

IS THE TURNING OF THE BULL IN THE WRONG PLACE?

By Journalist, Jake Coltman, Hawick Paper - October 2020

Is the Turning of the Bull monument in the wrong place? This is a point which has been raised by many Teries ever since the imposing work of art was unveiled at the Civic Space in July 2009.

It was commissioned and sponsored by the Turnbull Clan Association to mark the town's link with the famous Borders family.

The unveiling was part of the clan's Homecoming 2009 programme of events, when an estimated 600 Turnbulls from all over the world converged on the town to see the £100,000 sculpture, the work of Innerleithen artist Angela Hunter.

Speaking to Councillor George Turnbull in October, he agreed that to move the massive statue would be a "big undertaking" and it could be a problem to find a more suitable site. But he did agree that the backdrop of an electric sub-station and fenced storage area was not the most attractive surroundings for the historic sculpture. "With the planned improvements and rebuild at the high school, there could possibly be a case to have the statue there," Mr Turnbull added.

The question of 'The Bull' position was rekindled in October with Provost Watson McAteer's suggestion that a suitable local history-themed statue could be added to the new Mart Street bus terminus.

He told The Hawick Paper: "It is my ambition to see a feature sculpture or piece of art work that depicts our Borders heritage located at our new bus terminus in Mart Street. This would be a great way to build some character for the area and create a memorable link for our many visitors.

"While a reiver would fit the bill, I believe that the magnificent Turnbull Bull would be an ideal solution and I have no doubt that the Hawick Common Good trustees would be willing to fund its move from its current home overlooking the River Slitrig, if this became an option.

"However, this is first and foremost a matter for the Turnbull Clan Association whose decision would need to be fully respected."

Asked if Scottish Borders Council would have any objections to it being moved to a site where it would be seen more by visitors to the



Innerleithen artist/sculptor Angela Hunter with former President Wally Turnbull visiting the Bull at the 2014 TCA Clan Gathering. The electric sub-station and fencing can be seen in the background.

town, a spokesman said: "The council is open to discussions but a number of parties were involved in its installation and therefore it would need agreement from all before any move took place."

One local resident told us this week that it was a "shame" such a "beautiful" work of art was "shut away in that corner".

And the late ex-provost Myra Turnbull always expressed the view that it was in the wrong place, the position not doing justice to the dramatic depiction of the story that inspired it.

However, when the question of its position was put to ex-Cornet George Turnbull, he thought differently, telling The Hawick Paper: "I have no problem with where it is. It's beside the Heritage Hub and the nearby Borders Textile Towerhouse, both of which attract many visitors and historians to the town every year."

He suggested the readers should also be asked to express their opinions on where 'The Bull' is at the moment and other places for a new home. The TCA members are also voicing their sentiments.

In June 2019, the Turnbull Clan Association held their international annual general meeting in Hawick. A stained glass window was unveiled in Bedrule church marking the family's link to the village, and a plaque was added to the bull statue explaining the story behind the incident.

The Turnbull Clan Association was formed by our late provost Myra Turnbull and her husband John, in 1977, and now has many members from all around the globe.



Permission granted to re-print this article.



Suggested Mart Street Terminus re-location site for the Turnbull Statue

Flowers of the Forest

Remembering



Dr. Eleanor Jane Turnbull
8th August 1924 - 26th October 2020



Eleanor was born Eleanor Jane Holdeman on August 8, 1924, to Bertha and Roscoe "Doc" Holdeman in rural Tippah County, Mississippi. She had acquired her pilot's license early in life, following her dream of being a missionary as a bush pilot in Africa.

She earned her undergraduate degree at Stetson University and her M.A. in Christian Education

at Columbia Bible Institute—known today as Columbia University. She was the kind of young woman who had submitted herself to God's will, and willing to go anywhere for His name's sake, and she felt a strong pull to serve in Africa. But, all that would change when Eleanor was 20 years old, a single trip would change her life's trajectory.

This happened when Eleanor came to see her mother Bertha's new home in Haiti, and became acquainted with the young man working alongside Bertha—Wallace Turnbull. One year later, Eleanor moved to Haiti, and she and Wallace were married.

"It was obvious to me that this was God's will. There was a divine, sacred, pre-ordained plan here." That spirit of obedience resulted in a life that bore an entire orchard of fruit, and continues to bear fruit to this day.

Many books have been filled with the stories and accomplishments of Wallace and Eleanor. Being the recipient of national awards, honorary doctorates, and the recognition of some of the world's most influential leaders, Eleanor would be the first to say that all of that was just icing on the cake. "Faith, hope, and love. That's it. It's obedience. God is faithful."

Eleanor devoted the rest of her life to see the expansion of God's Kingdom in Haiti.

Of note, she was the mother of TCA's honorary chief and former TCA President, Wally Turnbull.



Flowers of the Forest

Remembering



Maxwell Gordon Day
7th September 1925 - 25th July 2020

Maxwell Gordon Day was born in Mount Gambier, South Australia and the second son to Bill and Clarinda. He had three brothers Les, Bill and Kevin. Max attended the local primary school and Mount Gambier High.



However, his father removed him from school when he was 14 to start work as an apprentice upholsterer. He would have liked to pursue a professional career; however this helped mould the man everyone knew, loved and respected.

Times weren't easy and the upbringing was harsh. His father attempted to bring boys up as men. This established the ground rules on how Max was going to bring his children up. He was a loving husband, a caring parent, committed, patient, firm but fair and understanding.

At the age of 19, he headed off to war and served in New Guinea as an Engineer and then off to Japan.

After Max was demobbed he returned to Mount Gambier and took up his old job and re-joined the Scottish Highland pipe-band which he had been a member of from the age of 16. During this time in a kilt he attracted the eye of a beautiful wee lass, Dawn Turnbull, who turned out to be the love of his life. Little did Dad know Dawn's Mother told her whilst they were courting that Max was a GOOD catch as he had a motor car. They were married in 1951.

His wartime malaria returned and this took its toll on his health for several years. He also suffered a heart condition after about six years, and was forced to give up heavy work. In 2011, he had heart surgery and in 2013, and was diagnosed with lung problems, which plagued him until his death.

Affectionately known as; Max, Dad, Pop and Great Grand Pop, he was the loving Husband of Dawn, Father to Iain, Robert & Stuart, Grandfather to Alanna, Liain, Courtney, Levi, Isabelle and Jeannie and Great Grandfather to Dash, Kirra and Max.

Of Note:

Dawn's great-great grandfather was James Turnbull in the Borders. Dawn was a regular contributor to the Bullseye for many years. She would often reach out to Turnbulls and do research when asked. She was a great help to Betty Turnbull when she took over as editor.

LESSONS FROM HISTORY

MOOSE JAW - THE 1918 PANDEMIC

By Historian, Richard Dowson - published in 'Moose Jaw Today'

SPANISH FLU AND COVID-19

The Spanish Flu reached Moose Jaw, SK, Canada in the first week of October, 1918. People began dying. The 'infection reservoir' (active cases) grew exponentially. Sick returning soldiers stayed at the Armoury and spread Flu.



Mandatory wearing of face masks in 1918



The Turnbull House

Dr. Turnbull lived in this house, known as The Turnbull House (now Jones Funeral Home) Dr. Turnbull was the Moose Jaw and District Medical Officer in October 1918 and had complete control over what was done to stem the spread of Spanish Flu. After consultations, action was taken.

The Military District sent soldiers home directly and stopped housing them at the Armoury. Discharge Papers were mailed to them.

Reducing the 'Infection Reservoir', was critical. Dr. Turnbull ordered all gathering places closed until further notice. That meant schools, places of worship, pool halls and so on, were closed. Dr. Turnbull converted Prince Arthur School and the Hotel on the South Hill into hospitals. He asked for volunteers to work with the sick; for people to wear masks and not to gather.

The WW I Armistice Celebrations saw thousands of people jam Moose Jaw streets in the second week of November. Dr. Turnbull was terrified; certain another outbreak of Flu would follow.

It didn't. The five weeks of closure saw the worst pass. The estimated Active Cases were down (*there were no tests for Flu in 1918*) and the infection reservoir shrank. Dr. Turnbull re-opened schools, pool halls, places of worship; gathering places and closed one 'relief' hospital. People continued to die, but in much smaller numbers and those deaths were usually within the same family.

It was 102 years ago the Pioneers of Moose Jaw discovered, by accident, that by shrinking the Active Cases, this in turn, shrank the Infection Reservoir, the source of new infections.

Permission granted to re-print this article.

BULLSEYE

The Bullseye, is the Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide (TCA) newsletter published six times a year at: 5216 Tahoe Dr. Durham, NC 27713 U.S.A.

Editor: Kenneth Turnbull, Contributing Editor: Betty Turnbull, Children's Editor: Sarah Turnbull - contact: editor@turnbullclan.com

Turnbull Clan Association Worldwide - www.turnbullclan.com
Officers: Walter Turnbull - President • Jeff Trimble, Bill Trimble, Claudia Trimble, Kenneth Turnbull, Betty Turnbull - Vice-Presidents • Walter S. Turnbull, Treasurer • Christine Nelson, Secretary • Webmaster Brian Turnbull.

Founders: John F. Turnbull, Scotland • Dorothy Berk, USA

FROM THE PRESIDENT . . .

VIRTUAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A TCA virtual AGM is also planned for the 16th December 7:00 PM EST. Members are invited to wear their tartan and post an image for the Meeting.

Venue – Facebook Live on Turnbull Clan Association Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/TurnbullClan> We hope you can join us there . . .

Exciting things to come in 2021

At the TCA Executive conference meeting on the 3rd. December, the following items were discussed.

WHISKY CASK: Discussion regarding a buying a Whisky Cask. It is then planned to cask the single malt whisky by March 2021 in Hawick at 'The Borders Distillery'. It will then be aged for a minimum of 12 years and finally bottled. The TCA will then obtain ~250 labelled bottles as Turnbull whisky. Moreover, it would only be available for purchase to sponsoring TCA members.

Members will have the chance to win Borders Distillery tour vouchers and there are also plans for a Borders 'Whisky Flask' raffle.

TURNBULL MONUMENT REPLICA: A Turnbull Monument replica was also discussed and the Executive will follow up with more information as it becomes available.

DNA PROJECT MEMBERS NEWS

It's the holiday season and FTDNA has tests and upgrades on sale, so now is a great time to think about getting more members or upgrading your results for better matches.

To see the sale pricing try this link <https://learn.familytreedna.com/general/price-chart/>

If you haven't added your family tree to your profile this is a good time to do it and it would be really helpful to other participants as we try to sort out the bigger Turnbull/Trimble tree. If you have a tree created on another website you should be able to download it in the GEDCOM format and upload it to FTDNA. If you don't have a tree to upload you can build a simple tree following these instructions.

We currently have 173 members and the tests range from Family Finder (49 of you) to the Big Y (9 of you) and everything in between. Our home page <https://www.familytreedna.com/groups/trimble/about>

Don't forget that you can request to join our Facebook page where all discussions about DNA are confidential <https://www.facebook.com/groups/878087122530120>

For those of you who are still thinking of an up-grade, watch out for a DNA Christmas Sale.

Celebrating Christmas & New Year's Eve?

How about submitting a photo of your Christmas festivities or New Year's Eve celebrations that you'd like to share with the 2,500+ Turnbull Clan readers, please let us know. We'd love to share.

Just send photos and information or stories of your adventures to the editor@turnbullclan.com



USA – New Community leader

Effie Turnbull Sanders has been chosen as a community leader who has more than two decades of experience in advancing the rights of under served Los Angeles communities. Prior to joining SLATE-Z, Turnbull Sanders practiced law and specialised in land use, transactional law and general litigation. Under her leadership, the existing Office of Civic Engagement aims to evolve to become the Office of Civic Engagement & Economic Partnerships.

Canada - Hockey games action

Many of Blayre Turnbull's teammates have day jobs, so last year the girls weren't able to make those practice



times as the training group in Calgary when they convened in the evenings. However, Blayre calls herself "one of the lucky ones." This is because her hockey shifts are her only shifts. "This year, we have evening practices, which seem to be a lot more convenient for the girls. It's really nice to show up to the rink and have pretty much a full team." Now a major sponsorship announcement has put lots of smiles on the team.

New Zealand - Wellington's surprising food story

Turnbull, who contributed to the growing trend of coffee-drinking by launching his Dragon Coffee roastery in his family's factory in the 1890s. Post Office Square was the site of 'Cafe Au Lait', one of Wellington's original coffee carts. The Turnbull family, had a factory which took up a whole block where the Deloitte building now sits from the mid 1870s till the mid 1900s, the roastery sat on the fourth floor. The cart had been set up to cater for the rising number of dockworker and was parked in Post Office Square.



by Kenneth Turnbull - International News Editor

Australia - A new partnership with immediate dividends

The challenge was always going to be fiendishly difficult to deny low-profile Australian sailors Tom King and Mark Turnbull the gold in the men's 470 class at the Sydney Olympics. A new partnership with Turnbull - who had enjoyed an exceptional career as a junior sailor in other classes - returned near-immediate dividends, with the pair claiming the world title in their last major challenge before the Games. "Everyone says Sydney Harbour is a very difficult place to sail and it is, but it's also just an amazing place to sail," recalled Turnbull. "And it wasn't like any Olympics either before or since. Usually all of our sailing tended to be out over the horizon and our friends and family didn't get to see what we did. But at the Olympics in Sydney we were in effect in a stadium with thousands of spectator."

New Zealand - Library turns 100 & new Portrait Gallery

The Wellington Alexander Turnbull Library turns 100 this year, a memorable milestone which is being celebrated with an art exhibition showing both old content and new. In 1920 the library was opened to the public, based on the collections bequeathed to the Crown by Alexander Horsburgh Turnbull in 1918. The heritage collections are being celebrated with a contemporary twist at the New Zealand Portrait Gallery Te Pūkenga Whakaata. Everything Old is New Again: The Turnbull Library at 100, examines historical documents, artworks and portraits from the past.

**Scotland - BBC star share photo**

Sixty four-year-old Bill Turnbull, the former BBC TV presenter, who had been diagnosed with prostate cancer two years ago, looked well in the photograph as he smiled for the camera next to 'The Turning of the Bull' statue in a recent trip to Hawick in the Scottish Borders. "I'm visiting an old pal - the first Turnbull - in Hawick," Bill informed his 101,000 Twitter followers in the caption.

Scotland – An Advisory Director

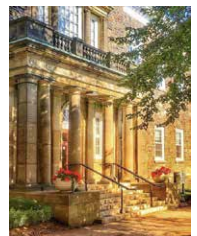
Business restructuring advisor, Emma Turnbull, with 15 years' experience, has a diverse range of cases working with firms in the retail, oil and gas and property sectors. FRP (French Rowley Partners) is a member of the Insolvency Practitioners Association in Scotland as an advisory company. She will be working with the firm's commercial clients and interested parties. Her aim is to identify and implement effective restructuring solutions.

**Jersey – Medical officer set to retire**

Dr Turnbull moved to Jersey in 2006 and was appointed as the Island's most senior public health official in 2011. She qualified as a doctor in 1981 at the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne Medical School and has worked as both a GP and a hospital doctor. During her time in Jersey she has steered the Island through various public-health threats, including the swine flu pandemic of 2009. Dr Turnbull, who has been in public service for almost 40 years, plans to move back to the UK after her retirement. I'll miss Jersey greatly, but now is the right time to focus on family.

Nova Scotia - Post-pandemic world

It's nearly eleven months since the COVID-19 virus drastically changed the way people live in Nova Scotia. So, the effects through



on-line public discussions, Dalhousie's Faculty of Management have examined how to pave the way to recovery. Lori Turnbull is the Director of the School of Public Administration, and says that a recovery has to be more than economic. It also has to consider social factors. "I mean obviously economic recovery is a huge factor, but about how we connect with one another,

FOR THE GENEALOGISTS . . .

Further reference: <https://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/guides/forenames>

THE TRADITIONAL SCOTTISH NAMING SYSTEM

The Scots have for many centuries followed a relatively simple set of rules when assigning given names to their successive children.

While these traditional naming patterns were not followed by all families, they were widespread enough that a basic understanding of them can come in handy when hunting for Scottish ancestors. The traditional patterns when naming were as follows:

Family patterns for the boys:

- The first son would be named after the father's father (variation is after the mother's father)
- The second after the mother's father (variation is the father's father)
- The third son would be named after the father.
- The fourth son would be named after the father's oldest brother (variation is after the father's paternal grandfather)
- The fifth son would be named after the mother's oldest brother (a variation can be after the mother's paternal grandfather)

Family patterns for the girls:

- First daughter named after the mother's mother (variation is after the father's mother)
- Second daughter named after the father's mother
- Third daughter named after the mother
- Fourth daughter named after the mother's oldest sister (variation is after the mother's maternal grandmother)
- Fifth daughter named after the father's oldest sister (variation is after the father's maternal grandmother)

These formulae may come in handy when identifying potential members of your ancestor's immediate family. However, it's al-

ways worth bearing in mind that certain family circumstances could divert these patterns from their usual course.

For example, you may find that certain given names were duplicated within the same generation.

This could also be the result of both grandfathers sharing a common name given to two children, or, it could hint at the death of an earlier child within the family as it was not uncommon for parent's to name later children after dead siblings.

To make matters even more complicated, there was yet another set of patterns that used the names of ancestors rather than the parent's siblings. This "ancestral pattern" was outlined by U.S. family historian, John B Robb, in his 2012 paper; *"The Scottish Onomastic Child-naming Pattern"*.

The Ancestral pattern for the boys:

According to J. B. Robb, the pattern for boys was as follows:

- The first son was named for his father's father
- The second son was named for his mother's father
- The third son was named for his father's father's father
- The fourth son was named for his mother's mother's father
- The fifth son was named for his father's mother's father
- The sixth son was named for his mother's father's father
- The seventh through to the tenth sons were named for their father's four great-grandfathers

- The eleventh through to the fourteenth sons were named for their mother's four great-grandfathers.

The Ancestral pattern for the girls:

- The first daughter named for her mother's mother
- The second daughter named for her father's mother
- The third daughter named for her mother's father's mother
- Fourth daughter named for her father's father's mother
- Fifth daughter for her mother's mother's mother
- Sixth daughter named for her father's mother's mother
- The seventh through to the tenth daughters named for their mother's four great-grandmothers
- The eleventh through to the fourteenth daughters were named for their father's four great-grandmothers

Forename spelling can vary, eg: ANN, ANNE, ANNIE or ANNA.



Lachlan - As a boys name of Scottish origin, the meaning is from the fjord-land (referring to the Vikings) from the land of lakes. Variations include Lauchlan, Lachie and Lockie, The girls version is Lachina.

Catriona - As a girls name, it is a Scottish Gaelic form of Catherine, meaning 'pure'. The name itself dates back to the time of the early Christian Crusaders. Popular girls names in Scotland today . . . Olivia, Emily, Amelia, Sophie, Freya.

LOOKING FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT FROM THE TCA . . ?

Children's stories . . .

by Betty Turnbull

Rated: ★★★★★

The author of several Scotland-themed children's books. Her stories set in the real past of Scotland add a dimension of interesting history and a beginning understanding of heritage.

In addition each book has a positive impact of self-worth through her characters and lessons learned.

Available: TotallyTurnbull.com and through Amazon.com

REFLECTIONS FROM OUR PAST . . .

By Alistair Redpath with permission granted to re-print this article.

Pairt Twae o' threi

BEDRULE NOSTALGIA – SPITAL ON RULE

From Highlanders to war heroes

On November 7, 1745, a column of the Jacobite army – led by Bonnie Prince Charlie himself – left Jedburgh via Dunion Well, Swinnie Moor, and then through Fodderlie, Abbotrule, and the Westwood estate at Bonchester Hill (Prince's Knowe), on to Hobkirk.

The Prince's Council ordered the cavalry (except Hussars) to be sent ahead to Hawick. They rode over the Dunion, and down into Spittal-on-Rule where the soldiers camped in a field known today as the Highlanders' Knowe. The officers were quartered in nearby Denholm at the White Swan (Leyden's View), owned by James Millar; there it is alleged that a local man stole the paymaster's bag, and Denholm was only saved from being burned after it was safely returned.



Highlanders' Knowe, as it is today - Alan Reid

Just a few decades later we encounter John Veitch, tenant farmer at Spittal Mill on the 1792-97 Horse Tax rolls. He was unable to convince his wife to stop home-brewing ale, which had become illegal and 'grassed' her to the authorities in Jedburgh, who, however, were amused by his honesty and let her off with a warning!

The couple's sons were born and raised at Spittal, including William Veitch (1794-1885), who like two of his brothers (and cousin James Veitch, a Doctor of Divinity) trained for the ministry. William was educated in Jedburgh and then at the University of Edinburgh where he studied alongside Edward Irving – the 'father' of the Catholic Apostolic Church – and Thomas Carlyle – the world-renowned philosopher and mathematician who formulated the Great Man Theory of historical study.

William received his licence to preach and did so until the Disruption of 1843, thereafter to peddle more severe Presbyterian views.

He also devoted much of his life to studying classical literature, writing the book *Greek verbs, irregular and defective* (1848), which was reprinted several times. In 1851 he stood unsuccessfully for the Greek chair at the university, losing to John Stuart Blackie (the son of a Kelso-born banker who would hold the position for thirty years). In 1866 William received an honorary doctorate from his alma mater, recognising his contributions to scholastic literature. He was also appointed a fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh.

From renting rooms in the capital, in later life he moved to a holiday cottage in Lanton, and was a translator for the University of Oxford. The Reverend William is buried in the southern section of



Hermitage Castle, the home of De Soulis family Marie Stuart Society

Dean Cemetery in Edinburgh, while his portrait by James Irvine can be found in the Scottish National Portrait Gallery.

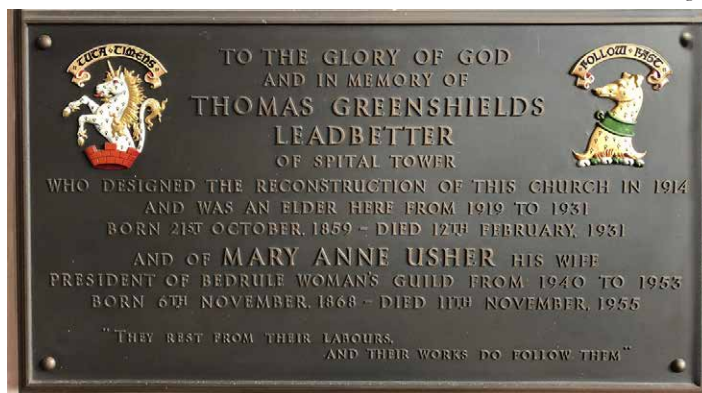
Another notable native was Thomas Bunyan (1753-1823), tenant farmer of Spittal-on-Rule and later Cavers Mains and Templehall. Recorded at Spittal on the 1794 Horse Tax rolls, he was an early member of the Relief Kirk in Jedburgh, becoming one of the founders of the Relief Kirk in Hawick.

He was a trustee and bondholder, presiding over the session, and was generally regarded as the founding father of the church. It met for a few months in a tent on the Common Haugh, then in the Tabernacle in Kirk Wynd, and the Town Hall, before the new Allars Church was built on the Cross Wynd in 1811. The church officers originally met in a room in the Fleece Inn off the High Street (which was run by one of the founders).

The three farm holdings at Spittal were combined as one in 1807, with Mr Hetherwick being tenant for four years. It was thereafter tenanted by the Turnbells from 1811, being purchased by Thomas Greenshields Leadbetter from Mrs Palmer-Douglas in 1913.

Mark Turnbull, of Spittal Mill, was one of the victims of the 1837 Election Riots (see *The Hawick Paper*, December 13, 2019). He had his legs struck and his clothes torn near to Thomas Henderson's saddler shop at the Tower Knowe. Someone was heard to shout "Damn the bugger, bring him down! Will you ever come to vote that way again?" He slid into the shop and waited out the worst of the riot.

Next Page



Leadbetter memorial, at the Bedrule Church

REFLECTIONS FROM OUR PAST . . .

From Page 6

BEDRULE NOSTALGIA – SPITAL ON RULE

James Turnbull, while working in the Spittal stackyard one day (possibly in the 1860s), saw a rider galloping through it, and without halting the man cut a rope and dropped two kegs at his feet. James flung some straw over the top of the kegs, and a short time later two excise men followed in pursuit of the stolen alcohol. He helpfully pointed out the direction the thief had taken and kept the booty for himself!

Private Andrew Best is another who deserves an honourable mention. Born at Spittal-on-Rule Cottage in 1890, he was raised in the hamlet before the Best family moved to Doorpool Farm at Bonchester. He was working there with his father, James, when he enlisted in November 1914, and landed with the 1/4th Bn. King's Own Scottish Borderers at Gallipoli in June 1915.

Less than a month later, on 'the Terrible Twelfth', Andrew was presumed killed at the Battle of Achi Baba Nullah, aged 23. More than eighty local men died that day, most of them still lying in the fields where they fell, south of the village of Alçitepe. Having no known graves, their names are marked on the Helles Memorial.

Today, Spittal is home to Rule Valley Simulated Game, a form of clay shooting with simulated high pheasant, partridge and grouse targets, managed on-site by David and Katie Reddihough and Chester their faithful Labrador.



Sir James with Bruce's heart at Battle of Teba The Douglas Archives!

South of Spittal and to the west of Bedrule, following the line of the Tower Burn, is a farmhouse that was built on the site of a peel tower. Often just called 'Tour', it was owned by the Turnbells in the 16th century; Gavin Turnbull 'of the Toure' was recorded in 1551 and James Turnbull 'of the Toure' in 1579/80.

It was 'touris of Roulwode' in 1622, and valued at £104 in 1643 and 1663. The 'Mains of Tour' was valued at £560 in 1643 and owned by Douglas of Bonjedward. By 1678 the former lands of Turnbull of 'Toor' were then in the hands of Douglasses of Cavers.

The farm was tenanted by the Murray family in the 18th century. Andrew Murray came from Braemar to Spittal Tower in 1715 after he refused to rise with his feudal superior, the Earl of Mar, during the Jacobite Rising (see The Hawick Paper, January 25, 2019). Forced to leave the Highlands, he found refuge under the Douglasses of Cavers and joined a troop of horsemen organised by Sir William Douglas, hereditary Sheriff of Roxburghshire.



*Sir Walter Stewart,
High Steward of
Scotland*

Andrew had two sons, Andrew and John, and a daughter Margaret. Further down Andrew junior's line you'll find Dr James A.H. Murray of Oxford English Dictionary fame. Margaret married Mr Veitch and their line produced a professor at the University of Aberdeen.

John's son Andrew, grandson of the loyalist, was known in his day as 'the Hazel Dog o the Toor'. His son, also Andrew, reportedly found a box of gold when ploughing the fields at Westerhouses. He is supposed to have said to his wife "I am just going to shave and take it down to the Burn", but delivered it to Mr Dickson, who rewarded him with a year's free rent.

And Andrew's son Andrew (c'mon already!) was an agricultural labourer at Spittal Tower. Following his wife's death he emigrated to Australia with their children. Daughter Margaret Ann died on the voyage aged 26, son Andrew became ship's master and was lost at sea, while another son, William, sadly also died at sea.

The tower was later converted to a baronial-type mansion by the Ushers of Wells as a home for Sir Robert's youngest sister Mary Anne, and her husband Thomas Greenshields Leadbetter (1859-1931)

More on 'whom' - Pairt Threi next edition

Credit: A Hawick Word Book (2020 ed.), Professor Douglas Scott; *Hawick and the Border* (1927), R.S. Craig; *Rulewater and Its People* (1907/2012 ed.), George Tancred; *Hawick & District and the Great War 1914-1918* (2018), Derek Robertson



Turnbull Clan Members



Your membership in the Turnbull Clan is a free birthright, but we do need your financial support of the clan organisation and its activities on behalf of our members. Please consider becoming a supporting member with your voluntary dues of \$24 annually from the date of your first contribution.

Additional contributions to provide clan tents at Highland Games are also needed and very welcome. Contributions are tax-deductible and are used only to support clan activities. Moreover, becoming a member will also give you access to some of the planned TCA activities coming in 2021. Support your clan at: www.turnbullclan.com website.



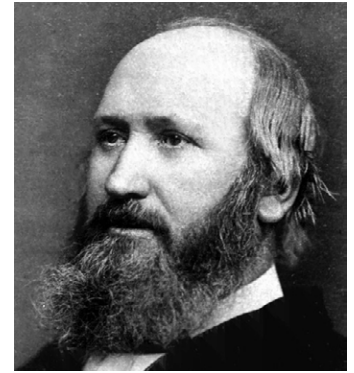
SCOTTISH INNOVATIONS - THE HYPODERMIC SYRINGE

Compiled by Kenneth Turnbull

Not many inventions rank alongside the thermometer and the stethoscope, however the hypodermic syringe is one that rates as a symbol of modern medicine.

In the earlier days, we as schoolchildren would experience the jabs to protect us from various diseases. But the innovation as a syringe is relatively new. Earlier in the 9th century BC the Egyptians used a hollow glass needle to suck cataracts out of a patient's eyes.

However it was not until the mid-19th century that a pump action syringe with a needle was first invented by an Edinburgh physician, Alexander Wood. He invented the first subcutaneous (hypodermic) needle which used a true syringe and hollow needle. Wood believed that injections should be made directly into the area where pain was felt, because the effect could only be local.



Dr Alexander Wood

Wood had taken the sting of the bee as his model. He injected his first patient in 1853 and wrote about its success two years later in the Edinburgh Medical and Surgical Journal.

His invention was soon taken up by others and used widely in intravenous injections and recognised as the fastest ways to get a medicine into the body. However, an unforeseen tragic consequence occurred when the Doctor's wife overdosed on morphine.

Without his life saving invention, countless others would have died because up until that time, medicine could not be administered to them effectively.



A copy of the original syringe, but without the markings

Rich and Marie Turnbull are proud new grandparents to Thomas Henry Muskett. On December 3, they welcomed their healthy 5 lb. 13 oz bundle of joy. Mom, Dad and baby Thomas are doing well.



Turnbull Clan Association
5216 Tahoe Dr.
Durham, NC 27713

