

# ROBERTSON OF KINDROCHET

## DESCENDANTS

### **JAMES ROBERTSON OF KINDROCHET** c1750-1823

Born Kindrochet [?] c1750; died Kindrochet August 1823. Eldest son of Duncan Robertson of Kindrochet.

Married 1776 [marriage contract dated 30 March 1776] Jean Stewart [died 1818], eldest daughter of William Stewart, Dalchalloch, formerly tacksman of Miln of Blair Atholl, by whom he had seven children, three sons and four daughters, of whom presently. In 1822 he assigned the estate of Kindrochet to his eldest son Duncan Robertson. He reserved for himself "a small pendicle of land called Andraigh, close to the Errochty, near Kindrochet Cottage", which he left in his will to his three unmarried daughters Helen, Elizabeth and Anne. <sup>1</sup>

- 1 **DUNCAN ROBERTSON OF KINDROCHET** c1778-c1837; see **Section I** below.
- 2 **MARGARET ROBERTSON** 1777-1848; see **Section II** below.
- 3 **HELEN ROBERTSON** born c1781; died unmarried Kindrochet Cottage 20 December 1852.
- 4 **WILLIAM ROBERTSON** 1784-1844; see **Section III** below.
- 5 **ELIZABETH**, generally known as Betsey or Bessie **ROBERTSON**; died unmarried after May 1861.
- 6 **ANNE ROBERTSON**; said to be living at Kindrochet Cottage in 1883; died unmarried 19 February 1884.
- 7 **ALEXANDER ROBERTSON**; existence uncertain; nothing known.

### **Section I.**

#### **DUNCAN ROBERTSON OF KINDROCHET**

Born c1778; died 1837. Captain Duncan Robertson of Kindrochet, eldest son of James Robertson of Kindrochet c1750-1823 and his wife Jean Stewart. Captain 88th Regiment of Foot (1st Connaught Rangers); the estate of Kindrochet was assigned to him by his father in 1822. He retired on half pay when his father died in the following year.

Married 1816 **SOPHIA STEWART** c1779-1861, youngest daughter of Donald Stewart of Shierglass and his wife Sophia, daughter of John Stewart of Bonskeid. Marriage Contract dated 12 April 1816 drawn up by Duncan Stewart writer in

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<sup>1</sup> See John Kerr THE ROBERTSON HEARTLAND [1992] page 12.

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Edinburgh and witnessed by James Robertson Esquire of Kindrochet and Lieutenant Colonel John Macdonald [later General Sir John Macdonald KCB] of Dalchosnie. They had one daughter:

### SOPHIA JANE STEWART ROBERTSON OF KINDROCHET.

Born March 1821; died Friday 25 January 1856. Generally known as 'Sophy'. Only child of Duncan Robertson of Kindrochet c1779-1837 and his wife Sophia Stewart, youngest sister of John Stewart of Shierglass and of Jean Stewart, wife of Alexander Stewart of Derculich. She married as his second wife 24 September 1844 ALEXANDER ROBERTSON IRVINE 1806-1867, Minister of Blair Atholl, eldest son of Alexander Irvine 1773-1824, Minister of Little Dunkeld, and his wife Jessie Stewart 1776-1865, daughter of Robert Stewart of Garth. They had three sons and three daughters.

- 1 SOPHIA STEWART ROBERTSON IRVINE 1845-1910 who married in 1867 JOHN ROBERTSON, factor on the Duke of Atholl's estates, formerly a civil engineer engaged in building the Highland Railway. They had four sons, Duncan Irvine Robertson, Alastair Irvine Robertson, Ian Robertson and William Robertson.
- 2 ALEXANDER ROBERTSON IRVINE 1847-1925, known later as ALASTAIR IRVINE ROBERTSON having added his mother's surname to his own on reaching the age of 21 and succeeding to her property at Kindrochet. He was Minister of West Church, Aberdeen 1874-1877 and Minister of Clackmannan 1877-1921, having married in 1873 EMILY COOK by whom he had three sons

and four daughters. From him are descended all members of the present IRVINE ROBERTSON family; of his seven children only one son, Duncan Irvine Robertson 1880-1953, married and had three sons, two of whom married and have offspring alive in 1998.

- 3 CLEMENTINA IRVINE b 1849 who in 1874 married in Bombay CHARLES WINCHESTER, Indian Civil Servant; no known issue.
- 4 DUNCAN ROBERTSON IRVINE 1851-1914, geologist, surveyor and Public Works engineer, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, Canada. He married SARAH WHYTE; no issue.
- 5 ROBERT WILLIAM IRVINE 1853-1897, general medical practitioner in Pitlochry. He married WILHELMINA HOGG; no issue.
- 6 JANE HELEN IRVINE born 1855 and died young.

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### MARGARET ROBERTSON

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Born Kindrochet 1777; died Kindrochet 16 May 1848. Married 1798 Duncan Robertson 1763-1846, tenant farmer at Milton of Invervack, near Blair Atholl, eldest son of John Robertson and his wife Margaret Robertson. They had four sons and five daughters.

1 JOHN ROBERTSON 1798-1865, tenant farmer at Banchor, Kingussie, who married Jane Stewart, sister of Dr John Stewart of Inverness; they left no issue.

2 JAMES ROBERTSON 1799-1876, writer in Edinburgh; later appointed Sheriff Substitute of Orkney. He married in Kirkwall in 1859 Harriet Logie 1829-1907, daughter of the Revd William Logie, First Minister of Kirkwall, and had one son, Duncan John Robertson 1860-1941, and three daughters. He has descendants alive in 1998.

3 JEANIE ROBERTSON 1802-1838; unmarried.

4 MARGARET ROBERTSON 1804-1858 who married in Glasgow in 1839 John Robertson 1805-1861, merchant, chemist and druggist, son of George Robertson, farmer at Bruar, Blair Atholl, and his wife Ann Stewart. They had one son:  
GEORGE ROBERTSON.  
Born Glasgow 9 December 1840; died London 1915. MD University of Glasgow. Surgeon RN 1861-1882; Doctor in London 1882-1914. Married [1st] 5 Sep 1867 his cousin Augusta Zuhlke Thurlow Cunynghame [died 1882], grand-daughter of Dr William Robertson Montreal 1784-1844, formerly of Kindrochet. They had seven sons, John Cunynghame Robertson, Francis James Cunynghame Robertson, George Donald Cunynghame Robertson, Duncan Roberton, Struan Robertson, Grahame Robertson and William S Cunynghame Robertson.  
Married [2nd] 1888 his cousin and deceased wife's sister Beatrice Geraldine Thurlow Cunynghame, grand-daughter of Dr William Robertson of Montreal 1784-1844, formerly of Kindrochet. Having been a Sister of Mercy of St Mary's Wantage, she became a Roman Catholic; they had one son Harold Robertson.

5 DONALD ROBERTSON 1806-1880, writer in Edinburgh, sometime clerk to the Lord Advocate, Duncan McNeill, later Lord Colonsay and Oronsay, and Lord Justice General of Scotland; subsequently Keeper of the Rolls of the first division of the Court of Session and Depute-Clerk of Session.

Married at Quinish, near Tobermory, Mull, on 26 September 1850, Elizabeth Mary Maclaine Campbell, only child of Captain Donald Campbell of the family of Campbell of Killundin or Killunine, Tacksman

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of Breacacha and Quinish, and Factor for the Macleans of Coll. They had one son and one daughter.

1892-1907. 1 DUNCAN ROBERTSON 1851-1907, of Pennyghael. Advocate; appointed Advocate-Depute 1889 and Senior Advocate-Depute 1892. Sheriff Substitute of Aberdeen, Kincardine and Banff 1907.

William Married in 1889 Susan, fifth daughter of William Scott-Kerr 1807-1890, of Chatto and Sunlaws, co Roxburgh, and sister to Murray-Threipland of Fingask Castle, Perthshire. Duncan Robertson and his wife, who died in 1890, had one daughter:

#### SUSAN GRACE ELIZABETH ROBERTSON

Scott-Edinburgh and Miss Robertson of Pennyghael. Born in 1890, only child of Duncan Robertson 1851-1907 and his wife Susan Kerr. After her father's death she lived in latterly in London.

2 [Christian Name not known] ROBERTSON, born after 1852. She is said to have been unmarried and to have kept house for her widowed brother at Hazelhead, his home in Aberdeen.

6 HELEN ROBERTSON 1810-1827; unmarried.

Robertson there no 7 WILLIAM ROBERTSON 1812-1865, SSC, writer in Edinburgh; later appointed Sheriff Substutute of North Argyll, Tobermory. He married in Ireland on 28 December 1843 Mary Hartley, daughter of Abraham Hartley, by whom he had three sons, Duncan Robertson, John and James Robertson and also one daughter. It is said that living descendants of any of these four children.

8 EMILY ROBERTSON 1815-1880; unmarried.

9 BETSY ROBERTSON 1818-1822.

### Section III

#### **WILLIAM ROBERTSON 1784-1844**

Born Kindrochet 15 March 1784; died Montreal 18 July 1844. Younger son of James Robertson of Kindrochet and his wife Jean Stewart. Physician and surgeon. Married Sydney, Cape Breton, 21 January 1806 Amelia Elizabeth Campbell otherwise Elizabeth Amelia Campbell 1789-1855, generally known as Eliza; daughter of William Campbell, Attorney-General of Cape Breton Island. They had ten children; <sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> The exact order of birth of their children is uncertain.

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four sons, James, William, Duncan and George, and six daughters, Caroline, Elizabeth, Sophia Helen, Mary Louisa, Catherine and Georgiana.

### 1 CAROLINE ROBERTSON

Hannah [or Harriet] Caroline, generally known as Caroline Robertson; born c1807-1809. Eldest of the six daughters of Dr William Robertson of Montreal, and his wife Eliza Campbell.

Married 3 August 1830 Francis [gka Frank] Cunynghame 1808-1877 [later Sir Francis Thurlow Cunynghame 8th Bart] and had issue five sons and seven daughters. Two of the daughters, Augusta Zuhlke Thurlow Cunynghame and Beatrice Geraldine Thurlow Cunynghame, became the first and second wives respectively of their second cousin George Robertson MD 1840-1915, son of John Robertson and his wife Margaret Robertson [see Section II, number 4].

### 2 JAMES ROBERTSON 1810-1832.

Eldest son of Dr William Robertson of Montreal and Eliza Campbell. Unmarried.

### 3 ELIZABETH ROBERTSON

Died young, probably between 1820 and 1825. Probably second daughter of Dr William Robertson of Montreal and Eliza Campbell.

### 4 WILLIAM ROBERTSON

Died after 1844; said to have died young and unmarried. Second son of Dr William Robertson of Montreal and Eliza Campbell.

### 5 SOPHIA HELEN ROBERTSON

Third of the six daughters of Dr William Robertson of Montreal and Eliza Campbell. Generally known as Sophie.

Married in 1845 W R Ross by whom she had two sons, Alexander and William. The latter married Julia Hobson and had four daughters.

### 6 MARY LOUISA ROBERTSON

Fourth of the six daughters of Dr William Robertson of Montreal and Eliza Campbell. Generally known as Louisa.

Married firstly Captain W Zuhlke, by whom she had a son George Zuhlke who married S Bridges. Married secondly M F MacCulloch, by whom she had four sons William, Ferdinand, Robertson and Harry, and one daughter Emily.

### 7 CATHERINE ROBERTSON

Fifth of the six daughter of Dr William Robertson of Montreal and Eliza Campbell. Generally known as Kate.

Married Angus Hooper by whom she had two sons Angus and George, and one daughter Maud.

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8 GEORGIANA ROBERTSON 1828-1906.

Youngest of the six daughters of Dr William Robertson of Montreal and Eliza Campbell. Generally known as Georgie.

Married Hon. John Pangman and had two sons, one of whom died young.

9 DUNCAN ROBERTSON 1829-1887

Born 5 August 1829; died 5 July 1887. Third of the four sons of Dr William Robertson of Montreal and Eliza Campbell.

Married his distant cousin Grace Amelia Stewart, daughter of Dr John Stewart of Findynate, by whom he had three sons John Stewart

Robertson [md Honor ---, no issue], Duncan Stewart Robertson [died unmarried] and William Stewart Robertson [died unmarried], and

one daughter Grace who was born in 1866 and died unmarried.

10 GEORGE ROBERTSON

Youngest son of Dr William Robertson of Montreal and Eliza Campbell.

Married A Marling & had one daughter Edith who married Hector McNeil.