

# Clan Prints in the Sands



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#### **New TCA Programs.**

During the recent meeting in Washington DC, the TCA officers discussed many things important to the growth and welfare of TCA. One was a revision of the Bylaws, the importance of the Scottish Games and how we might be able to help the tent hosts with their presentations. Other ideas were the following three items, Virtual Museum, Hall of Fame and the newsletter to Electric Scotland.

**Virtual Museum** We can all do this! How? Well, it is done by all of us. Everyone has something that is important in their own family. What are we looking for is a snap shot of your family keepsake. Something you would like to show off and share with everyone else. We will get Mark and Dana to take some pictures of what is in the Archives and Brian will make a page on the web site. Some of the pictures can be placed in the Bullseye or in Clan Prints, to be shared with those who do not have a computer.

**Hall of Fame** Did one of your ancestors play a role in a war, do some incredible feat, make some kind of contribution, invent something, or was just your own favorite personal hero? Then let's tell it to everyone in the Hall of Fame. Some time back, one of our own, Dale Hilding, was presented with "The Combined Federal Campaign's Hero" award for public service. This award was created by John F. Kennedy. CFC is the only federal entity allowed to solicit charity donations. The award was presented to Dale by President George W. Bush in August 2001. Dale is a candidate for our Hall of Fame.

#### TCA Featured on Electric Scotland.

We have added to the World Wide Web, on Electric Scotland, our new Clan Newsletter called "Beyond Borders, Bulls, and Bedrule." This is a general information newsletter about TCA. It is hoped that this will bring our information to more people, world wide, and will gain additional members, while adding TCA recognition by other Scottish Clan Societies.

#### **Dues and Referrals Needed.**

Please remember to send in your dues. Our membership presently is 195, who has a relative out there that might join and helps us go over 225 by the end of the year? We now have 6 Rule family members, anymore Rules out there? How about your local phone book, take a look, see if there is anyone you might call to see if they would be interested in joining TCA

#### Welcome 2003 Newcomers.

Robert Scott Turnbull, Louise Childers, Paul and Delores Forgette, Dorothy Turnbull and her son Cameron Leonard, John Turnbull III, Doris Bable, Arlene Phillips, Maryle Samms, John Cameron Turnbull, Charlotte Forsyth, Robert Turnbull, Jim Simpson, Andrew A. Turnbull, Ian Turnbull, Iain Turnbull, William Milligan, Dodie Turnbull, Walter S. Turnbull, Martin J. Rule Thomas Turnbull Brown, Stephen Michaels, Kathleen M. Turnbull, Richard Turnbull, and William Morgan, John Grason Turnbull III, WELCOME....

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### Happy Birthday.

Robert B. Starke Jr., Max Bozman, Brigitte Hagerman, Carol Turnbull Williams, Rev. Bob Turnbull, Barbara Turnbull, Anthony R. Turnbull, Nancy Turnbull, Donna Brown and Thomas Turnbull Brown

#### Get Well Wish.

Roy Samms, of northern California, took a nasty fall, September 24 and broke his hip. Then, while in the emergency room it is thought that he had a heart attack on top of it all. Roy was in a coma for 11 days in intensive care, then went to telemetry. He is now in a Physical therapy hospital in preparation for going home . Wife Mary Le and daughter Peggy spent many nights sleeping in chairs and one night slept on a gurney, thanks to the courtesy of a night nurse. If anyone would like to send Roy a get well card, the address is: Roy Samms, 28 Kirk Ct. Carlotta, CA, 95528

#### Thank you.

Jimmie Jean Bowman and Adele Jeffras for coming forward to do beanies for our tent hosts tables at the Scottish Games and Festivals. Come on ladies, we still need some more seamstresses

#### Flowers of the Forest.

Long time founder member Philson Thomas Turnbull died in April of this year. He had been ill for many years. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Also in this past year, Thomas Child Turnbull, has disappeared from our contact. There was no forwarding address and the phone disconnected.

#### Out of the Our Past.

John A. Turnbull of Livingston, Tennessee has again provided us with a look at some our important ancestors.

Xenia Daily Gazette printed the following article; September 15, 2003

## 100 Words on Dr. John Turnbull A snapshot of those who shaped Greene County

Dr. John Turnbull lived and practiced medicine in Bellbrook after he had enlisted as a private in the Civil War. He served four months, then joined another regiment as acting assistant surgeon, and after a year became assistant surgeon in a third regiment. He was known to be an excellent physician who would treat patients either with medicine or advice, often to the point of annoying the patient with his frankness. A member of his church board, he was "called on the carpet" for swearing so freely. When asked why he did that, he replied that it made him feel d—d good.

The year has turned its circle,
The seasons come and go.
The harvest all is gathered in
And chilly north winds blow.
Orchards have shared their treasures,
The fields, their yellow grain,
So open wide the doorway~
Thanksgiving comes again!



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#### JOHN TURNBULL M.D.

Reference Material: Broadstone Volume #2, History of Greene County, Ohio; 1918

In the memorial annals of Greene county there are few names held in better remembrance than that of the late Dr. John Turnbull, who died at his home in Bellbrook in the summer of 1907 and whose widow is still living there, her place of residence ever since her marriage at the close of the Civil War. Doctor Turnbull served as a surgeon in the Union army during the Civil War and a narrative of his experiences in that connection would make a most interesting book. He was graduated from Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia in the spring of 1861 and had hardly returned to his home in this county when the President's call for volunteers to put down the armed rebellion against the government came in April of that year. He at once enlisted for service and went to the front as a member of Company A, Seventeenth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, enlisted for three months. He was promoted to the position of hospital steward and after four months of service was mustered out in West Virginia. He then served gratuitously for nearly a year as a volunteer assistant surgeon with the Sixty-fifth Ohio and with the "minute men" of 1862, and then was appointed assistant surgeon of the One Hundred and Fifth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, joining that command at Tullahoma, Tennessee, July 4, 1863. The surgeon of this regiment, Dr. Charles N. Fowler, being constantly on detached service as medical director, Doctor Turnbull was practically surgeon of the One Hundred and Fifth Ohio until the close of the war and during that period of service rendered his professional offices with a skill and a kindliness of manner that endeared him to all members of the command. During the furious charges of the battle of Chickamagua, Surgeon Turnbull vas on duty with his regiment and two men were shot while he was dressing their wounds. After the battle was over he was left to look after the wounded and was captured by the enemy, but two weeks later was released and sent through to the Union lines at Chattanooga. While thus a prisoner the Doctor served friend and foe alike, but his kindly offices in behalf of such of the enemy as stood in need of surgical attention did not prevent a squad of Confederate cavalry from robbing him of his coat, hat, boots, money, case of instruments - in fact, everything he had save his shirt and trousers, the rebels giving him an old pair of shoes in exchange for the good pair they took from him. So completely stripped was he that in afterward describing the act the Doctor quaintly observed that the "rebs" had taken from him "about everything except his hope of salvation, which was so small they did not :find it." In consequence of the exposure thus entailed Doctor Turnbull was confined for several weeks in a hospital at Chattanooga.

Dr. John Turnbull was a native son of Greene county, a member of one of the oldest families in the county, both his father and his mother having been representatives of pioneer families in this section. He was born on a farm in Cedarville township, March 10, 1840, son of John and Catherine Margaret (Kyle) Turnbull, the latter of whom also was born here, daughter of Samuel and Ruth (Mitchell) Kyle, the former of whom was for many years a member of the bench of associate judges for Greene county. John Turnbull was born in the neighbourhood of the "Hermitage," Andrew Jackson's retreat in the vicinity of Nashville, Tennessee, February 17, 1801 and was still in his "teens" when his parents, William Turnbull and wife, carne up here with their family in 1817 and settled on a tract of land on what is now known as the Columbus pike, in Cedarville township, about three miles from the village of Cedarville. Of the children born to the pioneer William Turnbull and wife six sons, Alexander, Thomas, Gilbert, John, James and David, and two daughters, Betsey, who married Joseph Sterritt, and Isabella who married John Chalmers, grew to maturity and reared families of their own, hence the Turnbull connection hereabout became a numerous one, as well as in the neighbourhood of Monmouth, Illinois, to which latter place William Turnbull and his sons, Alexander, Gilbert and David, moved in 1833, establishing their homes there. John Turnbull grew to manhood on the pioneer farm in Cedarville and on February 21, 1824, was united in marriage to Catherine Margaret Kyle, one of the daughters of Judge Kyle. After his marriage he began farming on his own account on a farm in Cedarville township, erecting there a log cabin for the reception of his bride. In 1842 he supplanted the log house by a good sized two story frame house, which on the night of the day on which it was finished was nearly destroyed by fire communicated from a blaze which had broken out in the adjoining and abandoned log cabin. The damaged house was then restored as a one-story house and in it the family lived until later a brick addition was erected. John Turnbull lived to be near eighty years of age, his death occurring on August 12, 1880; and he was buried in the Cedarville cemetery. He was twice married, his first wife having died in 1852, after which he married Margaret J. Allen, daughter of Hugh and Catherine Allen, and was the father of nineteen children, all of whom grew

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to maturity save three. The home place came into the possession a Samuel K. Turnbull, who rebuilt the house, tearing way the brick addition and erecting a two-story frame house. The Turnbulls, originally Seceders, became affiliated with the United Presbyterian church following the "union" of 1858.

The younger John Turnbull was reared on the home farm in Cedarville township, received his elementary schooling in the neighborhood school and early turned his attention to the study of medicine, presently entering Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia from which institution he was graduated in the spring of 1861, at twenty-one years of age. Almost immediately thereafter he enlisted his services in behalf of the Union arms, as noted in the opening paragraph of this memorial sketch, and served until the close of the war. Upon the completion of his military service Doctor Turnbull returned to Greene county and opened an office for the practice of his profession in the village of Bellbrook, where he spent the remainder of his life, his death occurring there on July 19, 1907. Doctor Turnbull served for some time as president of the local board of education, as a member of: the town council and at one time was the nominee of the Democratic party in this district for a seat in the Ohio General Assembly

On September 9, 1865 Dr. John Turnbull was united in marriage to Josephine Kyle, daughter of Dr. John and Caroline (Bullard) Kyle, of Xenia, and to this union were born two children, Jesse, who died at the age of sixteen years and Pearl A, who married Harry Armstrong, attorney-at-law, Xenia, and has one child, a daughter, Josephine. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Turnbull has continued to make her home at Bellbrook.

#### JAMES W. TURNBULL, M.D.

A brief excerpt from the book, The Story of Saskatchewan and its People, By John Hawkes, Volume III, 1924.

Dr. James W. Turnbull, physician and surgeon, came to the starting point of his career well equipped by thorough training, and in the intervening years has been a close and discriminating student, quickly adopting those methods and measures which his judgment sanctions as of value in the work. He has practiced in Regina for some years and is held in high confidence and esteem by both his fellow practitioners and townsmen. He was born in Carleton county, Ontario, in 1876, a son of Robert Turnbull, extended mention of the family being made in the sketch of R. W. Turnbull on another page of this work.

In the pursuit of his education James W. Turnbull attended the public schools of Kemptville and Vankleek and upon the completion of his schooling he engaged in teaching school. He taught in Ontario for four years and in 1898 came to Regina, Saskatchewan, and taught there and in the schools at Strathcona and Red Deer until 1902. In 1898 Mr. Turnbull was a student in the Regina Normal School. In 1902 he enrolled in McGill University for the study of medicine and was graduated from that institution in 1906 with the M. D. degree. He took postgraduate work in surgery and obstetrics in New York in 1907 and remained in that city until 1911, completing an intensive course of study. In 1912 he returned to Regina and opened offices for the practice of his profession. Dr. Turnbull has specialized in surgery and maternity cases and has achieved success in those branches of the profession. In addition to his professional duties he also cultivates one thousand acres of fine land in this district.

In 1906 Dr. Turnbull was married to Miss Stella McNeel, who was born in Chesley, Ontario, a daughter of Rev. Mr. McNeel, a Presbyterian minister. Mrs. Turnbull received her education in the place of her birth. To Dr. and Mrs. Turnbull two children have been born: James, who is a student in the local school; and Bill, who is five years of age. The religious faith of the Turnbull family is that of the Knox Presbyterian church. The Doctor is a member of the Canadian Club, the Country Club and the Golf Club and he is president of the Provincial Chess Association, having held that important position for some time. The Doctor's hobby is checkers and chess and he is proficient in both games.