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REPORTS - - COSTA MESA, CA., TIDEWATER, VA., GMHG, LINVILLE, N.C., CHICAGO, ILL.

The tent was no sooner taken down and packed away when Dr. Fred T. and Norman T. were on the phone to share the joy of a very successful two days, at the Costa Mesa Games. They were ably assisted by Dorothy, Donna and Sandra Hazeltine in helping to dispense information to all the visitors to the tent.

There are plans for them to host the tent at the San Diego Games, Balboa Stadium, San Diego, CA., August 18-19, Central California Highland Games, Coombs Ranch, Fresno, CA. September 15th and the Games at Chino, CA.

1984 GATHERING - TIDEWATER SCOTTISH FESTIVAL, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

The Gathering on June 23rd, drew its share of members and prospective members. A business meeting was held and since no complaints were registered, have to assume that we are doing something right.

Turnbull Clan had the distinction of being the first Clan to hold it's Annual Meeting at the Tidewater Scottish Festival and special mention and other courtesies were extended to us.

During the Parade of Tartans we presented a colorful spectacle, Frank Rough in the Honor Guard, wearing a Frazer Tartan. Ernie Turnbull and some of the members of his Khedive Highlander Pipe Band, adorned in Buchanan Tartan, carried the Turnbull Tartan flag while escorting me in Dress Turnbull Tartan.

Frank and Ernie have Turnbull Tartan on order, but alas, it did not arrive on time.

It was a beautiful sunny day with a grand breeze and the Norfolk Botanical Gardens are a beautiful spot for such an affair.

With the continuous buzz in the tent it would appear that the members were enjoying themselves. Those who have attended other Games around the country agreed it is so much nicer when you have your own Clan tent to congregate in.

That evening a few of us still had enough energy to attend the Ceilidh. It was a great party. A chance to watch the dancers and other performers, while seated in air conditioned comfort.

Our thanks to Jim McCaig and his committee for all his help and the warm welcome we received. It was another memorable day for the Turnbull's.

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES, LINVILLE, N.C.

Charles Trumbull tent host writes: "Another GMHG, a very wet one, has passed into history. It all went very well except for two thunder downpours on Saturday and one on Sunday. The rains missed the Thursday night picnic and "Calling of the Spirit of the Clans" and Sunday's Kirkin' o' the Tartan and the Tartan Parade so all the important events went off on schedule and successfully.

The parade went well. Rob Trumbull and his son John led carrying the banner followed by me with the flag. Behind me came Bob Foster in full kilt, Steve Trumbull and Steven Trimble. Bob was a great help in manning the tent.

The group photo of Clan chiefs was taken on top of the mountain (they hauled us all up there by busses.) This was at the request of Town and Country who had a famous photographer there to take shots also for that magazine. I don't know which issue it will appear in."

CHICAGO HIGHLAND GAMES, July 28, 1984

On a day which the natives could truly call "a perfect summer day," the Chicago Highland Games and Pipefest took place in Grant Park. Mike, Sandy & Marlene Turnbull turned up early to help us pitch the tent and set up and lend assistance throughout the day.

Chicago cannot boast of the beauty of God's Grandfather Mtn., but we do have the beauty created by man in our sky scrapers. The Games site nestled in a shallow bowl with Loch Michigan, just over the embankment to the east. To the north, in front of the skyline, the famous Buckingham Fountain danced and sparkled in the sun. As you swung your gaze to the west and south you viewed more architectural wonders. Around the edges of the field the different colors of the vendors and Clan tents, the flags and banners and the bright summer clothing of the spectators all added to the color and feeling of the day.

Our tent attracted a lot of attention from photographers, history buffs and a weaver who was delighted with our Tartan and asked permission to be allowed to take a pattern. We also enjoyed the company of local members, new members and prospective members and those who had Turnbull friends who were happy to carry the word that we were organized.

To our tent hosts, spouses and other assistants we send our thanks. Thanks also to our members who have been showing up at the tents and giving moral support.

CLAN SECRETARY PROUD NEW DADDY

Joan and Mike Turnbull announce the birth of Mark Geoffrey, born on June 6, 1984 and weighing 9 lbs 1½ ounces. Congratulations and good health to all.

GENEALOGY

Marilyn Bennett of the House of Books has written to say that she is still unable to locate a copy of "RULEWATER AND ITS PEOPLE". She is rather doubtful it will ever turn up. This type of book becomes rare as it relates, of course, to genealogy. We have other out of print book vendors searching but have heard nothing from them.

We have received an announcement from Joe C. Tinney, 800 Lake Air Dr., Waco, TX 76710 that his book: "THE WALTONS OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY, VIRGINIA, Descendants of George and Elizabeth (Rowe) Walton." is now ready for delivery. Hard cover; 386 pages, \$17.95. Partial contents: Members of 1147 families and 4339 descendants are recorded by line of descent and generation from the five children of George and Elizabeth, each with Walton ancestry identified. A Turnbull family line is included.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD - AUSTRALIA

Jim wrote on March 15th: "I was just going through some Clan letters and came across a letter from one of our deceased members, where he mentioned he descends from a Dr. Andrew Turnbull who with half of his family moved from England to Florida to grow silk

worms for the British Government. Naturally bells started ringing and on checking what you had sent it all ties together with what has been compiled on the "Smyrna" branch. He also stated there were 13 children and half of these stayed in Britain. Perhaps Dr. Andrew T. may have had two families as only 7 children were listed. May 23, 1984 - The details of the New Smyrna Turnbolls, which you sent to me prior to my last letter were very enlightening. I have since gone thru the letters written by our late member here in Australia, and your information virtually corroborated word for word what was in the letters. He mentioned family documents in his possession going back a couple of hundred years, all written in copperplate, and naturally getting a bit tattered. It is a shame he passed on before he could have them copied for me.

We have seen "Eureka Stockade" only a few months ago. The other day while going through an autobiography written by a McDonald who married a distant cousin of mine, I was amazed to find an eyewitness account of the events at the Eureka Stockade and the subsequent farcial trial of the people involved. I have not seen the book "Southern Cross" but will keep an eye out for it."

NOTE: "Eureka Stockade" was a TV program recently seen here in the States. The book, "Southern Cross" by Terry Coleman is a novel of the same era including a bit about the Eureka Stockade.

#### SCOTLAND

Myra has sent along a very interesting and long awaited letter. "My life has taken on so many new dimensions since John's death it quite frightens me at times. I am now in Local Government - I was elected in May of this year as Councillor for the Ward John represented for twelve years. I opposed two men, who eventually stood down, so I got a 'walk in' and that means I am in the hot seat for the next four years.

The enquiries still keep coming in and it has been quite a job keeping up to date, along with all the other pressures I have had recently. It is amazing how many overseas visitors still call into 51 High Street, and the new owners send them along to St. Ables. They are so happy to find someone to let them know all about the Turnbull country around here and to discover the Clan!

My thoughts are very much with International Year 1985 and I have called a committee meeting (what is left of us) at the end of August to see what plans we can make for then.

As regards the sale of tartans, etc., you will see from the enclosed letter I have put this in the hands of Peter Anderson who make the cloth and this will take a load off my shoulders."

NOTE: Tartan inquiries should now be addressed to: PETER ANDERSON OF SCOTLAND, Nether Mill, Huddersfield Street, Galashiels, Scotland TD1 3BA.

REIVER quality 100% pure wool worsted, 58" wide, price £11.98 per yard. When ordering all goods will be despatched with a covering invoice in sterling detailing costs, post and packing, insurance etc.

Also offering made to measure highland dress wear and excessories.

With regard to payment, they do accept most of the International credit cards i.e. American Express, Diners Club, Visa and Master Charge.

Samples of the different weights of cloth sent on request.

#### BITS AND PIECES

The first door-to-door census of Scotland was taken in 1841. At that time, the census showed Scotland's population as 2,620,184. Heads were counted in the census of 1801, but names weren't written down by the census taker until 1841.

The Mormon Church states that all the genealogy records in Scotland have now been micro-filmed and can be ordered from the stake (church) in your areas or from the Genealogy Center in the Church of the Latter Day Saints in Salt Lake City, Utah.

A new radio program "The Voice of Scotland" has premiered in the Chicagoland area. It can be heard on Sunday nite 7:00pm station WVVX-FM 103.1 - Highland Park. The program is geared to Scots of all generations, music, poetry and history of Scotland.

#### NEW CLAN ITEMS

In response to requests from some of our members we can now offer the following:

Bronze Belt Buckle with crest	\$15.00
Bag Tags, white plastic with gold metallic crest	1.50

#### FLOWERS OF THE FOREST

Word has reached us of the passing of two of our members of long standing. Margaret Lindsay Turnbull Descheneaux of Charlottesville, Virginia and John Grason Turnbull, Judge Retired of Sparks, Maryland. Both were staunch and firm in their support of the Turnbull Clan Association.

John has left the Clan a legacy, it is his bull logo which we carry on our Newsletter, which he used on his personal stationery.

To the families we send our heartfelt sympathy.

God has not promised skies always blue,  
Flower-strewn pathways all our lives through;  
God hath not promised sun without rain,  
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.

But God hath promised strength for the day,  
Rest for the labor; light for the way,  
Grace for the trials, help from above  
Unfailing sympathy - - - undying love.

Betty Dun (born 1718, died 1788) had a daughter Isabel, baptized 13th February 1742. She died at Chesterhall, and was buried 2nd September 1798.

Walter Turnbull, senior, born 1707 (see above), died 24th March 1797.

Walter Turnbull, portioner of Ancrum, had a son baptized Walter, 22nd November 1743, who died 4th October 1822.

Walter Turnbull, portioner of Ancrum, had a daughter baptized Janet, 8th November 1745. She died, aged three, 1748.

Walter Turnbull, portioner of Ancrum, had a son baptized John, 15th November 1747. He died 1780, aged thirty-three years.

Walter Turnbull, portioner of Ancrum, had a son baptized James, 1751, ancestor of the Turnbells in Spittal-on-Rule, of whom presently.

Walter Turnbull, portioner of Ancrum, had a daughter, Agnes, 1754.

Walter Turnbull, younger, portioner of Ancrum (born 1743), by his wife Elizabeth Borthwick (died 16th October 1827, aged seventy) had a daughter baptized Margaret, 2nd June 1771.

Walter Turnbull, younger, portioner, had a son baptized Walter, 6th November 1774. (He was grandson of Walter, born 1707.)

Walter Turnbull, of Chesterhall, Ancrum, had a daughter baptized Mary, 6th January 1781. She died 1812.

*Turnbull of Buccleuch House, Melrose, connection.*

Walter Turnbull of Chesterhall, Ancrum, had a son baptized James, 1781. This James, who afterwards farmed Billerwell, married Margaret, daughter of Mark Turnbull, tenant of Ancrum Mill and sister of Mark Turnbull, tenant of Lanton Mill, whose grandson is Mark Turnbull of Buccleuch House, ex-provost of Melrose.

James Turnbull of Chesterhall, born 1781, and also tenant of Billerwell, Rulewater, married Margaret Turnbull and had issue:—

1. Walter Turnbull, who succeeded and was the last of Chesterhall. He was born 22nd January 1805, and died in 1864.
2. Thomas, born 1st June 1809.
3. James, born 1st January 1815, of whom presently.
4. John, born 5th February 1817.
5. Robert, born 1st February 1819.
6. George Purvis, born 1821.

James Turnbull, born in 1815, married on 4th July 1851, Mary, daughter of William Scott, and had the following family. (He was a joint tenant with his brothers for a nineteen years' lease in Billerwell, and a similar lease in Prieston, a short time in Ashkirk Mill, and died at Midburn in this parish in the year 1888.)

James Robert Turnbull has been in Canada for many years, and is now in business as an auctioneer in Edmonton. He is unmarried.

William Scott Turnbull, educated as a chemist, but preferring a country life, is now tenant of Tythehouse, on the Harwood estate. He is married and has three children.

Annie Turnbull, unmarried.

Mary Turnbull, unmarried, twin to George Purvis Turnbull, who has been cattle-rearing in Canada for the last thirteen years.

Walter Turnbull, born 14th October 1862, married, 2nd July 1896, Georgina Louisa M'Phail, only child of the Rev. A. C. M'Phail, minister of Hobkirk. He farms Hartshaugh Mill, which includes Kirknow, Swansiel, and the west portion of Langraw, together with the lands of Hartshaugh and Unthank, and has issue.

Mark Turnbull, twin brother to Walter, farms Midburn, where his mother resides.

Betsy Turnbull, married to Samuel White, farmer, Lugate, Stow, and has four children.

Janet Turnbull, unmarried.

Thomas Turnbull; and

Andrew Turnbull. These two unmarried men were lately farmers in Greenholm, Newcastleton.

*The Spittal-on-Rule connection.*

We now return to James Turnbull, born in 1751, who became tenant of Broomhall, near Ancrum bridge, and from there he took the farm of Rewcastle and married Agnes Rutherford, daughter of the tenant of Knowesouth Orchard, and had a son John.

John Turnbull married Ann E. Burnett, and became tenant of Spittal-on-Rule in 1811, and died in 1857, leaving with other issue a son, William G. Turnbull, who married in 1894 Mary Mitchel, daughter of George Greig, of Eccles, Berwickshire, and succeeded his father in Spittal. They have four children. (For further information about this branch of the family, see Spittal-on-Rule.)

From another branch of the Chesterhall family is descended Robert Turnbull, at one time a shepherd, but now a small farmer. He married 4th June 1886 at Marlefield, Isabella Gutterson, whose father has been for many years in the service of Mr. Athol Hay.

The issue of this marriage is one son, James, and three daughters. Robert's grandfather was Mark Turnbull, and his wife was an Elliot, and with other issue they had a son James, a shepherd at Minto Kames, for a time also at Barns with Mr. Brookie, and who latterly took Old Fodderlee house, where he died. He has a brother, William Turnbull, in New Zealand, married and has issue. Robert's brothers are—Mark, a joiner in Peebles, married and has issue; James, a shepherd at Kingledores, married and has issue; and a sister who kept house for her father until he died, and who still lives at Old Fodderlee.

William Turnbull, of Turnbull and Co., opticians and fishing tackle manufacturers, 60 Princes Street, Edinburgh, is a Border Turnbull. His father and his uncle were well known in the Kelso neighbourhood. William Turnbull was shepherd, and his brother John was land steward, to the sixth Duke of Roxburghe at Floors Castle, and both died in his service. Mr. Turnbull has always in stock a fine selection of flies of the best description for our Border streams. Mr. Turnbull's forefathers came originally from the Rulewater district, and this gives him a claim to be mentioned in this chapter.

#### THE RULEWATER TURNBULLS OF THE NURSERY HOUSE, BONCHESTER BRIDGE

This family is well represented in Hawick by Mr. John Turnbull, grocer and wine merchant, and his large family of sons. I am much indebted to him for information concerning the family. Although no male member of it now resides in this district, I feel sure that the love of Rulewater will always have a warm corner in their hearts.

James Turnbull married Betty, second daughter of George and Catherine Adamson. George was a carrier, an occupation he prosecuted throughout a long life. About 1798 he took up his abode at the Nursery House, and died there March 31, 1819, having, it is said, attained the age of eighty-six years. The children of James Turnbull and Betty Adamson consisted of seven sons (*vide* Family Bible and Hobkirk Register):—

1. George Turnbull was born at Hillsbaugh in 1783. He married Margaret Scott, and became, like his grandfather, a carrier or travelling merchant, selling his goods throughout the district, and frequently acting as the disseminator of news when newspapers were few and costly. They had issue:—

James, baptized 1805 at Kirknow.

Thomas, baptized 1806 at Unthank; and another child not named.

Margaret Scott died 15th August 1860, and Mr. Turnbull followed her to the grave in 1861, and both are interred in Ettledon old burial-place, parish of Newcastleton. In middle life they removed to the village of Newcastleton, and this accounts for their place of sepulture.

This branch of the family is now represented by George Turnbull, grandson (late coachman to ex-Provost Wilson, Hawick). His father was for many years gardener at Borthwickbrae with the Elliott-Lockharts.

II. James Turnbull, baptized 1786 at Hoddleswoodie, Bonchester Bridge, married Margaret Dalgleish. She was a cousin of William Dalgleish, who bequeathed £1000 to the parish of Hobkirk, the interest of which goes to help the poor of the parish. By Margaret Dalgleish he had issue twelve children. In the year 1810, when Mr. James Turnbull was schoolmaster at Denholm, he was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr. Elliot from Wilton parish school. He died at Wilton in 1834, and his widow survived him for about fifty years.

1. James, the eldest son, died in Edinburgh. He was Clerk of Session, a man of fine presence, and a great favourite in the Parliament House. He had a good knowledge of law, and when a difficult point presented itself, was often consulted by members both of Bench and Bar. He married Jessie Douglas, sister of Archibald Douglas, banker, and they had a family of a son and daughter:—

Catherine married Henry Budge, a well-known man in the velvet trade, who died recently. His widow, Mrs. Budge, is still alive, though an invalid.

James was a clerk in the Register House. He died at the age of thirty-six. He married Anne Christie and had issue, James Turnbull, now bank manager in Australia.

2. John, the second son, died in London.

3. William Elliot, the youngest son, born 1830, died at Edinburgh, 21st February 1906. He, along with the late Mr. Lyon, founded in 1864 the firm of Lyon and Turnbull, auctioneers, 51 George Street, prior to which they were members of the firm of Dowell and Lyon. Jane Barbour, his wife, was born 1833, and died 1901. They left issue:—

(1) William James Turnbull, born 26th June 1856, now partner in Lyon and Turnbull. He married Beatrice A. T. Wright, born 1863, died 1891, and had issue—Beatrice Clare, born 1886; William Elliot, born 4th May 1888; George Douglas Barbour, born 1890.

- (2) George Barbour Turnbull, born 1858, stock-broker, married Isabella B. K. Powell. Issue—Revell Barbour and Doreen Radcliffe Barbour.
- (3) Charles Henry Turnbull, Solicitor Supreme Courts.
- (4) Dr. Frederick John Turnbull, L.R.C.P. (Edinburgh) and L.F.P.S. (Glasgow).
- (5) Isabella Barbour Turnbull.
- (6) Margaret Mary Turnbull.
- (7) Jane Barbour Turnbull, wife of R. S. L. Hardie of Ashley, Midlothian.

III. William Turnbull, born at Hoddleswoodie, Bonchester Bridge, baptized 1787, was, like his brother James, a man of scholarly attainments. He filled the situation of schoolmaster for many years at Hobkirk. He died there in May 1846, and is interred on the north side of the church.

At a full meeting of the Heritors and their representatives, 5th November 1821, Mr Elliot of Woollee in the chair—Mr. Wood, as agent for George Cleghorn of Weens and Captain James Cleghorn of Bonchester, stated that he was instructed by them to give unqualified support to one of the candidates in particular, named William Turnbull, residing at Bonchester Haughhead (*alias* Nursery House), not only from their personal acquaintance with him, but from the good character and uniform approbation that he received from the whole parish, which united with the yearly Report of the Presbyterial Committee in bearing their highest approval of his talents, and consider him in every way fitted for the situation. The meeting quite concurred with Messrs. Cleghorn's opinion and therefore unanimously elected the said William Turnbull to be schoolmaster of Hobkirk. He held it with great credit to himself until 1st May 1846. In the Heritors' Book is the following entry—'The meeting expressed themselves well pleased with the faithful services of Mr. Turnbull, and while they regretted that the state of his health would not allow him to retain the office longer, they take this opportunity of recording their testimony in favour of his zeal and diligence in discharge of the duties hitherto.' At the next Heritors' meeting, on 22nd May, poor Mr. Turnbull is mentioned as being dead. He was passionately fond of books, and during the twenty-four years he taught the Hobkirk school he collected a good little library of books of reference. He was a general favourite, and my father, who was a good classical scholar, had a high opinion of Mr. Turnbull's talents.

IV. Adam Turnbull, fourth son of James Turnbull in Kirkstyle, was baptized March 1789. He died in Edinburgh, 1863.

V. Alexander Turnbull, fifth son, was born at Kirkstyle, 13th February 1791. His marriage took place early in January 1817, with Elspeth, daughter of George Alexander, tenant in Bon-

chester farm. Alexander Turnbull is described as a carrier in Nursery House, and assisted his grandfather, George Adamson, with whom he lived. He had issue—James, born 24th August 1817; and Helen, born 25th September 1819, both at the Nursery House.

The same year, 1819, old George Adamson died and was buried in Hobkirk churchyard. Alexander—'Old Sandy' being his familiar name—removed from the Nursery House some years afterwards to one of the Bonchester cottages, but continued his trade as carrier. Latterly he left Rulewater and went to Kirkton, and died there in 1859. He had a son George, who emigrated to New Zealand and died at Dunedin without issue.

VI. Thomas Turnbull, sixth son of James, was baptized at Kirkstyle in 1795. He married Elspeth Anderson, who died in 1873, aged seventy-six. They resided in Newcastleton, he following the family vocation of carrier, and he died there in 1856, leaving issue a son and a daughter.

VII. John, seventh son of James Turnbull, born at Hobkirkstyle, baptized 1803. He was a grocer in Newcastleton and married Mina, daughter of George Scott, shepherd, Lodgegill, 6th February 1824, and there were born to them eight sons and two daughters. They are both buried in Rosebank cemetery, Edinburgh. They left issue as follows:—

1. James, born 1825, died at Hawick 1878.
2. George, born 1826, died at Edinburgh 1886.
3. Elizabeth, born 1828, married W. Hollands, baker, Jedburgh.
4. Thomas, born 1830, died at Morebattle 1860.
5. Robert, born 1832, died unmarried at Saratoga Springs, America, 1864.
6. William, born 1834, } both died in infancy.
7. William, born 1836, }
8. William Elliot, born 1838, clerk, Register House, died unmarried at Edinburgh, 1868.
9. Walter Hall, born 1841, unmarried, provision merchant, Edinburgh.
10. Margaret, born 1842, married John Lovell, paper manufacturer, Linlithgow. Issue—one son, James, and one daughter, Minnie Scott.

1. James, the eldest son of this large family, married in 1854 Anne Robson, born 1825, eldest daughter of James Robson, shoemaker, Market Place, Jedburgh, whose family had been for long settled in Jedburgh. A year after his marriage he acquired that old-established grocery and wine merchant's business at 51 High Street, Hawick. James Turnbull died 21st June 1878, aged fifty-