

This is a sample of the way in which our forefathers were driven from their homes in Scotland and were compelled to seek homes for themselves in Scotsburn, Canada, and elsewhere on this side of the ocean.

Other beautiful straths were cleared of their inhabitants by methods equally cruel and inhuman. The crofters were forcibly driven from their homes and glens, and no provisions were made for either feeding, clothing, or sheltering them. The men, women, and children were turned out to starve while brute beasts were taken in to feed and fatten in their places.

In these circumstances, there was nothing for our forefathers to do but to leave their native land and seek homes for themselves and their families elsewhere. Some went to the Lowlands of Scotland, and some to England, but a large majority of them went over-seas and found homes in Australia, New Zealand, Ontario, Cape Breton, Antigonish, and Pictou. A goodly number of these pioneers settled in Scotsburn and its vicinity.

It was in the year 1800 that the settlement of Scotsburn by the Gaelic speaking people from the Highlands of Scotland really began. The writer's great, great grandfather, Alexander Murray, was the first of these Highlanders to arrive in Scotsburn. He reached Scotsburn, with his wife and part of his family, in the month of August 1800. He was born in the Parish of Rogart Sutherlandshire, Scotland in 1738 and was in the 62nd year of his life when he landed in Pictou, Nova Scotia. Alexander Murray found a home for himself and family just north of the first Bethel Church.

A moss-grown stone in the old Scotsburn Cemetery marks the last resting place of this pioneer Highland settler, and from the inscription on the stone he died on the 11th day of April, 1825, in the 87th year of his age. The following words are inscribed on the old stone: "He was an honest man, a faithful friend, and a good husband. He was much respected when he lived and much regretted when he died."

Alexander, our great, great grandfather, had four sons and two daughters. They all came to Scotsburn either with their father or at a later date. Alexander



came with his father. The family were all grown up when their father left Scotland, and some had families of their own by that time. His children's names were Alexander, William, Donald, John, Christy, and Margaret. Christy married William McIntosh, and Margaret Murray married Andrew Munro in the old country. All members of the Alexander Murray family settled on the land surrounding the Bethel Church, where their descendants may still be found.

Several members of Alexander Murray (our great, great grandfather) Senior's were distinguished for their longevity. John (our great grandfather) lived to be 94 years old. William and Christy both lived to the age of 103, while Margaret lived to be 106 - some claim 107. When William Murray was in his 100th year he walked from his home at the West Branch to Pictou town, a distance of eighteen miles and back again on the same day.

John Murray (great grandfather) and his wife, Ann Sutherland, came to Scotsburn in the summer of 1803 with their two eldest children, Janet and Alexander. They brought Sandy Sutherland (who died in 1812) and his wife, Ann Sutherland's parents with them. John Murray settled on a two hundred acre block of land on the eastern end of Fitzpatrick's Mountain, and near the Scotsburn Station. He spent the remainder of his days on that property. The property has been passed on to his grandson, David W. Murray. John Murray died on April 29, 1886 in the 94th year of his age.

Before coming to Nova Scotia, John Murray served his King as a soldier in the Lord Reay Fencibles, a regiment that distinguished itself on many a battle field. He also served with the same regiment in the Irish Rebellion of 1798. He told of the regiment's struggles and how the rebels or "Croppys", as they were called, were disposed of by hanging them in half dozen lots to a pole laid across between the trees.

Great grandfather, John Murray, had ten children - six sons and four daughters. One of these sons was named Sandy, after his grandfather Sandy Sutherland. Sandy Murray inherited the homestead upon which his father settled



Sandy Murray also had a family of ten children. They were John, James, Margaret, Grace, David, Alexander, Adam, Christine, Annie, Janet. Our father, Alexander or Sandy, was one of the ten children.

Alexander MacIntosh, our father's maternal grandfather and his wife, Janet Murray, came to Scotsburn from the Parish of Dornoch in the year 1812. Janet Murray McIntosh was the daughter of William Murray or Parish Catechist of Dornoch, Scotland. She was born at Fluchary by Dornoch, Scotland, in October <sup>1792</sup> ~~1872~~. She married Alexander McIntosh of Dornoch on January 15, <sup>18</sup>11. Arrived at Scotsburn on November 12th, 1812. Died at Scotsburn on March 29th, 1881 - age 89 years. They had 10 children. Wilhelmina McIntosh was our father's mother and our grandmother. *Wilhelmina was the daughter of Janet & Alexander McIntosh*

Mr. McIntosh founded his home on the land that is a mile or more to the west of Bethel Church - later occupied by Wm. McIntosh, his grandson.

Mr. McIntosh (our maternal great grandfather) (fathers) was fairly well educated and he taught school for several years after coming here. He taught his first school in the basement of John Matheson's home at Matheson's Brook.

Alexander McIntosh served as an officer in one of the Highland regiments before he came to this country. "Mr. McIntosh was the scribe of the community in those early days." His knowledge of penmanship was of great service to his illiterate neighbors in their correspondence with friends in the old homeland. Preserved letters show they were very creditable specimens of composition as well as of penmanship. This pioneer kept in close touch with the homeland during the whole of his life. He received the "Inverness Courier" for a number of years, and his home was the literary center of the neighborhood. His his neighbours were accustomed to gather after nightfall to learn the latest news from the old country. There was nothing better than a tallow candle by which to read but every item in the latest paper was carefully read and commented upon.

The work of settlement went steadily on, year after year, until all the land in Scotsburn and the surrounding country was fully occupied by our sturdy Scottish forefathers.



The men and women who are now living on the large and well cultivated farms of Scotsburn can have no adequate conception of what it cost their ancestors in time and toil to carve the beautiful farms out of the primeval forest over a hundred and sixty years ago. These ancestors of ours had no experience in their native land of the kind of work they had to do in this land. There were no trees on their small crofts or farms in Scotland to cut down, be junked, piled, and burned. Few of them had ever used the axe or cut a tree down before they came here. But as soon as they reached this country and secured a piece of land, they went at the forest with axe and fire in order to carve out homes for themselves and their children.

The virgin soil of those days yielded bountiful harvests of potatoes, wheat, and oats. The crops were planted with a hoe. They cut the grain with a sickle, and to separate the grain from the straw used a flail. The flail consisted of two slender saplings loosely tied at one end by a piece of rawhide.

For a number of years the early settlers of Scotsburn lived on potatoes, pork, milk, butter, and cheese. The flour and meal they used was crushed grains with the quern - a hand-mill made of two flat stones as they had no mill to grind the grains. A sieve made of a sheep skin punctured with holes by a red hot piece of wire and stretched over a large hoop was used to separate the bran or hull from the flour or meal.

Long before the discovery of vitamins, these hardy pioneers seemed to understand how to preserve these food values for the long winter as the June butter was put in tubs to be used in the long winter ahead - also apples and root vegetables.

The walls of the pioneer houses were made of round logs laid one above the other and dovetailed at the four corners. The space between the logs was calked with moss in order to keep out the wind and frost. The large chimneys were built in the middle of the house and each chimney had two or sometimes three fireplaces. Iron cranes were attached to one or both sides of these fireplaces, and upon these cranes were suspended the pots, kettles, and ovens what were used in the process



cooking, boiling, and baking. Stoves and furnaces were unknown in that early day. To our ancestors fuel was abundant. All they needed to do was to cut the logs into suitable lengths for the fireplaces.

One of the serious difficulties of the pioneers of Scotsburn was the absence of roads and highways. Those who settled on the shores, harbours, and rivers could use boats for communication with their neighbours as well as the outside world. For those who settled in the interior the roads were mere trails and not adequate. There were no cart roads between Scotsburn and Pictou town until the year 1815. With only a bridle path farther west.

The first railroad survey was made before 1850, but it was not until 1873 that The Intercolonial Railway was open to traffic. Finally in the year 1888 the local government of Nova Scotia and the Federal Government of Canada built the second line which changed the location of Scotsburn Station. Decentralizing the highest interest of the community.

The religious life of the people in those early days was of the Presbyterian faith. There were two ministers who were important at this time. They were the Rev. James Lyon, and Mr. James Davidson. The Rev. Lyon came to this province at the end of the year 1764 to 1772. He was the first Presbyterian minister of any denomination that ever came to Nova Scotia, or even to the Dominion of Canada. While Mr. Lyon was ministering to these people he had his home on the property known as "The Glebe Lot" which was located near Lyon's Brook which was named in his honor.

James Davidson, a schoolmaster, came from Scotland. He established the first Sabbath School in the County and gave religious instructions to the young. On week days he taught the children reading, writing, and arithmetic; on the Sabbath he gathered them together in his home to teach them the Shorter Catechism and the Word of God.

In 1786, feeling the need for spiritual guidance, all the inhabitants of Pictou County joined in a petition and sent to Scotland, praying that a minister of the Gospel might be sent to them. The Rev. James McGregor accepted the Synod's



appointment promptly and began to make preparation for an early departure to his distant mission field. Arriving in Pictou County by the middle of August, he was warmly welcomed by all the people of the General Associate Church of Scotland notwithstanding the fact that he was a minister, and that a majority of them were either members or adherents of the Church of Scotland before they left their native land. Mr. McGregor preached the Gospel in its simplicity and in its purity in their own Celtic tongue. The Kirkmen (church people) were very cordial and loyal to him all of his life.

By 1786, many of the population of Pictou had been exiles from their native land for a period of time, and during all this time the Church in which they were born at home, and the Church they loved so much, had never shown any interest in either their temporal or spiritual welfare. There could be no membership of the Church of Scotland while living in Nova Scotia. The Kirk Presbytery was never a Presbytery of the established Church of Scotland.

The first of the union of churches was that of the Burgers and the Anti-gurgers in 1817 - then the Union of the Free Church and the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia in 1860. (Burgers)

In 1786 there were no schools nor churches. Books were almost unknown and very few could read them where they were to be found. The religious services were conducted on the Lord's Day by pious laymen and in private houses. The first churches were built in 1787 in Pictou County.

The Lord's Supper was observed for the first time in the history of Pictou County on the 27th of July 1788. That was a great occasion in the religious life of Pictou. Dr. McGregor conducted all the services alone. These services began on Thursday and continued till the following Sunday. The Doctor preached in both English and Gaelic every day.

One hundred and thirty communicants partook of the sacred Symbols. There were four long tables served on that communion Sabbath, two of them in English and two of them in Gaelic. All services were conducted in the open air and in



the manner to which the people had been accustomed in their native land. Dr. McGregor served his parish for nine long years alone. After urgent appeals for help the ministry grew with the inflow of settlers.

During the years between 1769 and 1844 a number of ministers of several Presbyterian denominations came to serve the Scotsburn Congregation. A more complete history will be found in the books, "The Scotsburn Congregation in Pictou County" and the "History of Presbyterianism in Cape Breton" by John Murray (an uncle) and also Dr. Patterson's "History of Pictou Country."

There were periods of time when they would be without a minister. The Sabbath continued to be carefully observed and family worship continued to be practiced in nearly every home. The children were taught the shorter Catechism. As a whole these families were quite moral and religious.

This happy condition of things can be accounted for by three things--

The first: The intense religious life that the pioneer settlers of Scotsburn brought with them from Scotland

The second: Was the faithfulness with which these pioneers trained their children in the knowledge of the Scriptures and the fear of God

The Third: Was the great influence for good of several pious laymen who were accustomed to conduct public worship and give religious instruction on Sabbath Days and week days during all these years. The influences of the loyalty of these Highlanders and their children to the religion of their fathers. They were conservative in the traditions of their pious Scottish ancestors.

In 1835 St. John's Church was built. The site of this church and the cemetery was on land that was granted to Alexander Murray (our great, great grandfather), one of the pioneer settlers of this community. The probability is that he made a gift of that piece of land about 1815. At that time there were three Presbyterian denominations in Scotsburn, viz, "The Church of Scotland", "The Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia", and "The Free Church of Nova Scotia." The Union of these churches came about because of the lack of their own church and the lack of pews in others.



## Schools of the early pioneers of Scotsburn, Nova Scotia

The pioneer settlers of Scotsburn were, with three or four exceptions, from the north of Scotland, and they all spoke the Gaelic language. Very few of them could speak a word of English. The Gaelic was their mother tongue. For a number of years after coming here these people used the Gaelic language exclusively in their homes, in social intercourse, and in divine worship.

Then English began to supplant Gaelic at a very early period. The instruction given in the schools of that early time was in the English language. The intercourse of the teachers and the scholars was largely in Gaelic, but the few textbooks that were used were in English, and of these books the principal one was the English Bible. It was by reading selected portions of the English Bible in the schools that the children of those days learned to speak the English language. Then from the school room, the children took the English into their homes and began to speak it to their parents in preference to the Gaelic. Many of the homes soon were bilingual.

In the course of time these parents passed away and the Gaelic language passed away with them. The Gaelic language is admired in many ways but is not well adapted for the transaction of business.

The men and women who came from Scotland at the beginning of the last century had a very limited education; few of them could either read nor write, and still fewer could teach others to read or write, and those who could read and cipher were able to read in both languages, the Gaelic and the English.

The most rudimentary education was different in those early days when people were all struggling for existence, and teachers were very scarce. The subjects taught were few - reading, writing, and elementary arithmetic. The schools were only in session for a few winter months in each year.

The second man who taught a school in the vicinity of Scotsburn was Mr. Alexander McIntosh, our father's (Alexander Murray) grandfather. Mr. McIntosh was a native of the Parish of Dornock, Sutherlandshire, Scotland. He attended the parish school in that ancient town. He received a very good common school



education. As a young man he joined one of the Highland regiments, and rose to the position of a Lieutenant.

On the 5th of January 1811 he was married by the Rev, John Bethune, parish minister of Dornock, to Janet Murray (our father's grandmother), daughter of William Murray, the Catechist of the Dornock Parish, and a man who was famous in his day among the godly laymen of Sutherlandshire. Alexander McIntosh, with his wife and eldest child, Grace, arrived in Pictou on November 12, 1812. He made plans with William Matheson of Matheson's Brook to teach the children in his neighbourhood the next winter and continued teaching school for a number of years.

After 1864, School laws were enacted - for assistance, boundaries, etc. The teachers boarded around in the homes of his pupils for a longer or shorter time according to the number of scholars that went to school from any particular home. The books were few. There were no ready-made copy books with copper plate headlines. Neither were there any steel pens. A goosequill, properly made or mended, was the implement employed in writing. The ink used was made of "ink powder."

Roderick MacLean, a native young man, the son of Roderick MacLean, a much esteemed elder of the Free Church of Scotsburn (Mother's cousin) obtained a good classical education at the old Free Church Academy, Halifax. He was the first teacher in Latin, Greek, Algebra, and Mathematics. His services were long and useful. He died in 1869, age 36.

The original Scotsburn school houses were used for several purposes besides school teaching in the day time. They were used as community centers, for Sunday School, prayer meetings, temperance meetings, singing schools, for lectures and political meetings.

The Scottish families were interested in the best education for their children. They employed the best educated ~~and~~ teachers available, and built school buildings to care for their needs. For higher education the Pictou Academy was opened in 1818 with an enrollment of twenty-three students. Pictou town has been



distinguished as a center of learning ever since that time. This Academy produced a large number of well educated men and women for every professional field. Many of these men and women traveled to many parts of the world, giving great service in their chosen educational fields.

The occupations of these sturdy Scotchmen and their families were farming, dairying, lumbering, fishing, and mining, and the special art of weaving.

Scotsburn was bicentric in that it had a good business, social, and religious educational center. Each family observed the old custom of family worship in the home.

The Scots habit is to make great boasts of their birth, and claim kindred with the Royal Family. "About one-half of the Scottish nation regarded themselves as members of the aristocracy."

The Scots are accused of being clannish. "What is bred in the bone comes out in the flesh." The farther they are from their native land the more clannish they tend to become. There are a number of Scottish Associations in America alone.

The Scotch celebrate St. Andrew's Day with toasts and songs and flaunt the insignia of the clans in a swirl of tartan and bagpipes. St. Andrew is the patron saint of Scotland; also the celebration of poet Robert Burns' Night. The celebrants know and feel kindly about Burns, the man, the tiller of the soil, the supreme maker of long songs, and to drink to him and to one another in warm fellowship "for auld lang syne." Fellowship is the key, the sense of belonging one with another as in the old clan days. Among the bards or poets of Scotland, Burns was and remains the Chief. The Chief of Chiefs at this time is the QUEEN.

In this community was, in a large measure, self-contained, and economical self sufficient. They had their flocks and herds; built their own homes; wove their own cloth; brewed or distilled their own drinks; listened to the bard and story teller; and sang their Gaelic songs. Every such community had its head man or chief, with elders to advise him. Thus, we have the beginning of the clan. The relationship of the chief to his Clan was that of a father to his children - in fact clan is the Gaelic word (clann) for children.



## The Murray Family

### First Generation

Alexander Murray    Born in Parish Rogart, Sutherlandshire, Scotland, 1738  
Died 4-11-1825, Scotsburn, Nova Scotia, Canada

Wife - Unknown

Children - 4 sons, 2 daughters all born in Scotland

(Re-Alexander Murray - Words inscribed on that old stone -  
"He was an honest man, a faithful friend, and a good husband.  
He was very much respected when he lived and much regretted when  
he died.")

1. Alexander Murray - Hardwood Hill  
Willena MacIntosh    M 12-2-1842  
Winslow Murray - Grandson

2. William Murray - West Branch of River John, 103 years old  
A. Duncan  
Wife ?

1. Thomas Murray  
Mary MacKay
  - a. Irene - Died unmarried
  - b. Jennie  
Stanley Longille
    1. One daughter Clair (N. S. 1960)
  - c. Duncan  
Wife ?
    1. One daughter

2. John Murray

3. 2 sisters in Pictou

3. Donald Murray "Donald Murray Lassie" - fair hair and handsome wife ?

1. Angus Murray - Scotsburn - later to Truro, N. S.

2. Jane MacKay

- a. Harvey Murray    Born June 4, 1866, Scotsburn  
M. D. WWI France    D San Francisco 7-1-20
- b. D. A. Murray    Prof. McGill Uni., Montreal
- c. Leanord Murray    M. D., Toronto
- d. Norman F. Murray    Born 3-31-1868    Engineering    As a war memorial a mountain range in Peace River District was named for him by B. C. Government; WWI; died in action at the Somme, Oct. 11, 1916
- e. Donald A. Murray    Phd; Born May 23, 1862    John Hopkins Uni.  
Taught mathematics Uni. of New York, and Cornell Uni.,  
McGill Uni.    Published a number of textbooks for schools and colleges



4. Christy 106 years at birth Born and married in Scotland  
William MacIntosh Lived at Fitzpatrick Mt., Nova Scotia

1. ?

a. ?

1. Helen Munro Luaglle

5. Margaret Murray Born in Scotland Died 12-11-1818 (106 yrs.) Came to  
Scotsburn, N. S. Parish Rogart Sutherlandshire  
Andrew Munro Born 1776 Died Dec. 15, 1851 Father: James Munro

### First Cousins

Wilhelmina Murray Born Sept. 9, 1849 Died Dec. 5, 1900  
~~John Murray and Ann Rutherford~~ Father

A. James Munro Born 2-7-1849 Scotsburn, Died Omaha, Nebraska

Amelia Phoneta Bruner (Nebraska)

1 Lily Munro Single Nurse West Point, Nebr  
2 Child died in babyhood

B. Alexander - Died young

C. Maggie Munro 1840, Scotsburn, N. S. Died in Colorado  
a. Alexander McGregor Pueblo Colorado  
1. Mina McGregor  
2. Edward McGregor  
3. Dan McGregor  
4 children

D. John Munro Born 1842  
Wife ?  
1 4 children, Denver, Colorado

E. Andrew Munro Born 12-7-1842 Died 4-15-07, Nova Scotia  
7 children ?

F. Adam S. Munro Born 1802 Scotsburn, Canada Canon City, Colo.  
Annie Quinn  
1. 5 children ?

G. Belle Munro )  
Robert Smith ) Olds, Canada  
1. 7 children ?

H. Anna Munro Born Nova Scotia Died 8-1851  
E. D. Johnson

1. Anna Louise "Bird" Lexington, Nebr.  
Fred Gardner Born England Died Lincoln, Nebr.  
a. Walter Gardner Born 5-16-1898 D ? Lincoln, Nebr.  
Florence Graves Born Died 7-24-1962 " "  
1. Sidney Ann Gardner B. Lincoln Nebr.  
Loren Lampert  
a. Ann Lampert b. Peter Lampert



2. Walter J. Gardner, Jr. (M ?) No family

b. Louise Gardner B 4-21-07, Lincoln, Nebr.  
 Russell Doty Blind Salesman, Pasadena Calif.  
 1. Joan Doty Single Secty. 4-4-29 "  
 2. Sharon Jan. 3, 1931 "  
 Gary Keith Hayward Teacher "  
 No family

c. Fred Gardner Jr. Lincoln, Nebr. Hiway Dept.  
 Heneretta Calussen

1. Barbara Gardner 4-26-30 Lincoln  
 Ray Churchill Teacher  
 a. Mary  
 b. Marx

c. Margaret Churchill May 1962  
 2. Margaret Gardner M Dec. 1960  
 Jeffie Cheuvrant Teacher Student

d. Kenneth Born 3-14-1897 Died 7-25-1897

2. Roy D. Johnson Born Lexington Nevraska Died ?  
 Grace Owens Born Cozad, Nebr. Died ?  
 a. Baby died in infancy  
 b. Louise Utah ?  
 Married 3 children

## Second Generation

6. John Murray Born 1766 in Scotland, Parish Regart Sutherlandshire Scotland  
 Emigrated to Nova Scotia in 1803 Died in N. S. 4-29-1860  
 Ann Sutherland Born 1776 Died 10-14-1850  
 6 sons )  
 4 daughters) Born Nova Scotia No information

Sandy Southerland Born in Scotland Died 1812 Our Great Great Grandfather (maternal)  
 Father of Ann Sutherland

1. Janet Born in Scotland - Came to Nova Scotia as a young child  
 No information

2. Alexander Murray 1815 - 1907 Scotland M. Dec 2, 1842

Wilhelmina MacIntosh 1822 June 30, 1902

(Wilhelmina MacIntosh was a daughter of Alexander MacIntosh and Janet Murray and great granddaughter of William Murray, Darnoch Parish - Cathechish - Scotland and Grace Grant who was drowned in Darnoch First - going from Dornoch to Tain.)

## Childrens:

1. John Murray B.A. D. D. Born Sept. 16, 1843. Died June 6, 1935  
 Margaret MacIntosh

a. Katherine Died in girlhood

b. Robert Burns 1st family Nova Scotia

1. Ellen Jane MacLean

2. Alexander James Unmarried

3. John Burns Murray

Polly Nordyke Texas

a. Evangeline Rose (16 in 1961)

b. Daniel (14)

3rd  
 Gener-  
 ation



John Murray (continued)

4. Grace Murray

Rev. Roy Webster Secty. to Board of Universe Mission

- a. George Murray )
- b. Peter MacLean Murray ) All born in West China
- c. Eric Douglas Murray )

5. Alpine Unmarried

2. Robert Burns Murray (Second family)

Janet ?

1. Betty Murray

John Moore

- a. Cynthia 2½ yrs. in 1961
- b. Margaret 1½ yrs. in 1961
- c. Robert Fresona Baby in 1961

(B) Robert Burns

Children - Second marriage

2. Robert D. MacKenzie

C. Lena Bessie Murray

Rev. A. M. MacLeod

a. Lorna Murray

E. T. Harriet - Bermuda

- 1. Janet 16 in 1961
- 2. Susan 12 "
- 3. Margaret 9 "
- 4. Katherine 8 "

b. Murray MacLeod

Ethel Harrison

- 1. Sharon Elizabeth 12 in 1961
- 2. Lois Murray 13 in 1961

(2) Janet Murray Born 1845 Died 1872

William MacLean Born 1841 Died 1914

A. John William Born 1872 Died 1944 His mother died at his birth.

Wife Name ? 84 yrs. in 1961 Lives 1290 Elmwood St., Apt. 3

- 1. Had several children

Cranston 7, R. I., U. S. A.

No information

(3) Annie Murray Born 1847 Died 1900

Alexander MacBain East Earltown, N. S.

- 1. Jennie Died unmarried at 21

- 2. Robert Murray McBain 1874

Mary Logan

No family

- 3. Mary Jane 1877 -1959

William Stewart Scotsburn, N. S.

a. Annie Stewart

A. J. Roop New Glasgow

- 1. Albert )

- 2. Gordon ) Twins Engineering students at Dalhousie  
Uni. 1961



Annie Murray (continued)

- b. Alexander Stewart  
Frances Freythe Wolfville, N. S.  
a. Leontine 12 in 1961  
b. Mary Jane 6 in 1961

- c. John Died unmarried
- d. Gordon Died unmarried

- 4. John MacBain 1859-1919 Nova Scotia Canada  
Dolina MacKay  
a. Donald MacBain  
✓ Lulu Ross  
1. Gerald MacBain  
2. Ross MacBain  
b. Alexander Robert MacBain Unmarried Tatamagoushe, Canada  
c. James Murray MacBain  
Ella Baillio  
1. Robert MacBain Board of Commerce  
Pat MacAlpine Winnipeg

- 5. Willena Margaret MacBain 1884  
✓ Daniel S. Ross  
a. Anne Died in infancy

- (4) Margaret Murray Born Oct. 3, 1851 Died Oct. 15, 1935 Earltown, Nova Scotia  
Robert MacKay

- a. Marion Isabel 1890 Died at 12 years
- b. Willena Annie MacKay Deark, Nova Scotia, Canada  
Gardner Forbes M 1920 (Merchant)

- A. Robert Gardner  
Margaret Murrill Heighton 1948  
1. Beverley Joanne 9 years in 1961  
2. Robert Glenn 6  
3. Lesley Margaret 2

- B. John Murray Forbes  
Joyce Porteous 1945  
a. Larry Alan 15 years in 1961  
b. John Reginald 12 years in 1961  
c. Patricia Ann 10 years in 1961  
d. Rosalyn Gail 9 years in 1961  
e. Robert Gregory 8 years in 1961  
f. Sherry Lynn 1 year in 1961

- C. Margaret Ruth Forbes  
John V. Paterson Welland Ontario  
a. Gregory Scott 7 years in 1961  
b. John Randall 6 years in 1961  
c. Geoffrey Forbes 4 years in 1961



- b. Adam Murray  
Wife  
Children ?
- c. Creelman Murray  
Wife ?  
Children ?
- d. Kathleen Died in her teens

2. Alexander "Allen" David Murray Unmarried Everett Wash.  
116-18th West Alderwood Manor, Washington

3. Willena Janet Died 1936  
William Naughton Saskatchewan Died 1940  
a. Beth Naughton, Lima, Peru Stenographer

(8) David Murray 1862-1931 Scotsburn, N. S.  
Margaret Bell MacLean B. 1869 - 1940  
a. John Murray B Dec. 1900  
Gladys Patterson 3-21-1902

1. Allen Murray  
Teressa Mahoney (Calgary) Canada  
No family

2. Kathleen Murray  
Robert Stephen Wilson (England)  
a. Donna Christian Wilson  
b. Arlene Patricia Wilson  
c. Eric Murray Wilson

b. Willena Martha Murray B 1909 Scotsburn  
George Ross B 1898  
No family

(10) { Alexander Murray } B 3-16-1849 Scotsburn, N. S. Died 9-27-1931, Lincoln, Nebr.  
{ Catherine MacLean } B Oct. 28, 1855 Pictou N. S. Died 9-6-1952

(See other sheet paper)

(9) Christna Murray 1864 Died 1913 Nova Scotia  
George Stewart Scotsburn, N. S. B 1856 Died 1946  
No family



# The Alexander Murray Families

Alexander S. Murray and Catherine MacLean were born in Pictou, Nova Scotia, Canada. Alexander S. Murray and Catherine MacLean were married January 7, 1878 in Pictou, Nova Scotia, Canada. They came to Nebraska in October 1885. First to Madison, Nebr., then on to a farm north of Elwood, Nebraska, retiring from farming in 1928 and moving to Lincoln, Nebraska. Alexander Murray was naturalized in 1890. Had 7 children.

Alexander S. Murray was born 3-16-1849 in Nova Scotia, Canada and Died 9-27-1931, <sup>Lincoln</sup> ~~Nebr.~~ <sup>Nebr.</sup>  
 Lincoln, Nebraska. Catherine Murray B. Pictou N.S. Oct, 28-1855-Died Sept. 6, 1952 Lincoln Nebr

1. John Edwin Murray B 11-11-1878 Canada, Nova Scotia, Engineer College, Hastings  
 Clara J. Hartsough B 10-12-1879 Married 3-2-1903  
 a. No children
2. Jennie (Janet) Murray B 9-8-1880 Canada Nova Scotia, Married 6-7-09 Teacher  
 Harry P. VanSickle B 4-10-1876 Died in Lincoln, Nebr. 1955  
 a. Howard Murray VanSickle B 7-29-1910, Lincoln, Nebr. PHD, Music <sup>Mankato Minn</sup>  
 Ellinor Mangels 10-30-37 M B 3-28-1909 Uni. Music <sup>Nebr.</sup> <sup>Knox, Salesbury</sup>  
 1. Carol Ann VanSickle B 1-11-1940 Pana, Illinois H. E. Major B.S. <sup>Ill</sup>  
 2. Howard Paul VanSickle B 3-15-41 Pana, Ill. B.S. Math Minn. <sup>Mankato</sup>  
 3. Jean Ellinor VanSickle B 1-4-1943 Pana, Ill. B.S. Home Ec. <sup>Elementary</sup>  
 b. Everett VanSickle B 8-11-12, Lincoln, Nebr. Uni. Nebr. United Press  
 Wire Photo  
 Susan Hutshens M 11-18-1936 B 8-20-13 Nurse Bryan Hosp. Lincoln  
 1. Robert James VanSickle B 1-29-1938, Nebraska Attended Nebr. Uni.  
 Joyce Diuncy M 8-58 B  
 a. Karen B 4-29-59 Omaha, Nebraska  
 b. Michael 10-4-1960  
 c. James B-6-25-62  
 2. Richard VanSickle B 11-7-41 Nebraska B. S. Eng.  
 3. AnnJenine VanSickle B 5-1-1951 Nebraska Student  
 c. Margaret VanSickle B 5-27-1914 Nebraska B. S. Uni. of Nebr. <sup>Welfare Director</sup> <sup>Lincoln Nebr</sup>  
 Jack Pumphery M 9-9-42 B 8-9 ? M.S. Uni. of Nebr. Teacher  
 No children
- d. Willis Van Sickle B 11-2-15 Nebraska B. S. <sup>Nebr.</sup> WW2. <sup>Lincoln Nebr</sup>  
 Helen Hight M 4-44 B 9-5-1922, Okla. Nurse WW2  
 1. Elizabeth Ann VanSickle B 3-15-1946 Ark. Student  
 2. Mary Lucinda Van Sickle B 4-16-1947 Iowa Student  
 3. Martha Ellen VanSickle B 7-23-1948 Iowa Student  
 4. John David VanSickle B 1-11-1950 Iowa Student  
 5. James Hight VanSickle B 3-9-1952 Nebr. Student  
 e. Harriet VanSickle B 3-12-1918 Single Nebraska B. S. Uni. of Nebr.  
<sup>M.S. Columbia, Uni-</sup>
3. Rena Murray B 6-26-1882 Canada, Nova Scotia, Single Teacher-Nurse, Lab. Tech.  
<sup>WWI</sup>



4. Robert Burns Murray B 9-8-1888, Nebr. Died 10-17-1959 S. D. *Nebr. Univ.*  
 Bertha Reed M 6-11-13 B 6-26-1887 *B.S. College?*
1. Cleora Theresa Murray M 11-29-40 B 4-17-1915 Nebr. *B.A. Univ. Neb.*  
 William Arnold Steckling B ? M ?  
 1. Barbara Steckling B 9-15-1943 Mich.-  
 2. Johnnie Bill Steckling B 8-25-1945 Mich.
2. Robert Lowell Murray B 12-11-16 Nebr. Died 3-539 Single *Captain.*
3. Blanche Murray B 3-30-1918 Elenor - Nebr.  
 William Riley B ? Died 8-26-59 *u w a*  
 1. Joel James Riley B 11-6-1945 -  
 2. Judy "iley B 3-19-1948 (Judith Turner)  
 3. Rebecca Joyce Riley B 2-13-1950  
 4. Rachel Jean Riley B 11-25-1951  
 5. Sarah Lee Riley B & Died 10-28-1956
4. Jordan MacLean Murray B 4-2-1920, Nebraska -  
 Wanda Waddlington M 10-22-1950 B 12-15-1923 Ky.  
 1. Charles Robert Murray B 6-11-1951, California  
 2. Michael Reed Murray B 10-25-52, Ky.  
 3. Donald Ragan Murray B 11-30-53, Ill.  
 4. Nancy Dee Murray B 3-16-1955, Ill.  
 5. Christy Lee Murray B 7-14-1956, Ill.
5. Barbara Murray B 1-9-22 Single Elizabeth, *?* Ill.
6. Louis Rodney Murray B 4-20-1924, Ill.  
 Catherine Dean M 12-20-1946 B 6-27-1935, Mo.  
 1. Jordon Henry Murray B 7-27-47, California  
 2. Shannon Kathleen Murray B 12-1-1948, Ill.  
 3. Suanne Kay Murray B 12-1-1948, Ill. *2-4-1950*  
 4. Marc Royal Murray B 8-28-1951, Ill.
7. William Eugene Murray B 8-27-1925, Ill.  
 Delores Steckman B 6-30-1928, Iowa M 10-16-49  
 1. Lucinda Jean Murray B 7-20-1950, Mich.  
 2. Carol Ann Murray B 1-11-1952, Iowa  
 3. Robert Eugene Murray B 5-1-1953, Iowa  
 4. Sandra Jo Murray B 5-21-1956, Ill.  
 5. Timothy Steven Murray B 3-2-1959, Ill.
8. James Harold Murray B 2-26-1927, Ill.  
 Delores Thode B 3-25-1928, Iowa M 12-1-47 ? 10-22-47  
 1. Leann Jane Murray B 7-9-1948, Iowa  
 2. Lowell James Murray B 6-18-1949, Iowa  
 3. Lehlam Jordon Murray B 8-29-1950, Iowa  
 4. Lynn Jerold Murray B 10-22-1951, Iowa
9. Catherine Murray B 7-4-1930, (Bernice) Iowa  
 Arnold Miller M 6-3-1950  
 1. Joy Miller (Margaret) 5-19-53  
 2. Dawn Miller (Colleen) B 4-20-54  
 3. Timothy Miller Arnold B 4-22-56  
 4. Steven Miller Ernest B. 10-3-57



10. Margaret Ann Murray B 10-23-1931, Iowa  
William Collett M 2-3-1951

1. William Collett (Orvil Jr.) 10-17-51
2. Robert Duane Collett 9-25-53
3. Catherine Susan Collett 6-5-57

5. Ethel Murray B 7-29-90 Nebraska Single - *BS Wesleyan Uni - R.N. WWI Teacher*

6. Charles Arthur Murray B 4-17-1892, Nebr. Died Dec. 14, 1955 Single - *B.S. Degree - Neb Uni*

7. Anna Murray B 10-28-1896, Nebraska  
Edward George Phelps M 6-8-1920 B 10-24-?

1. Catherine May Phelps B 8-6-1924, Wyo. - *MS - har med Wyo*  
John Killeen M 7-13-45 B 7-13-? - *2 Masters*  
No children

2. Edward Geroge Phelps, Jr. B 11-12-1927 Wyo. - *B.S. Harame Wyo*  
Inez Butler Texas -57 -  
No children



Copy of letter from Lily Bruner Munroe, West Point, Nebraska

James Munro, my (Lily B. Munroe's) Great, Great Grandfather was a native of Sutherlandshire, Scotland. Have no records of his wife. Their son, Andrew Munroe, was born in Canada in the Year 1776 - died in 1851. He married Margret Murray (Grannie) of Scotsburn, N. B. They were married in Scotland - date not known. The first two children died in infancy. The oldest living child was James Munro, born in Scotsburn, Pictou Co. in 1810. He studied for the ministry, went to New York City, U. S. A.. Became almoner of the St. Andrews Society. Married Mary Fuller of N. S. They had four children - 2 sons and 2 daughters. He died in 1882.

Margret Munroe born 1812, married Angus Matheson of Tatamaguche. Had a family of 9 children. She died in 1829. Alexander Munroe, born at Scotsburn in the year 1814. Lived in Scotsburn all his life. Married Williamina Murray in the year 1839. Eleven children were born to them. He died Dec. 9, 1887. Marriion Munroe born 1816, died 1904, married Angus McKay - "He went away."

Isabell Munroe born 1818, married William Sutherland. They had ten children, 7 boys and 3 girls. She died in 1911. Lilly Munroe, born 1821; died in New York in her late 70's. Could find no record

James Munroe

Andrew Munroe

1776 - Dec. 15, 1851

Married

Alexander Munro  
Born May 5, 1814  
Died Oct. 9, 1887

Maggie Munro 1840. Children

John Munro 1842. " 4

Margaret Murray  
(Grannie)

Sister to Shanner  
She died 12-11-18  
106 years

Andrew Munro Dec. 7-1844  
pr. 15-1907  
Children 7  
One child died

Sister and Brothers

First Cousins

James W. Munro Feb. 7-1849  
Children 2

John Murray  
Schanner  
Died 4-29-1860  
94 years

Anna Munroe Sept. 1851  
Children 5

Married

Anna Sutherland  
Died 10-14-1850

Williamina Murray  
Born Sept. 9-1819  
Died Dec. 5, 1900

Belle Munro  
Alexander 1st. Died  
2nd. Died  
Children 7

Both were natives  
of the Parish  
Rogart, Sutherlandshire, Scotland  
and emigrated to Nova Scotia in 1803

Adam Alex. Munro 1802  
Children 5  
David Munro Died 9 yrs.



### Wilhelmina Murray Munroe

Wilhelmina Murray was born in Scotsburn, Nova Scotia, Sept. 9, 1819. She was married to Alexander Munroe in 1848, who died in 1890. She lived all her life in Scotsburn, Nova Scotia, but for more than a year she has been visiting her children in this city and places in Colorado. She was the mother of nine children of whom seven survive her - being: Mrs. E. D. Johnson of Lexington; Mrs. <sup>Nebr</sup> Alexander McGregor of Pueblo, Colorado; Mrs. Robert Smith of Olds, Alberta, Canada; John Monroe of Denver, Colorado; A. S. Munroe of Canan City, Colorado; and Andrew Munroe of Scotsburn, Nova Scotia.

The deceased was a dear old lady; all her children speak of her as the happiest old lady who ever lived. All her life long she was a member of the Scotch Presbyterian Church. She was of Scotch descent and a master of the Gaelic language.

The funeral was held at the residence of E. D. Johnson in this city on Thursday afternoon, December 6, 1900, at 3:00 o'clock. Rev. J. W. Hill of the Presbyterian Church, conducted the service. All her children, together with the husbands and wives, were present - except Mrs. Smith and Andrew Munroe. The remains were placed upon train at 4:00 this morning and, accompanied by James W. Munroe, started on the journey to Scotsburn, Nova Scotia - finally laid to rest by the side of husband. The route traveled will be entirely by rail. From Chicago the way used will be the Michigan Central to Montreal from which place the Colonial will be used to Scotsburn. The trip will take about four days.



Names and dates taken from the Bible in the old home in Canada

Margaret Munroe	December 7, 1840
John A. Munroe	December 10, 1842
Andrew Munroe	December 7, 1844
James W. Munroe	February 14, 1847
Annie Munroe	May 10, 1849
Isabell Munroe	March 10, 1851
Adam S. Munroe	February 8, 1861
Daniel Munroe	October 13, 1864



## MacLean Family Tree

### First Generation

John MacLean. (Great Great Grandfather) Came from Lock Broom Rosshire, Scotland  
D.3-14-1848. N. S. "He lived and died an honest man."

Margaret Cameron (Great Great Grandmother)

Children: Jennie, Duncan, Hector, Rorey (Roderick), John, Margaret, Benny, Henneset  
These children are on grandfather's side of the family. (Brothers and sisters  
of Duncan MacLean)

Murdock MacLean (Great Great Grandmother's side)  
Isabel MacKenzie

Children were Janet, Kenneth, <sup>Catherine</sup> Kate, Donald, Mary, Nancy, <sup>Hennesette</sup> Hennerita Bell, <sup>Isabell</sup> Catherine  
Margaret, Thomas twins. These are the brothers and sisters of Grandmother  
Janet MacLean.

### Second Generation

Duncan MacLean (Great Grandfather) (Born in Scotsburn N. S., Canada)

1. Isabell MacKenzie B. D-H-25 Grandfather's first family.

Mararet, Anabel, William, Mary, Isabell, John (children)

A. Margaret (Maggie) MacLean B6-2-1841 - Providence, R. I.

Norman Logan

1. Hattie Logan

--- Walker

a. No family

2. Mable Logan Nurse - Providence, R. I.

Ashton Munro

a. Jane

b. Margaret

c. ?

d. ?

3. Mamie Logan - Nurse Unmarried (Willed a large sum of money from a  
patient) Providence, R. I.

4. Annabel ?

5. Johnnie ?

B. Anabel MacLean (Scotsburn 2-15-1843 - Spokane, Wash, 1889, Nebr. 1870)  
Rodrick MacKenzie

Children and grandchildren

1. Carrie MacKenzie

Don McKinnon M 1901 Died 1903

a. Anabel MacKenzie B 1902 P.B.K., Uni. Wash., Art major  
Anthony (Tony) Reynolds Lisbon, Portugal



Anthony (Tony) Reynolds Lisbon, Portugal (Cont. from Page 1)

1. Roderick
2. Carol Christine (M) Thomas Stanley of Carrick Fergus, Ireland  
4-28-62
3. Jean Victoria Oxford Uni. graduate  
All three attended school in England

2. Ella MacKenzie Spokane, Wash.

Bert Terry

a. Adelaide Terry First marriage

Spencer

1. Dian Spencer Adopted

Ray Layman

a. Cynthia Lynn

2. Brenton Spencer Adopted

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a. John

b. Terri

c. James

b. Husband Second marriage

3. Robbin (12 years) in 1962 Adelaide Terry - daughter

3. Willie Mackenzie

Rena

a. Allen Mackenzie B. D. Sept. 58, Spokane, Wash.

Ann Harder

No family

4. Charlie MacKenzie

Spokane, Wash.

Florence Bragg

a. John B. Ferguson

Helen MacKenzie

No family

5. John Mackenzie

Unmarried Died in a gas explosion

F. William MacKenzie

Single 12-27-46

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Duncan MacKenzie

Janet MacLean (B) Nov 1821 <sup>1921</sup> Scotia - West Branch D. Dec. 14, 1916, Spokane, Wash. 45 years  
*Scotia - Buried in N.S.*

Children

1. Alexander D. July 1869 Studied for Ministry (B) at West Branch, N. S.

2. Murdock MacKenzie

Wife

a. Duncan MacKenzie

wife

1. A son

3. Janet MacKenzie

Angus MacLeod (Calif.) San Francisco

a. Barbara Etta Chism

No family

b. Georgia

c. Margaret Unmarried

d. Catherine (Kate)

Frank Rockholds (Attorney - Chicago, San Diego, Calif.)



Frank Rockholds (Cont. from Page 2)

- a. Duncan Rockholds
- b. Gordon Rockholds

e. Duncan MacLeod Attorney - San Francisco, Calif.

Wife (Name ?)  
One Son

C. Mary MacLean 1-15-1844 Scotsburn, N. S., D 1923, Madison, Nebr.  
Henry Steckleburg Germany 1836 - D 1917, Lincoln, Nebr.  
Children and grandchildren

- 1. Bismark Died at 7 years
- 2. Emma Died at 3 mos.
- 3. Carl Fredrick Steckleburg N. Y. B 12-2-1882 Prof. in Music at Nebr. Uni.  
D Oct. 1, 1960, Lincoln, Nebr.

Ouida Wilsey Pender, Nebr. Music major, Uni. of Nebr.

- a. Carleen Steckleburg Lincoln, Nebr. B 7-1-1911 Art & Music B.S. Masters  
Dr. Russell I. Williams M.D. Cheyenne, Wyo.
  - 1. Russell I. Jr.
  - 2. Phillip Brock Carl Medical student, Wyo. Uni. 1961
  - 3. John Gilbert " " " " "

- b. Janet Steckleburg Lincoln, Nebr. B 3-12-1920, Masters -  
Arthur Adams P. H. D., Teachers - 24 yrs. Radio-Free Europe - 1961-1963  
Students
  - 1. Russel -
  - 2. Kate

4. William Duncan Steckleburg N. Y. 1882 D 1925, Madison, Nebr.  
Zira Van Pelt

- a. William Steckleburg & Dorothy Sheldon B. 3-23-20 D 3-16-60, Madison, Nebr.
  - 1. Van
  - 2. David
  - 3. Charles

D. Isabell (Bell) 11-19-1850 Scotsburn, N. S. D Spokane, Wash.  
William Engevine  
No family

E. Dr. John MacLean M.D. B Nov. 16, 1846 D Mead, Wash. (Entered Rush Medical  
College, age 37., Chicago, Ill. Diploma 2-1887 Moved to  
Spokane Widely known and respected

Louise Becker  
Children

- 1. Cornelia MacLean B D. 1960 ? Spokane

John Mallery M

- a. Louise Mallery  
Edwin Gowenlock

- 1. John Dell (Died in auto accident at 18)
- 2. James Gowenlock  
Wife ?

a. Julie Lynn B 3-1960

- 3. Gloria Gowenlock

Delos Edward Servose

a. Susan Louisa B Jan. 1962

- b. Jack Mallery (adopted by Cornelia Mallery  
-----?)



b. Jack Mallery (cont. from page 3)

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1. Catharine Louisa Mallery
2. James Vincent
3. John Patrick
4. Robert Michael
5. Mary Lisa

2. William MacLean (Died in explosion at 23)

3. Anna MacLean

Birney Uancey

No family

Herbert Young Second marriage Spokane, Wash.

No family

F. Dr. John MacLean Mead, Washington

Kate Cameron Second marriage

1. Clarence MacLean Died at 15

MacLean Clan

Duncan MacLean was first married to Isabel MacKenzie and they had 6 children. They were Margaret, Anabel, William, Mary, Isabel, John.

Janet MacLean was first married to Duncan MacKenzie and they had 3 children. They were Janet, Murdock, and Alexander

Duncan and Janet lost their mates when their children were very small.

Duncan MacLean (widower)

Janet MacLean MacKenzie (widow) Born 1820 D Dec. 14, 1916, Spokane, Wash.

They had 8 children: Duncan, Catherine, Thomas, Jessie, Barbara, Roderick, Osborn, Lexie  
Children and great grandchildren; great, great grandchildren: Roderick,  
Osborn, Lexie

1. Duncan MacLean Died unmarried

2. Catherine MacLean B 10-28-55 D 9-6-52

Alexander Murray B 3-16-1849 M Jan. 1878 D 9-27-1931 Age 82

A. John Edwin Murray B Nov. 11, 1878, Scotsburn, N. S.

Clara J. Hartsough B Oct. 12, 1879 M s-21-1903

1. No family

B. Jennie (Janet) Murray 9-8-1880 (M) Scotsburn, N. S.

Harry P. Van Sickle

1. Howard VanSickle

Elinore Mangels

a. Carol Ann VanSickle

b. Howard Paul VanSickle

c. Jean Elinore VanSickle

2. Everett VanSickle

Susan Hutshens

a. Robert James VanSickle

Joyce Divney

1. Karen

2. Michel

3. James -



- b. Richard VanSickle Uni. Student
- c. Ann Jenine VanSickle

- 3. Margaret VanSickle
  - Jack Pumphrey
  - a. No family

- 4. Willis VanSickle
  - Helen Height
  - a. Elizabeth Ann VanSickle
  - b. Mary Lucinda VanSickle
  - c. Martha Ellen VanSickle
  - d. John David VanSickle
  - e. James Hight VanSickle

- 5. Harriet VanSickle Unmarried

- C. Rena Murray Unmarried

- D. Robert Burna Murray B 9-7-1888, Elwood, Nebr. D Oct. 17, 1959 N.D.  
Bertha Reed M

- 1. Cleora Theresa Murray B Elwood, Nebr.  
William Arnold Steckling
  - a. Barbara
  - b. Johnnie Bill

- 2. Robert Lowell Murray B 12-11-16 Elwood, Nebr. Single  
D 3-5-39 Davenport, Iowa

- 3. Blanche Murray
  - William Riley
  - a. Joel James Riley
  - b. Judy
  - c. Rebecca Joyce Riley
  - d. Rachel Jean Riley
  - e. Sarah Lee Riley

- 4. Jordon MacLean Murray
  - Wanda Waddlington
  - a. Charles Robert Murray
  - b. Michael Reed Murray
  - c. Donald Ragan Murray
  - d. Nancy Dee Murray
  - e. Christy Lee Murray

- 5. Barbara Murray Unmarried

- 6. Louis Rodney Murray
  - Catherine Dean
  - a. Jordan Henry Murray
  - b. Shamon Kathleen Murray
  - c. Susan Kay Murray
  - d. Marc Royal Murray

- 7. William Eugene Murray
  - Delores Steckman
  - a. Lucinda Jean Murray
  - b. Carol Ann Murray
  - c. Robert Eugene Murray
  - d. Sanda Jo Murray
  - e. Timothy Steven Murray



8. James Harold Murray

Delores Thode

- a. Leann Jean Murray
- b. Lowell James Murray
- c. Lehlani Jordon Murray
- d. Lauren Jirard Murray
- e. Lynn Jerold Murray

9. Catherine Murray

Arnold Miller

- a. Joy Miller
- b. Dawn Miller
- c. Timothy Miller
- d. Steven Miller

10. Margaret Ann Murray

William Collett

- a. William Collett
- b. Robert Collett
- c. Catherine Collett

5. Ethel Murray

Unmarried

6. Charles Arthur Murray B 4-17-1892, Elwood Nebr. Died 12-15-55, Lincoln, Nebr.

7. Anna Murray

Edward George Phelps

a. Catherine May Phelps B Torrington, Wyo. Fullerton, Calif.  
John Killeen

1. No family

b. Edward George Phelps B Torrington, Wyo. Huston, Texas  
Inez Butler

1. No family



Duncan MacLean Family - Children and grandchildren, great grandchildren

C. Thomas MacLean B 2-7-1858 Died Unmarried

D. <sup>Jessie</sup> Annie MacLean Oct. 7, 1859 - Nov. 17, 1881

J. T. MacLean Leadville, Colo. D 1899 Hydro-engineer

1. Duncan MacLean B 8-1-1898 Everett, Wash. Self-taught Engineer - graduate Uni. Wash., 1927. WWI Officer's Training - Pullman

Thrya Allen Held 9th flyer's license for women in U. S.

a. Dick Allen Agriculture - State College - Pullman, Wash.

1. Children Duncan adopted Dick and Bob Allen

b. Bob Allen

1. Children

2. Wallace MacLean Engineer - Graduate Uni. Wash., 1926 Honor Student T.B.P. WWI flyer, Royal Air Force, Canada

Mary McCulla California

1. No children

3. Dewitt MacLean Bus Operator Unmarried D 1959 Canada Naimo, B. C. WWI

4. Clarence MacLean B 3-13-1884 VanCouver, B. C. Designed and built the first Yale Gasoline Engine; built first auto 1905; honors

Edith Cooper First marriage Died -

a. Beryle Unmarried Sec't Governot's Office

b. Genevieve ~~Un~~married Nurse

Helen Sangster Clarence's Second Wife

a. Frazer MacLean Engineering, Uni. B. C.

5. Rena MacLean Vancouver, B. C. Canada Raised her brothers

William A. Hayward

a. T. H. Jones Flyer - Trans Canadian Air Line, Vancouver, B. C. Canada  
Alfreda Maclean Hayward

1. Elwyn Jones Student Uni 1962

b. Hewitt Hayward Farmer, Ladner, B. C. Canada

Polly Brand First Marriage

1. Timothy

c. Hewett Hayward Farmer Ladner, B. C. Canada

Eileen Cairns Second Marriage

1. Wanda Alfreda Hayward

2. Lola Ann Hayward

3. William Alfred Hayward

4. Cynthia Eileen Hayward

5. Hewett Hayward Jr. B Aug. 1961

E. Barbara MacLean B Scotsburn, N. S.

John Morrison D Longview, Wash. Teacher Tomb Stone; Business Scotsburn, Spokane

1. Stewart Morrison B Scotsburn, N. S. Engineer Honors 1909

Margaret Trout Nurse

2. Stanworth Morrison Unmarried D 1918 WWI

3. John Jack Morrison Nova Scotia

Arlene Flint Home Economics Major California (Columbia 3 Scholarships)

a. No children

6 Donald "Don" Morrison B. N.S.

Margaret Logan

a. Janet B. Washington -

B. Stanworth -

Smith. N.Y. city

1. Cameron 2. Elizabeth Janet. 7-9-1961



4. Roderick Morrison B Scotsburn, N. S. D Spokane, Wash.  
Shell Oil Co. - Injury

Mable Boyd

- a. Monty Music major, WW2, Walla Walla College Married
  - 1. Children ?
- b. Daughter adopted - Mable's daughter adopted by Rod
  - 1. Has children ?

5. Clain Morrison B Nova Scotia Toronto Canada Banker Died in Toronto  
Vida Margaret Cummings

a. Ian Duncan Morrison Secty.  
Margaret Catherine McKinley M Aug. 1961

- 1. Allen Fairchild B 12-19-54
- 2. Margaret Jane B 6-1956
- 3. James Stewart B 5-19-59

b. Robert Donald Morrison B 4-14-26  
Barbara Meyer M 7-25-1949

- 1. Michael Morrison )
- 2. Nancy Morrison ) Twins Oct. 9, 1951
- 3. Robin Morrison
- 4. Blake Morrison
- 5. Dean Morrison

F. Roderick MacLean B 7-7-1866 D Spokane Wash. Spokane Fire Dept.  
Lindell Brown IOOF Grand Master 50 yr. jewel  
Children

- 1. Ruth MacLean Seattle, Wash.
- Henry Dolling Banker, Seattle, Wash. Died -
- a. Tom Dolling
  - Doris Jeanne ?
  - 1. David Stephen
  - 2. Daughter *Susie* B 12-1961

2. Helen MacLean Spokane, Wash.  
Cy Woods Lumberman Oswego, Ore.  
D 1958

- a. Edger Wood
- b. Janet Wood
  - Husband ?
  - a. Bruce
  - b. Laureen
- c. Margaret
  - ?
  - a. Linda
  - b. Mark
  - c. Roderick

G. Osborn MacLean B 8-20-1868 D 12-10-1961 Scotsburn, N. S., Canada  
Rita Margaret Irving

- 1. Irving B D 1-10-53  
Wife  
Children

2. Allison  
Children 2 sons

3. Robert MacLean M 4-14-1942  
Ruth Barbara Milligan

- a. Janet
- b. Karen

4. Joseph William MacLean  
Mary Elizabeth Sutherland, New  
Glasgow Oct. 3, 1933  
1. Children ?



H. Lexie MacLean B Picton, N. S., Canada M 3-1902 Spokane, Wash. *Died 3-8-63*  
Tom Ross Supt. of Building Bridges on N. P. Railroad D Spokane, Wash.  
1. Roderick Ross State Hiway Dept. construction engineer, Wash. State  
Betty Helen Brooks  
a. Bonnie Jean Ross  
Gerald Coffman  
1. Teresa Kay Coffman B 3-1960 *2. Tami Rae Coffman - 3-9-63*  
b. Rodeen Ross Unmarried Uni. Student, 1962 *- TVA - air line*  
2. Sterling Ross Whitworth College, Idaho WW2 Citation Spokane, Wash.  
Leona Auld  
a. No children



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Notes, In Chronological Order, From Records of Some of the Events  
In Connection with the Alexander S. Murray Family.

From Scotland to Nova Scotia, Canada. And the U.S.A.  
From the Years <sup>1738</sup> 1800 to 1963.

Our great, great Grand Father Alexander Murray was born in the  
Parish of Rogert, Sutherlandshire Scotland in the year 1738 and  
was 62 years old when he landed in Pictou, Nova Scotia (New Scotland)  
August 1800. He found a home for himself and family immediately  
north of ~~where~~ Bethel Church now stands (the family church). Just  
north of this church, on his farm location, is a public school  
building at which his great-great grand son John Edwin Murray first  
attended school in the year 1885. He died April, 11, 1825 at 87 years  
He had six children who came the Nova Scotia with their families.

Our Great Grand Father John Murray and his wife, Ann Sutherland  
came from Sutherland shire Scotland in 1803 to Scotsburn. <sup>NS</sup> with two  
small children Janet and Alexander, and Sandy Sutherland and wife  
Ann Sutherland's parents. John Murray settled on a two hundred acre  
block of land on the eastern end of Fitzpatrick's Mountain near  
Scotsburn Station. <sup>my</sup> Father was born on this property. He had ten  
children, six sons and four daughters. He died April, 29, 1866. at 94 years.

Our Grand father came from Sutherlandshire to Scotsburn  
as a young child. He inherited the homestead upon which his father  
settled when he came to Scotsburn in 1803. He married Wilhelmina  
McIntosh of Scotsburn. They had ten children.

Our father Alexander S. Murray was born near Scotsburn  
March 16, 1849. Our Mother Catherine MacLean, from near Scotsburn  
was born Oct. 28, 1855. Alexander and Catherine were married Jan. 7, 1878.  
The young Murrys were given a tract of land adjoining their parents  
farms on the opposite sides and facing the highway and a brook.  
<sup>The</sup> Our farm buildings are a very short distance away from the new



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village of Scotsburn Station and now called Scotsbuorn. Which was situated in the most picturesque part of the Province.

Three children of the Murray's were born in Nova Scotia ,Canada.

John Edwin Murray born Nov.11, 1878

Jennie Murray Van Sickle Sept.7 1880

Rena Murray June 26 1882

Alexander S. Murray our father sold his farm in Nova Scotia Canada to Alexander Campbell. Shortly after the sale packed up his belongings and traveled on an emigrant rate for new settlers , by the way of Boston on an old style side wheeler boat .Then on to Omaha Nebraska by train.Going from Omaha to Madison Nebr. to visit a short time with mothers sister Mrs Mary Steckelburg. Leaving about the last of Sept for Plum Creek (Lexington) by covered wagon and to complete their long journey to their new home. Five miles north of Elwood. There they <sup>spent</sup> the rest of their days. 1885 to 1928  
Some time before this date father came out to Plum Creek now Lexington,Nebraska to visit a cousin Annie Munro Johnson or Mrs E.D. Johnson whos husband was a land agent ,or a Government agent who located new settlers on homestead lands.

Mr. Johnsonat one time made a homestead filling on an abandoned homestead sheep ranch in Plum Creek valley a few miles (5) north of Elwood village. This place was known as Johnsons Ranch. This was also known as the half way place between Lexington and Arapahoe. Many a weary traveler stoped for loging,or to rest their horses. There was a lot of heavy timber on Plum Creek and much of it was used for fuel,fence posts and lumber.

This farm was one of the best improved farms at that time, with its all frame buildings,house,barn,sheds,yards a windmill with feed grinder attachment.



3'  
This ranch was attractive in the midst of a wide prairie landscape without habitation for many miles in most directions.

This ranch homestead relinquishment was purchased and a farm was ready for operation at once. Coming to Nebraska from Canada was a health move for father <sup>and</sup> was of benefit.

Robert Burns Murray born Sept 8, Elwood Nebr. 1888

Alexander S. Murray Naturalized 1890

Ethel Murray born Elwood Nebr. July 29 1890

Alexander S. Murray Received Homestead cert. 2928

on NW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 28-T 82R 22 Gosper Co. Nebr. 1891

About this time a Tree Claim was filed on near the town of Dix in Kimbal County, Nebraska, which is now in the oil fields. The dry years killed most of the planted trees before the claim could be proved up on. we lost 1891

Charles Arthur Murray born Elwood Nebr. April, 17 1892

Annie Murray Phelps " " " Oct. 28 1896

Alexander S. Murray deeded the Homestead to Catherine Murray

Record available bought and sold NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 33 T8 R22 Pasture land for \$800.00. March 1898

Bought W $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 17-T40 Acres Gosper Co. paid \$1260.00

near Johnson Lake Febr. 19 1900

Bought W $\frac{1}{2}$  Sec. 21-T8-R22 W 6 P.M. (just north of Homestead)

in Gosper Co. Paid \$2560.00 April 25 1902

Bought in Lexington Nebr. Lots 12 and 13 Blk B. Kutz Park Add.

paid \$300.00 April 12 1902

Bought Lots 7 and 8. Blk. 15 McCalls and Leflans Third Add.

Paid \$700.00 Aug. 18 1902

1896  
1902  
14



4  
John E. Murray and Clara Hartsough, Lincoln Married  
March 2 1903

Jennie Murray and Harry P. Van Sickle Lincoln Married  
June 7 1909

Bought and sold So  $W\frac{1}{4}$  of the  $SW\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 29 T3 No. of range 1.  
East of Boise Base and Meridian Idaho. Paid \$2000.00 Aug. 1-1911

Robert Burns Murray and Bertha Reed Elwood-Married  
June 11 1913

Bought SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 1, T9, R 22, W 6 P.M. One mile west of Lexington  
Dawson Co. Paid \$8000.00 Febr. 13 1918

Anna Murray and Edward George Phelps Lexington Married

June 8

1969  
1920  
49

Federal Land Bank, Omaha Loaned \$4000.00 on  $W\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 21-T8 R22  
Paid Loan Febr. 13 1922

Alexander S. Murray deeded all his real estate to Catherine Mu  
Murray (Less the Homestead) "for \$1.00 and other valueables"  
"Grantor hereby relinquishes all rights of every nature, absolute  
and contingent including dower, courtsey and homestead and  
inheritance in and to the above premises" Dated Jan. 6 1927  
Lexington, Nebr. town property was sold to M. Fiedler of Cozad  
Nebr. Paid \$4000.00 Jan. 30 1928  
Birth Recorded of children born in the U.S.A. recorded at the  
State Health Department, Capitol Bldg. Lincoln Nebr. 1930  
Deed given to Dist. No. 1. for drain ditch across Lexington Far,  
march 9 1930

Alexander S. Murray died at Lincoln, Nebr.  
Wyuka Cemetary Lincoln Sept 27-1931



Catherine Murray deeded all the farm land, except homestead,  
to the Seven children. Nov.30 1931

Catherine Murray deeded the homestead to Chas.A. Murray  
as a gift. He in return was the farm manager. Nov.30 1931

Irrigation and power Dist. was established in this area. 1933

By advice of counsel an information was filed for record  
in Dawson Co. by J.E.Murray to hold possession of deed, to the  
seven children, which was not recorded. April 29 1935

Above deed recorded in Logan County July 2 1947

Catherine Murray died Lincoln, Nebraska  
Wyuka Cemetery Sept. 6 1952

A grant of easement was given The Central Nebr. Public  
Power and Irrigation Dist. On SE $\frac{1}{4}$ -Sec.17-20 acres. Dec.16 1953

172 Irrig.acres on SE $\frac{1}{4}$  and NW $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec.21 1953

Charles Arthur Murray died Dec.14 1955

Wyuka Cemetery Lincoln, Nebr

Ethel Murray was duly appointed administratrix of Charles  
Murray Estate Jan.19 1956

Valuation of Murrays farm land, by Tilden and Bean. given

by Atty Clark.	Logan Co, 240	\$30.00	
	Dawson Co.160A	106.00	
	Gosper Co.720A	70.00	1956

A copy of final decree signed by County Judge J.H.Ferrow  
Oct.29 and who directed that the decree be delivered to  
Gosper, Dawson, and Logan Counties to be filed for record. 1956

Sold the 240 acres in Logan Co. to Geo.Halsted for \$9600.00  
or \$40.00 per acre. August 14 1958

Bidding on the above land was between two renters. Bids range  
from \$7200.00- 7505 up to 8,400.00 and to \$9600.00.

The deed was duly signed and delivered together with new  
abstract of title. 1958



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The Pete Blix property adjoining our Logan Co. farm sold for \$31.00 per acre. This was a 320 acre farm with improvements. purchased by the Halsteds.

The new black top Federal Highway No 283 along our east and west Gosper Co. property lines, and new bridge over Plum Creek completed

October 1958

Fred F. Dickson, Dawson Co. surveyor. Now Reg'd under new law, run a resurvey on the  $W\frac{1}{2}$  of  $NE\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. 17 (Near Johnson Lake)

established a corner according to our deeds on the south line of the Murray and Burke tracts. The Burke tract overlaps the Murray tract to the extent of 5.35 acres (See plat of new survey) Our lap is 2 Ft.

on Burke from the south

May 8 1958

Burke purchased all adjoining land east of the Murray property for \$19,000 or \$80.00 per acre

April 20 1931

J.W. and O.E. Bozarth bought the John Forrest farm. Deed recorded April, 10, 1917. Consideration \$20,000 for three quarter Sec. or nearly \$41.00 per acre.

Asked for assessment reduction on Lexington farm

Reduction of \$1,150.00 April, 10, 1958

Robert Burns Murray died Oct. 17, 1959 in So. Dakota

1959

B memorial Park. Davenport Iowa.



## Record of the Murray Grand Children.

Harry P. VanSickle and Jennie (Murray) Van Sickle.

Howard Murray Van Sickle	Born	July 29	1910
Ellinor Mangels	Married	Nov. 15	1937
Everett Van Sickle	Born	Aug 14	1912
Susan Hutchins	"		
Margaret Van Sickle	"	May 27	1914
Max C. Pumphrey	"	Sept. 9	1942
Willis D. Van Sickle	"	Nov. 2	1915
Helen Hight	"	April 26	1944
Harriet Van Sickle	"	March 12	1918

Edward G. Phelps And Annie Murray

Catherine May Phelps	Born	Aug .6	1924
John Killeen	Married	July 13	1945
Edward G. Phelps Jr.	"	Nov. 12	1929
Inez Butler			

Robert Bruns <sup>M</sup>Murray and Bertha (Reed) Murray

Robert I. Murray	Born	Dec. 11, 1916	Died <sup>3</sup> /15	1939
Cleora Murray Steckling	Born	April 17		1915
Blanche Murray Ryley	"	march 30		1918
Jordan MacLean Murray	"	April 2		1920
Barbara Murray	"	Jan. 9		1922
Louis Rodney Murray	"	April 20		1924
Billy Gene Murray	"	Aug. 27		1925
James Harold Murray	"	Feb. 26		1927
Catherine Murray Miller	"	June 6		1930
Margaret Ann Murray Collett	"	Oct. 23		1931



## Record of the Murray Great Grand Children.

## Howard M Van Sickle and Ellinor Mangels.

Carol Ann Van Sickle	Born	Jan. 1	1940
Howard Paul Van Sickle	"	Mar. 15	1941
Jean Ellinor Van Sickle	"	Jan. 4	1943

## Everett Van Sickle and Susan Hutshens.

Robert James Van Sickle	Born	Jan. 29	1938
Richard Van Sickle	"	Nov. 7	1941
AnnJenine Van Sickle	"	May 1	1951

## Willis Van Sickle and Helen Hight

Elizabeth Ann Van Sickle	Born	Mar. 15	1946
Mary Lucinda Van Sickle	"	April 16	1947
Martha Ellen Van Sickle	"	July 23	1948
John David Van Sickle	"	Jan. 11	1950
James Hight Van Sickle	"	Mar. 9	1952

## Robert Burns Murray and Bertha Reed Murray

Clossa Murray and Arnold Steckling			
Barbara Steckling	Born	Sept. 15	1943
Johnnie Bill Steckling	"	Aug. 25	1945

## Blanche Murray and William Riley

Joel James Riley	Born	Nov. 6	1945
Judy Turner Riley	"	Mar. 19	1948
Rebecca Joyce Riley	"	Feb. 13	1950
Sarah Lee Riley	"	Oct. 28	Died 1956
Rachel Jean Riley	"	Nov. 25	1951

## Jordan MacLean Murray and Wanda Waddlington

Charles Robert Murray	Born	June 11	1951
Michael Reed Murray	"	Oct 25	1952
Donald Ragan Murray	"	Nov. 30	1953
Nancy Dee Murray	"	Mar. 16	1955
Christy Lee Murray	"		



*Your Grandfather's brother*

(5) James Murray D. D. Born 4-6-1854 Died 12-18-1919 Toronto Car accident  
Scotsburn Knox College 4-1913

Madge Webster

*married* 1. Stanley Webster Murray Distinguished artist, London

*son* Flossie Poapest of Ottawa

a. Joan Poetess Died at 24 (Poems by Joan Murray  
(Foreword by W. H. Auden)

Webster divorced; married Joan Kidell - Noted illustrator of children  
books in Britain  
WWI Died in 1945

Wife and son (16) live in Malorca, Spain

2. Willena Elizabeth Murray

*Daughter* Andrew Faskin of Texas in 1916 Oil man, rancher, banker

*married* a. Murray Faskin WWI distinguished career

*son* Celeste Morrison

*married* 1. Andrew 19

2. Susan 16 in 1961

3. Stephen 12

b. Helen Faskin Born 1918

*Daughter* Wesley House

*married* No information as to family

3. Helen Scott Murray

*Daughter* Gregory Clark News correspondent

*married* a. James Murray Clark Killed in action Sept. 1914

b. Gregory Joseph Clark B. A. B. Ed. School Principa;

*married* Doreen Pew

1. Andrew Clark 8 in 1961

2. Dorian 6 in 1961

3. Lesley 4 in 1961

c. Elizabeth Kay Clark

Hiro Wakaboyaski Fashion photographer of New York

1. Gregory Thomas Wakaboyaski 8 mos. 1961

*Your Grandfather's sister*

(6) Grace Murray Born 1870 Died ?

*Aunt* James Porter

1. Ellsworth Franklin Porter

Mary Gerrard Ross

1. Grace Porter

Rev. James Leadberter B. A.

a. Mary Lou

b. Shirley

c. Allen in school

2. Robert Porter

Mary Chenell

a. No family

3. James Porter

- Clark

a. Judy

b. Paul

c. Cheryl

4. Murray Porter

Mary Chearell



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4. Murray Porter  
Mary Cheorall
  - a. Beverly
  - b. Diane
  - c. Robert
  - d. Ruth
  - e. Brend
5. Forest Porter  
Alice Ballantyne
  - a. Laura Lee
  - b. Sheree

2. Sadie Elizabeth Porter B.A. Died unmarried

3. Rev. Alexander Murray Porter B.A.  
Lena Sibley B.A.

1. Dr. Warren Ellsworth Porter  
Dr. Edith Earle
  - a. Frank
  - b. Rolfe
  - c. Alexander Murray Porter

2. Stanley Porter  
Rosamond Lyle
  - a. Raymond
  - b. Stephen

4. Williamina Jessie Porter  
Murdock Faulkner

1. Catherine Shirley  
Rev. Alan Duncan
  - a. Barbara 8 years in 1960
  - b. David (died as a baby)

2. Murray Edward Faulkner  
Joan Blanchard
  - a. Robert Murray
  - b. Janet Shirley

5. Annie Daveda Porter

Rev. J. D. MacLeod

- a. Donald Ellsworth
- b. Eileen MacKay

1. James Donald 1 year old October 25, 1960

(7) Adam Murray 1860-1939

*under* Katherine Murray (Scotsburn) 1860 Died 1926

1. Bessie Mae Murray Died  
William Halliday Remarried  
No information

- a. Nan Murray  
----Cameran  
One daughter



The names and date of birth and deaths of the Alexander, Murray family. <sup>Sandy Sr</sup>

Alexander Sandy Murray	-Scotland	1815	-Died	Scotsburn	1907
Wilhelmina McIntosh Murray	"	1822	"	"	1902

Their children.

Rev. John Murray	Scotsburn	1843	"		1935
Alexander Sandy Murray ←	"	1849	"	Nebraska	1931
Margaret Murray McKay	"	1851	"		1935
Rev. James Murray	"	1855	"	Canada	1919
Adam Murray	"	1860	"	"	1939
Dave Murray	"	1862	"	"	1931
Christina Murray Stewart	"	1864	"	"	1913
Grace Murray Porter	"	1870			
Jannett Murray McLean					
Annie Murray McBain					

→ My Grand parents - your S. G. Grand parents

→ Your Grandfather - My father ←

→ Married Mudge Webster -