy Hull’s children:


Winslow (Win) Rolfe Cuthbert and Catherine Metz’s children:


Don Patrick CUTHBERT born in Massachusetts, 31/3/1993. Don lives there in Groton with his family.

Edward (Ted) Raye Cuthbert and Suzan Gail Silverstein:

Mathew Edward CUTHBERT born in California, 20/9/1994. He lives in La Jolla, California with his family.
Emily Susan CUTHBERT born in Massachusetts, 5/2/1999. She lives in La Jolla, California with her family.

Barbara (Barbie) Jean Nickerson and Andre Cantin’s children:


Barbara (Barbie) Jean Nickerson and Don Harter’s Child


Steven William Nickerson and Sherrie Gay Shawen’s children:

Stephanie Marie NICKERSON born in Balto, Maryland 5/4/1987. Stephanie lives near Oakland, Nebraska with her family where she is taught at home.

Steven (Steve) William NICKERSON born in Balto, Maryland 15/3/1989. Stevie lives near Oakland, Nebraska with his family where he is taught at home.

Michelle (Shelly) Lynne NICKERSON born in Omaha Nebraska 0/5/1991. Shelly lives near Oakland, Nebraska with her family where she is taught at home.


Patricia Linder (Lindy) NICKERSON born in Fremont, Nebraska 10/7/1998. Lindy lives near Oakland, Nevada with her family.

Josiah Randall NICKERSON born in Fremont, Nebraska 30/10/1999. Josiah lives near Oakland Nebraska with his family.

Sierra Angelica Dominique NICKERSON born in Fremont, Nebraska 4/10 2001. Sierra lives near Oakland Nebraska with his family.

Bethanie Holly Nickerson and James Todd Delfunt’s child:

Lauren Ansley DELFUNT born Wilmington, Delaware 14/3/2001. She lives there with her family.

Amy Ellen Krek and Paul Davis’ children:


T11/17 Liza Marie Krek and John Mario Massaro’s child:


T11/27 Heather Lynn Olson and John Morrow’s children:


T11/28 Christina Joy Olson and Devon Uderitz’s children:

T12/19 Madison Jackson (Jack) OLSEN-UDERITZ born 1/5/2003 in Kirkland, Washington. He lives in the Seattle area with his family.

T11/32 Andrew Richard Ryan and Margaret (Maggie) Faith’s children:


T11/55 Christopher Edmiston and Dana Hulbert’s child:


T11/61 Heather Edmiston and Garrick Reid Lawson’s children:


T12/25 Grant EDMISTON born 7/1/2003 in Rock Creek, Wyoming. Grant lives with his parents in Green River, Wyoming.
The Welsh Family

Provides the link between the Early Tweedies and the Tweedie Family with the marriages of
W4/1 Alexander Welsh to ET15/7 Marion Tweedie
and of their daughter
W5/10 Anne Welsh to T4/19 Alexander Tweedie
The Welsh Family

W0/0 David Welsh, who appears as tenant of Craig Kingledoors from 1555 to 1573, acted as bailie on 15/5/1567 when John Hay of Talla took infeftment as heir to his father William Hay in Craig Kingledoors and Talla. [In 1470 the Hays had acquired half of Over Kingledoors which may have been the Steding of Kingildurris which Lord Hay allowed James Tweedie of Drumelzier and his son Patrick to occupy. In 1580 John Hay of Talla resigned his lands of Talla to William, Lord Hay of Yester, but retained his lands of Kingledoors.]

In 1585 William Welsh in Craig Kingledoors and John Welsh in Over Menzion (probably sons of the above David), and Walter Tweedie in Chapel Kingledoors, witnessed the investment of William Hay in his father’s lands of Kingledoors which passed to him. The infeftment excepted a quarter of the lands possessed by Andrew Hay (brother of William), rector of Renfrew, who about 1590 made it over to his brother who, styled William Hay of Wyndene, became proprietor of the whole. In 1596 William Welsh, tenant of Craig Kingledoors witnessed the infeftment in Craig Kingledoors of William Hay, by then styled ‘of Linplum’ [near Gifford in East Lothian], as heir to his father, John Hay of Talla, on a precept by James, Lord Hay of Yester.

The above John Welsh may have had two sons Humphrey, who possibly had three sons W1/1 Humphrey, W1/2 John and W1/3 Walter and John of Over Minzion whose son James may have been apprenticed 24/12/1651 to Thomas Welsche litster. Thomas may have been an apprentice litster in 1642, son of Walter Welsh of Fruid. Walter’s likely other son George was a merchant, who married, in Edinburgh 2/10/1651, Janet Johnston; probably the same George Welsh, indweller, who was interred on 23/5/1692 in the Foulis tomb in Greyfriars churchyard; his widow was interred 17/1/1698 and his son Humphrey, born Edinburgh 1666, died 5/7/1684, was interred there 5/7/1684 in ‘wast laig’.

W1/1 Humphrey (Umphra) WELSH married Elizabeth Glenn. Humphrey was a merchant and burgess in Linlithgow where the births of five children were recorded between 1652 and 1667. Recorded Deeds in 1675 (the grantee of a bond), 1692, 1695 and 1696 with his daughter Elizabeth and with W1/2 John and W1/3 Walter Welsh both at Nether Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, Peeblesshire.

As Umphrae Welsh (Weallsh) he was recorded in West Lothian Hearth Tax 1695 when living in Linlithgow town; also in the Hearth Tax was Isabel Welsh in toune of Queensferry lp.

On 19/2/1704 Humphrey was entered in the Commissariat of Edinburgh with his deceased son-in-law James Urquhart, first husband of Elizabeth.

Children: W2/1 not known, W2/2 James, W2/3 John, W2/4 Elizabeth, W2/5 Margrat.

W1/2 John WELSH probably tenant farmer at Over Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish, Peeblesshire, where his two sons were baptized in 1667 and 1671. At Nether Minzion when he was recorded in a Deed in 1690s with W1/3 Walter Welsh also at Nether Minzion and with W1/1 Humphrey Welsh, merchant Linlithgow.

Children: W2/6 John, W2/7 James.

W1/3 Walter WELSH At Nether Minzion when he was recorded in a Deed in 1690s with W1/2 John Welsh also at Nether Minzion and with W1/1 Humphrey Welsh, merchant Linlithgow.
W1/1 Humphrey (Umphra) Welsh and Elizabeth Glenn’s children:

W2/1 not known WELSH baptized in Linlithgow on 10/8/1652.

W2/2 James WELSH baptized in Linlithgow on 11/12/1654.


W2/3 John WELSH baptized in Linlithgow on 24/1/1658.

W2/4 Elizabeth WELSH baptized in Linlithgow on 25/12/1659. Elizabeth married 1st in Linlithgow on 29/12/1674 James Urquhart, merchant there. She was recorded in a Deed in 1690s with her father. She married 2nd in Linlithgow on 15/8/1703 John Bryce. On 19/2/1704 her husband was entered in the Commissariat of Edinburgh with her 1st husband.


W2/5 Margrat WELSH baptized in Linlithgow on 5/3/1667.

W1/2 John Welsh’s children:

W2/6 John WELSH baptized at Over Minzion in Tweedsmuir parish 27/6/1667, witnessed by James Welsh of Fruid. John farmed at Over Minzion, no doubt taking over from his father as the tenant farmer. He died on 16/4/1711, aged 44, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard, Peeblesshire. His grandson, whose name was not recorded but who died on 29/11/1736, aged 8, was also buried there.


W2/7 James WELSH baptized at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir parish 27/8/1671. James graduated MA from Edinburgh University on 16/4/1700 and was licensed by the Church of Scotland Presbytery of Peebles on 22/10/1707. He was assistant minister at Tweedsmuir parish before being called to the parish as minister on 28/12/1720. James died 17/4/1755, aged 83. Unmarried.

W2/2 James Welsh’s children:

W3/1 Umphra WELSH married 2nd in ?1730 Margaret Tweedie. She was probably born in c.1678 daughter of Alexander Tweedie (son of Alexander Tweedie of Wester Harestane of Chapel Kingledoors) and his wife (married Drumelzier in 1669) Marion Hunter, sister of Robert Hunter and of Margaret Hunter who married David Tweedie in 1659. Margaret, whose first husband was William Murray, was known as “The guid wife of Harestone”. She died in 1772.

In the famous litigation about Polmood, Margaret Tweedie, ‘the guid wife of Herstanes,’ is referred to as the niece of Robert Hunter, the owner of the wonderful dog Algiers, and when Robert grew old she took care of him till his death. It may have been this Margaret who became the second wife of W3/1 Umphra Welsh in 1730.

Taylor claimed through an Isobel Hunter, a child of Robert Hunter - known as Uncle Robert - who was said to be a great-great-grandson of Robert Hunter of Polmood (who died in 1587). Uncle Robert was born in 1651, and married Mary, daughter of Mr. Patrick Fleming, minister of Stobo; he was tenant of Craig Kingledoors and Heathstanes, but was turned out of these places because he refused to conform to prelacy. Afterwards in Stanhope for a time, he went to Abington, and spent his later years at Polmood and Heathstane. His sister Margaret married David Tweedie of Chapel Kingledoors; and another of his sisters, Marion, married David
Tweedie’s brother Alexander. His niece Margaret Tweedie occupied Hearthstane - the ‘gudewife o’ Herstanes’ - and looked after him in his declining years; she was twice married, to a Murray and then to a Welsh.

Uncle Robert, it was claimed, was on intimate relations with the Polmood family. It was said that he prevented by force the laird from joining the Jacobite rising of 1715, and that on his death Lady Polmood ‘made and helped on his dead clothes.’ A wonderful dog belonged to him, called Algiers, who ran errands for his master even to Edinburgh and back, swam the Tweed and brought back tobacco from the Crook, and, when his master was at Woodend, went to Lamington, three miles away, for snuff, with the money tied in a napkin round his neck. From this remarkable animal a fleece was cut every year, sufficient to make a pair of stockings. Uncle Robert died at Hearthstane in 1733. His daughter Isobel married John Taylor, a miner - ‘Old John’ he was called, for it was said that he was 130 when he died.

Child from 1st marriage: W4/1 Alexander.

W3/2 John WELSH born c.1676. John married Jean Tweedie, most likely ET14/1 Jean who was baptized at Talla in Tweedsmuir parish on 21/11/1680, daughter of John Tweedie and his wife who may have been ET13/2 Elspeth Tweedie.

He was probably farming in West Linton parish, Peeblesshire from at least 1719 to 1721, when two of his children were baptized. As John Welsh senior, he witnessed the baptism of his great granddaughter T4/12 Mary Tweedie on 2/11/1762. At that time he was at Tweedhopefoot in Tweedsmuir and it was there that he and his wife both died, she on 23/4/1764, aged 84, and he a few months later on 11/10/1764, aged 88. They were buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


W2/4 Elizabeth Welsh and James Urquhart’s children:

W3/4 Elizabeth URQUHART baptized Linlithgow 25/12/1676. Elizabeth may have married there, on 2/5/1697, Robert Darling.

W3/5 Janet (Jonet) URQUHART baptized Linlithgow 12/2/1678. Janet may have married there, on 8/2/1802, John Maitland.

W3/6 Humphra URQUHART baptized Linlithgow 29/1/1680.

W3/7 Humphra URQUHART baptized Linlithgow 7/2/1682.

W3/8 Humphra URQUHART baptized Linlithgow 27/10/1683.


W3/10 Isobell URQUHART baptized Linlithgow 27/2/1687.

W3/11 Jean URQUHART baptized Linlithgow 15/5/1692.

W3/12 John URQUHART baptized Linlithgow 23/2/1696.

W3/13 Robert URQUHART baptized Linlithgow 2/6/1700.
W2/6 John Welsh’s children:

W3/14 John Welsh born at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir c.1703. When John was only about 8, his father died. Like his father, John too was the tenant farmer at Over Minzion.

He married, in Tweedsmuir parish on 28/4/1727, W4/2 Mary Welsh, daughter of W3/2 John Welsh senior of Tweedhopefoot and his wife Jean Tweedie.

John died in 1779, aged 76, and was buried in Newlands parish churchyard. It is not recorded when his wife Mary Welsh died.


W3/15 George Welsh born at Over Minzion c.1707. George was the tenant at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir. He married W4/3 Janet Welch who was born c.1710, perhaps the sister of W4/2 Mary who married George’s elder brother John.

Janet died at Carterhope in February 1753, aged 43, and George in February 1771, aged 64. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


W3/16 Robert Welsh born Over Minzion c.1709. Robert was the tenant of Mossfennan at the south end of Glenholm parish, Peebleshire. In 1752 he bought the two-story mansion and estate by the Tweed, including the lands of Logan, for £2,500 from Robert Laidlaw. The improvements he carried out were considered ‘not less useful than ornamental’. The estate was inherited by his elder son.

He married Grizel Bumet, who died on 16/10/1744, aged 30. She was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

In 1768 he was appointed a witness with others when James Dickson, a London merchant, was ‘making trial of the quality of the ground’ on his property in Broughton parish. Before 1768 the arable lands had been tilled on the ‘runrig’ or ‘rundale’ system, and pasture ground was used in common. Other witnesses appointed for ‘making trial of the quality of the ground’ were W4/1 Alexander Welsh tenant in Stanhope, Walter Simpson tenant in Easter Dawyck and William Laidlaw tenant in Nether Horsburgh. James also rebuilt the village ‘after the English fashion’ and was ‘remarked by coach passengers for its neatness.’

Robert died on 29/8/1787, aged 78, and was buried beside his wife. Ann Burnet, died 24/3/1784 aged 68, was also recorded on the gravestone; she may have been his sister-in-law.


W3/1 Umphra Welsh and Margaret Tweedie’s child:

W4/1 Alexander Welsh born c.1726. Alexander was tenant at Hearthstone, Tweedsmuir when he married, in Drumelzier parish 9/6/1750, ET15/7 Marion Tweedie. Born in 1729, she was the eldest daughter of ET14/4 Thomas Tweedie of Quarter and his wife Mary Stevenson. In the contract of marriage, dated 8th June 1750, between Alexander and Marion, the bride wrote her Christian name as “Marriion” and the bridegroom’s father, Humphrey Welsh, signed his as “Umphra”.

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Alexander and his wife were in Drumelzier parish, probably at Patervan, on the Polmood lands, by the time their first child was born in 1751. He was tenant there and then at Stanhope in 1755 when he was a witness to the baptism of his wife’s niece T4/1 Mary. In 1768, while tenant at Stanhope in Drumelzier parish, he was appointed a witness with W3/16 Robert Welsh and others when James Dickson, a London merchant, was ‘making trial of the quality of the ground’. In 1778 he was at Wester Stanhope when an arbiter for T4/19 Alexander Tweedie.

It is not known when Alexander died but Marion died in 1809.


W3/2 John Welsh and ET14/1 Jean Tweedie’s children:

W4/2 Mary WELSH married W3/14 John Welsh, tenant farmer at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir, who died in 1779, aged 76, and was buried in Newlands parish churchyard. It is not recorded when Mary died.


W4/3 Janet WELSH born c.1710. Janet married W3/15 George Welsh, tenant at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir. She died there in February 1753, aged 43, and her husband in February 1771, aged 64. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


W4/4 John WELSH possibly born in the parish in 1722. It may have been this John who married in Tweedsmuir parish 10/6/1753, T3/4 Margaret Tweedie who was born at Nether Minzion 17/2/1721 to T2/2 Alexander Tweedie and Alison Hope.

John may have succeeded his father as storemaster at Tweedhopefoot by 1766 when he witnessed the baptisms of T4/14 James Tweedie on 6/5/1766 and his nephew T4/23 John Tweedie on 28/8/1766.

W4/5 James WELSH baptized in West Linton parish, Peeblesshire June 1719.

W4/6 Jane WELSH baptized in West Linton parish 18/5/1721.

W3/14 John Welsh and W4/2 Mary Welsh’s children:

W4/7 Marion WELSH baptized at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 19/8/1724.

W4/8 Alexander WELSH baptized at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 15/9/1726.

W4/9 Mary WELSH born at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 8/4/1727. Mary married, in Tweedsmuir parish on 2/2/1759, T3/9 James Tweedie. He was born at Nether Minzion in 1732 to T2/2 Alexander Tweedie and his wife Alison Hope.

Mary and her husband lived at Dreva until his death on 9/11/1777, aged 47. and hers on 6/1/1818, aged 90. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W4/10 **John Welsh** born at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 1728.


W4/12 **Margaret Welsh** baptized at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 3/4/1729. Margaret died in 1731.

W4/13 **Alison Welsh** baptized at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 5/2/1731.

W4/14 **Margaret (Pegi) Welsh** baptized at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 20/2/1731. Pegi married, in Tweedsmuir parish on 5/8/1756, Walter Laidlaw. One of three surviving daughters of John Welsh, she was her father’s heiress.

W4/15 **Elizabeth Welsh** baptized at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 13/11/1734, witnessed by James Welsh and Alexander Tweedie (probably T2/2). Elizabeth was probably one of John’s three daughters who survived his death in 1779.

W4/16 **James Welsh** baptized at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 12/2/1736, witnessed by Alexander Tweedie (probably T2/2) and Robert Hope. James may have married, in Peebles parish 10/8/1759, Janet Grieve. They later moved to Kirkpatrick-Juxta parish in Dumfriesshire.


W4/17 **Isabell Welsh** baptized at Over Minzion, Tweedsmuir 24/5/1738; she was recorded as Isebell Wallsh. She was probably one of John’s three daughters who survived his death in 1779.

**W3/15 George Welsh and W4/3 Janet Welsh’s children:**

W4/18 **John Welsh** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 2/1/1735, witnessed by Robert and John Welsh, who were probably his father’s brothers.

W4/19 **Jean Welsh** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 1/12/1736, witnessed by Robert and John Welsh, who were probably his father’s brothers.

W4/20 **James Welsh** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 7/6/1737; he was recorded as Jamse Wallsh.

W4/21 **Robert Welsh** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 25/7/1739; his surname was recorded as Wallche. Robert was the tenant at Coich, and also, with his brother David, at Carterhope and Fingland where they were sub-tenants of the principal tenant Gilbert Chisholm in 1812 when the property was sold by John Kirton Anderson.

He married Margaret Scott, who was born c.1756.

Robert died on 26/3/181(3 or 8) and his widow on 20/12/1822, aged 66. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W4/22 **George Welsh** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 15/9/1741; he was recorded as Gorgs Wallch. George died in April 1758, aged 17, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.
W4/23 **Ann WELSH** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 25/5/1742, witnessed by Robert and John Welsh, who were probably her father’s brothers. Her surname was recorded as Wallch.

W4/24 **William WELSH** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 2/6/1743, witnessed by John Welsh, who was probably his father’s brother, and James Welsh. He was recorded as Wallam Wallch. William was licensed by the Church of Scotland presbytery of Haddington in 1768, ordained as minister in Manor parish, Peeblesshire in 1775 and transferred to Drumelzier parish, Peeblesshire in 1787, later writing the parish’s Statistical Account. He was one of those who signed the certificate when his cousin W4/28 John Welsh attested the worth of his Mossfennan lands in 1792.

He married 1st, in Manor parish on 21/6/1775, Marion Waugh, who died on 28/2/1780.

He married 2nd, on 16/2/1784, Sarah Ballantyne, who died on 8/4/1795.

He married 3rd, in Drumelzier parish on 15/10/1798, T4/11 Marion Tweedie. She was born at Nether Minzion, Tweedsmuir on 23/1/1759 to T3/8 John Tweedie and his wife ET15/8 Christian Tweedie.

William and Marion lived in Drumelzier parish until his death on 28/1/1806 and hers on 28/11/1837.


W4/25 **David WELSH** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 21/4/1745; his surname was recorded as Walch. A sheep farmer, David was tenant of Braefoot in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire but acquired Earlshaugh in Tweedsmuir from William Loch (who in 1775 had succeeded to the property from his father John Loch, writer in Edinburgh). In 1812 David and his brother Robert sub-let Carterhope and Fingland in Tweedsmuir from the principal tenant Gilbert Chisholm. In 1823 Earlshaugh was held jointly by David’s sons George and James.

He married, in Drumelzier parish (or Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire) on 10/9/1779, W5/2 Margaret Welsh. She was born in Drumelzier parish on 2/7/1753 to W4/1 Alexander Welsh, tenant of Patervan, and his wife ET15/7 Marion Tweedie.

David’s wife died in 1807, aged 51, and David on 20/5/1825, aged 80. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


W4/26 **Christian WELSH** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 17/2/1752, twin of Mary.

W4/27 **Mary WELSH** baptized possibly at Carterhope, Tweedsmuir 17/2/1752, twin of Christian.

W3/16 Robert Welsh and Grizel Burnet’s children:

W4/28 **John WELSH** born probably at Mossfennan, Glenholm c.1740. John, who succeeded his father as owner of Mossfennan in 1787, attested the worth of the lands in 1792 which were stated to be worth between £140 and £150 per annum. The certificate was signed by his brother W4/29 William Welsh tenant in Cardon, T4/19 Alexander Tweedie tenant in Dreva, and his cousin W4/24 the Rev. William Welsh minister of Drumelzier. In the same year John purchased the superiority of Mossfennan, Logan and Chapelgill from Sir
James Naesmyth for £500. The superiority of Mossfennan and Logan was consolidated with the property by John, that of Chapelgill was also later extinguished. His property was inherited by his brother.

John died on 16/7/1797, aged 57, and was buried beside his parents in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. Unmarried.

W4/29 William WELSH born probably at Mossfennan, Glenholm c.1741. William was tenant at Cardon in Glenholm. In 1792 he attested to the value of the lands at Mossfennan held by his brother W4/28 John, to whom he was heir in 1798 for the property of Mossfennan, Logan and Chapelgill, and which were in turn inherited by his eldest son.

He married, in c.1778, W5/3 Christian Welsh, who was born in Drumelzier parish on 26/11/1754 to W4/1 Alexander Welsh, tenant of Patervan, and his wife Marion Tweedie.

William and his wife lived at Mossfennan until her death on 23/7/1811 and his on 8/2/1823, aged 82. They were both buried in the Welsh family grave in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


W4/1 Alexander Welsh’s children:

W5/1 Mary WELSH baptized probably at Patervan, Drumelzier 11/10/1751.

W5/2 Margaret WELSH baptized in Drumelzier parish 2/7/1753. Margaret married in Drumelzier parish on 10/9/1773, or in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire, W4/24 David Welsh, son of W3/15 George Welsh and his wife W4/3 Janet Welsh.

Margaret died in c.1807 and her widower on 20/5/1825. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


Christian and her family probably moved to Mossfennan in Glenholm parish in 1798 after her husband inherited the estate from his brother John. She died there on 23/7/1811 and her widower on 8/2/1823, aged 82. They were both buried in the Welsh family grave in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


W5/4 Humphray WELSH baptized in Drumelzier parish 26/1/1757.

W5/5 Mary WELSH baptized in Drumelzier parish 19/6/1758. Mary married there on 31/5/1781 Walter Laidlaw.

W5/6 Jean WELSH baptized in Drumelzier parish 12/8/1760. W5 7 Thomas WELSH baptized in Drumelzier parish 4/1/1763.

W5/9 Marion WELSH baptized in Drumelzier parish 20/7/1766.

W5/10 Ann WELSH baptized in Drumelzier parish 8/12/1768. Anna married there, on 21/9/1790, T4/19 Alexander Tweedie, who was born at Nether Minzion, Tweedsmuir on 30/12/1759 to T3/9 James Tweedie and his wife W4/9 Mary Welsh. Alexander had moved with his family to Dreva in Stobo parish in the late 1760s when his father took over the tenancy of the farm there, which passed to him on his father’s death in 1777.

Anna and her husband lived at Dreva until his death on 17/3/1811, aged 51, and hers on 2/11/1824, aged 55. They were both buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


W5/11 Caroline WELSH baptized in Drumelzier parish 24/12/1772. Caroline married there on 27/3/1807 Rev James Somerville and was his 2nd wife; his 1st wife Margaret Moodie, whom he married in Symington, Lanarkshire 2/7/1799, died on 25/9/1801. He was born in Carstairs, Lanarkshire 9/12/1764 to James Somerville and his wife Rachel Lindsay (who married in Carstairs 7/10/1753), was ordained as a Church of Scotland minister at Symington in 1799, transferred to Drumelzier parish in 1810, was awarded DD in 1838 and joined the Free Church of Scotland in 1843.

Caroline died on 3/2/1840, aged 67, and her widower in Edinburgh 6/5/1844, aged 78. The family memorial stone is in Drumelzier parish churchyard.


W4/4 John Welsh and T3/4 Margaret Tweedie’s children:

W5/12 Alexander WELSH baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 14/9/1754.


W5/14 Humphray WELSH baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 29/9/1758; he was recorded as Humpray Walsh.

W5/15 John WELSH baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 26/6/1760; his surname was recorded as Walshe.

W5/16 Alison WELSH baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 1/1/1766.

W4/16 James Welsh and Janet Grieve’s children:


W5/18 James WELSH baptized in Kirkpatrick Juxta parish 25/2/1762.

W5/19 Isabel WELSH baptized in Kirkpatrick Juxta parish 15/6/1765.
W5/20 **Humphrey Welsh** baptized in Kirkpatrick Juxta parish 29/6/1767.

**W4/24 William Welsh and Marion Waugh’s children:**

W5/21 **Janet Welsh** born Manor parish, Peeblesshire 21/6/1776.

W5/22 **Marion Welsh** born Manor parish 6/6/1778. Marion may have married George Ballantyne, tenant of Mossilee, Galashiels, Selkirkshire. She died on 14/12/1834, aged 55, and he on 28/6/1836, aged 57. They were buried in Traquair parish churchyard.

Child: W6/7 Christian.

**W4/24 William Welsh and Sarah Ballantyne’s children:**


W5/24 **Katherine Welsh** born Manor parish 8/3/1787. Katherine married, in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire on 30/12/1810, James Tod of Raecleuch.


W5/26 **William Welsh** born in Drumelzier parish 1/8/1792.

**W4/25 David Welsh and W5/2 Margaret Welsh’s children:**

W5/27 **Alexander Welsh** tenant at Harestone, Peeblesshire. Alexander married Janet Ballantyne. He died at Gibraltar in 18(1 or 2)0. His widow died in Moffat, Dumfriesshire September 1850. The family memorial stone is in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.


W5/28 **George Welsh** born c.1783. George was tenant at Braefoot, succeeding his father there. In 1823 he held Earlshaugh in Tweedsmuir, which his father had acquired, jointly with brother James to whom George later bequeathed his share. George died on 18/8/1827, aged 44, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. His second cousin T4/23 John Tweedie discharged a deed to his executors on 15/1/1828.

W5/29 **Robert Welsh** born c.1784. Robert died at Braefoot 10/4/1811, aged 27, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W5/30 **James Welsh** baptized in Moffat, Dumfriesshire 3/3/1791. James was the tenant at Corehead in Moffat parish. In 1823 he held, jointly with brother George, the property of Earlshaugh in Tweedsmuir, which their father had acquired. That year James granted a bond to Alexander Kettle WS for £2,000 which was assigned in 1825 to the children of his deceased second cousin W5/35 Alexander Welsh, tenant in Cardon. His brother George Welsh (who died in 1827) bequeathed his share of Earlshaugh to James, who had a charter of confirmation of the whole property from Andrew White of Drumelzier in 1833. In 1851 he was farming at Ericstane in Moffat parish.

He married, in Moffat parish 5/8/1819, Margaret Martin. She was born in c.1798 to Thomas Martin, farmer, and his wife Marion Blane.
James died at Ericstane 18/11/1856, aged 65, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. His trustees, in accordance with the directions of his settlement, conveyed the property to his eldest surviving son Thomas. His widow died at 3 East London Street, Edinburgh 1/4/1874 aged 76, when the informant was her son James, and was buried beside her husband.


W5/31 David Welsh baptized at Braefoot in Moffat, Dumfriesshire 11/12/1793, the youngest of twelve children. David was educated at the local parish school in Moffat then at the Royal High School in Edinburgh for a year before studying Latin, Greek, and then when fifteen, logic and philosophy at Edinburgh University. In 1811 he began to study theology and in May 1816 was licensed to preach by the Church of Scotland presbytery of Lochmaben in Dumfriesshire. His studies continued with geometry, algebra, natural philosophy and phrenology. He was ordained on 22/3/1821 at Crossmichael parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, transferred to St David’s, Glasgow in 1827, and, resulting from “a memorial from a number of the Session of St David’s parish in this city”, was conferred DD by Glasgow University in 1831.

He married, in Barony parish, Glasgow 30/5/1830, Mary Hamilton, sister of William Hamilton, the Lord Provost.

David and his family lived in Melville Street, Edinburgh after he was appointed professor of ecclesiastical history at New College, Edinburgh University 1831-43. Chalmers described him as “a walking epitome of the University Library”. In 1842 the Rev Dr Welsh was elected Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland but in 1843 led the Disruption [see P&E(D)].

David died suddenly at Camis Eskin on the Clyde at Helensburgh in Dunbartonshire 24/4/1845.


W4/29 William Welsh and W5/3 Christian Welsh’s children:

W5/32 Grizel Welsh born in September 1778 and died on 11/10/1778, aged just 13 days. Grizel was buried in the Welsh family grave in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W5/33 Ann Welsh born, perhaps in Manor parish, Peeblesshire, 25/2/1780. Ann died on 9/11/1806, aged 25, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W5/34 Robert Welsh born at Cardon in Glenholm parish, Peeblesshire and baptized there 4/10/1782. On his father’s death in 1823, the lands at Mossfennan and Logan in Glenholm were conveyed on Robert. Following his brother Alexander’s death in 1823, Robert took over as tenant at Cardon from 1824. He laid the foundation stone for the first church building of the United Free Church at Broughton on 19/7/1843. The following day saw the ordination of its first minister, his nephew W6/26 William Welsh, son of Alexander. A landed proprietor, freeholder at Mossfennan in 1851 and styled laird of Mossfennan, Robert died there on 26/6/1855, aged 72, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. Unmarried. The liferent of Mossfennan was conferred on his nephew William.

W5/35 Alexander Welsh baptized in Glenholm parish 19/12/1785. Alexander was the tenant at Cardon, Chapeltill and Glenkirk. He married T5/7 Mary Tweedie who was born at Dreva, 6/6/1793 to T4/19 Alexander Tweedie and his wife W5/10 Annie Welsh. His death at Cardon in 1823 and hers on 22/12/1824 left their three very young children orphaned, the eldest of whom was only four.

W5/36 Grisel (Grace) Welsh born at Cardon in Glenholm parish and baptized there 24/12/1787. Known as Grace, her town address may have been 139 George Street, Edinburgh. A gentlewoman, she lived with her brother Robert at Mossfennan until her death there on 13/3/1855, aged 67. Grace was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. Unmarried.

W5/37 John Welsh baptized in Glenholm parish 7/1/1789. John was apprenticed to T4/23 John Tweedie WS (brother-in-law of his aunt W5/10 Anne), admitted as a WS on 16/11/1812 and was Sheriff Clerk of Peeblesshire 1820-43. He died at Peebles 5/6/1843, aged 54, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard where an obelisk was raised. Unmarried.

W5/38 William Welsh baptized in Glenholm parish 24/5/1791.

W5/39 Christian Welsh born probably at Mossfennan, Glenholm and baptized in the parish 23/2/1796. Christian died on 4/1/1812, aged 15, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W5/40 Caroline Welsh born probably at Mossfennan, Glenholm and baptized in the parish 9/10/1799. Carolina died on 30/6/1814, aged 14 years 8 months, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W5/11 Caroline Welsh and Rev James Somerville’s children:

W6/1 Alexander Somerville born in Drumelzier parish 7/6/1808.

W6/2 Marion Somerville born in Drumelzier parish 29/3/1809.

W6/3 James Somerville born in Drumelzier parish 26/9/1810. James was a student of divinity. He died on 16/8/1832, aged 21, and was buried in Newington Green cemetery, Edinburgh. The family memorial stone is in Drumelzier parish churchyard.


W6/5 Robert Somerville born in Drumelzier parish 20/5/1814.

W6/6 David Somerville born in Drumelzier parish 30/3/1817. David was probationer assistant to his father. He died on 19/4/1843, aged 26. The family memorial stone is in Drumelzier parish churchyard.

W5/22 Marion Welsh and George Ballantyne’s child:

W6/7 Christian Ballantyne born c.1808. She died 27/9/1841, aged 33, and was buried in Traquair parish churchyard with her parents.

W5/27 Alexander Welsh and Janet Ballantyne’s children:

W6/8 Alexander Welsh baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 16/1/1802. Alexander died at Warrhambool, Victoria, Australia on 30/2/1858. The family memorial stone is in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W6/9 Kathrine Welsh baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 15/8/1803. By 1827/28 Kathrine and sister Margaret may have moved into Edinburgh as milliner & dressmaker at No 14 then by 1833/34 at No 59 Queen Street. Perhaps after her sister’s marriage in 1834 and certainly by 1838/39 Kathrine was a dressmaker and milliner at...
17 Howe Street. In 1847 her father’s second cousin T4/23 John Tweedie left her a legacy of £6 for mourning clothes. Kathrine died at 17 Howe Street 15/2/1856, aged 52. The family gravestone is in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. Unmarried.


W6/11 Margaret WELSH baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 14/3/1807. Margaret married, in Old Machar parish, Aberdeen on 7/12/1834, James Gordon, who was born in Aberdeen in c.1806. In 1881 she and her husband, a retired draper, were living at 38 Cuparstone, Old Machar, Aberdeen with a female servant.

They both died in Aberdeen in 1884. The Welsh family memorial stone is in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W6/12 George WELSH baptized in Tweedsmuir parish 5/7/1808. George died in Dumfries July 18(33). The family gravestone is in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W6/13 Robert WELSH baptized in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire 7/8/1820. Robert died on 19/5/1844, aged 28, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W6/14 Thomas WELSH baptized in Moffat parish 31/3/1822. After his father’s death in 1856, the trustees, in accordance with the directions of the settlement, conveyed Earlshaugh in Tweedsmuir to Thomas. In 1881 he was farming at Ericstane in Moffat parish and was also a proprietor and JP.

He married, in Moffat parish 20/10/1874, Jane Jardine Halliday; her sister Jessie later married his brother James. Jane was baptized in Moffat parish on 24/2/1850, daughter of James Halliday and his wife Jane Little who married in Moffat parish in 1849. In 1881 James Halliday was head of household at Meikleholmside in Moffat parish, where he farmed 800 acres, 100 arable, with his wife, visitors Margaret and Thomas Little and step-grandson W7/16 James Welsh, a female domestic servant and four farm servants. James Halliday was baptized in Torthorwald parish, Dumfriesshire, son of James Halliday and his wife Helen Wells who in 1881 was a widowed annuitant and head of household at Meikleholmside Cottage with her unmarried daughters, born Dalton parish, Dumfriesshire, Elizabeth, a dairymaid, baptized 23/12/1835, and Helen a general servant, born c.1841.

In 1881 Thomas was living at Ericstane with his wife and son Tom, and a nurse, housemaid, cook and groom, but died there just the next year on 13/12/1882, aged 60; the informant was his wife’s relative John Little. Testate, he left £27,333-16/11 1/2d. Confirmation of his estate was granted at Dumfries to his executors- his brothers James and William, his wife’s relative John Little Halliday of Keighley, Yorkshire (born c.1855, in 1881 was an unmarried wool manager boarding at 7 North Queen Street, Keighley, with Edmund Dickinson and his family), and Walter Johnstone farmer Whitfield, West Linton (born Moffat c.1843, in 1881 he was unmarried, farming at Nether Whitfield). Earlshaugh was held on behalf of Thomas’ surviving son.

His widow died on 28/9/1912, aged 63, and was buried beside her husband in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard where there is a family memorial obelisk.

Children: W7/1 James Robert, W7/2 Thomas.

W6/15 Margaret WELSH born in Moffat parish 27/2/1824. Margaret died in 1833, aged 9, and was buried in buried Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W6/16 David WELSH baptized in Moffat parish 26/12/1825.
W6/17 George Welsh baptized in Moffat parish 28/3/1828. In 1881 George was farming at Gorrenberry, Castleton, Roxburghshire where he was employing 4 men, 3 women and 1 boy.

He married in Tweedsmuir parish, Peeblesshire 22/3/1853 Mary Martin. She was baptized there on 16/9/1831, daughter of John Martin and Margaret Hope.

George and his wife and family lived at one time in Largs, Ayrshire but by 1869 were in Castleton parish, Roxburghshire and in 1881 were there at Gorrenberry with a governess, housemaid, cook and general servant.


W6/18 Marion Welsh baptized in Moffat parish 16/5/1830.

W6/19 James Welsh baptized in Moffat parish 9/8/1833. James was a nurseryman & seedsman with Dicksons & Co.

He married 1st Catherine Martin Darling Kirkwood.

He married 2nd Jessie Jardine Little Halliday; her sister Jane was the wife of his brother Thomas. Jessie was born in Kirkmahoe, Moffat parish 10/3/1856 to James Halliday, a farmer, and his wife Jane Little.

In 1874 while at 3 Forth Street, Edinburgh James was the informant of his mother’s death. In 1881 James, his wife and their elder son were living at 15 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh with a general servant and a nurse.

In 1882, with brother William, he was an executor to the estate of their brother Thomas. James died at Ericstane 12/6/1885, aged 50 and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard where an obelisk commemorates James and his family. In 1891 confirmation of his son James’s estate was granted to his widow, then living at Ericstane, and to others.

Child of 1st marriage: W7/16 James Alexander,


W6/20 John Welsh baptized in Moffat parish 13/9/1835. In 1881 John was farming 1887 acres at Kirkton, Roxburghshire, of which 324 were arable, and employing 10 men, 3 women and 1 boy.

He married, in Gosford, Northumberland on 22/11/1866, Mary Sarah Kell. She was born in Pocklington, Yorkshire on 18/6/1842 to William Kell and his wife Jane Stephenson who married there on 21/6/1831.

In 1881 John was living at Kirkton with his wife and daughters and a governess, cook and housemaid.

Children: W7/19 Mary, W7/20 Margaret Eliza.


In 1881 William, a nursery & seedsman, was living at 25 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh with his wife and family. In 1882, with brother James, he was an executor to the estate of their brother Thomas; in 1891, when a nursery & seedsman at Liberton Mains, he was granted confirmation with others of his nephew W7/16 James’s estate and
in 1892 he was granted confirmation with others of his brother William’s estate. In 1896 he was a farmer at South Mains, Liberton.

William died on 1/12/1899; confirmation of his estate was granted to his sons James and Robert and to his sister-in-law Mary Watson Black of Liberton Mains.


W6/22 Margaret WELSH baptized in Moffat parish 25/5/1840. In 1881 Margaret was living at 32 Valleyfield Street, Edinburgh, boarding with widow Mary Walker (born in St Cuthberts parish, Edinburgh c.1814) who let furnished apartments. Margaret died at Meikleholmside, Moffat 11/10/1891, aged 51, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard, joined by her sister Catherine in 1907.

W6/23 Catherine WELSH baptized in Moffat parish 17/8/1842. Catherine died on 1/6/1907, aged 64; there is a memorial-stone in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W5/31 David Welsh and Mary Hamilton’s children:

W6/24 David WELSH born in St Cuthberts parish, Edinburgh 9/3/1832. David was educated at The Edinburgh Academy 1842-49 and lived with his family at 39 Melville Street, Edinburgh. He served as 2nd lieutenant in the Royal Artillery in Bengal in 1851, took part in the Indian military campaign and retired in 1883 as a major-general. David died in 1890.

W6/25 John WELSH born in St Cuthberts parish, Edinburgh 31/7/1833. John was educated at The Edinburgh Academy 1843-49. He lived with his family at 39 Melville Street, Edinburgh.

W5/35 Alexander Welsh and T5/7 Mary Tweedie’s children:

W6/26 William WELSH born at Cardon in Glenholm parish, Peeblesshire and baptized 15/5/1820. William, the oldest of three children, was orphaned at the age of 4, when his widowed mother died in 1824. In 1823 his father’s second cousin W5/30 James had granted a bond to Alexander Kettle WS for £2,000 which was assigned in 1825 to him and his sister and brother. In 1827 he was left a legacy of £1000 sterling payable over 5 years by his uncle T5/9 Alexander Tweedie. He was ordained the first United Free Church minister at Broughton on 16/10/1843, having been called there on 24/9/1843. The foundation stone for the church building was laid two months earlier on 19/7/1843 by his uncle W5/34 Robert Welsh of Mossfennan ‘in presence of a great assemblage of people’. The congregation continued to meet in a barn at Rachan until the new church, built on the high road at Calzeat, a hundred yards south of the parish church, was opened later that year on 15th October by Dr Thomas Chalmers. William was conferred DD from Edinburgh University.

He married, in St Cuthbert’s parish, Edinburgh on 22/3/1854, Christina Guthrie; the marriage was childless. She was born in Arbirlot parish, Angus on 29/5/1833 to Dr Thomas Guthrie [see P&E(G)] and his wife Ann Burns.

When William’s uncle Robert Welsh died in 1856, William inherited a liferent from him of Mossfennan. He was living there when he responded on 10/11/1874 to an enquiry from his cousin T6/6 Alexander about a request from the Tweedsmuir parish minister to reduce the amount of soil above a family grave. William said that their uncle T5/13 John Tweedie [who died on 4/4/1826] “...lies under the stone and I distinctly remember that the grave was very very shallow. There was a mistake at his funeral. His body was first buried in Mr Murray’s ground. When the error was found out orders were given to dig a grave under the stone. Mr Murray, my uncle and I were present at the removal and we were all struck when we went at the extreme shallowness of the grave”.

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In 1881 William and his wife were living at Mossfennan. In 1882 the estate comprised some 1509 acres with a value of £634. On his death in Edinburgh on 25/12/1892, aged 72, the liferent passed to his widow, who remained at Mossfennan. She was granted confirmation with others, namely William’s cousin T6/6 Alexander Tweedie, farmer at Coats, his nephew T7/27 Alexander Welsh junior, farmer at Waughton, his third cousin W6/21 William Martin Welsh, farmer at Liberton, his brother Charles John Guthrie, advocate in Edinburgh (later Lord Guthrie, Senator of the College of Justice; see Glossary), and Laurence Anderson Guthrie, WS. She died at 1 Clifton Terrace, Edinburgh on 17/2/1895, aged 61. The liferent of Mossfennan passed on her death to William’s brother Alexander.

W6/27 Anne Welsh born in Glenholm parish, and baptized 12/10/1821. Anne, the second of three children, was orphaned at the age of 3, when her widowed mother died in 1824. In 1823 her father’s second cousin W5/30 James had granted a bond to Alexander Kettle WS for £2,000 which was assigned in 1825 to her and her brothers. In 1827 she was left a legacy of £1000 sterling payable over 5 years by her uncle T5/9 Alexander Tweedie. She died on 11/1/1833, aged just 11, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W6/28 Alexander Welsh born in Glenholm parish 4/6/1823 and baptized 27/6/1823. Alexander, the youngest of three children, was orphaned at the age of 18 months, when his widowed mother died in 1824. In 1823 his father’s second cousin W5/30 James had granted a bond to Alexander Kettle WS for £2,000 which was assigned in 1825 to him and his sister and brother. In 1827 he was left a legacy of £1000 sterling payable over 5 years by his uncle T5/9 Alexander Tweedie. Alexander later moved to East Lothian and farmed at Spott Mains Farm near Dunbar from about 1850.

He married, in Innerwick parish, East Lothian on 27/10/1864, Janet Elizabeth Thomson of Innerwick; his brother William officiated and a Waugh relative was a witness. Elizabeth was born in Edinburgh c.1836 to John Thomson, clerk to the police commissioners, and his wife Janet Thomson; an ancestor of hers was the poet James Thomson (1700-1748), author of The Seasons in 1730.

Shortly after his marriage Alexander took on the tenancy at Waughton in Prestonkirk parish (in whose churchyard members of the Tweedie and Porteous families were buried). The farm must have been prospering as in the 1871 Census he was employing not only a cook and a housemaid in the 9-windowed farmhouse, but also a nurse for his 4-month old baby son. Alexander and his wife were not at the farm in the 1881 Census but were staying in Edinburgh at 2 Hatton Place, the home of Henry W Dwight, a clerk in the Legacy Duty Office, and his wife Louise (both born in England c.1828). In the 1891 Census a cook and a housemaid were still employed. Also staying with the family then was Maria Guthrie, an unmarried relative of his brother’s widow, aged 67 and with private means; born in Edinburgh 18/3/1824 to John Guthrie and Christian Thomson, in 1881 she had let apartments to students of the Arts at 32 South Clerk Street, Edinburgh.

When his brother William’s widow died in 1895, Alexander inherited from her the liferent of Mossfennan in Glenholm parish. Both Alexander and his wife died there, he on 7/1/1901, aged 78, and his widow on 15/10/1913, aged 78. They were buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard. The property at Mossfennan passed to his son Alexander.


W6/14 Thomas Welsh and Jane Jardine Halliday’s children:

W7/1 James Welsh born in Moffat 1876. James died at Silloth in Cumbria on 5/7/1877, aged 7 1/2 months, and was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W7/2 Thomas Welsh born in Moffat parish c.1879. In 1881 Tom was living at Ericstane, Moffat with his
parents. After his father’s death in 1882, Earlshaugh in Tweedsmuir was held on Thomas’s behalf by trustees. 
Thomas was farming in Moffat parish at Braefoot and Ericstane in 1912. He fought in the First World War [the 
Great War] as captain in the 5th battalion of the King’s Own Scottish Borderers, but was killed at Gallipoli 
12/7/1915, aged 36, and was buried in Redoubt cemetery in Helles, Turkey. There is a family memorial obelisk 
in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W6/17 George Welsh and Mary Martin’s children:

W7/3 John WELSH born in Largs parish, Ayrshire 8/7/1855.

W7/4 Margaret WELSH born in Largs parish 5/1/1857.

W7/5 Robert WELSH born in Largs parish 30/6/1858.

W7/6 Thomas WELSH born in Largs parish on 24/1/1860. In 1881 Thomas was a licensed grocer, lodging at 
5 Upper Grove Place, Edinburgh with John Millar, an organ builder & joiner.

W7/7 George WELSH born in Largs parish 26/4/1861.

W7/8 David WELSH born in Largs parish 7/6/1863.

W7/9 William WELSH born in Largs parish 15/12/1864. In 1881 William was living with his family at 
Gorrenberry, Castleton, Roxburghshire.

W7/10 Charles WELSH born in Largs parish 28/5/1866. In 1881 Charles was a scholar living with his family 
at Gorrenberry, Castleton, Roxburghshire.

W7/11 Helen WELSH born in Largs parish 10/3/1868.

W7/12 Alexander WELSH born in Castleton parish, Roxburghshire 13/6/1869. In 1881 Alexander, a scholar, 
was living there with his family at Gorrenberry.

W7/13 Marion WELSH born in Castleton parish 1/5/1871. In 1881 May, a scholar, was living there with her 
family at Gorrenberry.

W7/14 Walter WELSH born in Castleton parish 18/11/1873. In 1881 Walter, a scholar, was living there with 
his family at Gorrenberry.

W7/15 Lawrence WELSH born in Castleton parish 1876. In 1881 Lawrence, a scholar, was living there with 
his family at Gorrenberry.

W6/19 James Welsh and Catherine Martin Darling Kirkwood’s children:

W7/16 James WELSH born in Edinburgh 10/1/1873. In 1881 James, a scholar, was visiting his stepmother’s 
family at Meikleholmside in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire.

Like his father, James was a nurseryman and seedsman at Liberton. He died at 15 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh 
28/4/1891, aged 18. Intestate, he left £262-7s; confirmation was granted to his stepmother, his half-brothers 
William and Thomas, his uncle W6/21 William and to his half-brothers’ tutors nominate John Little Halliday, 
Shipley, Yorkshire and Thomas Kerr WS Edinburgh.
W7/17 William WELSH born in St Andrews parish, Edinburgh 4/9/1879. In 1881 William was living at 15 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh with his parents. After their father’s death in 1885 and their half-brother’s death in 1891 confirmation was granted each time to him and his brother and to their tutors nominate, John Little Halliday of Shipley, Yorkshire (see entry for William’s uncle W6/14 Thomas), and Thomas Kerr WS Edinburgh (born Yester parish, East Lothian 1849, in 1881 he was at 17 Rillbank Terrace, Edinburgh with his wife Jane, 4 children, a general servant and 2 nurses), and two others.

William was educated at Merchiston Castle, Edinburgh where he was a member of the the Cadet Corps 1894-99, in the 1st XV and XI and later played International Rugby for Scotland. He graduated MB. ChB in 1906 and MD (Gold medal) in 1910, served in the RAMC as lieutenant in October 1915, captain in 1916 and major in January 1918 and at the 21st Stationary Hospital at Salonika in Greece, and was awarded the Greek Military Medal for merit.

A retired medical practitioner, William died at Comiston Kenilworth Road, Bridge of Allan, Stirlingshire 19/6/1972, aged 92; the informant was his cousin Robin W Welsh of 151 Mayfield Road, Edinburgh. He was buried in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard where there is a family memorial obelisk. Unmarried.

W7/18 Thomas WELSH born Edinburgh 188?. After their father’s death in 1885 and their half-brother’s death in 1891 confirmation was granted each time to him and his brother William and to their tutors nominate (see entry for William).

Thomas was killed at Arras in northern France 15/4/1917. There is a family memorial obelisk in Tweedsmuir parish churchyard.

W6/20 John Welsh and Mary Sarah Kell’s children:

W7/19 Mary WELSH born in Kirkton parish, Roxburghshire 18/11/1867. In 1881 Mary, a scholar, was living there with her family.

W7/20 Margaret WELSH born in Kirkton parish 8/10/1872. In 1881 Margaret, a scholar, was living there with her family.

W6/21 William Martin Welsh and Helen Black’s children:

W7/21 James WELSH born in Liberton parish 24/8/1867. In 1881 James, a scholar, was living with his family at 25 Pilrig Street; Edinburgh. He was granted confirmation, with his brother Robert and other relatives, of his father’s estate on 25/12/1892, and, with his siblings, of their brother Thomas’s estate in 1901. He was a nurseryman & seedsman with Dicksons & Co, Bracken Brae, Liberton from at least 1899 to 1912.

W7/22 Robert WELSH born in Edinburgh 2/10/1869. In 1881 Robert, a scholar, was living with his family at 25 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh. He was granted confirmation, with his brother James and other relatives, of his father’s estate on 25/12/1892, and, with his siblings, of their brother Thomas’s estate in 1901.

He farmed at Liberton from at least 1899 to 1912, and in 1901 was living there at East Mains Farmhouse in Dalkeith Road, where he was head of household, with his brother Hugh, sister Effie, unmarried aunt Mary Black retired school mistress (b Kintail, Ross & Cromarty c.1840, in 1881 she was a retired school mistress living at 19 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh with Marie Duplessis, a retired school mistress, a British subject born in Prussia c.1820) and two servants.
W7/23 **Thomas Welsh** born in Leith 17/5/1872. In 1881 Thomas, a scholar, was living with his family at 25 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh. He worked as a chemist in South Africa and died there at Beaufort West, Cape Colony on 30/6/1900. Confirmation of his estate was granted to his siblings in 1901.

W7/24 **William Welsh** born in Leith 24/2/1874. In 1881 William, a scholar, was living with his family at 25 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh. He was a nurseryman & seedsman at Liberton Mains in 1901 when granted confirmation with his siblings of his brother Thomas’s estate.

William emigrated to Australia and when the First World War broke out joined the 24th Battalion of the Australian Infantry. He was a lance corporal when killed at Ypres in Belgium on 10/10/1917.

W7/25 **Hugh Welsh** born in South Leith 1876. In 1881 Hugh was living with his family at 25 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh. He was an assistant factor at Dalziel estate office, Motherwell, Lanarkshire in 1901 when granted confirmation with his siblings of their brother Thomas’s estate. At the Census that year he was unmarried and living with his brother Robert in East Mains Farmhouse, Liberton.

W7/26 **Euphema (Effie) Welsh** born in Leith c.1878. In 1881 Effie was living with her family at 25 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh. She was at Liberton Mains. 1901 when granted confirmation with her brothers of their brother Thomas’ estate. At the Census that year she was shown as a student and living with his brother Robert in East Mains Farmhouse, Liberton.

**W6/28 Alexander Welsh and Janet Elizabeth Thomson’s children:**

W7/27 **Alexander Welsh** born at Waughton farmhouse, Prestonkirk, East Lothian 9/9/1868. Alexander worked as a clerk but by his uncle W6/3 William Welsh’s death in 1892 was farming at Waughton. In 1895 he was a witness in Edinburgh at the marriage of his second cousin T7/7 Arthur Murray. In 1897 he took over the farming tenancy of Spittal, Longniddry, East Lothian from his second cousin T7/12 Archibald Todrick. When his father died in 1901, Alexander inherited the liferent of Mossfennan in Glenholm parish, Peeblesshire.

He married, at the Caledonian Hotel, Edinburgh on 29/4/1909, Barbara Constance Dale whose brother, John was a witness; Church of Scotland ministers from the parishes of Whitekirk in East Lothian and Broughton in Peeblesshire officiated. Barbara was born at Scoughall Farm, Whitekirk 8/9/1874 to Thomas Dale, the farmer there, and his wife Joanna Jessie Smith; they married in Edinburgh on 6/7/1871. Thomas Dale was born in Whitekirk parish on 22/9/1842 to John Robert Dale and his wife, Barbara Brockie; they married in Whitekirk parish on 6/8/1836. Joanna Jessie Smith was born in Kishnagur, India c.1851. In 1881 Thomas and Joanna were living at Scoughall Farm with their 4 daughters, all born in the parish, Agnes aged 8, Barbara, Johanna J. aged 4 and Lucy E. aged 2, a governess, cook and housemaid. Thomas was farming 300 acres, of which 275 were arable and was employing 9 men, 10 women, and 4 boys.

Alexander and his wife remained at Spittal until his death on 6/3/1957, aged 88, and hers on 16/1/1961, aged 87; her informant was her nephew Thomas Dale.

W7/28 **John Welsh** born at Waughton farmhouse, Prestonkirk 5/12/1870. John, a law apprentice in 1891, and a law clerk in 1901 living at Spittal Farm with his brother, later worked as a bookkeeper. He was a witness at his brother, Alexander’s wedding in 1909. John died at Spittal 15/4/1945, aged 74. Unmarried.
Family Annex

Certain other families who married into the Tweedie Family

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Annex A

The Armson Family

T7/27 Herbert James Tweedie married, in Hoylake near Liverpool 15/9/1886, Mary Armson, daughter of Daniel Armson and his wife Martha/Ellen McEllen.


Mary was born in Coventry in Warwickshire 13/11/1865 to Daniel Armson and his wife. Present family knowledge is that his wife was Ellen McEllen, that she was born in 1832, baptized in the North Sea, and that she was the daughter of the Rev. James McEllen, a Campbellite minister [see P&E/1] from Ulster, and his wife Jane Dunseith. It appears more likely, however, that the first name of Daniel’s wife was Martha. In the 1851 Census, Daniel Armson was shown as head of household at Baginton in Warwickshire, an office clerk in the flour mills, aged 28 and born in Attleborough in Warwickshire (c.1823). His wife was Martha, aged 20, born in Co Antrim in Northern Ireland (c.1831) and they had one child, a daughter Margaret Elizabeth aged 1 and born in Baginton (c.1850).

Daniel and Martha seem to have had at least nine children all born in Warwickshire - Margaret (as above), Daniel Henry (known as Harry) born Coventry 1855, Samuel James born Coventry 1861, Martha Jane born Coventry 1863, Mary Ellen (see above), Florence Ruth McKellen born Coventry 1867, Francis (Frank) Dunseith born Coventry 1869, William and Patty.

Daniel died in 1872 and by the 1881 Census his widow Martha was living at 158 Maine Road, Moss Side, Liverpool. She was the head of household and a schoolmistress living with her children Samuel J. a merchant’s clerk aged 18, Mary E. [who married Herbert Tweedie ] a mantlemaker aged 15, Florence R. a scholar aged 13 and Frank a scholar aged 11. At that time, another daughter Martha Jane Armson was working as an assistant mantlemaker aged 17 and living at 16 Marsland Road, Hillen View, Sale, Cheshire with her widowed uncle Samuel Dunseith McKellen aged 44 born Co Antrim (c.1837) head of household and a jeweler & watchmaker employing 2 men; also in the household were his unmarried sister Margaret Jane McKellen a housekeeper aged 39 born in Manchester (c.1842), nephew Robert Dunseith McKellen a scholar aged 7 born in Manchester (c.1874), niece Margaret Jane Wych a scholar aged 8 born Mobberley in Cheshire (c.1873) and a general domestic servant.

After their mother died in 1882 and Mary and her siblings were orphaned, she and her youngest sister Florence were looked after by their uncle William McEllen. This uncle may have been William H McKellen who, an oil floor cloth commercial traveller born in Ireland c.1834, was head of household at Broad Road, Sale, Cheshire with his wife Hannah born Keysoe, Bedford c.1852, children Harold scholar born Withington, Lancashire c.1873, Amy scholar born Withington c.1874, Norman born Manchester, Lancashire c.1876, Percy James born Mellor, Derbyshire c.1878, and Jenny born Colwyn Bay, Wales c.1879, a domestic general servant and a nurse. Also in 1881 attending The Manchester Wiseman and Clerk Orphan School in Cheadle, Cheshire was William Hy McKellen born Manchester c.1871, who may have been another relative.

Mary Armson’s brothers Harry, William and Samuel died young; it is not known what happened to her other brother Frank or to Florence; sister Patty [no details known] died when 18; and elder sister Margaret married
Stanley Rawcliffe and had two sons Stanley and Frank and a daughter Ella.

Daniel Armson, Mary’s father, born in Attleborough by Nuneaton and baptized 5/5/1822, was probably the son of William Armson who in the 1851 Census was head of household at George Street, Nuneaton in Warwickshire. He was a ribbon weaver aged 65 born in Attleborough (baptized Nuneaton 25/12/1785, son of Robert Armson and his wife Sarah), living with his wife Mary Ward aged 62 also a ribbon weaver and born in Attleborough (c. 1789); they married in Nuneaton 1814.

Also in Nuneaton at that time at Garratts Lane, Nuneaton was John Armson, no doubt a brother of Daniel. John was a ribbon weaver, aged 40 born in Attleborough (c.1811) with his wife Amey Camp aged 32 born in Attleborough (c.1819); the couple were living with her parents Joseph Camp head of household an agricultural laborer aged 67 born Astley in Warwickshire (c.1784) and his wife Elizabeth aged 68 born Attleborough c.1783, their granddaughter Charlotte scholar aged 9 born Attleborough (c.1842) and a visitor Elizabeth Hariss scholar aged 7 born Attleborough (c.1844) A neighbor of John’s at Garratts Lane in 1851 was Edward Anson. Perhaps, however, Edward was also an Armson relative and his surname was wrongly transcribed. He was head of household and a ribbon weaver aged 53 born in Mastock in Warwickshire (c.1798) with his wife Mary aged 54 born in London (c.1797) and children, all born in Attleborough, Edward a ribbon weaver aged 18 (born c.1833), Martha a ribbon weaver aged 15 (born c.1836), Arthur a ribbon weaver aged 13 (born c.1828) and Samuel a scholar aged 10 (born c.1841).

Another brother at Buchanans Row, Nuneaton in 1851 would have been Robert Armson head of household and a ribbon weaver aged 34 born Attleborough (21/12/1817) with his wife Maria ribbon weaver aged 34 born Attleborough (baptized Nuneaton 21/12/1817) and their children Samuel scholar aged 9 born Nuneaton (c.1842), Dorcas scholar aged 8 born Attleborough (c.1843) and Hannah aged 1 born Attleborough (c.1850). In the 1881 Census the widowed Robert was head of household at 18 George Street, Nuneaton a ribbon weaver aged 64 with his unmarried daughter Dorcas a ribbon weaver aged 40. In 1881 Robert’s son Samuel was head of household at 1 Arthur Terrace, Birmingham, a chemical works laborer aged 39 with his wife, married Nuneaton 22/11/1864, Ann Grace aged 44 born Nuneaton (c.1820) and children, all at school and born in Birmingham, Alfred John aged 14 (born 1867), George F aged 12 (born c.1869), Sarah M aged 10 (born c.1872), Ann E aged 8 (born c.1873 ), Florence M aged 6 (born c.1875), Ellen aged 5 (born c.1876) and Daniel H aged 4 (born c.1877). In 1881 at 282 Monument Road, Birmingham was Samuel’s daughter Ada Armson aged 15 born Birmingham (christened 25/12/1865) a general servant to Flora Paterson head of household unmarried aged 48 born Marylebone, Middlesex, income from dividends and her unmarried sister Elizabeth aged 43 born Marylebone (c.1838).

Yet another of Daniel’s relatives was probably William Armson. In 1851 he was head of household at Marston Lane, Foleshill, Bedworth in Warwickshire, a ribbon weaver aged 36 born Gilmorton in Leicestershire (baptized in nearby Cotesbach 2/6/1816, son of William Armson and Susan) with his wife Ann also a ribbon weaver aged 29 born in Bedworth (c.1822), children, born in Bedworth, Mary aged 5 (born c.1846) and Thomas aged 2 (born c.1848) and widowed mother Ann Armson aged 74 born in Spratton, Northamptonshire (c.1777). In 1881 at The Border, Colly Croft, Marston Lane, William’s widow Ann was head of household and a ribbon weaver. Son Thomas was a neighbor of his mother’s, head of household and a coal miner with his wife Emily aged 34 born in Bedworth (c.1847) and children, all born in Bedworth, William a scholar aged 4 (born c.1877), John aged 2 (born c.1879) and Emma aged 4 months (born 1880). Also at Marston Lane in 1881, was Robert Armson, no doubt another of William’s sons, head of household and coal miner with his wife Eliza aged 18 born in Normington Yorkshire (c.1863) and daughter Hannah aged 3 months born in Bedworth.
Annex B

The Ker Family

a Peeblesshire family of some standing.

T5/8 James Tweedie married in Peebles parish 4/7/1830 Janet Gibson Ker, daughter of James Ker and his wife Elizabeth (Betty) Wightman.


James Ker, born c.1767, was a grocer and merchant who held the office of provost of Peebles in at least 1812 and 1823 when he was presented with a gold medal and chain. He married in the parish 20/11/1795 Elizabeth (Betty) Wightman, who was born c.1770 (perhaps baptized Peebles 1770, daughter of John Wightman and Christian Baird). James died on 5/2/1826, aged 59, and his widow on 30/7/1829, aged 59. They were both buried in St. Andrew’s churchyard, Peebles.

James and Betty’s children, all born/baptized in Peebles, were:

- James Wightman baptized 21/8/1796, witnesses James Reid, provost, and William Ker of Kerfield.

- twins Mary and Peter Wightman baptized 28/9/1798, her witnesses were James Reid, provost, and William Ker of Kerfield, and his were William Brown of Hare Hope, and William Ker of Kerfield.

- John Wightman born at the Crook Inn, Peebles 4/7/1800, baptized 25/7. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Peebles 1822, presented to George IV 1824, ordained 1825 and was minister in Polmont parish, Stirlingshire. John was named as a trustee in a trust, disposition and settlement drawn up for his brother-in-law T5/8 James Tweedie on 25/6/1839 until his trusteeship was revoked on 7/4/1843. He married in Polmont parish 16/10/1839, Margaret Logan; their son James was born Polmont 6/7/1843 and died 9/3/1863, aged 19. John wrote an account of the parish for the New Statistical Account vol iii and was regarded as “a gifted divine “. John died 6/1/1872, aged 71 and his widow died 13/12/1886.

- Robert Wightman baptized 3/7/1802, witnesses John Reid secretary in Peebles, and William Ker of Kerfield, a merchant and provost in Peebles, he married in Peebles 27/2/1839 Sarah Laidlaw, who was born c.1816. Robert died 27/9/1850, aged 48 and his widow in Edinburgh 12/1/1872, aged 56. They were both buried with his parents in St Andrew’s churchyard, Peebles.

- Janet Gibson baptized 14/10/1808, witnesses Thomas Young of Roxburgh and John Reid secretary in Peebles. She married, in Peebles parish 4/7/1830, T5/8 James Tweedie.

- Elizabeth born in Peebles 1810, baptized 8/4.

- James Provost; born in Peebles 1812, baptized 11/7.
Annex C

The Mathews Family

the family name of the Earls of Llandaff

ET16/27 Thomas Stevenson Tweedie married 1st, possibly in India c.1807, Harriet Mathews, probably the daughter of Colonel Arnold Nesbit Matthews of the Bengal Artillery.


Thomas Stevenson Tweedie joined the HEICS, was commissioned as surgeon on 19/3/1805 and served with various cavalry regiments in India, Burma and at the Cape of Good Hope. It was no doubt when he was in India that he met Harriet Mathews, and subsequently married her although the record of the marriage has not been traced. The first of their seven children was born at Sylhet, Assam in India 1808. Following the birth of their last child Mary in 1825, Harriet may have died in childbirth and Mary too possibly died at that time. Shortly afterwards Thomas returned to Scotland with his surviving children and in 1828 married for a 2nd time. He retired from the HEICS as physician-general in 1844 but later returned to India. A JP and DL for Peeblesshire, Thomas added to the Quarter estate by purchasing many properties in Glenholm parish. The financial means which allowed him to purchase these properties probably came from his 1st wife Harriet. Her father seems to have been Colonel Arnold Nesbit Matthews of the Bengal Artillery who owned indigo estates in India; the consequent Tweedie family’s wealth may stem from him.

Colonel Arnold Nesbit Matthews was born in 1765 to Francis Matthews and his 1st wife Elisha Smyth. Francis, born in September 1738, was the eldest son of Thomas Mathews and his wife Mary Matthews, daughter of Richard Matthews of Cromhall, Gloucestershire. Arnold was grand-nephew of William Mathews; Arnold’s grandson Arnold Harris Mathew understood that his grandfather was brought up by his maternal uncle Joseph Matthews, solicitor, of Woodend, Cromhall. Arnold was educated at Sedbergh School. He joined the Bengal Army as a cadet in 1782, sailed on the Lord Macartney to India in 1783, took part in the 2nd Mysore War, was an Artillery fireworker in 1789, transferred to the Artillery 1790, fought in the 3rd Mysore War, was a lieutenant in the 2nd Battalion Foot Artillery, lay siege to Pondicherry 1793, at Jumna Doab 1803, fought in 2nd Mahratta War, at Aligarh and at Battle of Delhi where he was severely wounded and lost a leg, appointed fort adjutant at Agra 1804, and at Fategarh 1804 until 1815, and was promoted to major in May 1817. A few months later, when invalided out, he retired to his estate at Chittagong. The Sedbergh School its Register shows that he ‘was baptized a Roman Catholic but is said to have embraced Mohammedanism subsequently. He refused to hold any communication with his parents or to return to succeed his father as Earl of Llandaff in 1806. The earldom accordingly passed to his brother and then became dormant’.

The name of Harriet’s mother, who may have been an Indian woman, has not been recorded and an entry for her parents’ marriage has not been traced. Arnold married at Fateghar 20/11/1806 the Countess Elizabeth Francesca Povoleri, born Paris c.1769 elder daughter of Marchese Domenico Povoleri and his wife the Contessa Piovene di Vicenza. Arnold died at Chandemagore, Bengal 5/10/1820, aged c.54, and was buried in the British Cemetery, Chinsurah; his widow died in 1835.
His grandson Arnold Harris Mathew was the son of Arnold’s child by his 2nd marriage Arnold Henry Ochterlony. Arnold Henry, born in Fatehgarh 17/9/1807 and baptized in St Pancras, London 21/6/1808, married there 6/5/1854, Emma Weelands; they had two daughters both born in Fatehgarh; Lucy Emma in c.1855 and Jessie Eliza Marion in c.1857 who also bore the surname of Ochterlony.

He may have been Arnold Mathew the Roman Catholic priest at Plymouth Cathedral in 1881 who, aged 28 and born in France (but a British subject), was boarding at 71 Cecil Street, Plymouth St Andrew, Devon, with Bishop William Vaughan. A priest of Trowbridge and Bath 1898 until his death in 1919, Arnold claimed the dormant earldom of Llandaff, alleging that his grandfather was born in Paris 16/2/1765 (baptized on 18/2), the eldest son of Francis Mathew, MP for Tipperary, and his 1st wife, married September 1764, Elisha Smyth (2nd daughter of MP James Smyth of Tinney Park, Co Wicklow, Ireland, and sister of Sir Skeffington Edward Smyth, 1st Bart); Francis was later created 1st Earl of Llandaff and died 30/7/1806.

The ‘Faulkner’s Journal’ records that a daughter was born on 2/8/1765 to Francis Mathew of Thomastown and his wife.

The Genealogical Magazine records a death at Camdentown 26/2/1839, aged 66 (born c.1773), of Mary, daughter of the late R Matthews Esq of Cromhall, Co Gloucs, and sister of the late Major Arnold Nesbit Matthews.

In the IGI (International Genealogical Index) there is an entry "christened in Down Ampney, Gloucestershire 20/10/1767, son of William Richard Matthews and Anne."

Annex D

The Murray Family

an old established Peeblesshire family of some status

T5/6 Marion Tweedie, married in Stobo parish, Peeblesshire 1814, James Murray, eldest son of James Murray and his wife Elizabeth Gibson.

Children: T6/1 James, T6/2 Alexander.

William Murray of Cardon, in Glenholm parish, Peeblesshire, was served as heir to his father on 1/4/1675, married Christian Veitch of the Dawyck family and died in 1686. children:

• Adam succeeded his father.

• Christian Murray born c.1676 She married 5/3/1706 John Wallace minister of Drumelzier parish, born c.1674. He died 3/6/1733, aged 59, and she died 21/11/1755, aged 79. They were both buried in Drumelzier churchyard. Christian and John’s son:
  - William Wallace born Drumelzier parish 2/5/1708; also was minister in this parish; died 4/7/1786, aged 78; buried in Drumelzier churchyard.

• William Murray who may have married Margaret Tweedie whose possible second husband whom she married
in 1730 was W3/1 Humphray (Umphra) Welsh. William and Margaret were probably the parents of:
- Mary Murray born c.1704.
- James Murray born c.1707 He married Drumelzier parish, Peeblesshire 3/2/1732 Barbara Simson, born c.1708, and was the tenant at Whiteside, Newlands parish. He died 21/11/1775, aged 68, and his widow on 19/12/1779, aged 71; they were both buried in Drumelzier churchyard. James and Barbara’s children:
  - William Murray baptized Drumelzier 23/5/1733. He married Manor 1762 Christian Laidlaw and was the tenant at Glenrath, Nether Horsburgh. William and Christian’s children:
    - James Murray born 1764, died 2/3/1778 and was buried in Drumelzier churchyard.
    - William Murray born 1766, died 2/3/1778 and was buried in Drumelzier churchyard.
    - Mary Murray born 1767.
    - Barbara Murray born 1778.
    - Margaret Murray born 1772.
  - James Murray baptized Drumelzier 27/7/1737 and died young.
- John Murray baptized Drumelzier 29/7/1741.
  - James Murray baptized Drumelzier 13/6/1745. He married Elizabeth Gibson, was at Whiteside in 1781, tenant of Flemington Mill, by the Flemington Burn in Newlands parish, 1784c until at least 1803, moved to Craigend in the same parish, died 30/6/1817, aged 72, and was buried in Newlands churchyard. James and Elizabeth’s children:
    - Elizabeth Murray baptized 18/10/1779 Newlands, lived there at Drochil with brother William, unmarried.
    - James Murray born Whiteside, Newlands parish, baptized 18/1/1781. He married 1st in Stobo parish 1814 T5/6 Marion Tweedie, married 2nd Margaret Anderson (1797-1872), succeeded his father at Craigend 1817 and died 1867.
    - Barbara Murray born at Flemington Mill, Newlands 24/8/1782, baptized 2/9, lived at Drochil with brother William, unmarried.
    - Thomas Murray born at Flemington Mill, Newlands 29/3/1784, baptized 14/4, married 1829 Grace White, born Lyne parish c.1790 4th daughter of Richard White of Hamildean. Thomas succeeded to Flemington Mill as heir to brother William 1845 in 1851 was living there with wife and servants where he farmed 650 acres.
    - William Murray baptized Newlands parish 13/3/1786 and was tenant of Whiteside, remained at Drochil in 1817, and died 1824.
    - John Murray baptized Newlands 13/9/1788, died 18/8/1803, aged 14, and was buried in Newlands churchyard.
    - Margaret Murray born at Flemington Mill, Newlands 20/8/1790, baptized 6/9, died 3/3/1805, aged 14, and was buried in Newlands churchyard.
- Margaret Murray baptized Drumelzier 18/2/1748. She married, in 1774, John Aitken of Callands in Newlands parish, born 1748 to John Aitken and his wife Jean Hunter, and to whom Callands had been conveyed by his father in 1781. He died 30/5/1835 and she on 1/8/1839, aged 91; they were both buried in Newlands churchyard. Margaret and John’s children:
  - James Aitken of Callands born Newlands parish 21/7/1775, married Agnes Nimmo, born 1779. He died 16/6/1839 and she died 12/11/1851; they were both buried in Newlands churchyard. James and Agnes’ children, born Newlands parish:
- John Aitken born 7/7/1809.
- Janet Hamilton Aitken born 28/3/1811.
- James Aitken born 24/5/1818.
- Margaret Murray Aitken born 14/10/1818, died 12/6/1844 and was buried in Newlands churchyard.
- John Aitken born c.1819 When he was 21 in 1840, he inherited Callands, and sold it that year to James Murray, his father’s cousin. John was buried in Newlands churchyard.
- Andrew White Aitken born 1/8/1820.
- Jean Aitken baptized 18/8/1778.
- Barbara Aitken baptized 9/3/1780.

- John Murray born c.1708 He married Manor parish 1733, Margaret Laidlaw, born c.1709 and died 1744, and died 1757. [A modern-day descendant of his is Tom Murray of Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada].

- Mary Murray baptized 1712, married, Drumelzier or Tweedsmuir parish 11/6/1736, Robert Simson, tenant Drumelzier. He died 1770, aged 56, and she died 29/4/1782; they were both buried in Drumelzier churchyard. Mary and Robert’s children:
  - Robert Simson baptized 16/6/1747. He was tenant at Wrae, died 8/6/1802 and was buried with his parents.
  - Walter Simson baptized 5/1/1750. He was tenant at Wrae, died 18/8/1807 and was buried with his parents. His children:
    - Robert Simson born c.1772, married Drumelzier parish 30/7/1802 Jane Johnstone. He died 30/1/1844, aged 72, she died 25/7/1852(52) aged 72; they were buried with his parents. Robert and Jane’s children:
      - Robert Simson baptized Drumelzier parish 17/5/1804.
      - Mary Simson baptized Drumelzier parish 18/8/1807, and died 27/3/18?? aged 15 or 45, and was buried with her parents.
  - Alexander Simson baptized 22/10/1754.
Annex E

The Porteous Family

T6/7 James Tweedie married at Prestonkirk, East Lothian 2/12/1862 Ann Margaret Lindsay Porteous. Ann was the only daughter of the Rev James Porteous and his wife Jemima Donald, née Baxter. The Rev James was a son of John Porteous and his wife Agnes Robertson.

John Porteous was born in Dalkeith, Midlothian 12/3/1772 to Richard Porteous, a builder, land steward and sometime land overseer, and his wife Christina Grant. John was living in Temple parish, Midlothian when he married there 21/6/1801 Agnes Robertson, baptized Heriot parish, Midlothian 29/9/1773, daughter of John Robertson and Betty Smith. John Robertson may have been baptized at Hanginshaw, Heriot, Midlothian 26/10/1739, the son of James Robertson and his wife Agnes Wilson who married in Dalkeith 9/10/1745. John Robertson and Betty Smith married at Heriot by Crookston 16/2/1770; their other children, born in Heriot, were Lily born 6/12/1770, James, twin brother of Agnes, born 28/9/1773, Andrew born 18/2/1775, Alexander born 28/2/1779 and Betty born 20/11/1781.

John Porteous was a servant at Crookston in Stow parish when his son James was born but the family moved to Haltree on his daughter Christian’s birth. Agnes died in 1835, aged 60, and he at 26 Home Street, Edinburgh on 25/4/1860, aged 88. They were both buried in St Cuthbert’s Churchyard, Edinburgh. John and Agnes’s children:

- James Porteous was born at Crookston in Stow parish, Midlothian 6/6/1802 and baptized on the 20th. James studied at Edinburgh University, was licensed by the Presbytery of Edinburgh on 30/7/1828, assistant at St Giles, Edinburgh and at Prestonpans, East Lothian, was ordained to Riccarton parish, Ayrshire on 17/8/1837, where he wrote the Account of the Parish of Riccarton in the New Statistical Account of Scotland. He married in Riccarton parish, Ayrshire 15/4/1838 Jemima Donald, née Baxter, born in Aveley, Essex, England c.1800 to Thomas Baxter, a Church of England clergyman in Essex, and his wife Ann Hall; Jemima was the widow of Captain Thomas Donald possibly of the Hull Infantry. James transferred to Prestonkirk, East Lothian on 27/9/1843, where he was a county elector and remained there (he was the informant of his father’s death in 1860) until his death on 16/1/1876, aged 72. When widowed for a second time Jemima, with her sister-in-law Elizabeth Porteous, vacated the manse in Preston Road, East Linton for the Manor-house in the High Street. Jemima died at home 10/9/1884, aged 85; the informant was her son-in-law T6/7 James Tweedie. Rev James and Jemima were buried in Prestonkirk church-yard. James and Jemima’s children:

  - Ann Margaret Lindsay Porteous was born in Riccarton parish 29/8/1839 and married, at Prestonkirk, East Linton 2/12/1862, T6/7 James Tweedie. Later unaccompanied by husband James or any of their children, she spent time with her mother and her aunt at the Manorhouse in April 1881.
  - James Lindsay Howieson Herbert Porteous, was born in Riccarton parish 4/8/1843. He qualified MD, FRCSE. He married Louise C, born in New York c.1848. In the 1881 census he, is shown as a physician & surgeon, was living at 20 Nether Street, Dysart, Fife, with his wife, his unmarried assistant Robert Butter MB aged 32 born Logierait, Perthshire and a servant. In 1882 he was the informant of his aunt Elizabeth’s death. James’s wife died at Yonkers, New York, USA 26/5/1912, aged 62.

- Christian Porteous born at Crookston, Stow parish 29/5/1806.
• John Porteous born at Haltree, Stow parish 27/12/1808.

• Elizabeth Porteous born in St Cuthbert’s parish, Edinburgh 12/1/1816. In 1860 after her father died, she came to live with her brother and his family at his manse in East Linton; in 1881 she was living in East Linton with her brother’s widow Jemima. Elizabeth died there on 7/9/1882, aged 68, and was buried in Prestonkirk churchyard. Unmarried.

Annex F

The Ronaldson Family

T7/21 Robert Waugh Tweedie married at West Bourne Church, Glasgow 22/4/1909 Mary Kennaway Ronaldson.

The first recorded appearance of this Ronaldson family, on a farm in an East Lothian parish, is at the beginning of the 1700s. Stephen Ronaldson and his brothers and their families lived in East Lothian but his wife came from a neighboring parish in the county of Midlothian, and was possibly related to him. If indeed she was a relative, it is then very likely that the brothers, or perhaps their father, had originally hailed from Midlothian too, and had moved to East Lothian seeking farming work there in the early 18th century or earlier.

Little is known about Stephen’s father George but Stephen’s son George was born at Wolfstar in Pencaitland parish, 3/5/1718. He was indentured for 6 years from 4/10/1732 (as recorded in the Maria Chapell books) to a local wright and Edinburgh burgess, William Rankin. But once his apprenticeship was over he enlisted in Pulteney’s Regiment, the 13th Foot, on 28/12/1738, was promoted to sergeant, fought abroad and, 25 years later, was discharged “worn out” in 1763. It is thought that George amassed sufficient money from his military career to enable him to take over the brewery at Society near the hamlet of Penston in Gladsmuir parish, where his son possibly spent his apprenticeship. Unfortunately the name of his wife and the date of his marriage and death are not known.

George had only one known child, John who may have been born abroad about 1740 and would probably have returned to East Lothian when he was of an age to begin an apprenticeship. This may have been in brewing, as he was later a brewer and farmer at Society. John married for the first time, in the parish on 18/12/1769, Elizabeth Shireff. She was born at Wester Broomhouse in Spott parish on 21/2/1748 to William Sheriff, tenant farmer there, and his wife Margaret Robertson (married in North Berwick parish 1/5/1747).

In the 1780s, perhaps after his father died, John and his family moved to the West of Scotland where his son Peter was born in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire 30/11/1789. At one time John farmed at Castlehill farm near Ayr. And it was in Ayrshire that his first wife died; a victim of rheumatism. It may have been after her death that John went to Ireland. If so it was possibly there that he met, and married for the second time, Catherine McIntosh, née Egan, a widow. His younger children no doubt accompanied him but all his family eventually lived, worked, owned land and/or died in Ireland. John settled in and bought Lattacrasan. But a flawed title led him into legal trouble, insolvency and imprisonment in Marshalsea, the debtor’s prison in London, where he was visited by his daughter Elizabeth and grandson William Rutherford in the 1820s. John eventually returned to Ireland, where he died at Coothill, Co Cavan.

All John’s children remained in Ireland except for Peter, the youngest son of John’s first marriage, who returned to Scotland to farm in Fife at Balcormo in Carnbee parish, succeeding a Shirreff uncle there. He married, in the
parish on 6/6/1815, Margaret Miller, his cousin’s daughter. She was born in Oldhamstocks parish about 1791 to Thomas Miller, a farmer, and his wife Joanna Shirreff (Peter’s cousin), who married in Cockburnspath parish on 11/5/1789. Peter and his wife remained at Balcormo until at least 1817 (their first son was born there about then), but by 1822 the family had moved to Berwickshire, to Linthill farm near Ayton. In 1836 Peter took over the tenancy of Morham Mains near Haddington in East Lothian; up until then the farm had been tenanted for many years by the Walkers, the family of his brother George’s wife Susan. One of his wife’s relatives, Christian Miller (aged 50), was staying with them in 1841, and in 1851 he was employing 16 laborers. Peter was a registeredburgh elector for Dunbar parish and a member of the East Lothian Agricultural Society. When the lease of Morham Mains expired in 1855 he did not renew it but retired from farming in East Lothian where he had always been known as an energetic and skilful agriculturalist. He bought an estate in Ireland at Pallas in the Barony of Ibane & Barryroe, Co Cork, which his son George farmed for many years.

Peter and his wife lived in Delisle Street, Dunbar until her death on 10/8/1863, aged 72, and his at West End, Dingwall in Ross & Cromarty 26/7/1864, aged 75. In his will he left his Pallas estate to his young grandson James Bruce Ronaldson (George’s son) and others. Peter and his wife were both buried in Dunbar Old Parish Churchyard beside their grandsons William Henry (1857) and William Rutherford (1864) and their son Peter (1857) and later joined by their son Thomas (1872) and his wife (1893). Various of Peter’s descendants married into yet other East Lothian, Berwickshire and Midlothian families of Dudgeon, Kennaway, Miller, Purves, Shirreff, Smith, Stein and Turnbull.

Peter’s third son George was the only one of his children to return to Ireland and his descendants are now to be found not only in England and Ireland but also probably in Canada, New Zealand and Africa. Peter’s other descendants were, and possibly still are, in Argyll, Bedfordshire, Brighton, California, Cambridge, Canada, Clackmannshire, Derbyshire, Devon, Dorset, Edinburgh, Essex, Florida, Hampshire, Kent, Kirkcudbrightshire, Inverness-shire, London, New South Wales, Oxfordshire, Perth, Suffolk, Surrey, Wiltshire and York. Peter’s brother John, and their half-brother Stephen (from their father John’s second marriage), presently have descendants in London and Norfolk.

Peter and Margaret’s eldest son Thomas Shirreff Ronaldson was baptized in Carnbee parish, Fife 17/6/1817, moved with his family to Linthill near Ayton in Berwickshire and then to Morham Mains, East Lothian when his father took up the tenancy. He worked on the farm with his father until 1846, when the Irish potato crop failed for the second year running and famine hit Ireland; it is thought a quarter of its 8 million people perished. He and his brother George responded to the call for help and took potatoes there.

Thomas came home to marry, in Morham parish on 1/10/1847, Janet Carfrae Martine. She was born in nearby Haddington on 13/12/1819 to John Martine, a local leather merchant, and his wife Alison Forrest.

The earliest known Martine ancestors date back to the 16th century to the parish of Morham, south east of Haddington but by the 18th century their descendants had moved into Haddington. The Martine men were clearly of some standing in the business and local community and the sisters and daughters married men of similar position.

The earliest known Forrest ancestors date back to the 17th century to the parish of Dirleton, north west of Haddington. Largely farmers, they tended to marry into other East Lothian farming families.

Thomas took his new wife to Ireland. He and his brother had decided to stay on there with the intention of establishing a flour-mill but unco-operative farmers caused the attempt to fail and the mill eventually closed in 1852. Consequent hostility led to Thomas’s decision to move to the north of Ireland and then to return to Scotland. By the time of the birth of his fourth child at the end of 1852, he and his family had settled in East Lothian at South Belton farm near Dunbar. In 1861 he was farming an area of 467 acres and employing 11 men,
2 boys and 12 women. (In the 1871 Census, the South Belton farmhouse was unoccupied as it was undergoing extensive repair.) Thomas was a member of the United East Lothian Agricultural Society and passed on to his sons the skill of making wooden furniture.

In 1862 Thomas and his brother-in-law Patrick Martine leased Keam on the estate of Inverugie near Elgin, Morayshire. Thomas and his wife took 7 North Mansionhouse Road in Edinburgh as a home base for the family; the boys were educated at the Edinburgh Institution in Queen Street. After Thomas’s death in Elgin on 29/3/1872, aged 55, the family moved to 34 Bruntsfield Place. His widow was living at 2 Morningside Park when she died on 29/10/1893, aged 73. Thomas and Janet were both buried in Dunbar Old Parish Churchyard beside their sons William Henry and William Rutherford (1857 and 1864), Thomas’s brother Peter (1857), and his parents (1863 and 1864).

Thomas and Janet’s second son John Martine Ronaldson was born at Templemore, County Tipperary, Ireland, 1/5/1849, moving with his family to Scotland in 1852. After qualifying as a mining engineer, John was assistant for 12 years to, and was himself appointed in 1886 as, the chief inspector of mines in the West of Scotland. John was good at making furniture and a china cabinet he made was for a long time in the possession of his granddaughter T8/12 Anne Tweedie/Rennie.

John married, at Polton farm, Lasswade on 27/7/1875, Janette Smith Kennaway. She was born at Cockpen, Midlothian on 6/12/1854 to Robert Kennaway, farmer at Polton (born in Lasswade parish 1815c to Robert Kennaway and his wife Janette Burton, who married in Lasswade on 6/11/1807), and his wife Mary Smith (born in St Cuthbert’s parish, Edinburgh c.1833 to David Smith, dyer, and his wife Janet Henderson, who married in Edinburgh on 27/5/1832). (Robert and Mary were married in Edinburgh on 13/12/1853. On retiring from farming the couple lived at 10 Middleby Road, Edinburgh until his death on 1/8/1894, aged 79, and hers on 14/9/1899, aged 66).

The Ronaldson family home from at least 1877 was in Pollokshields, firstly at 1 Albert Street, and then in 1885 at Belton Villa, 11 Aytoun Road. Two years later, in 1887, they moved to 44 Athole Gardens in Kelvinside. John, who had been an elder at West Church in Pollokshields, transferred to Westbourne Church, where he also held the post of Sunday School superintendent and started a mission in Ruchill which became a full charge. When the family attended church they caused quite a stir as the children all had rich auburn hair.

John and his wife lived at Athole Gardens until his death in Cambuslang on 21/11/1909, aged 60; he was buried in the Necropolis cemetery, Glasgow on the 27th. His widow later moved to Edinburgh, to stay with her eldest son Thomas and his wife at 23 Warriston Crescent. She died at 14a Dublin Street Lane on 24/1/1917, aged 62, and was buried two days later beside her husband.

John and Janette’s daughter Mary Kennaway Ronaldson was born at 1 Albert Street, Pollokshields 16/10/1876. She later acted as housekeeper to her uncle George Ronaldson and his wife at Kilduff Mains in East Lothian. While there she met, and subsequently married, at Westbourne Church, Glasgow on 22/4/1909, T7/21 Lt Col Robert Waugh Tweedie. Robert and Mary and their family lived at Coates until 1920 when they moved to Phantassie in East Linton. Robert died there on 21/11/1941, aged 66, and Mary on 14/2/1956, aged 79. They were both cremated and their ashes buried in Prestonkirk parish churchyard.
Annex G

The Todrick Family

The Todrick family were an East Lothian family of some standing.

T6/3 Elizabeth Waugh Tweedie married in Gladsmuir parish 18/4/1854, James Todrick, son of Archibald Todrick and his wife Catherine Howden.

Archibald Todrick possibly born Haddington 1766 to Thomas Todrick and Katherin Coltman; married in Haddington parish 17/10/1812 Catherine Howden (born Haddington c.1781 to Robert Howden of West Garleton, and his wife, married Haddington 1/3/1772, Margaret Banks); procurator fiscal for Haddington, agent for the Bank of Scotland 1817-1850; died 1850; in 1871 widow, an annuitant, at the Old Bank of Scotland with son Archibald; she died 17/3/1874, aged 91. Archibald and Catherine’s children, born Haddington parish:

• Thomas Todrick born 10/7/1814; Bank of Scotland agent (with his father) from 1835; of Tenterfield; married Haddington 13/2/1842 his mother’s cousin Helen William Banks born Haddington 26/1/1815 (granddaughter of James Gibson, Bank of Scotland agent from 1850-74, daughter of George Banks, merchant, and Elizabeth Brodie/Brady, married 22/6/1805, son James b 17/5/1811). Thomas and Helen’s children, born Haddington:

  - Elisabeth Bridie Todrick born 22/12/1842.
  
  - Robert Todrick born 22/8/1844. He was a Bank of Scotland agent in Haddington 1879-1916. In 1881 he was head of household at 36 Court Street, Haddington with his wife Marianne (born in Wigtownshire c.1858), son Thomas, nurse and cook. Robert died in Edinburgh 1918, aged 73. Robert and Marianne’s children, born Haddington:

    - Thomas Todrick born c.1880. A WS, he later served as captain in 1/8th Royal Scots during the Second World War and was killed in 1914.
    
    - Helen Todrick. She later lived in Worthing but was shot dead when on holiday in Cagnes-sur-mer, France in 1925.

    - 2 other daughters.

  - George Banks Todrick born 1/1/1846. In 1881 he was head of household at Bickleigh, Devon, a farmer of 200 acres employing three laborers, with wife Margaret (born in Scotland c.1856), son Thomas born Scotland c1880, visitor/sister Helen Todrick, also an agricultural student boarder, a nurse, cook and servant.

  - Katherine Howden Todrick born 23/4/1848.

  - Archibald Todrick born 1/1/1851. In 1881 he was an unmarried india rubber manufacturer boarding at 439 New Cross Road, Deptford St Paul, Kent, with Jonathan Hutchinson.

  - Helen Todrick born 6/4/1853. In 1881 she was unmarried, visiting brother Thomas.
- Thomas William Todrick born 12/3/1855; depute procurator fiscal 1858-91, procurator fiscal East Lothian from 1891; married; 2 sons & 2 daughters; died 2/4/1937, aged 82, buried St Mary’s churchyard, Haddington.


• Robert Todrick born 3/2/1816.

• Archibald Todrick born 16/8/1818. In 1871 he was a banker living at the Old Bank of Scotland with his mother.

• James Todrick born 27/12/1821. A farmer in Aberlady parish, he married, in Gladsmuir parish 18/4/1854, T6/3 Elizabeth Waugh Tweedie, eldest daughter of T5/8 James Tweedie and his wife Janet Gibson Ker. James and Elizabeth’s children were T7/11 Janet Tweedie, T7/12 Archibald, T7/13 Catherin Howden, and T7/14 James.

• William Todrick born 2/2/1829.
Annex

of Military Service of certain Early Tweedies
The painting on the left, Sortie Made by the Garrison at Gibraltar, was painted by John Trumbull (1756-1843), an American artist of historic scenes. The work is catalogued in the "American Paintings in the Metropolitan Museum of Art", volume 1. The focal point of the painting is the tragic death of the Spanish officer Don Jose de Barboza. Abandoned by his fleeing troops, he charged the attacking column alone, fell mortally wounded, and, refusing all assistance, died near his post. Trumbull portrays him rejecting the aid of General George Elliott, commander of the British troops. Many figures in the painting are identified, as many were drawn from life or other portraits by Trumbull.

Adam Ewart Tweedie, wounded at the siege of Gibraltar, is referred to by Michael Forbes Tweedie in his book about the Tweedies as being depicted in this painting. It is believed he is the man lying on the ground. While there is no documentation to verify that it is of him, there are strong arguments for it. Adam was the only British Officer wounded on the sortie through the right leg. The History of the XIth (The Suffolk) Regiment 1685-1913 includes the story of the Siege of Gibraltar and mentions Captain Adam Tweedie in the index. He appears twice in the history; once as having been wounded during the Sortie (and is mentioned as being shipped home wounded) and, later, as embarking on HMS Magnificent on 7th June 1790 with a detachment of men to act as Marines on board HM ships.

Excerpts from the obituary of Admiral Sir Hugh Tweedie:

"...Admiral Sir Hugh J. Tweedie, K.C.B. had an eventful career in the Navy from 1891 to 1936. Before the outbreak of war in 1914 he had been under fire on rivers in West Africa and China and on a railway in Mexico. He was one of the original physical training specialists when that branch was added to the organization of the Navy. As a captain his commands ranged from the most unwieldy of monitors to that of the Grand Fleet destroyer flotillas, and as a flag officer he held commands in the Yangtze, on the Africa Station, and at the Nore. After his retirement at his own request in 1936, he began to work on a pleasantly written volume of reminiscences, The Story of a Naval Life, which appeared a month before the outbreak of war in 1939. During the earlier phases of that was he was re-employed as a commodore of Atlantic convoys.

...In 1892 He joined the dreadnought in the Mediterranean, and as midshipman of the second whaler witnessed from a distance of some 200 yards the sinking of the Victoria after her collision with the Camperdown. Later he was in the Rodney and the sailing corvette Active, and became a sub-lieutenant in 1897. In that year he received his first appointment to a destroyer, the Virago, in which he was present at the Diamond Jubilee Review. From the cruiser Phoebe, which he joined at the Cape in 1898, he was lent to command the paddle yacht Countess of Derby, with maximum gun’s crew, in the Bumpeh River expedition, Sierra Leone, for which he was specially promoted to lieutenant. After general service in the destroyer Flying Fish, the cruiser Minerva, and the battleship Albion in Chine, he was selected as one of the first group of naval officers to specialize in physical training in 1903, taking the course at the Army school at Aldershot.

He became P.T. instructor in the Britannia, and from 1905 at the new Navel College, Dartmouth. From 1906 to 1910 he was P.T. officer in the King Alfred, flagship in China, and was then promoted to commander. Between 1910 and 1913 he commanded successively the destroyers Bonett, Wolf, Chameleon, and Hope. As commander of the cruiser Essex from December, 1913, he had some exciting experiences during the war in Mexico City, 600 miles from the coast, railway and telegraphic communication having been interrupted. He returned with
over 100 American refugees, women and children, from the solidad district, for which he received the thanks of President Wilson.

He was in the Essex in the West Indies during the early months of the 1914-18 war, until promoted to captain in December, 1914. During 1915 he commanded the monitor Marshal Ney in operations off the Belgian coast, and in 1916-17 the monitor Sir Thomas Picton in the Mediterranean, where his services ranged from being S.N.O. at Ismailia, on the Suez Canal, to keeping a watch on the Goehem at the Dardanelles, the Strumms River operations against the Bulgars and Turks, and with the Italian Navy in the Adriatic. He returned home in 1917 to command the Champion and the 13th Destroyer Flotilla attached to the Battle Cruiser Force, and in December of that year became Commodore of the Grand Fleet Flotillas in H.M.S. Castor, a command involving some 150 ships. A year later he took all his destroyers to meet the German High Seas Fleet on its way to surrender to Admiral Beatty off Rosyth.

From 1920 to 1922 he held a shore appointment as Coastguard Captain of the Western District, Plymouth, and in 1922-23 commanded the battleship Marborough in the Mediterranean, spending some time at the Dardanelles during the Chanak crisis. From 1923 to 1926 he had his only experience of service at the Admiralty, As Director of Training and Staff Duties. In March 1926 he was promoted to rear-admiral. For two years...he was Senior Naval Officer in the Yantze. Promoted to vice-admiral in 1930, he was Commander-in-Chief on the African Station from February 1931, to March 1933 and from May 1933 to December 1935, was Commander-in-Chief at the Nore, being promoted to admiral in May, 1935. He retired at his own request in 1936, after 45 years service. He was made C.B. in 1919 and was advanced to K.C.B. in 1933...

Simon Vere Tweedie supplies this transcription of a letter home from ET18/106 Hugh Justin Tweedie while serving on HMS Essex in 1914 in Mexico.

Fourth Cruiser Squadron
May 6th, 1914
Vera Crux

My dear Father,

We’ve had exciting times here. Seen a lot of fighting and have many bullit(sic) marls on the ship. No one got hit except the paymaster who luckily only got it in the legs. Most of us had pretty narrow escapes. My cabin was well peppered and more than one bullit(sic) flattened itself on the aft turret very close to me. Three days after the American landing it was necessary to get through to Mexico City as the ______ had been cut and rail torn up and nobody knew what had happened, so I volunteered to get through with despatches(sic) and if possible see Hunter and get him to let the American non combatant go. I took two men, one carrying Union Jack and one white flag. The Americans gave us an engine as far as their outpost. Then we trudged off. There was not much danger when we once got hold of a federal Officer, but a good deal from released prisoners of Vera Crux and bandits. We were held up once and went rather close to being shot. Being covered at 50 yards by a dozen beauties who thought we had the American flag. However, to cut a long story short, I got there, saw the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Blanquets, the Minister of War and had a conference with all the different legations and arranged for release of 700 Americans but advised they should not go down the way I had come up. It is 200 miles very hot and a party under terrific sun. They had been five days in prison and may imagine were very glad to see me. I interviewed the colonel in charge, but he said he couldn’t let them go, so I got him to send a wire to General Maas, who is a personal friend of mine and he said “yes”. We lost no time. I only had the one carriage. We got them all in and away we went. But worse trouble again. When we got to where the line was torn up. We had to walk six miles in burning heat. Our old lady collapsed after 100 yards. We had to carry her all the way in a blanket. ______ of course there is nothing in it but I have had the thanks of the American President and my name sent to the king and addresses and speeches and in fact a good deal of rot. But that’s like Americans. We are praying to go North next week. If we stay much longer we shan’t be worth removing. The heat and cool, flies and mosquitoes with unadulterated salt grub are not a joy.

Best love and hoping you are all very well.
Your affec. son.
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