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GRANT - HARPER WEDDING

Wedding vows were exchanged by Theresa Lynne Grant and David E.R. Harper in a ceremony held at 6P.M. at The Courtyard, Lake Lucerne, Orlando Florida on Saturday, May 18, 1991. The ceremony was performed by Reverend Herrin.

Kilted Bagpiper David McCallum entertained the guests with Scottish music before and after the ceremony.

George H. Grant, Convenor of Clan Grant in the United States, gave his daughter in marriage wearing his Bonnie Prince Charles and dress kilts. The bride was dressed in white satin and Alonzo lace adorned with pearls and beading.

The bride's attendants wore peach satin dresses with lace bodices. Her sister, Susan Grant Bisbee of Tallahassee, FL was the Matron of Honor. Childhood friends, Theresa Walter, Donna Ullenberg Laster both of Chattanooga area and College Roommate Sally Maddox of Raleigh NC served as Bridesmaids. Blaire Elizabeth Bisbee, niece of the bride was the flower girl, and Grant Bisbee, nephew, served as the ring bearer.

Kenneth Houston of Lynchburg, Va. was the Grooms Best Man. Ben Harper, Mark Hicks of St Petersburg FL and George Grant, Jr. of Chattanooga, TN, brother of the Bride were Groomsmen.

Bill Grant, currently of Krakow Poland, brother of the Bride, seated both Mothers. Mrs. Susan Swatzell, of Nashville Tn kept the Bridal Book.

A reception was held immediately after the ceremony in the Normart-Parey House and the Courtyard grounds. Guests included Mr. & Mrs John C. Grant, Stone Mountain, GA; Mr. & Mrs Edmund Grant of Ocean Reef, Key Largo, FL; Mr. & Mrs James Russell Grant of Longwood, FL; Mr. & Mrs Robert McPherson of Florida; Mr. & Mrs Al Canning of Dunedin, FL; Mr. & Mrs William A. Walter of Chattanooga, TN.

Following a wedding cruise to the Bahamas, the couple reside in Orlando, FL.



George Grant, our convenor, escorts the bride down the aisle wi' a tear in his e'e

GRANTS PARTICIPATE AT McHENRY HIGHLAND FESTIVAL

On 1 June Clan Grant made its first appearance in Western Maryland at the McHenry Highland Festival. This was only the 4th year for these games and each year they get bigger and better. We attended last year and when we found out that Clan Grant did not have a tent there, we decided that would have to be rectified. Since there wasn't a tent before, we were surprised but happy, to learn that one of the sponsors of these games is Dr. B. L. Grant of Oakland, Maryland. Dr Grant was not in attendance but his brother Reverend John Grant was. Reverend Grant is a fine piper and was busy all day and part of the evening playing with the Garrett Community College pipe band.

We set up our tent early in the morning and were ready for business when the festivities started at 10AM. The weather was fantastic. We had lots of visitors and made lots of new friends. Unfortunately only three of the visitors were Grants, but a beginning had to be made and that was it. Once our presence becomes known, it is sure to improve. The people that run the games are really friendly and welcome suggestions on how to improve them. If you would like to spend a day in a beautiful mountain setting among friendly people, then you should come to the McHenry Highland Festival next year. God willing we will be there to greet you.

Legend of the Thistle

From "the Clansman"

Countries have long honored particular flowers by making them national emblems. Just as the shamrock has long been associated with Ireland, and the lily with France, so, too does the thistle have a long history as the emblem of Scotland.

The legend of the Scottish Thistle dates way back to the year 1010 during the reign of Malcolm I when the Danes invaded Scotland. As the story goes, the Danes landed at Buchan-ness, intending to storm Slain's Castle, a fortress of some importance. Midnight was the time selected for the attack and, as their presence was unsuspected, they expected to succeed in taking possession of the castle. The Danes advanced slowly and silently and, to prevent the possibility of their footsteps being overheard, they took off their shoes. Upon successfully reaching the castle, the Danes had only to cross the moat to savor the glory of victory. But, much to their surprise, the moat, instead of being filled with water, was dried up and overgrown with thistles. The Danes let out loud cries when the thistles pierced their unprotected feet and the sleeping inmates of the castle were awakened with a jolt.

Thus was the thistle the means of preserving Scotland, and was thenceforth adopted as her national emblem. Scotland's motto, "No one injures me with impunity" also harks back to the Danes' unsuccessful attempt at invasion.

By George!!!

Thank you for your prompt response in paying 1991 dues. It makes our Secretary's job much easier and reflects enthusiasm. From now through September there will be Highland Games somewhere in the US. Clan Grant will have a tent at most of them. Already we have participated at Orlando, Dunedin & Key Biscayne in Florida; Carrollton, KY; Fair Hill, PA; Yuba City/Marysville, Dixon, California and Hawaii. Look for the games in your area. Our tent manning volunteers are looking for you.

Gene Grant is doing a wonderful job with this newsletter. He deserves our support and participation. We do not have professional reporters, Associated Press, etc.; to supply us with news about Grants, only your input. Some of this is taken from letters received by me, information passed on at games tents etc.;. Please take the time to share your family news with us.

Our daughter, Terrilynne Grant, married David E.R. Harper on May the 18th, in Orlando. Thanks for your thoughts. A story & pictures appear on the front page of this issue. Of course, I wore my kilt, and of course, we had a Piper to play for us.

It will become necessary to increase our annual dues to \$20 for fiscal 1992. When we began dues were set at \$15.00, with \$5.00 earmarked for scholarships, gifts, and support for worthwhile causes of interest to our membership. We no longer are able to meet that requirement. Further, we must have sufficient funds in hand to secure continuation of the Society. We cannot go around with hat in hand for basic support. A three member committee will be set up to oversee expenditure of these funds. The convenor will be an ex-officio fourth member.

Response to my request for a volunteer to take over the convenor- job has been underwhelming. I know we have many members qualified to the job. This is not my Clan Society, its yours.

A classic example of pure logic I remember from school states; 1. Cato is a man. All men are mortal. Conclusion: Cato is mortal.

With this thought in mind, let's each of us seriously consider offering our time to the Society, for a fixed term of office. The requirements of the position are:

- 1) Have an interest in Grant and Scottish Heritage.
- 2) Enjoy working with people, and leading through example.
- 3) Be willing to give eight hours a month to the Society.
- 4) Communicate with other Society Branches, when necessary.
- 5) Represent the Chief, or designate, when appropriate.
- 6) Be willing to serve for at least two years.
- 7) Help co-ordinate Society officers efforts to serve members best interest.
- 8) Continue goals of Society and propose change when the situation requires.

It's that simple. Please give me a call or write so we can begin the transfer process.

The Editors Desk



I want to thank all the folks who got their stories and articles to me on time. It makes things a lot easier on us all when you do. One person I can count on to be first is Beryl Grant. She is always the first to send in and always has the largest.

This issue is terribly late because I did not receive the material from some of the contributors until after the paper should have been published.

It is especially important that I have the stuff in hand on schedule in the July and September issues. My business is Air Conditioning & Refrigeration and our heaviest load falls on those months. I just don't have the time to sit down and work on the paper for several days in a row to meet the publication date. The Scottish American requires their material 3 months in advance, I am only asking 6 weeks.

As to the ones I am always waiting on or have to call, I am going to adhere to a strict deadline from now on. The Craig is published in March, July, September and December. That means the deadline is mid-February, June, August, and November. I will not call or write to anyone so if we have a two page Craig, you will know the contributors did not make the deadline.

I will make an exception for the September issue, since it is already late getting started.

Let's do better from now on though.

STONE MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES OCTOBER 17 THROUGH 20, 1991

Once again we look forward to the Stone Mountain Games. We always have a great time. Of course the Tattoo on Thursday evening, a free day Friday to go to Seminars, Celidhs, Whiskey tastings, Piping exhibitions and competitions, concerts, and even SHOPPING!

Atlanta is a great city to visit, and our Games Hosts appreciate the Clans presence. SMHG games area is conducive to fellowship among the Clans. Every Clan always seems to attract more new members, than even the Grandfather Mountain Games.

Clan Grant starts the games with the Tattoo on Thursday, John Angus Grant's golf outing at Stone Mountain Course (entry fee is one new or used golf ball for John) Friday morning, a Clan reception at our Motel on Friday, Games all day Saturday, a Clan Dinner Saturday Night, and more Games Sunday, with the annual Walter Grant Memorial Clan Challenge Tug of War (we have won our own tournament two years in a row) and lots of fun all day.

Arrangements have been made with La Quinta Inns for a block of ten rooms (reservation # 0668-12828-B.) The reservation is for four nights (October 17-20), and the rate is \$60. per night. To make reservations, call before October 2, 404-496-1317 and ask to be placed with the Clan Grant. Unless guaranteed in advance the room will not be held after 6:PM on arrival date.

Donald L. Grant has made arrangements for us. If you have any questions, or to make reservations for any of the activities or to offer your help, call or write Don.

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STATELY HOMES ABOUND IN SCOTTISH BORDERS

by Allen Gardiner

Although many American tourists who go to Britain concentrate on London, with a possible sidetrip to Stratford or Oxford, those in the know also include a few days in Scotland to get the full flavor of the United Kingdom. To dedicated Scotophiles, there really isn't a lot of comparison between the two countries. Although they share the same language and have shared the same monarch since 1603, Scotland and England still celebrate their difference in law and established religion. More important, however, is the difference in national character, Scots being descended from Celts, and the English descended from--well, other peoples.

One of my chief interests as a tourist in any land is visiting stately homes. To my pleasure, they abound throughout Britain, and because of heavy death duties, over the past few decades the heirs/owners have been forced to open these once private homes to the public to help pay for upkeep, renovation and repair. To many owners, these homes are not so much theirs as they are a part of British heritage; they see themselves not as owners of priceless antiques and paintings but as conservators of a sacred trust, since what they possess is often what I think of as "the best of the past".

Over the years I have been privileged to tour many stately homes, both in Scotland and England. Each differs from the others, whether in style of architecture, age, furnishings, or historic connection, but each has its own special charm and each is interesting in its own way.

Happily for a traveler with a car, a number of historic homes are found in close proximity in the Scottish Borders. These include Abbotsford, Bowhill, Drumlanrig Castle, Manderston, Thirlestane Castle, Mellerstain and Traquair.

Of these I deem Mellerstain, one of the great Georgian houses of Scotland, the most handsome. Home of the Earl and Countess of Haddington, Mellerstain almost resounds its splendid Adam plasterwork and decoration. The house was built in two stages--the two wings in 1725 by William Adam, and the large central block between 1770-78 by his son, Robert Adam. The library here is said to be the finest Adam room in all Britain. In fact, the only private home I've seen that rivals it is Harewood House, near Leeds, home of the Earl of Harewood, itself another Adam house!

I visited Mellerstain last year with my cousins, Dorothy and Bob Brown and John Grant, all of Edinburgh. They, too, had never seen it before, and like me, couldn't believe how beautiful it was. Our common complaint: the house was freezing cold although it was a beautiful sunny day outside. Yet this may be a small price to pay for living amid such beautiful furnishings.

Nearby is Abbotsford, home of the celebrated barrister-turned-novelist, Sir Walter Scott. An Edinburgh native, Scott's deep love of the Border country caused him to purchase land on the banks of the River Tweed in 1811. Because this had once belonged to the monks of Melrose, he changed the name of the farmhouse to Abbotsford. The later success of his Waverley Novels, begun in 1814, led him to tear down the old house and erect a new one in the early 1820s. Although faced with financial ruin in 1826, Scott managed to hold on to Abbotsford.

As is often the case of people who are immersed in the past, Sir Walter Scott was a great collector, especially of armoury, all of which is on display to the public. Many of his personal effects are also on display, and some of the furniture was made specifically for Scott. Knowing of his love and interest in history, it is not surprising to learn that a writing desk was made for him from pieces of wood from ships of the Spanish Armada or that the dining table was made out of old oak trees from Drumlanrig Castle: we would almost expect it of him.

Scott died in 1832 and is buried at Dryburgh Abbey, not far from Abbotsford. Many visitors, myself included, love the view ("Scott's View," of course!) from the Eildon Hills nearby.

West of Abbotsford, near Innerleithen is Traquair House, the oldest inhabited house in Scotland. The home of the Maxwell Stuart family, Traquair has had a long connection with Scottish royalty who often stayed there to enjoy the pastimes of hunting, hawking and fishing. Mary Queen of Scots slept here and so Traquair has a number of her possessions on display, including her rosary, crucifix and purse, the cradle in which she rocked her infant son, and the the silk quilt which she and her "Four Maries" worked.

It was at Traquair, in the autumn of 1745, that the 5th Earl, in wishing his guest, Prince Charles Edward Stuart, a safe journey, promised that the Bear Gates would not be reopened until the Stuarts were restored to the throne--a promise that has been kept by the Stuart family to this day.

Another stately home near Edinburgh, at South Queensferry, is Dalmeny House, home of the Earl and Countess of Rosebery. The Rosebery Collection includes early Scottish portraits and 17th century furniture, and a fine group of 18th century portraits by Reynolds, Gainsborough, Raeburn and Lawrence, etc.

Of particular interest at Dalmeny House is the Napoleon Room, with paintings of the Emperor, furniture used by him at his height of power and the simple desk and chairs used by him in exile on St. Helena. Ironically, the collection also includes the campaign chair used by the Duke of Wellington in the Peninsular War and when he finally defeated Napoleon at the

Battle of Waterloo.

The Rothschild Collection at Dalmeny House comprises the best of the superb French 18th century furniture, porcelain and other works of art which Baron Meyer de Rotschild collected (his daughter, Hannah, married the 5th Earl of Rosebery).

If you tire of gazing on glories of the past, as with most stately homes, you can take a relaxing walk through the rhododendrons and azaleas. Most stately homes also offer a small tearoom where you can have a sweet and a cup of tea to fortify yourself before journeying on the next stately home!

REUNITED AFTER 37 YEARS

When Margaret (Grant) Gardiner, of Denison, Kansas, returned to her native city, Edinburgh, Scotland, in May of this year, it was the first time she, her sister, and two older brothers had all been together in thirty-seven years.

The sister, Christina Grant, a legal typist for the Royal Bank of Scotland's head office, and the elder brother, James Brodie, a retired nurse, both reside in Edinburgh. The younger brother, Tom Brodie, resides in Denver, Colo.

Margaret was a GI war bride who met her future husband, Raymond Gardiner, at the end of World War II at a Red Cross function in Edinburgh. He was on furlough. Margaret emigrated to the U.S. in January 1948 to marry Raymond, who was farming at Denison, Kansas, his native place. Before her marriage, Margaret was a hostess in the catering business in Edinburgh.

When Margaret paid a return visit to her homeland in 1954, taking her children, Allen and Janice, then ages 5 1/2 and 3, her parents, James and Minnie (Rogers) Grant, were both living, and both brothers and sister were yet at home. The following year her brother Tom, who was trained as an electrician and draughtsman, emigrated to Ontario, Canada, and two or three years later came to the U.S., locating first at Kansas City. Later he married and moved to Denver where his family yet reside. He is now a retired business entrepreneur.

Margaret made another visit to Edinburgh in 1970, and her brother Tom had made several visits back to Scotland over the years, but neither had been here at the same time. This year they decided to go back so that all four siblings could be together again. Margaret's father, a decorator, died in 1958 at the age of 69; the mother died in 1975, age 78.

Also journeying to Scotland for the reunion were Margaret's daughter, Jan, of Denison, Kansas, and son, Allen, of Hayward, Calif.; and Tom Brodie's wife, Ann, and daughter, Bonnie.

Margaret noticed many changes in Edinburgh in the past 21 years. She particularly enjoyed seeing the 1790s tenement building in Nicolson Street across from Edinburgh University, where she spent her first twelve years of life. The flats have all been renovated in recent years. She also walked by many old haunts of childhood and down streets where her forebears had resided for numerous generations. The building at 13 Drummond Street where her grandfather, John Holt Grant died in 1917 is still standing and currently undergoing renovation. Her great-great-grandparents, Charles Grant and Helen Kerr Holt, both died in Craigs Close, High Street, but the building was demolished in 1932 to build an extension to the City Chambers.

All of Margaret's aunts and uncles are now deceased but she did have a joyous reunion with a number of Grant cousins. The Gardiner family also journeyed to England, where they had two big get-togethers with Rogers cousins, one near Wells, Somerset, the other at Bishop's Waltham, near Southampton. Margaret's mother was born near Meare, Somerset.

Coming in the Craigellachie

We have been promised the following stories:

Robert & Vivien Grant, reporting on a trip to Jamaica and finding family roots.

Rod Grant reporting on Glenmoristan Pipe Band beginnings.

Report on the Grandfather Mountain Games along with others.

ILLEGITIMACY IN SCOTLAND Bastards No More?

by Duncan Beaton

Scots and English law remain completely different. In Scotland a child born out of wedlock was automatically legitimated on the marriage of its parents. In England marriage did not change the status of the child.

Then on the 8th of December 1986 Scots law was changed further and "love children" or those "born on the wrong side of the blanket" were no longer considered to be on the wrong side of the law.

David Steele, writing in the Glasgow Herald, saw this as a major step on the road to ending the stigma attached to being an "illegitimate" child and, worse still, the legal barriers which were put in the way for life.

The change in the law was the result of the passage of a private Member's Bill introduced in Parliament by Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, conservative MP for Edinburgh West. A former advocate himself, he had the backing of the Scottish Law Commission which carefully prepared the Bill for presentation.

The major improvement for any child, who never had any choice in the matter of their birth, comes in the thorny field of inheritance. Until passage of this Bill, the child born out of wedlock could have no legal claim on the estate of any relative except the parents.

Under the new law, if a relative of either parent dies without a will, then any child has the same right of succession as any other.

The reform also gives the mother immediate rights of guardianship over her child, a right for which she previously had to apply to the courts if she was not married to the father.

This does not, however alienate the father as he can apply automatically for whatever rights he seeks and is successful in persuading the court that he is entitled to.

How this will effect the matter of genealogical research must wait some generations to be seen. Further, how it effects the succession in the rare cases where these might be involved may prove interesting.

For the time being, the claims of those born in wedlock continue to take precedence over those of people who were not.

The concept of primogeniture where the eldest son succeeds to the property and (where there are any) titles of the father, was brought to Britain from Scandinavia.

The influence of the "Normans" who were Viking who had lived for 150 years in northwestern France before invading England, is well known in this respect. The similar influence of their western Viking cousins on Ireland and Scotland in bringing the concept of primogeniture to the outland Celts is less well acknowledged.

Both Biblical and Viking influences made legitimacy or bastardy a matter of great importance. While some might see the reform of this Scots law as giving way to the forces of disintegration, others see it as a more Christian attitude towards innocent children.

When the law passed in 1986 it recognized the facts of modern Scottish life where the national average for out of wedlock births was 18.5%, with that of Glasgow a high 29.5%.

London writer Graham Heathcote, writing recently for AP, announced that the new edition of "Debrett's peerage and Baronetage" has now begun to print the names of "illegitimate" children of those titled families who can provide them with the fact.

This is something of a revolution for the weighty reference book which was first published in 1769 and appears every five years.

Frances-Jane French, an authority on the Anglo-Irish aristocracy is quoted as stating that "at the beginning of the 18th century, fathers always claimed their illegitimate children and put them in the parish registers, it was only Victorian prudery that swept them all under the carpet."

Ian McCorquodale (a name with strong connections to Argyll), chairman of Debrett's, concludes, "There is no reason at all why Debrett's should take a moralistic line. A lot of our (aristocratic families) sprang from the mistresses of Charles II."

At the launching of the new volume in mid-February, editor Charles Kidd mentioned the natural children: "We have put them in at the request of those families who wanted the names of natural children to appear."

" here in this country, about one in every four children is born out of wedlock. If parents agree, we believe that Debrett's should record illegitimate issue to ensure that the book is comprehensive, although these children still cannot inherit a title."

He added that about 200 names of natural children have been added due to the change in social attitudes. Two of the Scottish families involved are those of Errol and Lennox.

From the Journal of the Clan Campbell Society

SIOL ALPIN

Not, this time, a discourse upon what should be happening, but some information on those within the Siol Alpin. Grants, MacGregors, MacAlpin(e)s, MacKinnons, MacOuarries, MacNabs, MacFies, and MacAulays all make up those Clans claiming descent from King Kenneth MacAlpin.

Clan Gregor are at present researching a line of thought that takes them further back than the King. How successful they are remains in the future, but it will be interesting to see any results.

It is my intention to present some details on all the Clans within the "Federation", to give an insight into the varied people within.

I start with Clan Gregor, not inferring any seniority, just they are one of the better known Clans of Highland Scotland.

SIOL ALPIN :: CLAN GREGOR, The Children of the Mist

Royal is My Race is the proud slogan of Clan Gregor. Through the centuries they went their own way regardless of the wishes of authority. It didn't really matter to them if it was Scottish or English, if it didn't fit with them, it was ignored.

Everyone has heard of Rob Ruaidh MacGregor, but how many realize that at the time of his history making exploits, he wasn't the Clan Chief? How many know that, although Clan Gregor held lands around Loch Lomond and in Perthshire, their Chiefs original title was of Glenorchy, now a Campbell title.

In came the Campbells and here started all Clan Gregor's troubles.

Glenorchy's proud mountains, Caolchurn and her towers,

Glenstrae and Glenlyon no longer are ours We're landless, landless, Gregalach

So runs the first part of a poem telling of Clan Gregor's misfortune.

The Campbells of Glenorchy were the primary movers against MacGregors, although to leave out Argyll would be too simple. For wherever greed was about, you can be sure that Campbell of Argyll was there or thereabouts! Glenorchy tried to evict first Gregor Roy, and then his son Alasdair from their tenancy of Glenstrae. From then on, it was all downhill for this proud Clan.

After the Battle of Glen Fruin, any MacGregor found to have taken part in the battle was declared outlaw. In effect this came to mean any by the name of MacGregor. They were prohibited in 1603 from carrying arms, banned from using their very Name and no more than four of them at any one time to be at a meeting. In 1606 the proscription was applied to all unborn of the Gregorach. As a direct result of this, many of the Clan Gregor adopted such names as Grant, Cunynghame, Dougall, Drummond, Gordon, Murray, Stewart, in fact anything but MacGregor.

These were only temporary, and nameless they may have been they weren't daft! In the list of names are some of the most powerful Clans in the Highlands. That a MacGregor should call himself a Gordon* or, indeed a Campbell, shows a delightful irony. These two Dukes had long persecuted MacGregors, and here was a golden opportunity to commit a bit of a nuisance and at the same time involve the two Dukes in the mischief making.

* some MacGregors had moved to Gordon country, and followed Huntly.

Members of Clan Gregor:-

Sweir that in all tyme cumin that they sall call thaimselffs and thair bairnis already procreat or to be procreat of thair bodyis efter the surnames respective abone written; and use samyn in all thair doingis under the paine of deid to be execute upoun thaim without favour or ony of theme in caice thay failye in the premisses... and so came about names such as Comrie, Dochart, MacConnachie, MacGruther, Fletcher* and Caird - all names used by proscribed MacGregors and now accepted Septs of the Clan.

*now a Clan in their own right, the Chief being Fletcher of Dunans.

Ever Royalists, the MacGregors rose more than once for the Stuarts, which is a mite peculiar seeing that this House aided Argyll in his efforts against them. Even after Charles II was restored, they did nothing to assist MacGregor to regain stolen or usurped lands. The only concrete thing he did was to allow the proscription to be lifted.-

When the so called Glorious Revolution came about, Clan Gregor again showed unswerving loyalty to the Stuart cause in 1715 under Balhaldie, Glengyle and Rob Roy - in

Help wanted

Does anyone want their name in our paper? Send an article of interest to Scots and/or Grants to Gene Grant, Editor, the Craigellachie, 1250 Crestmont Drive, Angwin, CA 94508. The articles may be hand-written or typed but if you have a computer, please use it and send the material on a floppy disk. I am a lousy typist and pre-typed material is greatly appreciated.

Although I use the Macintosh computer, I have new hardware and software that allows me to translate the following DOS documents. DCA, DIF, EPS Graphics, Excell, Harvard Graphics, Lotus 123, Multimate word processor, Office Writer, PageMaker, PC Paintbrush, Ascii Text, Tiff, Ventura Publisher, Microsoft Word, Word Perfect (WPG, 4.2, 5.0 and 5.1), WordStar, Microsoft Works word processor, WPS Plus, XYWrite and a few that I have never heard of.

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1719 under Rob Roy and in 1745 - under Glengyle and MacGregor of Glencarnaig.

In 1775 the full Act of Proscription was repealed and the Name of MacGregor could be used without fear or favour. John MacGregor of Lanrick was put forward by 850 of the Clan as the Chief thereof. Lanrick was the nephew of Glencarnaig, of '45 fame. This claim was disputed by Glengyle and by Balhaldie.

However in 1795 the Lord Lyon decided in favour of Lanrick and granted the Arms of MacGregor of MacGregor and line of baronets of Lanrick and Balquhiddie, to him, and have since been held Chiefs of MacGregor.

The present Chief of Clan Gregor is Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor, 6th Baronet. Descended from a long line of martial forebears Sir Gregor served in both the Parachute Brigade, and as Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion the Scots Guards.

Thus ends the first in this series of articles. I can assure all those in the Clan Grant Society, that if any of this article is incorrect, I will hear in record time! Clan Gregor still do not let anything wrong said about their Clan slip by without notice!

SLOGAN: ARDCHOILLE: Trans. HIGH WOOD

MOTTO: s'RIOGHAL MO DHREAM: Trans. ROYAL IS MY RACE

CHIEF'S TITLE: An t-ALPEANACH

S : There are simply too many to list here, suffice to here are at least 42 accepted Septs of Clan Gregor. the "Stand Fast," the newsletter of Clan Grant Society.

Do It Yourself Drambuie

Take two teaspoons of Anise seeds. Crush them and put them in a bottle.

Pour in one pint (500 ml) of scotch whiskey and let stand for two weeks. (Shake it a bit every other day.)

Pour in a half cup (250ml) of honey. Shake now and again for two weeks.

Strain and you have a "concoction" that tastes very much like drambuie at much less cost.
Col. Kyle W. Bowie (Ret.)

GRANT ITEMS FOR SALE



CRYSTAL'S KITCHEN

By
Crystal Langstaff



At my last trip to the supermarket, I noticed salmon was down in price. As you should know, salmon is a staple of the folks in Scotland now as it always has been. Here are a few of my recipes for this lovely fish.

Salmon Fritters

Thoroughly wash and scale a chunk of salmon, leaving the skin on. Use a pot that has a strainer insert and fill it with cold water then add enough salt to make it quite brackish. Drop the salmon in the cold water and heat until just boiling. Reduce the heat to just enough to maintain a very slow boil. Skim frequently or your fish will taste fishy. Cook for about 10 minutes per pound or until the fish flakes at the heaviest part. Remove from water when done and allow to cool.

In the mean time, mash some potatoes, (about 2 pounds per each pound of fish). when the fish has cooled, flake it fine or cut into small pieces and add to the mashed potatoes. Mix the yolk of an egg with a little cream and whip together. Add some of this mixture to the potatoes and fish (just enough to moisten). Season, then brown in oil. Drain and serve. A great breakfast treat.

Spiced Salmon

2 cups white vinegar
2 tbsp cinnamon
2 tsp. sugar
1 cup water
2 Tbsp. whole pepper corns
1 Tsp. salt
3-4 Pounds of salmon filet skin removed and sliced into serving portions.

Mix all ingredients and bring to a boil to blend spices. Let cool to room temperature then add fish. Bring to a boil and cook until fish is flakey. Place the salmon in a bowl with liquid, making sure that the fish is completely covered. Refrigerate for a day or two, then serve cold.

Highland peas

2 cups of fresh or fresh frozen green peas.
3-4 green onions, chopped (save the middle part where it turns from green to white for garnish)
A sprig of mint
Salt & pepper to taste
Butter

Put the peas in a steamer. Add the onions and mint and steam until tender. Put in a bowl and toss with the butter and garnish with the center part of the green onions. Serve.

Scotch Soda Bread

4 cups of flour
1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
1 tsp cream of tartar
a pinch of salt
1 tablespoon of sugar
2 tbsp butter
buttermilk or clabbered sour milk

Put flour, soda, cream of tartar, salt and sugar in a bowl and mix thoroughly. Rub the butter (or margarine) into the dry ingredients. Add enough milk or buttermilk (about a half pint) to make a soft dough. Put in a floured bread pan and bake in a moderate oven for about 45 minutes and nicely browned.

I hope you enjoy these recipes I am sharing with you. If you have a special recipe you would like to share with your kin, please send it to me,

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JOHN D. McCOLL

J. D. McColl dies at 65

Dr. John Duncan McColl, president of the consulting firm of McColl & Associates Inc. died in a Chattanooga, TN hospital in July.

A native of London, Ontario, Canada, he was a son of the late Gordon and Mary Clunis McColl. Dr. McColl was a lifelong Canadian citizen and had served in the Canadian Armed Forces Reserve.

His career in industrial pharmacology included affiliations with the Frank W. Horner Co., Montreal, Quebec, Canada; the Meade Johnson Drug Co. of Evansville, Ind., and Chattem Inc. of Chattanooga, TN. He was vice president and director of research and development at Chattem from 1975 to 1983.

McColl & Associates Inc., organized in 1983, provides regulatory, quality assurance, clinical, toxicological and statistical assistance to clients in the food, drug, cosmetic, chemical and medical device industries.

Dr. McColl had earned a master's degree at the University of Western Ontario and his doctorate at the University of Toronto. He was active in the Southeast Commission and on the board of directors of Clan Donald.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Amy Ridout McColl, Chattanooga; son, Marine Sgt, Gordon McColl, Newburgh, NY; two daughters, Pamela McColl, Gifu, Japan and Susan McColl of Fort Myers, FL; sister, Geraldine McColl, Chattanooga; four grandchildren.

Services were held at Thankful Memorial Episcopal Church with the Rev. Robert C. Williams officiating. Burial was in Canada.

J. D. & Pat McColl traveled with the Clan Grant of the U.S. in May, 1985 after which Pat located in her genealogy that she also had the Grant family in her background. Every one who made that trip in 1985 will remember the fun loving and great person that J.D. was. We have many great memories of this and other trips that we have taken together. He is missed by all who knew him.



Clan Grant Tent

Gatlinburg Games, 1991.

Gatlinburg Scottish Festival and Games

At the recent Gatlinburg Scottish Festival and Games, May 18-19, a number of Grant Descendants came to the Clan Grant tent to seek information about our Society and to discuss their Grant Heritage.

Included in these were, Lee and Helen Grant, Dan Carnes, Jeanine Dougherty, and Kirk Pratt of Knoxville, Janice Jones of St Louis, Thelma Ford of Fairfield Glade, Tennessee, and Gregory Derry of Woodbine, Ga.

Lee Grant showed his interest by buying and wearing a Clan Grant shirt and by joining Don Grant, Mid-SouthEast Commissioner in the Clan Parade. We hope that all will become members of our society.

Curses

A new member joined the local ladies auxiliary and was attending her first meeting. The ladies of the group were awed by the size of the diamond pendant she wore. "Its the third most famous diamond in the world," she explained. "first is the Cullinan diamond, then the Hope diamond, then this one, the MacTavish diamond."

"It's beautiful," gasped Mrs. Cameron. "So big," shrieked Mrs MacFay "Your so lucky." "Not so lucky," sighed the newcomer. "Unfortunately, with the famous MacTavish diamond comes the MacTavish curse." "What's that," asked Mrs. Cameron. "Mr. MacTavish," replied the lady.

Paid In Full

Macdonald and Campbell were passengers on a train in the "Old West." Without warning, several men with bandanas over their faces burst through the doors at either end of the Pullman car and announced a holdup. As the bandits approached, MacDonald took out his money clip and peeled several bills from its contents. He then turned to Campbell and said, "Here lad, here is the hunnert I owe ye."

GENEALOGY CORNER

By Beryl Grant

In March of this year, Harold and I attended an Elderhostel in Salt Lake City and an Airstream rally in Winchester, VA. I was able to spend time in the Mormon Library in Salt Lake City, copying information on Grants, and in Winchester, Virginia was able to spend a little time in the Archives Room in the Handley Library.

I have now copies of the microfiche of sources (books and films) on Grants in the LDS Library, 39 pp. Hal and I copied quite a few excerpts from the books. To obtain film, it is necessary to order through a branch library (Cost about \$3.50) and when it is received at the branch, you can then read it there on their readers. If any member is looking for a particular book, let me know and I can let you know if it is available from the LDS Library. SASE please!

NEW MANUSCRIPTS AVAILABLE: 1870 Virginia and West Virginia census index for Grants by Precision Indexing, Utah (c) 1989. SASE only.

Information on two William Grants: William Grant, collector of rents for Lord Fairfax, VA in 1762; brief history of his family. (From Cartmells History of Shenandoan Valley Pioneers and their Desc.) Other William Grant of Prince Georges Co., MD from Founders of Anne Arundel and Howard Counties by Warfield. SASE.

Excerpt 7 pp. The Humphrey Family - Descendants of Michael Humphrey, the Emigrant. M. Priscilla dau of Matthew Grant of Windsor, Conn.

Report of the 6th Reunion of the Grant Family Assn., NYC - lineage of Grants of the Matthew Grant of Windsor, Conn. line. (direct ancestor of President Grant). Lineage of Gregorius de Grant to Sir Robert Grant. Report then starts with Grants of Yorkshire, Eng. believed to be descended from Grants of Inverness. Starts with Thomas le Grant, c.1200, Yorkshire; William Grant c. 1400 and then directly to Matthew Grant b. 1601, Dorset, Eng. (Remainder of this line in Grant Family History by Arthur Hastings Grant. This book is in our library.

Excerpt from Ancestors and Descendants of Moses Grant and Sarah Pierce, etal by W. Henry Grant 1929. Moses Grant b. Boston 1744, Rev. War Soldier and one of the "Boston Tea Party." 23 pp. Please send 25 cents per page and 72 cents postage for copy.

Excerpt, 15 pp. Conn. The Descendants of Andrew Warner, 1919. Robert Warner m. Elizabeth Grant, dau of Seth Grant who came from England 1632.

Excerpt, 7 pp. The Junkins Family of York, ME. Line of James The Dummer. SASE and 25 cents per page, please.

Grants listed in Burke's American Families lists brief bio on Harry Johnston Grant of Milwaukee, Wisc; John Prescott Grant, M.D. of NY and Wayne, ME; Lester Strickland Grant, Crane, TX; William West Grant, Denver, CO (desc. of James Grant, 7th son of John Grant,

6th Laird of Glenmoriston); Robert Grant of Boston, Mass. and William Thomas Grant of Ashland, Del. Send SASE for copy of any of these.

List of Grants from David Dobson's book The Original Colonists of Early America, 1612-1783. 4 pp. \$1 plus SASE.

Excerpt from The Grant and Ivie Family Record, 27pp. by Isabella Coffee. John Grant, settler in Habersham Co., GA c. 1818. Starts with Capt. William Grant b. 1732 Augusta Co., GA, Rev. Soldier. Copyrighted material - copying charge only 10 cents page + 75 cents postage.

Have you filed your family history yet? If you need a pedigree chart and family record sheet, write me sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope, please. (SASE) We now have quite an extensive manuscript library on Grants but can always use more. If you have any information, please send it along for the file - might be just what another member needs to complete his/her family history.

Family



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GRANTS IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Loyalists fighting for England and patriots fighting in the Continental Army. Biographical Sketches of Loyalists of the American Revolution by Lorenzo Sabine, Vol. I.

Grant, James. Of Salem, Mass. Was an Addresser of Gage in 1774. Went to Halifax, but returned, and was at Boston in Jan. 1776; at which time he had been promised a commission in the Royal Army. Mary, his widow, died at Salem, in 1792 aged fifty-nine.

Grant, Alexander. Major in the NY Volunteers. Killed 1777 in the storming of Forts Montgomery and Clinton. His widow perished in 1787, of cold and exposure, when wrecked near St. John, New Brunswick, in crossing the Bay of Fundy.

Grant, Daniel, Was a native of Gillespie, Sutherland, Scotland, and emigrated to the U.S. At the peace he removed with other Loyalists to St. Andrew, New Brunswick, where he continued to reside and where he reared a numerous family. He died Jan. 1834, aged eighty-two years.

Grant, William. Of Virginia. In 1776 he taught a school, and was "zealous for Government." A Whig force was raised to repel the Cherokees, and "to screen himself from being deemed a Tory," he joined a company of riflemen to be stationed at the mouth of one of the tributaries of the Ohio. He wrote a "Narrative," dated Nov. 24, 1777, on board the "Queen Indian at Gravesend," England, and styles himself, "late a Sergeant in the Rebel Army."

The New Loyalist Index, Paul Bunnell, 1989. Lists six Grants: **Allen Grant, Ann Grant, Edward Grant, James Grant** - all settled in Canada and a **John Grant and Michael Grant** from Long Island, probably settled Nova Scotia, Canada.

From Manuscript, "Grant Family Records" by J. Montgomery Seaver. List of Officers of the Continental Army serving in the American

Revolution:

Grant, _____ (GA) Captain, Georgia Militia; killed in action near Ogechee Road, May 21st, 1782.

Benjamin (N.H.) Lt. New Hampshire Militia, Sept. 1775; 2nd Lt. of Bedel's Regt N.H. Rangers, 22nd Jan. 1776. Died 20 May, 1776, of smallpox.

Benoni (Conn.) Sergeant of Warner's Additional Continental Regt., 27 Feb. 1777; Ensign, 14 Aug. 1778; retired 1st Jan. 1781.

Christopher (Mass.) Lt. of Gardner's Mass. Regiment, May to December 1775.

Daniel (Conn.) Ensign 4th Conn., 1st May to 10 Dec. 1775.

Eleazer (NY) 2d Lt. 2nd NY, 28 June 1775 to Jan. 1776; served subsequently as Regimental Quartermaster, NY Militia Regt.

George (PA) 3rd Lt. 1st Battalion of Miles' Pennsylvania Rifle Regt, 19th March 1776; 1st Lt. 9th Pa. 15 Nov. 1776; Capt. 3rd March 1777, died 10 October 1779.

Gilbert (R.I.) Lt. of Lippitt's Rhode Island Militia Regt., 19 Aug. 1776; 1st Lt. 2nd R.I. 1st Jan. 1777, to _____.

Jesse (Conn.) Sergeant 7th Conn. 8th July to 19 Dec. 1775; 2nd Lt. 19th Continental Infantry, 1st Jan. 1776; wounded and taken prisoner at Fort Washington, 16th Nov. 1776; exchanged 25 Oct. 1780 and did not re-enter service.

John (N.H.) Capt. Green Mountain Boys, 27 July to Nov. 1776; Regimental Quartermaster of Jackson's Continental Regt., 1st June 1777, to 23rd April 1779; subsequently served as Quartermaster of N.H. State and Militia forces. Died Nov. 1825.

Peter (VA) 1st Lt. of Grayson's Additional Continental Regt., 11 Feb. 1777; Captain 20 August 1777, resigned 19 April 1778.

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U.S. Census of Pensioners of 1840 by Ronald Vern Jackson - Lists 19 Grants (incl. widows) of Rev. War Soldiers. For copy sent SASE. I also have Index to Old Wars Pensioners, 1815-1926 Trans. Virgil White, which lists pensioners some of whom also served in Mex. War. 14 Grants listed. References are included so request could be made to Washington for pension and service records. I have forms on hand. Please send SASE.

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If any of our membership is researching a Revolutionary War soldier, all original colonies have published books on those soldiers serving. Any local library should be able to tell you where to find copy of such book. If any member should wish to know if an enlisted man from any of the colonies is included in the above manuscript, just write me enclosing self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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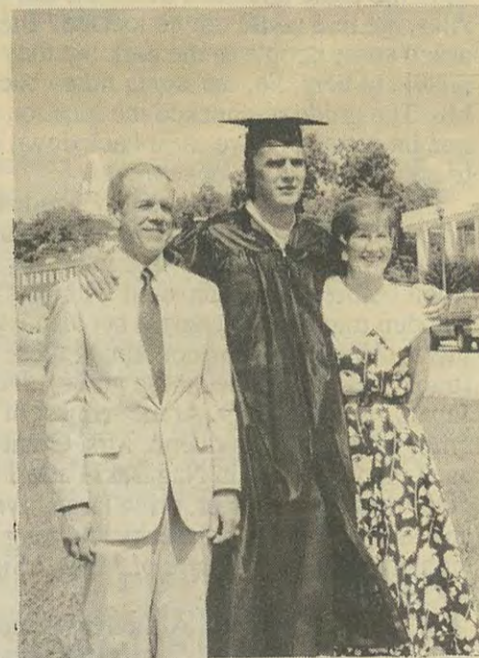
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