

March, 1939, joined the Territorial Army and was later gazetted to a Commission in The Royal Corps of Signals, and is on active service), elder son of James Fleming, Edinburgh, by his wife, Eleanor Phoebe, daughter of Charles Henry Raithby, of The Cedars, Bath, and sister of Laurence Raithby, D.L., J.P., Edinburgh.

Retiring from business in November, 1934, Hector Mackenzie resides at Ballone, Fairmilehead, Edinburgh, and still takes an active interest in public and social affairs.

ARMORIAL BEARINGS.

Quarterly, 1 and 4 azure, a stag's head caboshed or; 2 or, a rock in flames proper; 2 gules, three human legs armed, garnished and spurred or, all within a bordure indented or, Mantling; azure, doubled or.

CREST.

On a wreath of the colours a mountain in flames proper; and in an escrol over the same this motto, "Luceo non uro."

DESCENT OF THE AUTHOR FROM GILLEOIN-NA-H'AIRDE.

1. *Gilleoin-na-h'Airde* (c. A.D. 1100-1170).
2. his son, *Christin*.
3. his son, *Kenneth*.
4. his son, *Murdoch*.
5. his son, *Duncan*.
6. his son, *Murdoch*.
7. his son, *Gilleoin* " *mòr*."
8. his son, *Gilleoin* " *Og*."
9. his son, *Kenneth*.
10. his son, *Angus* " *Crom*."
11. his son, *Kenneth*, 1st Chief of Kintail, married Morna, daughter of Macdougall of Lorn (c. 1240-1304).
12. his son, *John*, 2nd Chief of Kintail, married Margaret, daughter of David de Strathbolgie, Earl of Athol (c. 1270-1328).
13. his son, *Kenneth*, 3rd Chief of Kintail, married Fionnaghal, daughter of Torquil MacLeod, 2nd of Lewis (c. 1299-1346).
14. his son, *Murdoch*, 4th Chief of Kintail, married Isabel, only child of Duncan Macaulay of Lochbroom (c. 1305-1375).
15. his son, *Murdoch*, 5th Chief of Kintail, married Florence, daughter of Malcolm MacLeod, 3rd of Harris (c. 1351-1416).
16. his son, *Alexander*, 6th Chief of Kintail, married Anna, daughter of John Macdougall, of Dunolly (1398-1488).
17. his son, *Kenneth*, 7th Chief of Kintail, married, as his second wife, Agnes Fraser, daughter of Hugh, 1st Lord Lovat (c. 1414-1491).

18. his 2nd son, *John (Killin)*, 9th Chief of Kintail, married Elizabeth,
daughter of John Grant of Grant (1481-1561).
19. his son, *Kenneth*, 10th Chief of Kintail, married Lady Elizabeth
Stewart, daughter of John, 2nd Earl of Athol
(c. 1499-1568).
20. his son, *Colin*, 11th Chief of Kintail, married Barbara, daughter of
John Grant of Grant (1523-1594).
21. his 2nd son, *Sir Roderick of Coigeach*, married Margaret, heiress of
Torquil MacLeod, 11th and last of Lewis (1579-
1626).
22. his 4th son, *Alexander, 1st of Ballone*, married Agnes, daughter of
Wm. Fraser, 5th of Culbockie (1610-1645).
23. his son, *Alexander, 2nd of Ballone*, married; as his second wife,
Mary, daughter of Roderick Mackenzie, 5th of
Fairburn (1634-1714).
24. his son, *Alexander, 3rd of Ballone*, married Barbara, daughter of
Kenneth "Mòr" Mackenzie, 1st of Dundonnell
(1671-1737).
25. his son, *Alexander, 4th of Ballone*, married Catherine, daughter of
George Mackenzie, 2nd of Gruinard (1719-1752).
26. his 2nd son, *John, 6th of Ballone*, married first, Margaret, daughter
of Roderick Mackenzie, of Tighnafaolin (1738-
1829).
27. his 2nd son, *Hector, of Ballone*, married Annabella, daughter of
John Tolmie of Uiginish, Dunvegan (1796-1841).
28. his son, *John Tolmie, 9th Rep. of Ballone*, married Henzell,
daughter of David Ferguson, of the family of
Dunfallandy (1828-1910).
29. his 3rd son, *Hector Hugh, 11th Rep. of Ballone*, married Agnes,
daughter of William Brotherston, J.P., Edin-
burgh (1867-19—).

THE TOLMIES—NA TOLMAICH

The Tolmie Sept, though not at any time a large one numerically, was genuinely Highland, and for many generations had an intimate connection with the Western and Northern Highlands. They were said to have been a race of giant Rovers who came with the early Norse invaders of the Hebrides, under the leadership of the progenitor of the MacLeods. Many genealogists hold the view that the origin of the name is derived from "Tolm," a knoll, and this seems to be the most widely accepted derivation, and it is probably the correct one. Tolm, like Holm, is an old form of the name, and to this day the Gaelic speaking people use Tolm only, thus, John Tolmie is Iain Tolm, William Tolmie is Uilleam Tolm. In referring to a Tolmie one would say, "An Tolmach," or speaking to him he would be addressed, "a Tholmaich"—i.e., the Tolmie, and Tolmie, respectively. A number of families in Rosemarkie, Easter Ross, in the seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries used the forms Holm, and Tolm.

At a later period "Tolm" took the form "Tolme," which in turn became Tolmie, and this finally became the spelling adopted by most branches of the race. With regard to the Tolmies, the distinguished Highland historian, the Reverend Archibald Macdonald, D.D., late Minister of Kiltarlity, says:—

"It has been averred by genealogists that they were a branch of Clan MacLeod, and some have gone the length of saying that they originally came from Scandinavia at the time of the Norse occupation, or when the brothers Tormod and Torquil first planted their banners in the Hebrides. The letter 'T' at the beginning of the name is probably euphonic, the rest of the word 'Holm,' meaning an island, corresponding to the Gaelic Innis. The name would be originally 'An Tolmach,' or the man of the Isle, or Islesman. The earliest notice of the name that I have come across is in an old book evidently written in the early 17th Century, entitled 'The Conflicts of the Clans.' The special section I refer to has the heading 'Some troubles in the Island of Raasay in the year 1611.'

In the course of this account we read:—In like manner the Clan Vic Gille Callum invaded the laird of Gairloch and apprehended John MacCallum and chased John Holmach, two principal men of the race of Clan Vic Gille Colme, and near cousins of the Laird of Raasay. The Laird of Gareloch sent his son Murthow accompanied by Alexander Bane son and heir to Alexander Bane of Tulloch, to chase and pursue Holmach.

“Again in the unpublished fragment of a MS. written about 1650 referring to events that occurred 1590-1611 there appears a John Holmach Macrorie Macallan in the County of Ross the owner of a boat of 8 oars along with Alexander Mackenzie of Achiltie employed by Mackenzie of Gairloch to help in resisting the invasion of Wester Ross by the Glengarry men.

“The two John Holmachs above mentioned were certainly contemporaries and were probably the same individual. At any rate the quotation from the old book established a relationship with the Chief of Raasay, and according to the notes I received from the late Mr John Mackenzie, Jr., the Tolmies had long been regarded as a Sept of the MacLeods. These quotations also confirm Mr Mackenzie’s view that these early Tolmies had a settlement in the Gairloch country.

“Ross-shire seems to have been for long the home country of the Tolmies, and during the seventeenth century we find them in Inverness and Fortrose engaged in the pursuit of Commerce. In the choir of the ruined Cathedral of Fortrose the surname of a member of the tribe used to be seen on a mural tablet with the fanciful spelling after the manner of the ancient Egyptian potentates. Further, I was told by Mr Macdowall, formerly minister of Rosemarkie, that on the house then occupied by the Commercial Bank of Scotland, but once occupied by the Tolmie Family, the initials of the Tolmie owner were traceable on the wall.”

It is recorded in Douglas’s *Baronage of Scotland* (1798, p. 404) that Christian, daughter of Alexander Mackenzie, VII of Davochmaluag, married William Tolm, Dunvegan, in 1733. This William had the Gaelic form of his name frequently applied to him, but like his father, uncles, and brothers, he always signed Tolme, as did several of his sons. We find, however, that his son, Captain Norman, signs his name “Tolmie” on his Will, dated at New York, 29th October, 1765, and his son, Captain Kenneth, of the 42nd Regiment of Foot, also signed his Will, dated at Dublin, 27th October, 1799, “Tolmie.”

According to tradition, James Tolme, Fortrose, was the direct descendant of John Tolmach, or Tolm, son of Roderick, son of Allan, last head of the ancient MacLeods of Gairloch (senior Cadet family of the MacLeods of Lewis), who flourished in the 15th and 16th centuries, and that he married Christian Gordon, with issue, a son and daughter, John and Margaret. There is, however, in the Register of the Commisariat of Inverness, a Discharge by John and Margaret, which goes to show that James was married twice, and that his second wife, Elspeth Mill, who survived him, married a John Thomson. It is as follows :—“ DISCHARGE, by John Tolmie and Margaret Tolmie, children of umqle James Tolmie and Christian Gordon his first wife, To Elspeth Mill, relict and universal Intromitter with Estates of James Tolmie, and John Thomson, now her spouse,—Witnesses James Campbell, of Moy, Commissary, Walter Robertson, burgess, John Munro, Writer, all of Inverness, and Thomas Schvis, of Muirton—dated 24 Jan. 1640. Reg. 9 March 1640. (Fol. 68, 69.) ”

John, only son of James Tolme, and Christian Gordon, was a merchant in Inverness, and was said to have married a daughter of Fowler of Raddery, by whom he had a large family of sons and daughters, of whom—

1. William, of whom later.
2. James, a merchant in Inverness, who married Christian Powell. He died on the 13th of August, 1729, leaving issue :
 - (1) William, who migrated to the South of England, and from there members of his family emigrated to Australia.
 - (2) Peter, a merchant and shipowner in Aberdeen, who married first, Barbara Nicolson, with issue : (1A) Jean ; (2A) Helen. He married secondly, Margaret Gordon, with issue. His Will was dated at Aberdeen, 17th November, 1742, and he died in July, 1754. Peter and his cousin, William Tolme, Dunvegan, were partners in many continental enterprises, in some of which several of the Highland Chiefs joined. The adventures were not always successful, and in the case of one disastrous undertaking led to litigation between the partners, which ended in the Court of Session, where the Lord Ordinary decided in favour of Peter and William Tolme.

- (3) Donald, of Croy, who married Isobel Clark (died in 1728), with issue : among others (1A) a son, Alexander, married, with issue :

(1B) William, a Schoolmaster, who married Margaret Lyle, in 1738, with issue :

(1c) Christian, born September 14th, 1740, who married Thos. Brown, with issue.

(2c) Hume, born August 9th, 1742, who married Margt. McKay, with issue.

(2B) Alexander, who married Margaret Loudon, with issue :

(1c) David; (2c) John; (3c) Mary.

(3B) John, who married Janet Gemmill, with issue, four sons and seven daughters.

Donald's family settled in Ayrshire.

- (4) Alexander, who also settled in Ayrshire, about 1746, and married Agnes Gilchrist, with issue :

(1A) Alexander, married, with issue.

(2A) William, born October 2nd, 1748, who married, in 1778, Janet Stalker, with issue :

(1B) John, born in 1779, married, in February, 1800, Johannah Paton, with issue.

(2B) Agnes, born in 1781, married Wm. White, in 1805, with issue.

(3B) Jean, born 1782, married, in 1807, William John Love, Stevenston.

(4B) William, born in 1784, married, in 1815, Janet Hall, sister of Captain Roger Hall, R.N., Largs, with issue.

(5B) James, born in 1786, married, in 1818, Margaret Pritchard, with issue.

(6B) Charles, born in 1800, married, in 1834, Barbara Service.

(3A) John.

Members of Donald's and of Alexander's family emigrated to the United States and to Canada, where many of their descendants are said to reside now—branches being located in Canada West, Manitoba, Ontario, and other parts of North America. Excellent and carefully executed Charts of a number of these families have been prepared by the brothers, Robert Arthur Shanks, of Fredericton, New Brunswick, and Gordon Lane Shanks, of Kinkwood, Missouri, who are themselves descended from Alexander. These Tables, of which the Author has been privileged to see copies, are valuable, and should prove of the greatest assistance to future historians of the Clan. It is not proposed to deal with them at greater length in the present work, which is confined as much as possible to the Senior branch—the Tolmies of Uiginish and offshoots.

3. Alexander, of whom nothing is known.

THE TOLMIES OF UIGINISH

- I. *William*, the eldest son of John Tolmie and Raddery's daughter, was a merchant in Fortrose (Sasine, 25th November, 1718, Inverness and Ross, Vol. 7, Fol. 552). He was generally recognised as the head of the Tolmie Sept. His name appears in a list of Councillors of Fortrose in 1712 (Old Ross-shire and Scotland, page 324, No. 825). In 1689 he married Margaret, daughter of Alexander Speediman, Burgess of Fortrose, by his wife, Elizabeth Dunbar, daughter of Dunbar of Culbuyack (Sasine, 7th May, 1698, Inverness and Ross, Vol. 6, Fol. 133), with issue :
 1. William "Mòr," of whom later.
 2. Alexander, a merchant in Fortrose and Inverness (Sasine, 3rd April, 1721, and another, dated 29th May, 1721, Inverness and Ross, Vol. 8, Folios 52 and 67). In 1716 Alexander was appointed by Kenneth, Earl of Seaforth, with the consent of his Curator, Colonel Alexander Mackenzie, of Connansbay, to be his Factor at Fortrose (Old Ross-shire and Scotland, page 324, No. 827). In a letter, dated 27th March, 1746, written by Hugh Munro, on board the "Hound," sloop of war, off Invergordon, and addressed to the Earl of Sutherland, he is referred to in connection with valuable services which he rendered to the Royalists (Fraser's Earls of Cromarty, Vol. I, p. ccxix). There is a Bond of Relief, dated 5th December, 1752, by the brothers, Alexander Tolme and William Tolme, Merchants, Fortrose, to William Macintosh, Merchant, of Inverness, for £1200 (Scots) payable to Alexander Duff of Drumsuir. He married, in 1717, Mary MacLean (Sasine, 21st May, 1724. Inverness, Register of Sasines, Vol. 8, Fol. 174), with issue :
- (1) Thomas, a merchant in Inverness; was born in 1718, and died in June, 1789 (Com. Inverness, Vol. 6, 1759-1804). Married, with issue :

- (1A) Alexander, who, on 4th December, 1812, married Anne Mackenzie, Ullapool, with issue :
 - (1B) John, born on 26th September, 1813.
 - (2B) Alexander, born 25th February, 1816.
 - (3B) Mary, born 3rd February, 1820.
- (2A) Mary.
- (3A) William.
- (2) John, also married; but nothing is known of him.
- (3) William, farmer, Ussie, married, with issue :
 - (1A) George, Blarnabodach, married, with issue, a son, Donald.
 - (2A) Donald, progenitor of the Tolmes of Tollie, and others, married, with issue :
 - (1B) Isabel.
 - (2B) Donald, born in 1766, married, with issue :
 - (1c) Margaret, born 5th April, 1789.
 - (2c) Kenneth, born 4th June, 1796.
 - *(3c) William, born in 1800, emigrated to Canada in 1841, and took up farming at Glengarry County, Lower Canada. He married and had a family of sons and daughters, of whom Duncan, a farmer near Cannington, Ontario, is still living at the age of 87. Duncan is married and has a family of eight sons and two daughters. One of the sons, Archibald, born in 1899, resides at Chatham, Ontario, and married a Miss Murray, with issue.
 - (3B) William, married, with issue :
 - (1c) Kenneth, born 7th February, 1759.
 - (2c) Andrew, born 4th September, 1764; and others.
- (3A) John of Ussie, married Catherine Mackenzie, with issue :
 - (1B) Abigail, born 18th April, 1778.
 - (2B) John, succeeded father at Ussie, born 1781, married, with issue :

* See Addendum, page 113.

- (1c) Catherine, born 7th October, 1811.
- (2c) Alexander, born 9th October, 1813.
- (3c) John, born 2nd June, 1815.
- (4c) Jane, born 18th October, 1816.
- (5c) Duncan, born 21st July, 1818.
- (3B) Flora, born 28th October, 1789.
- (4B) Isabel, born 12th November, 1795.
- (5B) George, born 30th April, 1801, married, with issue.
- (4A) William, farmer, Auchterneed, married, with issue :
 - (1B) John, born 23rd February, 1797.
 - (2B) Donald, born 10th April, 1801, married Christina Urquhart, with issue :
 - (1c) Margaret, born 1836, married Donald Groat.
 - (2c) William, born 1838, died in Canada.
 - (3c) John, born 1841, resided at Inverness, and married Mary Bain Kellie, with issue :
 - (1D) Elizabeth, married John Lamb, with issue, and resides in Australia.
 - (2D) Christina, resides in Inverness, unmarried.
 - (3D) Mabel, married C. Stoddart.
 - (4D) George, married, leaving issue :
 - (a) George, Chartered Bank of India, and
 - (b) John, Officer, Hong Kong Police Service.
 - (5D) Robert, Lieutenant, 79th Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, killed in Action in France in 1918.
 - (6D) David John, born 1874, one of the best known public men in Inverness, for many years Clerk and Treasurer,

Education Authority, and latterly Senior Depute County Clerk for Inverness-shire. Joining the Cameron Highlanders, he held the rank of Captain during the Great War 1914-18. In 1903 he married Anne, daughter of James Mackenzie, with issue :

(1E) George, Forestry Service, Nigeria, married Isobel Mary Davidson, with issue :

(1F) David Oliver, born 1934.

(2F) Elizabeth Ann, and

(3F) Isabel Mary, twins, born 1936.

(2E) Elizabeth Mary, married Alexander Fraser, Inverness.

(3E) Ann Christobel Joice.

(4c) Donald, born in 1843, died in Glasgow.

(5c) Christina, born in 1845, married John Macdonald, and died in Inverness.

(6c) Frances, born in 1847, married John Morrison, and died in Elgin.

(7c) Emily, born in 1849, married John Laing, and died in Edinburgh.

(8c) David, born in 1851, merchant and Commission Agent in Stornoway. He married Margaret Pringle, daughter of John Pringle, Roxburgh, and his wife, Isabella Mackenzie, Kintail, and sister of Sir John Pringle, an eminent physician in Jamaica, with issue :

(1d) William John, M.P.S., Stornoway, a Bailie of that well known Hebridean Burgh, in the affairs of which he

takes an active and a leading part. He married Margaret Anne, daughter of William Macdonald, Garrabost, Lewis, by his wife, Sarah MacIntyre, Lochgilphead, with issue :

- (1E) Margaret Sarah, who married Colin Scott Mackenzie, Procurator Fiscal, for Lewis, Stornoway, with issue, a son, Colin, and a daughter, Lois.
- (2E) David, a Doctor, in practice in Tuxedo Park, New York, where he married, in 1940, Janet Powrie.
- (2D) John Pringle, a Doctor in Barra, and Stornoway. He married Margaret Craib, daughter of Dr John Craib, Ceylon, with issue, a son, who died in infancy. Dr Tolmie died in 1931.
- (3D) David, born in 1883. Trained to Banking in Parr's Bank (London County and Westminster Bank), he afterwards went to Jamaica, as Assistant Attorney on the extensive estates of his uncle, Sir John Pringle. Ultimately Mr Tolmie was entrusted with the entire supervision of the management of this vast property, said to have extended to 250,000 acres, on which was raised great quantities of bananas, cocoanuts and cocoa, besides large herds of cattle and horses. After the death of his uncle he returned to Stornoway, and took up his father's business, and entered into the public life of his

native town. In a short time he succeeded his brother, Bailie W. J. Tolmie, as Chairman of the Stornoway Pier and Harbour Commission. He died on February 23rd, 1940, at the early age of 57.

(4D) Christina, who married Thomas Green.

(5D) Isabella Margaret, who married Franklin White.

(6D) Robert James, died in infancy.

(9c) Lewis, born in 1854, was in business in London, where he died.

(3B) George, born 17th August, 1803.

(4B) Alexander, born 17th June, 1804.

(5B) Catherine, born 27th August, 1808.

(4) David, married, with issue, a son, Alexander, one of whose sons, Roderick, married Helen, daughter of Angus MacRae, Tacksman of Achanault, fourth son of Donald Bàn MacRae, of the family of Conchra, with issue.

The Hon. James Tolmie, M.P., of Toowoomba, Queensland, is said to be descended from Alexander, second son of William Tolme, Fortrose.

3. Margaret, who married Alexander Baillie, Writer in Fortrose (Sasine, 8th April, 1719, I.R.S., Vol. 7, Fol. 571), with issue.

4. James, who emigrated, but of whom little is known. It is possible that he was the ancestor of the Right Hon. Dr F. S. Tolmie, who was lately Premier of British Columbia, and for whom it was claimed that he was descended from William Tolme, Fortrose, and his wife, Margaret Speediman. It was remarked that in appearance and bearing Dr Tolmie was typical of this old Highland family, bearing a striking resemblance to several contemporary stalwart scions of the race.

5. David, a merchant in Inverness, was married, with issue.

Colonel Julian Tolme, 3rd Middlesex Artillery, whose Widow, Sara Cantwell, married, as his second wife, Henry William Petre, of Springfield, Essex, second son of the 11th Baron Petre, was said to have been also a descendant of William Tolme. William Tolme, Fortrose, was succeeded in the representation of the family by his eldest son,

- II. *William Mòr Tolme*, who was born in 1690. He took over and developed his father's businesses at Fortrose and Inverness, and for a short time established a branch at Stornoway, which he later disposed of, and transferred to Dunvegan, Skye, where he opened an extensive business.

On 25th February, 1720, he married (Douglas's Baronage of Scotland, page 415), as his first wife, Katharine, daughter of William Mackenzie, III of Belmaduthy, by his first wife, Margaret, daughter of Alexander Rose of Clava (Sasine to her, 1717). William Tolme, on 8th November, 1723, grants to his wife Sasine of "all and haill that part of ground of the Parson of Logie's Manse (*i.e.*, Glebe) within the burgh of Fortrose, houses great and small, built or to be built yeron—yeards, close, parts, pendicles, privileges, and pertinents of ye saide Manse whatsomever," &c., &c. (I.R.R., Vol. 8, Fol. 157).

By Katharine Mackenzie he had a family of six sons and two daughters :

- (1) Alexander, born 20th November, 1720, died 28th March, 1722.
- (2) Margaret, born 5th November, 1721, died 20th March, 1723.
- (3) William, born 2nd February, 1723. He was killed in the 15th year of his age by falling over a cliff at Fiadhard, near Dunvegan, since called "Creag-an-Tolmaich" (*i.e.*, Tolme's Rock), on 10th April, 1737, and was buried at Kilmuir on the 13th April, 1737. He was said to have been a very promising boy.
- (4) Kenneth, born 1st April, 1724. He was a Captain in the 42nd Highlanders and served with great distinction on the Continent, in America, and in India ("The Brave Sons of

Skye"). He married the Widow of Captain Hay of the 42nd Regiment, whose son was Major David Hay of the Angus-shire Fencibles. On retiring from the Army, Captain Tolmie settled in Ireland, where he died in 1809, without issue. His Will is dated 27th October, 1799, with Codicils, dated 25th April and 16th May, 1808.

- (5) Ann, born 18th June, 1725. She married, in 1749, William Ross, Tacksman of Totarder, son of Dr James Ross, Husabost, and his wife, Janet Kerr. They had a large family, the eldest of whom, William, married, with issue, a son, Kenneth, and others.

Among the beneficiaries under Captain Kenneth Tolmie's Will are his sister, Ann, and his nephew, William Ross, and the said William's "eldest son, Kenneth."

- (6) John, born 26th August, 1726, of whom nothing is known, but it is believed he died in infancy.
- (7) Hugh, born 7th December, 1727, died 25th January, 1728.
- (8) George, born 27th September, 1729, died 9th May, 1730.

William Tolme's first wife died 27th November, 1729. In May, 1729, he became a tenant of MacLeod of MacLeod at Dunvegan, where he set up a considerable mercantile business, and soon afterwards was appointed Postmaster there for the whole of Skye. He held a Tack of Kilmuir and Creagachlachan, and it is on record that from an early date he took an active part in local affairs, especially in a secretarial capacity, in Skye. In 1732 he went on a mission for MacLeod to Glenelg, which then belonged to him, and it is recorded by Robert Chambers in his *Traditions of Edinburgh* (Illustrated edition, p. 216) that while the unfortunate Lady Grange was being conveyed by ship to Heisker, on the West of North Uist, the sloop lay at anchor in Loch Hourn, waiting for a favourable breeze for crossing the Minch. A number of gentlemen, among whom was William Tolme, paid her a visit, but without any suggestion of relief. He was the first person she had seen since she was carried off from her home, who expressed any sympathy for her, and he undertook to convey information of her whereabouts to her friend and man of business, Mr Hope of

Rankeillor, but it does not appear that he was able to fulfil his promise.

MacLeod was so impressed with William “ Mòr ” Tolmie’s capacity and sterling qualities that, in 1743, he made him resident factor at Dunvegan, with residence at Gobanrudha House, which was built that year for him, and in 1748 appointed him Commissioner for all his Estates.

In 1733 William married secondly, Christian, daughter of Alexander Mackenzie, VII of Davochmaluag (Douglas’s Baronage of Scotland, page 404), by his second wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Alexander Rose of Clava (Marriage Contract, 1695), with issue :

- (9) Norman, born in 1734. He was a master mariner, and settled in New York, where he amassed a considerable fortune, and married Phoebe Comeris, there.

Captain Tolmie died in 1787, leaving no issue. His Will is dated 29th October, 1765, and was proved at London on 1st April, 1788, by his widow, who died at New York on or about 20th August, 1825.

- (10) Alexandrina, born in 1736, who married John Mackenzie, Lewis, with issue, three sons and a daughter.
- (11) William, born in 1738. On 21st and 28th February, 1755, a lease was drawn up at Inverness, and Dunvegan, in his favour, of the Tack of Kilmuir and Creagachlachan, in succession to his father, William “ Mòr ” Tolme. In terms of this document, Norman MacLeod of MacLeod lets to William Tolme, 2nd lawful son to the deceased William Tolme and Christina Mackenzie, his spouse, and failing of him to John, youngest lawful son to the said William Tolme, the lands and farm of Kilmuir and Creagachlachan, formerly possessed by the deceased William, with pertinents, for 19 years from Whitsunday, 1754. William Tolme, the lessee, was a minor, and Ensign Kenneth Tolme, his half brother, signs along with him as it were *in loco tutoris*. It is clear from the foregoing that the deceased William Tolme held the properties specified as MacLeod’s tenant, and that they were not inherited by a son of his

first wife. Kenneth, his oldest surviving son, who signed the lease as above, did not settle in Skye. Embracing, as we have seen, a military career, he retired with the rank of Captain, and died in Ireland, without issue, in 1809, and William, who obtained priority in the lease, does not again appear, and, judging by subsequent events, the tenancy must have devolved upon John as provided for in the lease. What became of William is not known.

(12) Alexander, born in 1739, died unmarried, but of whom little else is known.

(13) Thomas, born in 1740, died unmarried. His name appears in the list of subscribers to the 1790 edition of "Orain Ghaidhealach," by the famous Gaelic Bard, Duncan "Bàn" McIntyre.

Twins { (14) Janet, who was born in 1741, and died in infancy;
(15) David, also born in 1741, married, with issue, several daughters.

(16) John, born in 1742, of whom later.

(17) Elizabeth Macdonald, born in 1744, married Donald Mackenzie, Tacksman of Skinidin, uncle of Sir Alexander Mackenzie, the Canadian explorer, with issue :

(1A) Thomas, who was Estate Agent to the Earl of Uxbridge, and resided at Anglesey. He is one of the legatees under the Will of his uncle, Captain Norman Tolme. He was married, with issue, and died at Anglesey in January, 1798.

(2A) Alexander, a Lieutenant in the Royal Navy. He was married, with issue, and died at Ramsay, in the Isle of Man.

(3A) William, who was also in the Royal Navy. He was posted First Lieutenant of H.M.S. "Ajax," from which he was promoted Captain and placed in command of H.M.S. "Magicienne." He was killed in action when his ship was attacked by a French privateer off the Lizard in January, 1807

(Family papers, and “ The Brave Sons of Skye ”).
He was not married.

(4A) Elizabeth (died in 1797), who married John Morison, Tacksman of Shiader, Lewis, with issue :

(1B) Donald, who went to Carolina, and married there, with issue, one son and two daughters.

(2B) Roderick, who also went to the United States. Landing at New Orleans in November, 1828, he proceeded to Lexington City, Kentucky. Deciding on a Medical career, and being a young man of parts, he entered the Pennsylvania University there, and in due course graduated with distinction. On 15th April, 1835, the Medical College of Georgia conferred upon him the Degree of M.D., his Thesis being pronounced the best of the Session. He was one of the most outstanding Medical men of his time in the Southern States, and was held in the highest esteem by all classes.

(3B) Hannah, who married Captain John Macaulay, Liverpool, with issue.

(5A) Lesley.

(6A) Janet, who married William Dingwall, Tacksman of Lee, with issue :

(1B) Frances, who married Captain Malcolm Macqueen, son of Donald Macqueen, of the Macqueens of Oransay, with issue :

(1c) Malcolm, who commanded ships in in the Baltic and Pacific trades. He died at Queenstown, Ireland, on 19th April, 1894, and was buried at Ballymore Cemetery, there. He was married, and his wife predeceased him, leaving no issue.

(2c) Margaret, who died unmarried in 1912.

(2B) Elizabeth, who married Donald Roy MacLean, of the MacLeans of Boreray, with issue.

Donald Mackenzie, of Skinidin, died on April 27th, 1787, and is buried at Kilmuir, Dunvegan, as is also his wife, Elizabeth Tolme, who survived him for upwards of twenty years.

William "Mòr" Tolme acted as Secretary to the Heritors and Tacksmen of Skye. On 15th August, 1744, a Meeting was held at Portree, at which a series of Resolutions was drawn up restricting those present in the use of such luxuries as brandy, tobacco, tea, &c. Those who attended the Meeting were Sir Alexander Macdonald, MacLeod of MacLeod, John Mackinnon of Mackinnon, and Malcolm MacLeod of Raasay, with the principal Tacksmen on their Estates. On the 1st October we have the following certificate:—

"Dunvegan, 1st October, 1744, The above is a just copy of the Resolutions taken at Portree, and by order of the Heritors, extracted from the principal by William Tolmie" (from Lord Macdonald's Charter Chest).

We next find William preparing a contract, dated at Dunvegan on 15th September, 1747, between Norman MacLeod of MacLeod and John MacLeod of Tallisker. The signatures of the parties are witnessed by Norman MacLeod of Watterstein and the said William Tolme. William's health becoming impaired, he found it necessary to give up his factorial duties, in 1753, and he died at Dunvegan early in February, 1755, and is buried at Kilmuir. His Will is dated 6th June, 1750.

He was succeeded by his son,

III. *John*, known as "Seoc Tolm," who was born in 1742. When the lease of 1754 of Kilmuir and Creagachlachan in favour of his brother, William, expired in 1773, John instead of renewing it became tenant of Uiginish, and in 1777 we find him among other

Tacksmen on the MacLeod Estates assessing himself to the extent of 1/6 for every £ of his rent, to assist MacLeod in his financial embarrassment. Assuming that a nineteen years' lease was entered into in 1773, we can understand how it was, as will now appear, that John Tolme entered into a new lease for a similar period in 1792. And so it was. The tenor of this lease shows a Tack by Colonel Norman MacLeod of MacLeod to Mr John Tolme of the Inn and Changehouse of Dunvegan with an area of land attached to be taken from the farm of Dunvegan, in lieu of the former Malthalfpenny, and also the island called Garvalen (Garbheilean) with its rocks and pendicles; also three farms called the Uiginishes with their shores and grazings for the space of nineteen years to commence at Whitsunday next 1792 and to end at Whitsunday 1811 (Dunvegan Charter Chest). In 1811 he renewed the Tack of Uiginish.

John Tolme was a Justice of the Peace, and we find his name as a witness to a number of leases on the MacLeod Estates, of which for some time he acted as Factor, and in connection with local administration in Skye the name of "Seoc Tolm" was one to conjure with and commanded the highest respect among all classes. He was a man of fine presence, standing well over six feet, and of herculean proportions like his father.

He married Jean, daughter of Murdoch Mackenzie, Stornoway, son of Murdoch Mackenzie, III of Avoch, with issue :

(1) John, born in 1779, who died in infancy.

(2) Murdoch, who was born in 1780, was a Stockbroker and Shipowner in Liverpool, and owned property, including a salt mine, in Cape Breton. Widely travelled, he was a lover of music and art, and was an accomplished violinist. In 1822 he gave up business in Liverpool and returned to Dunvegan, where he acted as Notary, and Clerk to the Heritors and to the Justices of the Peace. He was a man of great physical strength, and many stirring stories of his prowess used to be related of a winter's night round the peat fires in the ceilidh houses. Here is one of these tales :
" On one occasion when on a visit to Edinburgh a friend put him on his guard against pick-pockets, and that very

night when returning to his lodgings at a late hour he was accosted by two men who took up positions on each side of him. While listening to their tale of woe he sensed the hand of one of them fumbling in his cloak pocket. He suddenly smote down on the exploring arm with his mighty right hand—open edgewise—and smashed the arm of the unfortunate thief just above the elbow, and, this time closing his fist, caught the other ruffian, who was raising a murderous jemmy to strike, such a blow on the jaw that it also was broken. Both of them still had the free use of their legs and forthwith decamped with all the speed they could muster holding their shattered bones together as best they could, while Murdoch Tolme continued his leisurely walk to his lodgings as if nothing had happened.” He was unmarried, and resided with his sister, Mrs Hector Mackenzie, first at Grove Cottage, Dunvegan; then, from 1835 to 1838, at Husabost House, afterwards at Colbost, where he died in 1846.

- (3) William, born in 1782, was recommended by Sir James Grant of Grant, Bart., for a Commission in the Army, and in 1804 joined the 78th Highlanders, but, having qualified, on 3rd July, 1804, as a Doctor, he subsequently was posted as Surgeon to his Corps, and on 2nd January, 1807, he sailed from Portsmouth for India. A year after his arrival there, repeated attacks of fever weakened and reduced his constitution to such an extent that he was cut off in his prime, and at the height of his usefulness, in 1809. “He fell a sacrifice to duty.” He was a remarkably handsome man, and was held in the highest estimation in his Regiment. The Officer in Command of the Station, writing from Goa on 19th September, 1809, says: “He was a person for whom I had contracted the highest esteem and regard and whom all his acquaintances at the Station most sincerely regretted . . . one of the finest and most sensible of men I ever saw.” He was not married (Family papers, and “The Brave Sons of Skye”).

An amusing incident is recorded by Dr Tolme in a letter, dated 29th December, 1806, written to his mother from his ship at Portsmouth on the eve of his departure for India to join his Regiment. When he and other officers were in a Coffee House he fell into conversation with a Scottish Clergyman, to whom he remarked that he came from Dunvegan, Skye. On overhearing this, an Irish Officer in the company jumped up and said, "Be jabers my grandfather came from there too. Are you, Sir, by any chance a relation of Captain Kenneth Tolme of the 42nd Regiment?" "Yes," replied William, "he was my uncle." "Then, begorra," exclaimed the Irishman, "he married my mother!" And so it was, for it turned out that this officer was Major David Hay, son of Captain Hay, whose widow was married, as her second husband, to Captain Kenneth Tolme.

- (4) Norman, born 1785, died in infancy.
- (5) Barbara, born in 1789, was married, in 1813, to Captain John Macdonald, Tacksman of Scolpaig, North Uist, with issue :
 - (1A) William Tolme, who was born on 4th June, 1814. In August, 1837, he emigrated to Carolina, U.S.A., and later he removed to Vera Cruze, Mexico, where he established a flourishing business. At the outbreak of the Mexican War he joined the American Army and saw much service with the famous Texas Rangers. He rose to the rank of Major, and was severely wounded, as a result of which he died on 30th March, 1850, at Brownsville, Texas, unmarried.
 - (2A) Donald Tolme, born in 1816. Having decided to try his fortune in the United States of America, he sailed from Liverpool on 18th February, 1840, in the good ship, "Susannah Cumming," bound for New York, where he landed after a pleasant voyage of 28 days. Taking up a Government appointment

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in East Florida, he afterwards entered into business at Charleston, South Carolina. He subsequently took up residence at Savannah, Georgia, where he owned an extensive estate. For many years he was Secretary and Vice-President of the Atlantic and Gulf Rail Road Coy. He married Miss Beauharnais, grand-daughter of General Beauharnais, and had issue :

(1B) John Alexander, of Denver City, Mo., who married at Dunvegan, Skye, in 1890, Margaret B. MacGregor, youngest daughter of Duncan MacGregor, Glengyle Lodge, Edinburgh, and sister of Dr Jessie M. MacGregor, Walker Street, Edinburgh, with issue, two daughters, Helen and Jean, both married.

(2B) Frances Tolmie, who married, on 28th June, 1876, W. C. Singleton of Macon, Georgia, with issue, six children :

(1c) Henry; (2c) Frances Tolmie; (3c) Louise Charlotte; (4c) Mary Alexander; (5c) Margaret Jean; (6c) Elinor.

Mrs Singleton died at her residence in Mulberry Street, Macon, on 1st June, 1892, and was buried in Rose Hill Cemetery, Georgia.

(3B) Lilian, who married a Mr Converse, with issue, a daughter, Lilian.

(4B) Flora, who married a Mr Thomas, with issue, a daughter, Maxime Augustine.

Donald T. Macdonald died at Savannah, Georgia, in October, 1889, and was buried in his private ground in Myrtle Grove Cemetery, there.

(3A) Margaret, who was born at Scolpaig in 1819, and who married, in 1851, Captain William MacNeil,

Tacksman of Newton, North Uist, and Borne, Bernera, son of Roderick MacNeil, Tacksman of Pabbay, Kyles Bernera, and St Kilda, by his wife, Christina, daughter of Archibald MacLean, 12th of Boreray. Roderick MacNeil was a cousin of General MacNeil of Barra. Captain William MacNeil died at Newton on 17th June, 1865, and was buried at Pabbay. His Executors were his brother-in-law, John Macdonald, Tacksman of Scolpaig, who succeeded him at Newton, Alexander Macdonald, Tacksman of Balranald, and Sheriff Charles Shaw, Lochmaddy. His widow died at Scolpaig on 25th August, 1893, and is buried in Kilmuir, North Uist. The Rev. Donald Macdonald, D.D., North Uist, preaching in the Parish Church on Sunday, 3rd September, 1893, made the following reference to the death of Mrs MacNeil :—

“ Last Tuesday it was our melancholy duty to commit to the grave all that was mortal of one of the noblest characters this Parish has ever seen. This is neither the time nor the place for a lengthy enumeration of the many excellent qualities which account for the special esteem and warm affection in which our departed friend was held by rich and poor. It is sufficient to say that her sound common sense, rare intelligence and cheerful temper would have rendered her honoured and beloved in any station in life. For many years she occupied a position which required the exercise of much prudence and tact, and we all know how admirably that position was filled by her.” (For a Lament to her memory, see Appendix XXVI).

(4A) John, born at Scolpaig on 27th May, 1824. When North Uist was purchased in 1855 by Sir John Powlett Orde, Bart., from the Trustees of Lord Macdonald, John Macdonald of Scolpaig was

appointed Factor, a post which he held until his death. For many years he took a leading part in all the local Boards, and of which he was Chairman. He was a Justice of the Peace, and Honorary Sheriff Substitute at Lochmaddy, and was on the Commission of Supply for the County of Inverness. A man of handsome presence, he stood 6 feet 4 inches in height, and was endowed with great bodily strength. The beau ideal of a Highland gentleman, he was popular with all classes. In the Report of the Royal Commission (Lord Napier's, 1883, Appendix A, page 455), in referring to Landlords and Factors, Dr Alexander Carmichael says, "One of these, indeed, is a man endowed with more excellency of head and heart than ordinarily falls to the lot of man, a man possessing the implicit confidence of proprietors and tenants alike, who daily injures himself to benefit them. Mr John Macdonald, Tacksman, Newton, North Uist, and Factor for Sir John Orde, will not forgive my mentioning his name, but others will throughout the Highlands and Islands, where his name is honoured among all classes."

In the same Report all the North Uist witnesses bore testimony to his popularity, as did also others from the neighbouring Estate of Harris. "We are perfectly satisfied with our present Factor. He never oppressed us in any way" (Minute of Evidence, page 792-12349). "The Factor is very kind to us" (p. 805-12559). "That gentleman would take nothing from any poor man whom he could help" (13178). Alexander Mackenzie, the Clan Historian, says of him in his History of the Mackenzies that he was "one of the finest men and best of Factors that ever lived" (page 503, 1894 Edition). John Macdonald of Scolpaig and Newton died suddenly at Newton on 21st August, 1888, and

was laid to rest beside his parents in the family tomb at Kilmuir, on the 25th August. His funeral was said to have been the largest ever seen in North Uist, mourners attending from all parts of the Outer Hebrides and from Skye.

The cortege was nearly two miles long, and included vehicles, horsemen, and pedestrians, numbering over 600 persons. It was an impressive sight as the procession wended its way through the Townships over the 16 miles between Newton and Kilmuir, amid scenes of manifest grief. A Lament composed to him is given in Appendix XXVII.

- (5A) Alexander, born at Scolpaig, 13th August, 1826. He also emigrated and sailed from Liverpool for New York on 5th November, 1845. Soon after arriving there he started business at Camden, and Charleston, South Carolina. He fought in the American War and rose to the rank of Captain. As a result of his war services he contracted an illness from which he died at Enterprise, Florida, on 30th January, 1859, and was interred in his brother Donald's private burial ground at Laurel Grove Cemetery, Savannah, Georgia.
- (6A) Frances, born at Scolpaig on 12th May, 1829, and died there, unmarried, on 20th October, 1878, and is buried at Kilmuir.
- (7A) Jane, born at Scolpaig on 26th March, 1831, and died there, unmarried, on 16th August, 1905, and is buried at Kilmuir.

Captain John Macdonald of Scolpaig died on 13th January, 1843, and his wife, Barbara Tolmie, died on 5th March, 1867.

- (6) John, his successor, of whom later.
- (7) Frances, who died unmarried.
- (8) Annabella, who was born in 1800. She married, on 31st October, 1826, her cousin, Captain Hector Mackenzie,

second son of Captain John Mackenzie, 78th Regiment of Foot, VI of Ballone, Lochbroom—who sold the ancestral Estates to Davidson of Tulloch, and a portion of which is now possessed by the Fowlers, Baronets, of Braemore—with issue, an only son, the late John Tolmie Mackenzie, J.P., Dunvegan, Factor for the MacLeod Estates, who was born on 16th June, 1828. (See Mackenzie's History of the Mackenzies, Revised Edition, 1894, and Fox-Davies's Armorial Families, 1902, page 825, and this history, page 64).

Mrs Annabella Mackenzie died on 9th February, 1862, and is buried beside her parents in the family enclosure, in the Churchyard of Kilmuir, Duirinish.

John Tolmie, of Uiginish, died on 29th May, 1823, and his wife, Jean Mackenzie, died on the 24th February, 1839, and they were both interred at Kilmuir. He was succeeded as 2nd of Uiginish by his second surviving son.

IV. *John*, who was born on 14th June, 1793, was a Justice of the Peace. He married, on 23rd February, 1826, Margaret Hope MacAskill (born 20th July, 1808), daughter of Dr Donald MacAskill (born 4th December, 1763), Tacksman of Kildonan, Eigg, son of the Rev. Malcolm MacAskill, minister of Kilmallie, and afterwards of the Small Isles (known as "Am Ministear laidir," *i.e.*, the strong minister), born in 1723, son of John MacAskill of Rhuandunan, and uncle of Major-General William MacAskill, cousin of General Sir John MacAskill, of Moodkee fame. The Rev. Malcolm MacAskill always wore a kilt of Shepherd's tartan. Dr Donald MacAskill was for many years Doctor of Fort William. He married, on 1st May, 1797, Jane Campbell (born 17th April, 1780), daughter of Duncan Roy Campbell of Edinample, Lochearnhead, Factor of Ardgour, and her maternal grandfather, Campbell of Edinample, was popularly known as "An gille Guanach." Their eldest son, Hugh, afterwards of Rhu, and Talisker, was born at Fort William on 15th November, 1799, as were also Ann and Kenneth. The rest of Dr Donald MacAskill's family, *viz.*, Janet Hobart; Mary (died at Heath Cottage, Portree, on 15th August,



JOHN TOLMIE, J.P., OF UIGINISH
(1793-1844).



MURDOCH TOLMIE (UIGINISH), LIVERPOOL
AND DUNVEGAN (1780-1846).



DR WILLIAM TOLMIE, 78TH
HIGHLANDERS (1782-1809).



HUGH MACASKILL, OF RHUANDUNAN
AND TALISKER (1799-1863).

1874, aged 68); Margaret Hope; Malcolm; John, a Medical Doctor; Allan of Calgary, Mull, Captain of an East India man, retired; and Colina, were all born in Eigg.

On 28th October, 1817, Dr MacAskill, and the Parish Minister of the Small Isles, the Rev. William Fraser, were returning from Arisaig to Eigg in an open boat in which some cattle were being ferried. There was a heavy sea running from the south west, and during a squall when they were approaching the land the cattle became restive, causing the boat to capsize. All on board perished, except a tailor who was taking passage with them, and who saved his life by holding on to the tail of a cow which swam ashore. The Doctor was a good and powerful swimmer, but got entangled in his cloak, and succumbed.

John Tolmie, second of Uiginish, was a great lover of Animals. He kept a kennel of Skye terriers which were much sought after, especially by those who went in for otter hunting round the Hebridean bays where they abounded. In this connection the following attractive episode, recorded by Mr James Wilson in his delightful and valuable book, "A Voyage round the Coasts of Scotland and the Isles," published in 1842, may be of interest to readers.

The boat on which Mr Wilson and the Secretary to the Board of Fisheries were cruising was a new magnificent Cutter called the "Princess Royal," of 103 tons, commanded by Captain Stewart. On the 27th July, 1841, running into Loch Follart, they cast anchor in Loch Dunvegan opposite the Castle, which without loss of time they visited. After commenting on this Mr Wilson proceeds:—

"On returning on board the Cutter, we found Mr Tolmie, an extensive farmer of the neighbourhood, waiting our arrival. He had come on board in the first place conceiving we were the Revenue Cutter of that coast, with whose commander (Captain Beatson) he was acquainted. However we hope he found us a good substitute as he kindly favoured us with his company for the evening. If we treated him well, he treated us still better, for he afterwards sent us an entire sheep—a splendid blackfaced wether—without fee or reward. Also a

brace of Skye terriers, now named "Uiginish" and "Folliart," the former of which rejoices in the baronial halls of the Grange House, while the latter is seemingly satisfied beneath an humbler cottage roof at no great distance.

"He informed us that a very large whale had been noticed off the Skye coast for four or five years. It was probably the one we saw near Eilan-Glass."

Mr Wilson, referring to his discussion with Mr Tolmie on the position of farming in Skye at that time, continues his narrative :—

"He said that the island was admirably adapted for grazing, but that little should be attempted in the way of Agriculture except for potatoes, as the crops are so liable to be destroyed by high wind and heavy rain. Between thirty and forty years ago horses and black cattle were the chief produce, sheep being few in number, and kept almost entirely for domestic use. The native breed of the latter, called *caoirich bheaga*, were extremely small, seldom weighing more than thirty pounds, and of various colours. Their wool was fine, their mutton of delicate flavour, and their familiar habits of use in admitting of the ewes being daily milked. About forty years ago, the *caoirich mhora*, or southern black-faced breed, were introduced for the first time. These thrive well; but, in their turn, are fast yielding to the Cheviots which are found to be the most profitable and productive stock. Comparatively few black cattle are now reared, at least in the West of Skye. An improved husbandry has been introduced and adopted by the proprietors and wealthier tenants, but is scarcely, if at all, followed by the lower classes."

He and his wife, Margaret Hope MacAskill, had a family of five sons and four daughters :

- (1) Donald Allan, his successor, of whom later.
- (2) John William, born at Uiginish on 22nd May, 1831. He was successively minister of Strontian (12th September, 1854), Bracadale (28th February, 1856), and Contin (1st July, 1863), from which latter he retired in 1884 and took up residence in Edinburgh.

He married, on 16th December, 1858, Christina Mary, daughter of Captain Alexander Macdonald of Aird, V of Vallay, by his wife, Flora, daughter of Captain Duncan MacRae of Inverinate, with issue :

- (1A) John, born at Bracadale on 14th October, 1859, H.M. Register House, Edinburgh. He married Alexanderina, daughter of Donald MacRae, Tacksman of Luskentyre (eldest son of the Rev. Finlay MacRae, North Uist, and his wife, Isabella Maria, daughter of Colonel Alexander Macdonald of Lynedale), by his wife, Annabella, daughter of Captain Miller of Pow, Perthshire, with issue, an only daughter, Margaret Hope, who married first, John McNair, Indian Civil Service, with issue, a son, Alasdair. She married secondly, Basil Prance, I.C.S., Bindon House, Langford Budville, Taunton, with issue, a son, Ghillean, born 13th July, 1937, and a daughter, Christine Dora, born 30th December, 1940.

John Tolmie died at Oban on 15th June, 1923.

- (2A) Alexander Macdonald Cornfute, Minister of Southend, born at Bracadale on 7th April, 1861, and died, unmarried, 30th August, 1909.
- (3A) Margaret Hope, born at Bracadale on 10th January, 1863, who married, on 18th July, 1883, the Rev. Archibald Macdonald, D.D., minister of Kiltarlity, the distinguished Highland Author and Historian, son of the Rev. Roderick Macdonald, minister of South Uist, by his wife, Marion, daughter of the Rev. Roderick MacLean, minister of South Uist, and his wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Captain Norman MacLeod (Cyprus) of Stein, with issue :

- (1B) Marion Margaret Hope, born 23rd February, 1891.

(2B) Christina Mary, born 9th March, 1895, died in infancy, 22nd December, 1897.

(3B) Flora Ami Macruari, born 10th March, 1897, married, 14th January, 1920, Benjamin Charles Stuart, C.A., with issue :
(1c) Charles Macdonald, born 1920, a mid-shipman in the R.N., and (2c) Margaret Alice.

Mrs Margaret Hope Macdonald died at Glenormiston, Innerleithen, on 7th April, 1931, and was buried at Morningside Cemetery.

(4A) Mary MacRae, born at Contin on 17th September, 1864, married, 12th June, 1901, Robert MacGregor Smith, Actuary, Edinburgh, with issue, a daughter, May, married Major William Bruce Peterkin, S.P.

(5A) Flora Macdonald, born at Contin on 4th July, 1866, married, in 1888, Charles Hoffmann Gore Weatherall, M.R.C.V.S., Allahabad, India, with issue. She died in Bombay in March, 1914.

(6A) Hugh MacAskill, born at Contin on 20th June, 1868. He spent some years sheep farming in Australia, and on his retirement, owing to impaired health, he returned to Scotland and resided with his brother, the Rev. A. M. C. Tolmie, at the Manse of Southend, Kintyre, where he died on 13th November, 1908, unmarried.

(7A) Gregory, born at Contin on 23rd January, 1871. He went to New Zealand in 1889, and has a farm at Dunnivirke, Hawkes Bay. He married Ethel Briton, with issue :

(1B) John, married first, Rowena McCarlich, of Pahiatua, with issue, three sons :

(1c) James; (2c) Gains Gregory; and (3c) Bruce.

He married secondly, Irene Brown, with issue, a daughter, Caroline.

- (2B) Hugh, in business at Dunnivike.
- (3B) Donald, also in business, married, in 1939, Elsie Pickett, of Makutuku, Hawkes Bay, with issue, a son, Murray.
- (4B) Mildred, training as a nurse in London.
- (8A) Catherine Macdonald, born at Contin on 15th May, and died 29th May, 1873.
- (9A) Anne Milne, born at Contin on 6th June, 1874, died 16th March, 1875.
- (10A) Alexandrina Williamina, born at Contin on 10th May, 1876.

The Rev. John William Tolmie died in Edinburgh on 25th July, 1886, and his wife passed away on 6th July, 1917. They are both buried in Morningside Cemetery, as is also their eldest daughter, Mrs M. H. Macdonald, who, as stated, died at Glenormiston, Innerleithen.

- (3) William Alexander, born at Uiginish on 21st March, 1833. He emigrated to New Zealand, where he married, in 1862, Sibella, daughter of Donald Mackinnon, of Dalness, Launcheston, Tasmania, with issue :

- (1A) Hugh, married, without issue ; he died in France in 1929, and his wife died in London in 1938.
- (2A) Jessie Margaret, married, in 1882, as his second wife, B. C. Haggitt, K.C., a partner in the legal firm of Haggitt Bros. and Brent, Dunedin, with issue :

- (1B) Cecil ; (2B) William, both died unmarried in their twenties.
- (3B) Hugh, a farmer in New Zealand, married, with issue, one son, Donald.
- (4B) Allan Norman, a Barrister in Dunedin, married, with issue, several sons and daughters.

Joining the "Anzacs," he fought with that fine force in Gallipoli, and was wounded

in 1916. During furlough, after leaving Hospital, he paid a visit to his cousins at Dunvegan in the winter of 1916, before rejoining his Regiment in France. There, along with his gallant brothers, Hugh and Kenneth, he served until the end of the War.

(5B) Kenneth, a farmer, married, with issue. He saw service along with his brothers, Hugh and Allan Norman, with the New Zealanders in Gallipoli and France, throughout the Great War.

(6B) Sybil, married Douglas Ramsay, a Barrister (a cousin of the late Earl of Morton), with issue :

(1c) Hugh; (2c) Jock; (3c) Cicily.

(7B) Margaret, married Hubert Rattery, D.S., with issue, one son. They reside at Grey-mouth, West Coast, New Zealand.

(8B) Lillas, married Philip May, a Teacher, without issue.

(9B) Edith, married Guy Sinclair, Solicitor, Dunedin, with issue, several children. He served in the Great War from 1914-1918 in Gallipoli and France.

Mrs Jessie Margaret Haggitt died at Dunedin in 1930.

(3A) Lillas Katherine, also died at Dunedin in 1930, unmarried.

William Alexander Tolmie was an outstanding public man, and was a Member of Parliament of New Zealand. He died at Dunedin in 1875.

(4) Malcolm, born at Uiginish on 24th September, 1836, was a Banker at Geelong, Victoria, Australia. He married Hannah, daughter of Donald Mackinnon, of Dalness, Tasmania—sister of his brother William Alexander's wife—with issue :

- (1A) Allan, who resides at Dalness, Tasmania.
- (2A) William, a Banker, in Geelong.
- (3A) Frank, a farmer, married, with issue.
- (4A) Norman. He joined the "Anzacs" and was severely wounded in Gallipoli. On furlough, after coming out of Hospital in 1915, he paid a visit to his father's native place, and stayed with his cousins, John and Margaret Mackenzie, at Dunvegan. Proceeding from there to France, he was shortly afterwards killed in action.

(5A) and (6A) two daughters, who died young.

Malcolm Tolmie died at Geelong, Victoria, Australia, in 1904.

- (5) Allan, born at Uiginish on 21st April, 1842, died, unmarried, at Hastings, New Zealand, in October, 1917.
- (6) Jane Campbell, born at Uiginish on 16th June, 1827; she was married at Talisker on 6th June, 1855, to Laurence Skene (born at Fife, Aberdeenshire, on 29th June, 1815), Banker, and Tweed Mill owner, at Portree, with issue :
 - (1A) Thomas, born at Scorrybreck, Portree, on 4th April, 1856. He succeeded his father as Banker, and Manufacturer, at Portree, in October, 1880, and was Hon. Sheriff Suhstitute for Skye. He died, unmarried, on 2nd December, 1892, at North of Scotland Bank, Portree.
 - (2A) Hugh MacAskill, born at Scorrybreck, on 1st December, 1857, was a Banker in Hong Kong, and died there, unmarried, on 24th August, 1893.
 - (3A) Alexander Esson, born at Scorrybreck, on 24th June, 1859. He emigrated to Victoria, Australia, where he took up farming, and married Elizabeth Hyndland, with issue, one son and three daughters.
 - (4A) Margaret Tolmie, born at Scorrybreck, on 22nd April, 1861, and died there on 25th September, 1862.

- (5A) Mary Jane Hope, born at Redcliff; Portree, on 3rd August, 1863, and died, unmarried, in Edinburgh, on 15th August, 1933.
- (6A) Laurence John, born at Redcliff, on 21st December, 1864. He was a Solicitor in Portree, and Procurator Fiscal for Skye, and was a Major in the V.B. Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders. Later he went to South Africa and resides at Johannesburg.
- (7A) William, born at Redcliff, on 26th November, 1866. He emigrated to New Zealand, where he successfully engaged in farming, and is married, without issue. Some years ago he retired from business.
- (8A) Margaret Frances Tolmie, born at North of Scotland Bank House, Portree, on 23rd October, 1872; and resides at 8 Craiglockhart Crescent, Edinburgh.

Laurence Skene died at Portree on 9th October, 1880, and his Widow at Oban on 3rd February, 1900.

- (7) Johanna Normana MacLeod, born at Uiginish, on 13th January, 1835. She married, at Bracadale Manse on 11th December, 1854, Donald MacLellan, Tacksman of Vatersay, Barra, with issue :

- (1A) Kenneth, born 31st August, 1857.
- (2A) Allan Murdoch, born 5th April, 1859. Both died, unmarried, in Australia.
- (3A) John Hope, born 28th March, 1861. He spent many years in Australia, and, on retirement, returned to Britain, and died in Glasgow.
- (4A) Marion.
- (5A) Margaret, who married Donald Macdiarmid, Rockwood, Killin, with issue :
 - (1B) Charles, married, with issue.
 - (2B) Norman, married, with issue.

Mrs Johanna Normana MacLeod MacLellan died at Killin in April, 1910.

- (8) Mary, born at Uiginish, on 9th July, 1838; died, unmarried, at Edinburgh in December, 1913, and is buried in Morning-side Cemetery there.
- (9) Frances, born at Uiginish, on 13th October, 1840. She was the distinguished Highland lorst, musician, and genealogist. A painstaking and discriminating Collector, she was most generous in assisting others from her own rich harvest of poetry and lore—the unremitting gleanings of a long life.

Dr Keith Macdonald, Dr Alexander Carmichael, and Mrs Kennedy Fraser all owed much to her extensive fund of song and story of the ancients, and it always gave her pleasure to be able to pass on to kindred spirits all the information stored away in her wonderfully retentive memory.

A part of her collection was published in 1911 in the *Journal of the Folk-Song Society* (Vol. IV, Part 3, No. 16). For many years she resided in the Lake Country, “where she enjoyed the friendship of Mr Ruskin, and other Literati.” She was admitted to honorary membership of the Royal Celtic Society in recognition of her services to Gaelic learning. Later she resided at Oban and Edinburgh for a number of years, and in 1915, as the evening of her days approached, she returned to her native Dunvegan, and took up residence in a Cottage she called “Kilchoan,” from the north windows of which she could see Uiginish House, where she was born.

In an appreciation of her, which appeared in the *Oban Times* of 15th January, 1927, she is described as “a lady of distinguished presence and charming manners, a woman nobly planned. When the eye saw her it blessed her.” She passed away to her rest on the 31st December, 1926, full of years and honour, and was buried beside her father in the old Churchyard of Kilmuir, Duirinish.

John Tolmie, second of Uiginish (fourth representative of the Tolmes of Fortrose from William, eldest son of John Tolme), died

on 15th May, 1844, and was buried at Kilmuir, Dunvegan, in the family enclosure.

He was succeeded in the representation of the family, and in the Tack of Uiginish, by his eldest son,

- V. *Donald Allan*, third of Uiginish, where he was born on the 25th May, 1829. Not long after his father's death he gave up his lease, and emigrated to New Zealand, where he engaged in sheep farming on an extensive scale. He married at Conical Hills Station, Tapanui, Otago, on 23rd October, 1872, Isabella McArthur, third and youngest daughter of James Cameron, Tacksman of Ardintrive, Kerrara, by his wife, Jean Keddie, Peebles, with issue, five sons and four daughters :

(1) John, born 21st July, 1873, died in October, 1923.

- VI. (2) *Edward*, born 13th January, 1875, Farmer and Surveyor. He married, in 1910, Elizabeth Simmons, with issue, two daughters :

(1A) Georgina Isabel, who, in 1929, married Edwin Hughan, farmer of Aria Kuiti. (He is at present serving with the New Zealand Overseas Forces), with issue :

(1B) Edwin Tolme, born in 1930, and

(2B) June Alice, born in 1932.

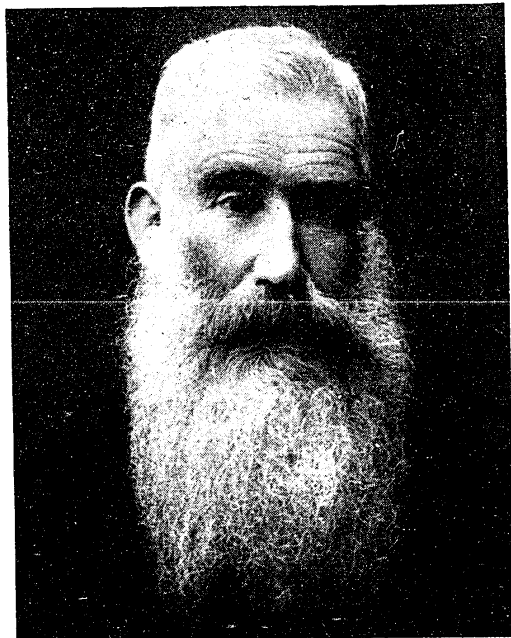
(2A) Jean Henrietta, who married, in 1931, Ivan Vallance, Farmer, formerly a Teacher, with issue, a daughter, Helen, born in 1933. They reside in the Hot Springs District of Rotorua, New Zealand.

Edward, being the eldest surviving son of Donald Allan Tolmie, is the present and 4th male representative of the Tolmes of Uiginish, and VI of line of the Tolmes of Fortrose. He has now retired, and he and his wife reside at 10 Willcott Street, Mount Albert, Auckland, S.W.2, New Zealand.

- (3) Margaret, born 4th August, 1876. She married, on 6th March, 1906, her cousin, John Mackenzie, J.P., F.S.A.



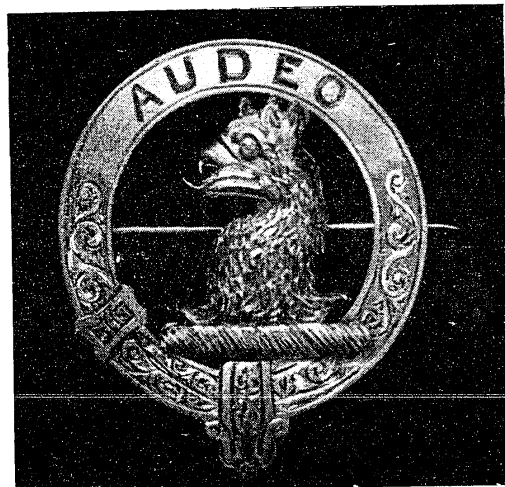
CAPTAIN WILLIAM MACKENZIE, R.N., OF
SKINIDIN, KILLED IN ACTION OFF THE
LIZARD, IN JANUARY, 1807.



DONALD ALLAN TOLMIE, OF UIGINISH,
AFTERWARDS OF MERE MERE, HAWERRA,
NEW ZEALAND.



DONALD TOLME, MERE MERE, SERVED WITH
THE ANZACS, 1914-18, DIED OF WOUNDS IN
FRANCE, 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1918.



BROOCH OF THE TOLMIE CREST.

(Scot.), Dunvegan, Isle of Skye, Factor for the MacLeod Estates (died 24th July, 1933), with issue, three daughters :

- (1A) Isabel Henzell, born 4th April, 1907. Entering the Civil Service, she occupies an important position in the Board of Trade Department, London. She has always taken an active interest in the Girl Guide Movement, and commands a Company of Guides in London.
- (2A) Anna Margaret Jean, born 14th May, 1910, resides with her mother at Dunvegan.
- (3A) Lucy Sybil, born 12th August, 1913, is a Hospital Sister, and on the outbreak of the War in 1939 she joined up, and is now serving with the British Expeditionary Force in the Middle East.
- (4) Sybil, born 14th April, 1878, died 14th October, 1912.
- (5) Jean, born 5th April, 1880, resides with her brother, James, at Ardkeen.
- (6) William Alexander, born 4th October, 1881, a farmer, who died, unmarried, 6th April, 1935.
- (7) Donald, born 1st January, 1884, a farmer. On the outbreak of the Great War, 1914-18, he joined the New Zealand Expeditionary Force and saw much fighting in Gallipoli and France, where he was severely wounded, and died at Le Trêport, France, on 13th September, 1918.
- (8) James, born 24th August, 1886. He also served with the "Anzacs" throughout that war, and on his return to New Zealand in 1918 he settled on a sheep and cattle farm at Ardkeen, Frasers town, Wairoa, Hawkes Bay, where his sister, Jean, lives with him.
- (9) Mary Frances, born 24th July, 1890. She married, in January, 1919, Dr Gordon Napier Macdiarmid, M.D., Taihape, New Zealand, with issue :

(1A) Ronald Dermid, born 3rd August, 1921, who is following his father's profession at Christ Church University.

(2A) Douglas Ker, born 13th November, 1923. He also is attending Christ Church University.

Donald Allan Tolmie, 3rd of Uiginish, died at Mere Mere, Hawera, New Zealand, on 6th May, 1902, and his Widow survived him for 31 years. She died on 29th July, 1933, aged 88. It was a great joy to her when her eldest daughter, Margaret Mackenzie, Dunvegan, and her cousin, Mary Skene, Portree, paid her a visit in New Zealand in 1924.

ADDENDUM

THE FAMILY OF DUNCAN TOLMIE, SON OF WILLIAM TOLMIE—
see page 82 (3c).

(1D) Duncan, a farmer, who was born in 1854, at Glengarry, Lower Canada, and married, in 1883, Rachel, daughter of Ronald McEachern, Glenarm, Ontario, with issue :

(1E) William, a farmer, born in 1885, and who married, in 1913, Sadie, daughter of Donald J. Murchison, Glenarm, without issue.

(2E) Ronald, born at Glenarm in 1886. He is Superintendent of John Deere Harvester, Moline, Ill., U.S.A., and in 1916 he married Margaret Kerr, daughter of Robert Kerr of Rock Island, Ill., U.S.A., with issue :

(1F) Robert Duncan, born at Rock Island, in 1918.

(2F) John Arnott, born at Rock Island, in 1922.

(3F) Donald, born at Rock Island, in 1926.

(3E) Donald, a farmer, born at Glenarm, in 1888. He owns the farm originally held under Crown Charter by Donald MacCrimmon, a Scottish Highlander. He is not married.

(4E) John Bell, born at Glenarm, in 1890. He is an official of Canadian National, at Wainwright, Alberta, and is married, with issue :

(1F) Margaret, born at Wainwright, in 1916, a nurse.

(2F) Mae, twin of preceding, is an Accountant.

(3F) John Roy, born at Wainwright, in 1918, is serving with the Royal Canadian Air Force.

(4F) Helen, born at Wainwright, in 1920, is an Accountant.

(5E) Duncan Arnott, born at Glenarm, in 1892. He is Branch Manager for the Bank of Nova Scotia, in Toronto, Ont. He married, in 1920, Sadie E. Bentley of Toronto, with issue :

(1F) John Duncan, born in Toronto, in 1932.

(6E) Samuel Roy, born at Glenarm, in 1894. He is the Superintendent of Loans for the Bank of Montreal, in Toronto. He married, in 1920, Harriet Armitage, with issue :

(1F) Lorna, born at Fenelon Falls, in 1927.

(7E) McEachern, born at Glenarm, in 1896. He is a Teacher of Mathematics in North Toronto High School, and in 1927 he married Aurilla, daughter of Wallace Gibson of New Brunswick, with issue :

(1F) Mary Anne, born in Toronto in July, 1930.

(8E) Archibald, born at Glenarm, in 1899. He is Works Manager, Canadian Industries, Ltd., Fertilizer Works, Halifax, Nova Scotia, and in 1930 he married Evelyn Murray of Woodville, Ontario, with issue :

(1F) Murray McEachern, born at Chatham, Ontario, in 1931.

(2F) Ronald William, born at Chatham, Ont., in 1933.

(3F) Kenneth Donald, born at Halifax, N.S., in 1941.

(9E) Margaret, born at Glenarm, in 1901, is not married.

(10E) Sarah, born at Glenarm, in 1904. In 1940 she married Dr Eugene Coke, of Cornwall, Ontario.