

THE BURNETT BANNER

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(including House of Burnett News)

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OPERA ON THE LAWN!

2011 is something of a milestone for Fiona and me as it marks my 70th birthday in July and her 60th in March. I had intended to mark mine with some form of event related to the Battle of Harlaw of which the 600th anniversary falls on the actual day of my birthday. Harlaw was a famous battle near Aberdeen and at which my ancestor would certainly have had an important role.

However, our 40th wedding anniversary is also in July and so something at Crathes would appear more appropriate. Some readers may recall, from the Banner or because they were at Crathes in 2005, the Alice in Wonderland Garden Party we held at Crathes to celebrate the wedding of Alexander and Vinny. On 27th August there is being staged at Crathes, a picnic evening of Opera to be organised along similar lines to the Garden Party. Planned not for the serious opera buffs, it will be a show of music, romance and joy as Aberdeen Opera Company performs for the first time a fully costumed, un-staged, journey through Castle garden and lawn with a breath-taking selection of favourite operas and operettas. The Aberdeen Opera Company, now in its 70th year, has an enviable reputation for entertaining audiences across Scotland with first class performances of operas, operettas and musicals all produced to a consistently high standard.



Although tickets will be publicly available, we will be the principal sponsors of the evening to which we intend to invite many friends. If there are any Burnetts planning to be in the area, I hope that they will let us know and that we may be able to offer them some hospitality. There may be Burnetts who are planning to be in Edinburgh for the Festival and who may also be interested to know about the performances of Monboddio which will be in the Byre Theatre, St Andrew's in Fife on September 1st 2nd and 3rd and of which more on page 8.

BURNETT GATHERING 2013

Plans are in hand and we hope to have further details available shortly. Please note the dates. There will be activities for all on Wednesday 31st July and the final event will be during the evening of Saturday 3rd August thereby allowing easy departure on Sunday August 4th

James C A Burnett of Leys

LETTER FROM CRATHES

Since Burnetts often ask how we are and after the children, readers may not be interested to know that I have just collected a new hip and am, hopefully, temporarily less active than I would like to be. Herewith a relevant message from our grandchildren, Amaryllis, Thomas and Hedster. Post operational progress is going to plan at the time of writing.



Readers of the Banner may have read of our croquet champion, Bob Burnett, and the Moffat Mallet which he kindly allowed us to display at Crathes last year. He is competing for the trophy again this year and would like to return it to Crathes should he win it. We send him best wishes for a successful tournament. In one of Bob's guises before he retired, he was a Chartered Physiotherapist and head of an orthopaedic rehabilitation unit and his advice that the operation is normally quite routine is reassuring.

James C A Burnett of Leys

SIR HENRY CECIL

There has been much national press coverage recently following the announcement that the Queen has bestowed a knighthood on my brother, Henry Cecil. As many of you may know, Henry is probably the best known racehorse trainer in the world, let alone in Great Britain, and has achieved legendary status and popularity in the sport of racing. His records of winning races and trainers' championships are well known but his current successes are all the more praiseworthy because, following two decades at the very top of his profession, he spent several years in the wilderness with viral problems amongst his horses, matrimonial difficulties, the death of his twin brother David and the loss of the patronage many of his former horse owners for various

reasons. If these were insufficient, his own health has been an additional problem and he has been fighting cancer for the past three years and still working hard to keep it at bay. The announcement was made just before the annual Royal Ascot race meeting and Henry was honoured to travel with the Queen and Prince Phillip in their open carriage down the course before racing on the final day of the week.



A biography by the well-known author and broadcaster, Brough Scott, also recognised in an earlier Queen's Birthday Honours, is to be published shortly.

Whenever Henry wins a major race, the Burnett flag flies high above the famous stables at Warren Place at Newmarket as shown in the photograph



James C A Burnett of Leys

GREETINGS

John Novotny & I had quite an adventure at the Rural Hills/Loch Norman, NC Games on April 15 - 17. There were several Tornados in the area and 24 people lost their lives throughout the state. We were not hit directly, but the wind & rain was something to behold. Even with all the storms in the area 15 Burnetts came by the Tent.

That same weekend, Jackelyn Daugherty & Evelyn Kafura had a HOB Tent at the Las Vegas Games. They had no weather problems!

I was also at the Kentucky Scottish Weekend on 14 May. It rained a little but the crowd was able to stay dry in the large tent. We were able to talk to lots of people of Scottish decent.

I will be at the Glasgow, Kentucky Scottish Games on June 2 - 5. Walter Edwards and his son Eric will be at the San Diego, CA. Games on June 26 & 27. If you are in the area of these games stop by.

We are still looking for others to participate in the Scottish Festivals in their areas. If you want to give it a try let me know and I will try to give you some hints.

We continue to look for pictures and articles for the Banner. If you have something you wish to share please send it to me.

We have several members who are having health problems, so I'm asking you to keep them in your prayers.

I have had several letters and e-mails returned to me recently. If you change your mailing address or e-mail address please let me know. I also need to hear if you have family members who pass away.

Leland L. Burnett

IRISH SHIP PASSENGER LISTS

Readers whose ancestors may have travelled from Ireland may be interested in the following

The Irish Family History Foundation's Online Research Service (ORS) is pleased to announce the availability of a new source of records. The Centre for Migration Studies, Omagh, Co. Tyrone, has provided over 227,000 names of Ship Passengers. The records are of passengers, mostly of Irish origin, on ships travelling from Irish and British ports to ports in North America (United States and Canada) from 1791 to 1897. You Just have to go to the following site <http://cms.rootsireland.ie>

The Editor

LOOKING FOR FAMILY CONNECTIONS

(1.) Patrick Burnett of Maumelle AR is looking for information about his GGG Grandfather Randolph Burnett. Randolph Burnett was born 1829 in Indiana. His mother and father were born in KY. He was married to Louise, she was born 1827 in IN. In 1880 Randolph was living with his family in Pulaski Co. AR.

Their children were:

1. George A. Burnett born 1863 in IL. And was living in AR in 1880 at age 17.
2. William R. Burnett born 1865 in IL. And living in AR in 1880 at age 15.
3. Lucy E. Burnett born 1867 in IL. And living in AR in 1880 at age 13.

William R. Burnett married Mary (Mollie) Thomas born in AR in 1872.

Their children were.

1. John Franklin Burnett born in AR. 1898 died in TX. In 1921
2. Charles Edward Burnett born in AR. 1899 died in 1982.
3. Maggie Leticia Burnett born in Ar. 1900 died in 1976.

John Franklin Burnett married Gladys Marie Braughton in AR. around 1916. John died in TX in 1921. They had one child.

1. Sedrick (Sonny) Cecil Burnett born in Garland AR. 14 Oct. 1917 and died in Tulsa OK in Oct 2000.

Gladys Marie born 25 Nov 1900 in Hot Springs Garland AR. and died 17 Aug 1958 in Little Rock AR. She is buried in memorial Gardens Cemetery. Hot Springs. After John's death she married a Leon Alexander McClard in 1926.

(2.) Kevin Michael Burnette, of Hilliard FL. grandson of James Norman Burnette, of Homerville, GA. (deceased) son of Jack Norman Burnette Sr. If you have in information let us know.

Robert Stewart Burnett of Ontario Canada, son of James Stewart Burnett, grandson of Francis Burnett, great grandson of Joseph Robinson Burnett, who immigrated from Aberdeenshire Scotland to Canada. He is buried in the Presbyterian Cemetery in Richmondhill Ontario.

Any information you have about any of these Burnett's please contact the Secretary.

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FAMILY CONNECTIONS

I have recently been in correspondence with Phillip Maine who can trace relationship to John Burnett who was born in 1610, St Nicholas Parish, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, died 1685 Rappahannock County, Virginia,

John married, probably second, Lucretia Johnston born about 1629 in St Nicholas Parish, Aberdeenshire and who died in 1907 at Piscataway Creek, Essex County, VA. Both are buried in the family cemetery on the estate. John is supposed to be the son of Thomas and Margaret Johnston Burnett.



Phillip is compiling his family history for his mother, Mrs Elener Arline Fry, (pictured left in 1946) who will be 84 this year on June 22nd and will be pleased to hear from anybody who can contribute in any way towards his project wanttopreach@gmail.com He has

provided these notes on JOHN BURNETT(T) to assist any reader.

There is lots of detail here for somebody to find a new long lost cousin. Regardless, we wish Elener Fry (picture right taken at her 80th birthday celebration) and very Happy Birthday both this year and for many to come.



John Burnett (10th generation after Alexander Burnett who was granted lands by King Robert I) married Elizabeth Lumsden, daughter of John Lumsden of Cushnie. Their children from that or a subsequent marriage included Thomas Burnett, Merchant in Aberdeen.

Thomas married in 1608 in Aberdeen, Margaret Johnston(e)/Johnstoun. Thomas Burnett and his brother Andrew, both Burgesses of Aberdeen, were killed, along with another 150 Burgesses and members of the Council, in 1644 during the rout of Aberdeen by troops of Montrose and for them there is a memorial stone slab in St Nicholas Church, Aberdeen. Confirmation that Thomas and Andrew Burnett were sons of John Burnett of Leys comes from the fact that, in 1672, when a Coat of Arms was approved and registered for James Burnett of Sheddocksley, part of the genealogical basis for the grant of Arms was the fact that his "grandfather was a 3rd son of Leys". His grandfather was Andrew Burnett of Sheddocksley Thomas and Margaret Burnett's many children included Johnne (John). Born in 1610, became a

merchant like his father and traded out of Aberdeen and Edinburgh. On 24 October 1635, aged 24, described as a "Merchant of Aberdeen", he sailed from London to Virginia on board the "Abraham of London". A fellow passenger was John Johnston, aged 35, who may have been a cousin and possibly related to John Burnett's future wife Lucretia Johnston.

On 2 July 1638, a Royal Warrant was signed by King Charles at Greenwich instructing the Governor of Virginia that "*John Burnett of Aberdeen the sole merchant of our Kingdom of Scotland that hath supplied the plantations of Virginia and become Our tenant there, to have free commerce and traffic between Scotland and Virginia*".

The commodity which John Burnett shipped to Scotland was tobacco and it is almost certain that his ships returning to Virginia were carrying a variety of goods from Scotland and from the countries in Europe which traded with Scottish ports such as Aberdeen.

Around 1657, in Virginia, John Burnet married Lucretia Johnston who is thought to be the person of that name who was baptised on 22 March 1629 in St Nicholas, Aberdeen, daughter of Andrew Johnston and Janet Morison.

Phillip Maine has provided some of his history. Born 1953 in Boise, Idaho, he married Elener Arline Fry, [b. 1927 Rock Bridge, Ozark County, MO to James (pictured right) and Maude Hammons Fry]. Maude [b. 1910], in the no longer existing community of HiLo, Ozark County, MO. Was the daughter of Loma Burton Hammons (pictured left) [b. 1887 Cedar County,



MO. d. of Lincoln Hammons b. 1861 Cedar county, MO, died 1931, Wilder, Gem County, Idaho and Mary Lu Vina Hobbs] He was killed in a hunting accident in 1919 when a bullet ricocheted off a rock and hit him in the head and is buried in the HiLo cemetery.

Lincoln, s of James Cedar (Miller) Hammons [b. 1824, Patrick County MO, d. 1902 Ozark County, MO], bought and rebuilt Hammons Grits Mill on Bryant Creek, Ozark County, Mo. It burnt and then was washed away in a flood. All that is left is the mill foundations. It is now part of an Ozark County Park called Hammons Mill Park. He married Rebecca Harris [b. 1833 and died in

Cedar County, MO]. Incidentally James married secondly Mary Ann White (feather) Hobbs, who was Mary Lu Vina Hobbs' grandmother.

James Hammons was the son of Isaiah Hammons [b 1793 Va d.1880, Douglas County, MO]. He is supposed to have fought in the war of 1812. He married China Denny [b.1802 in TN, d. 1880 Webster Co, MO]. China Denny [d. of William Denny b.1780 Henry Co, VA, d. 1851 Van Buren County, TN and Martha Patsy Burnette b. 1788 d. 1852 Van Buren County, TN]. Martha was the daughter of Jeremiah Burnette Jr [b. 1740 Talbot County, VA, d.1816 Turkey Creek Wane County, KY] and married Rosa. He fought in the revolution.

Jeremiah was the son of Jeremiah Burnette Sr. [b. 1718 d. 1773 South Farnham Parish, Essex County VA], m. Mary Mc Daniel [b. 1718 d. 1745 South Farnham Parish, Essex County, VA]. Jeremiah Sr. was the son of John Burnett Jr. [b. 1660 d. 1718 Old Rappahannock County, VA and now South Farnham Parish] and probably his second wife, Amy Gatewood [b. 1684 Old Rappahannock County, VA d. 1744 South Farnham Parish]

John Jr was the son of John Burnett Sr. [b. 1610, m. Lucertia Johnston of the great Scottish Johnston Family b. 1629, Aberdeenshire, d. 1709 Piscataway Creek, Essex County, VA]. John Sr was the son of Thomas Burnett [b. 1574 d. 1644 Aberdeenshire] and Margaret Johnston of the same Johnston Family. Thomas was the son of John Burnett and his maybe second wife, Isabel Johnston of the Johnston Family. From here the dots can be connected. P.S. Phillip's sister Christina Ruth Maine married a Mr Fredrick Johnston who was probably part of the Johnston clan.

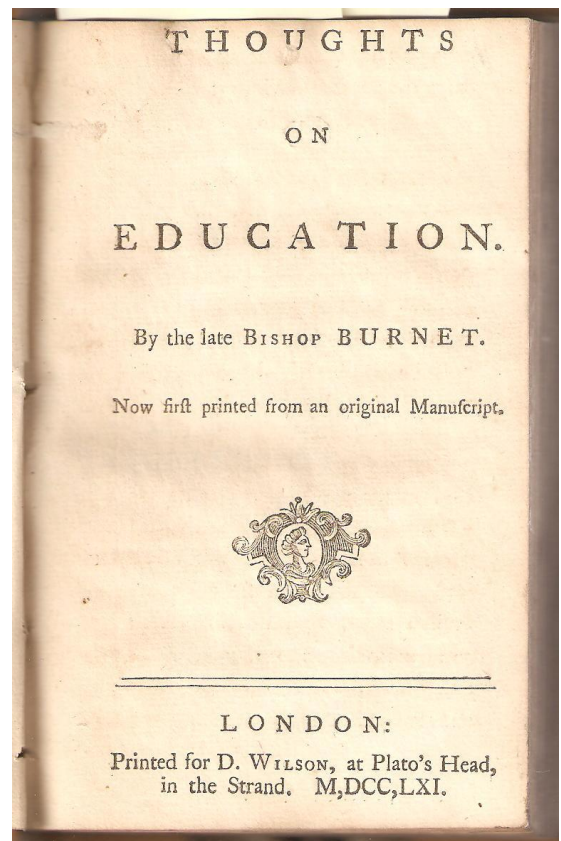


Left to Right back row: Phillip Maine, Harold Maine, James Maine, Christina Maine Johnston. Front L to R. Maude Hammons, Elener Fry Maine, Elnona Maine Hall, Douglas Johnston (Christina's second son)

BISHOP BURNETT'S THOUGHTS ON EDUCATION - CONTINUED

As for their reading we have two errours in our common course: the one is to begin them with a scurvey black letter, and with a Catechism full of long and harsh words, unintelligible to children. Now since it is a universal rule to begin with what is easiest, this way is not to be used. A book of a white and fair letter sould be first put in their hands; as also they should begin with the Psalms, where the frequent repetition of the same words together with the plainness of the style, will make their labour easier. In their reading, they should be taught to pronounce fully and plainly, without peeping, tone of chirping; and therefore I like not their reading first the Psalms in metre, where the cadence of the line learnes them a tone; but the chief care in reading should be to see that they syllable well, and be exact to do it without book. The officious haste of some masters, to drive children daft through books loseth them in this.

As their memory and capacity groweth, they should be made to get short and select sentences of Scripture by heart, for if a child at six or seven years be made to remember one verse, and to repeat them always on the Saturday or Lords Day, he shall know much scripture, ere he arrive at a ripe age. And this Rule deserves the rather to be followed, because the impressions that are made in that age are well rooted and long-lived.



KENTUCKY SCOTTISH WEEKEND

On May, 14 2011 The House of Burnett was well represented at the 29th Annual Kentucky Scottish Weekend. The annual event takes place at the General Butler Kentucky Park.

General Butler State Park is a place of remembrance for one of Kentucky's foremost Military families from colonial times through the American Revolution, the War of 1812, the Mexican War, and the Civil War.

Thomas Butler brought his family to America from St Bridget's Parrish in Dublin, Ireland as a result of the rebellion in the 1740's.

Thomas and his five sons, referred to as the "Gallant Butlers" or the "Fighting Butlers," fought in the Revolutionary War under George Washington. This is the family to whom Washington made a toast: "To the Butlers and their five sons."

The General Butler State Park, is located in the Ohio Valley region at the mouth of the Kentucky River, It was named in Honor of the last Commander in Chief of the Mexican War, William Orlando Butler.

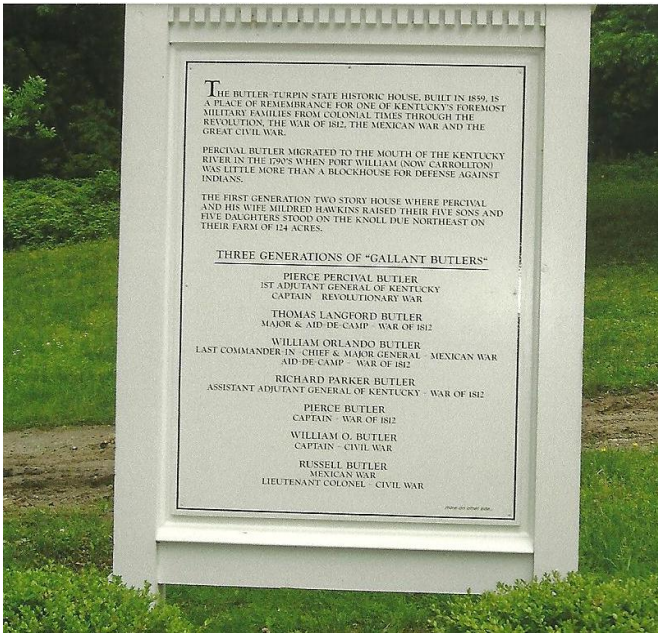
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Jeff and Angela Burnett manning the House of Burnett Tent at the Kentucky Scottish Weekend

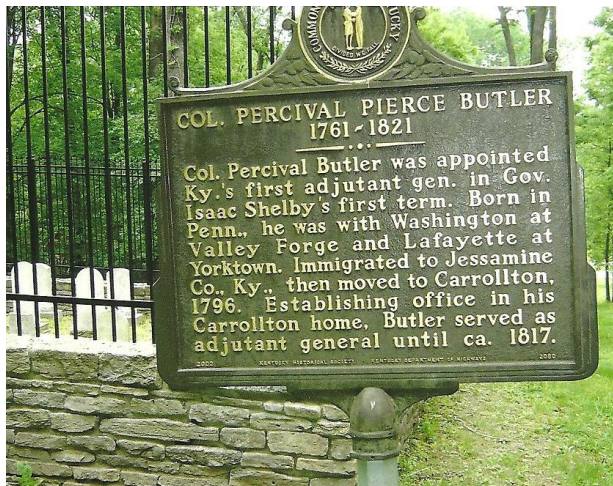


*Tana Burnett Moore with family and friends
at the Loch Norman, NC Scottish Festival Games*



The gravestone of William Orlando Butler, whom the General Butler Kentucky State Park is named

The second generation Butler home built on the family farm in 1859



A short history of the Butler military family. The plaque for Col. Percival Price Butler

The first Adjutant General of Kentucky in 1817



MONBODDO THE MUSICAL CD
NOW AVAILABLE
(see www.burnett.uk.com online-store)

Following the premiere of Monboddo the Musical in Aberdeen last September, we have made a number of amendments to the production. We have altered the script to make the story easier to understand, added three great new songs, enhanced the scenery and given it a new title *Lord Monboddo - The Enlightenment Man*”.



Lord Monboddo - The Enlightenment Man” will be staged at the Byre Theatre in St Andrew’s in Fife on September 1st to 3rd. Because of the historical nature of the production, at the Byre or at later venues, we intend to involve schools during the time of the show and hopefully with workshops and a degree of student participation. If any reader is interested in attending the Byre performance, (see www.monboddo.com in due course), please let me know.

Our objective is to take the play to

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PHASE NRG

Alexander Burnett is building up an impressive business here at Banchory constructing and installing biomass boilers and boiler units to replace oil and gas units. Phase NRG is one of the leading biomass specialists in Scotland and has already installed wood-fuel heating systems in cottages and buildings around the estate and elsewhere in north east Scotland including schools and hospitals.

Phase NRG has recently installed a 1.2MW Biomass Energy Centre at the Oxford Motorway Service Station in England.

The modularised boiler plant was built on the estate and driven 500 miles down south, and “plugged” into the existing heating system. Using wood-pellets to generate renewable heat, the Energy Centre will not only save money by switching to a more sustainable energy resource, but dramatically reduce its carbon footprint. The project, valued at \$645,000 (£400,000), is the single biggest contracts that Phase NRG has won since the company was set up four years ago by Alexander on his return from Azerbaijan.



At Woodend Barn, our community arts centre where gathering visitors have experienced a ceilidh, a biomass boiler was put in last year and now heats the complex including the newly opened café bistro.. This means greater efficiency in using energy as well as moving away from a reliance on oil, gas and electricity, which are becoming increasingly expensive methods of generating space and hot water heating due to the volatility in the global energy markets.

Phase NRG also provide full mechanical and electrical services, and now employ over 30 staff, including a number of apprentices.

GEORDIE BURNETT-STUART

Scottish Parliamentary Election Geordie Burnett-Stuart (below with David Cameron) v Alex Salmond and others Geordie fought a strong campaign in contesting the East Aberdeenshire constituency but was never likely to unseat the immensely charismatic and popular First Minister for Scotland. The Scottish National Party enjoyed a resounding victory in Scotland and the Conservative Party, which Geordie represented, was never likely to achieve success. Although it was anticipated that he might receive 2,500 votes, he achieved 4,211 which was 13.9% of the 52% electoral turnout.



LETTER FROM CRICHIE

by Geordie Burnett-Stuart

Here in fertile North East Aberdeenshire we have managed to finish sowing the spring crops of barley to add to the autumn sown wheat barley and oilseed rape that came through the very cold and snowy winter pretty well. The canola (rape in UK) is a glorious yellow as I write this on a superb bright spring day. Although not cold by North American standards we enjoyed 7 weeks of snow and frost and the cattle thrived in the conditions. The 170 strong mixed herd of suckler cows have all produced healthy calves and we have just put away to market the first of last year's calves. Due to the weak pound sterling and lower numbers of cows than 2 years ago we are at last getting good prices for our beef. Indeed at last the prices have finally climbed above the prices last seen before the mad cow fiasco. This sorry saga has never been properly explained but science is at last being allowed its word to counter the emotion which has dominated media comment on this complex issue up until now.

Indeed the scientist whose work on the prion first alerted the world to the tenuous connection between beef and new form creutzfeldt jacob's disease has publicly stated that he thinks it extremely unlikely there is any connection between the two.

I took 6 weeks out from daily farming to campaign for the Scottish Conservatives in the

recent elections to the Scottish Parliament at Holyrood in Edinburgh. Known as the Pygmy Parliament by many (a joke by comedian Billy Connolly) it has never captured the imagination of the Scots.

Indeed the parties in London only ever field their no 2 or 3 teams. The turnout was only 52% but this has not stopped Mr Salmond from suggesting Scotland can now secede from the United Kingdom - an idea supported by less than 30% or less of Scots in every poll. I was up against the much quoted and media savvy wee eck (as Salmond is known) and missed coming 2nd by a mere 27 votes.

My stalwart supporter and brilliant leaflet/brochure writer was Victor Burnett youngest of Leys.

The next 4 years will bring challenges for those of us who value the United Kingdom as a force for good whose record of social inclusion and progress over the last 303 years of Union is worth fighting for.

Nationalism is an outmoded C19 creed which has rarely bettered people's lives.

THE ROYAL WEDDING

Although we were not privileged to be invited to the Royal Wedding, we do have some connections with the event. The youngest daughter of two of our closest friends and one-time immediate neighbours, Angus and Anne Pelham-Burn, is the part owner of Robinson Pelham, the discreet but well established London-based jewellers, created 15 years ago by three women: Kate Pelham Burn, Vanessa Chilton and Zoe Benyon, who provided much of the Middleton family's jewellery for the event. Angus, apart from being a business partner of ours and trustee for the estate for many years, may also claim a connection if the Burns are considered a sept of the Burnetts. Shown are the earrings worn by Catherine Middleton (shown left) and Kate's sister Phillipa (shown right).

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WILLAM CENTER BANCHORY CLOCKMAKER

Readers may recall previous articles on Scotland Burnett clockmakers from the North East of Scotland. Although it is not relevant to the Banner, I once purchased a Grandmother Clock made by a clockmaker from Banchory, our local village. I owned a small antique shop at the time. Deciding that I wished to keep the clock I thought that it would look good in the shop but marked up the price to deter anybody from purchasing it. The owner of a local hotel (Banchory Lodge which was the other Burnett home when the estate was split up during the 18th century), purchased it the following day.

Cuminestown and Banchory.

Wm. Center, Cuminestown, is no doubt the same grandfather clock-maker who was subsequently in business at Banchory-Ternan. Perhaps he found the bracing air of Deeside more suitable to his health than Cuminestown. He was evidently early in business, for quite recently I dropped across a concise advertisement in the "Aberdeen Journal," December 16, 1829, advertising:

For Sale, by Public Roup, ten eight-day clocks in mahogany and wainscot cases, belonging to William Center, watchmaker, Banchory.

Jovial Clockmaker.

Mr George Chalmers, 11 Little Chapel Street, Aberdeen, is the proud owner of a William Center, Banchory, grandfather clock, and there is another at the farm of Kilduthie. Center is remembered as a man of jovial disposition and convivial habits, and so far as known did not belong to Banchory. "Donndel's" clock is not less than a century old, and the first are reported to me with William Center, Cuminestown, on the dial.

About a month ago, I received a call from somebody who owned a grandfather clock which had been made by the same clockmaker, William Center, had been to the hotel, learned of my disappointment and wished to sell it since he was moving house and downsizing in his retirement.

I have purchased the clock which I understood was only one of ten which William Center made whilst he lived in Banchory, (he also worked from Cuminestown), and I trust that it will not move from Banchory for a long time



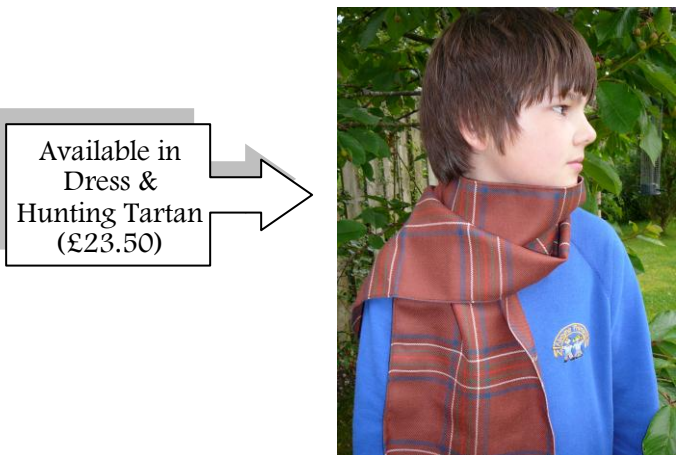
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BURNETT SCARVES, SASHES AND TIES

Visitors to the Burnett online store will notice the addition of Ties, Scarves and Sashes. I regret that there has had to be an increase in the price of Sashes but I trust that all items compare favourably with similar articles provide by other clans and retailers and where the economy of scale has obvious advantages. If any reader wishes to see any other Burnett items to be available in the store, please let me know and I will investigate their inclusion. Nothing is ruled out!



Available in
Dress Tartan
only (£40)



Available in
Dress &
Hunting Tartan
(£23.50)



Available in
Dress &
Hunting Tartan
(£15)

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DR ROBERT BURNETT

I received an enquiry from Carrie Burnett Perna who wishes some research on Dr Robert Burnett who is listed in the "The Family of Burnett of Leys" and from whom she believes her family are descended. Carrie's ancestor, a historian, Willis W. Burnett and in recent years, her Aunt Madeline Burnett have researched for many years but has yet to identify another Robert who was born anywhere close to 1697. His father would have been Sir Thomas who m. Margaret Arbuthnot but what is baffling is there are 4 brothers named, John, James, Robert, b. 1697 and Lewis "seem all to have died young." p. 85.

Eileen Bailey and I have not been able to identify this Dr Robert Burnett said to have been born in Cheshire in 1697. We have been trying to find any information about him as a medical student at Edinburgh but, so far, have not found him in the records that are available. There was a Robert Burnett who is listed as having been a "bonded passenger" to America in 1723, but on this we have not yet been able to expand.

Included here from George Burnett's research are a few details that might explain why the four young men were assumed to have died young. Stated on p. vii of the preface: "Mr George Burnett, L.L.D has consented to compile a volume on the ancient baronial family of Burnett of Leys. Dr. Burnett intimated in 1887, that he would require at least three years to complete his work. It is well known, however, that there are many families of the name in America who claim descent from Burnetts in northeast of Scotland, and it is matter of regret that none of the descendants of Burnetts who have settled in America came within the scope of Dr. George Burnett's researches.

Unfortunately he was unable fully to utilize the data he had collected, and the history is incomplete. Dr. Burnett fell into bad health long before the time he had stipulated for had expired. He had not nearly completed the work he had evidently sketched out in his own mind – he left no notes as to his intentions – and his untimely death in 1890, was deplored as a heavy loss. Several branches of the family had not been reached, for no extended notes regarding these were to be found."

From papers written by Willis W. Burnett:

Dr. Robert Burnett; born in Cheshire, England in 1697; studied to be a physician in Edinburgh,

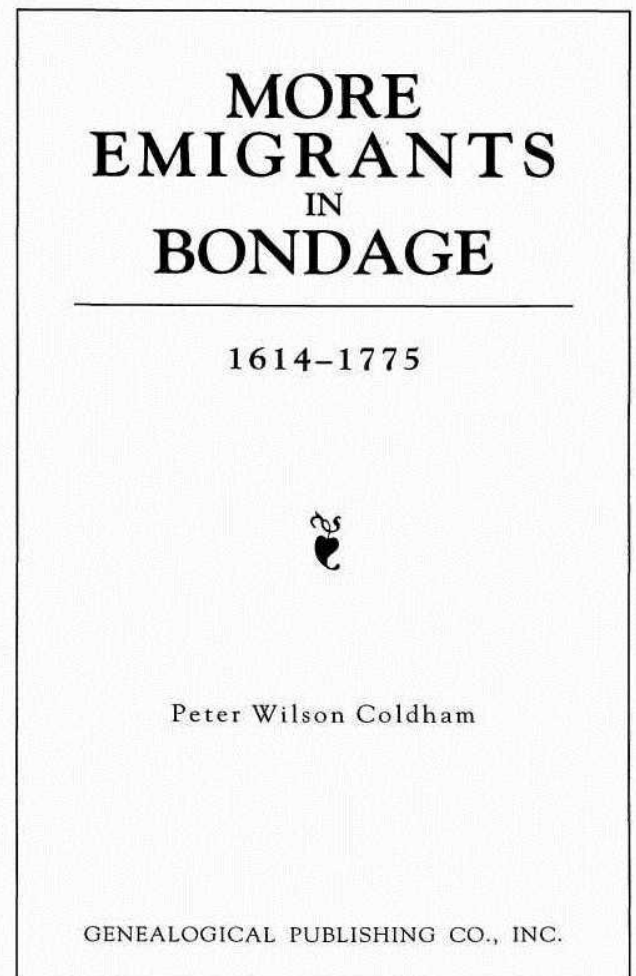
Scotland. While walking alone down an Edinburgh street on his way home from school, he

was seized and put on board a British Man of War ship They set sail; landed at Triverton, Rhode Island, Robert Burnett escaped or was let go, and he went to Watertown, MA. In 1734, he married first Anna Wilkins. Two children were born. Robert married second Sarah Belcher. Their children included William, Isaac (from whom Willis W. descended), Pricilla, Andrew and Archibald (from whom Carrie descended). Robert was one of the early settlers of Warwick, MA. Information gathered from Burke's British Heraldry and Perley's History.

If any reader can throw any light on this interesting situation or have any other historical or genealogical information to add, we would be pleased to hear of it.

Please contact Carrie Burnett Perna cbperna@juno.com or the Editor

The Editor



MORE EMIGRANTS IN BONDAGE

Burk, Ann. S May-Jun T Aug 1752 *Tryal*. M.
 Burk, Catherine. S Feb-Apr 1746 T Apr 1746 *Laura*. M.
 Burke, Catherine. Jul 1783 LC Bal Co., Md., Dec 1783 from *Swift*. L.
 Burk, Walter. T from Dublin by *Hercules*, LC Bal. Co., Md., Aug 1773, sold to William Walters & Richard Guttrell of Frederick Co. Ir.
 Burk, William. S Lent T May 1750 *Lichfield*. K.
 Burke *als* Johnson, William. S Mar LC Bal Co., Md Jun 1773. Ha.
 Burle, Jane. S Jan T *Plain Dealer* Jan 1746. M.
 Burleigh, Thomas. SQS & T *Justitia* Feb 1776. M.
 Burling, Michael. S Feb-Apr T May 1751 *Tryal*. M.
 Burling, Thomas. S Sep-Oct 1772 T *Justitia* Jan 1773. M.
 Burne, George. S Feb-Apr 1746 T Apr 1746 *Laura*. M.
 Burn, Jeremiah. S May-Jul T *Tayloe* Jul 1774. M.
 Burn, Lawrence. T *Thames* Feb 1751. M.
 Burn, Mary, spinster. S City Summer 1756 (AHJ). Nl.
 Burn, Mary. S Oct T *Phoenix* Oct 1760. M.
 Burn, Patrick. S Dec 1749-Jan 1750 T Mar 1750 *Tryal*. M.
 Burn, Patrick. S Aug T *Beverly* Aug 1763. L.
 Burn, Tanglis. S Summer T *Barnard* Oct 1756. Hl.
 Burn, Thomas. R Jul T *Tayloe* Jul 1773. M.
 Burn, Timothy. S Lent LC AA Co., Md., from *Thornton* Jul 1773. M.
 Burne, Tobias. S Dec 1745 T *Plain Dealer* Jan 1746. L.
 Burn, Walter, mariner. S Bristol s silver tankard Sep 1759 (BJ). G.
 Burn, William. S May-Jul T Sep 1746 *Mary*. M.
 Burnby, Thomas. S s sheep Summer 1755 R 14 yrs Lent 1756 & TB to Md. No.
 Burnell, Thomas. S Jan 1751 T *Thames* Feb 1751. L.
 Burnett, Elizabeth. S Jan-Apr T *Lichfield* May 1749. M.
 Burnet, Mary. T Apr 1761. De.
 Burnet, Robert. S s mare Lent 1721 R Jul T Oct 1723. Y.
 Burnett, William. S 14 yrs & T *Tayloe* Jul 1774. L.
 Burnham, John. S Dec 1750 T *Thames* Feb 1751. L.
 Burnham, John. SQS Feb LC AA Co., Md., from *Thornton* Jul 1773. M.
 Burnham, Mary. S Sep-Oct 1773 T *Justitia* Jan 1774. M.
 Burnham, Solomon. S Lent T *Thornton* May LC AA Co., Md., Jul 1774. Sy.
 Burrell, George *als* Black George *als* Othello. S Lent LC Bal Co., Md., Jul 1772. Wi.
 Burrell, Mathew. S Summer T Oct 1739. Hu.
 Burrill, Thomas. S Lent LC AA Co., Md., from *Thornton* Jul 1773. M.
 Burrell, Thomas. S for highway robbery at Hardwick & R for life Summer 1773 T *Justitia* Jan 1774. Bu.
 Burrige, Archibald. SQS & T *Justitia* Feb 1776. M.
 Burrige, Robert. S for highway robbery & R for life Nov 1750 T *Thames* Feb 1751. M.
 Burrige, Thomas. S Mar T *Amity* Sep 1735 LC QA Co., Md., Mar 1736. So.
 Burrough, Samuel. S Dec 1754 T *Greyhound* Feb 1755. L.
 Burrows, Benjamin. S for highway robbery & R Lent LC Md from *Isabella* Jul 1775 & sold to Waters & Gartrall. Wa.
 Burrows, Richard. S 14 yrs Lent LC Bal Co., Md., Jun 1773. St.
 Burse, Bridges. S Lent 1734. Li.
 Burt, Ann. S Jan T May 1746. Wi.
 Burt, Robert. S Mar 1736. Do.
 Burt, Robert. S Lent T Nov 1746. Do.
 Burton, Abraham. S Feb T *Neptune* Mar 1761. L.

AA Co.	= Anne Arundel Co.	NI	= Northumberland
AHJ	= Alderman Hewitt's Journals	NM	= <i>Northampton Mercury</i>
als	= alias	No	= Northamptonshire
AT	= Awaiting transportation	Nt	= Nottinghamshire
Bal Co.	= Baltimore Co.	O	= Oxfordshire
Bd	= Bedfordshire	OJ	= <i>Oxford Journal</i>
Be	= Berkshire	PC	= Privy Council Papers
BG	= <i>Birmingham Gazette</i>	PG Co.	= Prince George's Co.
BJ	= <i>Bristol Journal</i>	PT	= Pleaded transportation
Bu	= Buckinghamshire	QA Co.	= Queen Anne's Co.
Ca	= Cambridgeshire	R	= Reprieved for transportation
Ch	= Cheshire	RG	= <i>Reading Gazette</i>
City	= Sentenced by City Borough Court	RM	= <i>Reading Mercury</i>
Co	= Cornwall	Ru	= Rutlandshire
Cu	= Cumberland	S	= Sentenced to transportation
Db	= Derbyshire	s	= Stealing
De	= Devon	SC	= South Carolina
Do	= Dorset	Sco	= Scotland
Du	= Durham	SCr	= Sheriffs' Cravings (E389).
E	= Essex	SEK	= Sentenced at East Kent Sessions
Fl	= Flint	SES	= Sentenced at East Sussex Sessions
G	= Gloucestershire	Sh	= Shropshire
GJ	= <i>Gloucester Journal</i>	SL	= Sentenced at Southwark
Ha	= Hampshire	So	= Somerset
He	= Herefordshire	SP	= State Papers
HJ	= <i>Hereford Journal</i>	SQS	= Sentenced at Quarter Sessions
HO	= Home Office Papers	ST	= Sentenced at Tower Liberty, London
Ht	= Hertfordshire	St	= Staffordshire
Hu	= Huntingdonshire	Su	= Suffolk
IJ	= <i>Ipswich Journal</i>	SW	= Sentenced at Westminster Sessions
Ir	= Ireland	SWK	= Sentenced at West Kent Sessions
K	= Kent	SWS	= Sentenced at West Sussex Sessions
Knt Co.	= Kent Co.	Sx	= Sussex
L	= London	Sy	= Surrey
La	= Lancashire	T	= Transported
LC	= Landing Certificate	TB	= Transportation Bond
Le	= Leicestershire		
Li	= Lincolnshire		
LM	= London or Middlesex		
M	= Middlesex		
Md	= Maryland		
Mo	= Monmouthshire		
NE	= New England		
Nf	= Norfolk		

Va	= Virginia	WJ	= <i>Worcester Journal</i>
Wa	= Warwickshire	Wo	= Worcestershire
Wal	= Wales	X	= Stray records
We	= Westmorland	Y	= Yorkshire
Wi	= Wiltshire		

The principal additions and amendments obtained from English records and included in this volume have been secured from the following sources:

Central Criminal Records

Midland Circuit Criminal Process Book 1739–1742 (ASSI 12/2). Privileged access was granted to this very badly perished volume which has been inaccessible to readers for many years. Most, if not all, of the relevant written material has been retrieved.

Sheriffs' Cravings. These records (E 197, E 389, T64/262 and T90/146–160), which itemize expenses incurred by County Sheriffs for administering justice, including the cost of prisoners' food, hangings, whippings and transportation (though sometimes without including names), have been examined from 1718 to 1776. It should be noted, however, that the Palatinate counties of Cheshire, Durham and Lancashire, for whatever reason, did not claim against the Exchequer for costs incurred in transporting felons.

State Papers (Criminal). The collections of pardons on condition of transportation for 1718–1740 (SP 44/79–83) were re-examined as were the calendars of Home Office papers from 1768–1775. From the latter source some details of Scottish and Welsh transportees have been taken.

County Records

The County Record Offices whose holdings of transportation documents had not previously been examined were circulated to ascertain what additional resources might be newly accessible. Though a few gaps continue to exist, further record abstracts were obtained from the counties of Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire in the Midland Circuit. Local records and newspaper archives for Warwickshire, also in the Midland Circuit, have been abstracted and thanks are due to Mrs. Diane Fisher for permission to consult her indexes to court records from 1734. The most fruitful new source for this and other Circuits, however, has proved to be the meticulous records kept by Alderman John Hewitt Jr., three times Mayor of Coventry, of criminals sentenced throughout England during the period 1748–1763, including those transported and those who returned from transportation before serving their term. Hewitt had what amounted to an obsession to pursue all convicted criminals until they had fully atoned for their sins, even to the point of personally following one member of a gang to Ireland and from there back to London. In 1763 he wrote to the Clerks of the Peace of every English county requesting details of all convicts transported from within

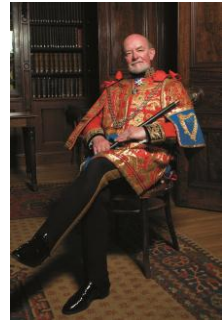


HERALDRY AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF BURNETT

By Charles J Burnett Esq. (pictured below) Ross Herald Extraordinary

Every so often our Chief receives enquiries about the Burnett coat of arms and whether any other Burnett can make use of the Arms.

It might be helpful to make it clear what a proud Burnett can do to show he, or she, is a member of a world-wide family with a distinctive name and identity.



The Arms of our Chief are his personal possession which CANNOT be used by anyone else, apart from his wife Fiona, and his daughter Eliza, who may use the Arms “by courtesy” which means they cannot claim the Arms as their own.

Any Burnett may display a framed copy of the Arms in their home to show loyalty to the Chief and the House of Burnett, but they cannot claim their use as “the Burnett Arms”, there is no such thing, just as there is no such thing as a Clan Crest.

Above the helmet and chapeau in our Chief’s Arms is that element called the Crest, in his case a hand holding a pruning knife against a vine stem bearing grapes. Like the shield the Crest belongs solely to our Chief. However any Burnett can wear a Badge, or place an image of the Crest on their letterhead, bookplate, or visiting card AS LONG AS it is shown within a belt and buckle. This echoes the ancient practice when the follower of a chief strapped an image of the chief’s crest on his arm with a leather strap and buckle to show loyalty or support for the chief.



The place where our Chief can be located at a family gathering involving other family groups and clans is by the flying of his Standard. This distinctive form of flag is quite unlike the usual oblong flag which can be flown above the chief’s own home bearing what is on the shield of his armorial achievement – the Horn with three Holly Leaves above. This illustration shows the flag flown by our Chief’s grandfather, General Sir Alexander Burnett of Leys.



This is the Standard of our Chief which could be flown above his tent at the Aboyne Games. It is over six feet long and displays his Arms in the hoist with triple representations of his Crest in the fly along with his motto *Virescit Vulnere Virtus* which means “Strength draws Vigour from an Injury”. This refers to the fact that fruit yield can be improved by pruning. Our Chief has another flag of unusual shape which can be flown by his Representer when the Chief is not present.

The flag is called a Pincel and is triangular shape. Again it bears the Chief’s Crest, this time within a belt and buckle, and Motto along with his Name, chapeau of estate as the Baron of Leys, and a sprig of holly leaves. The Pincel could be flown in America by John Burnett as the Representer of the Chief in the United States or by whoever the Chief designates as his Representer at a Highland Games any where in the world.



John Burnett is the Tosheadoer, or Representer, of our Chief in the United States of America. As such he can wear a Neck Badge which is based on the main element in the Pincel. The Badge is worn from a green and white ribbon. These are the “Livery Colours” of our Chief, any Burnett could fly a flag made up of these two colours to show their connection to the House of Burnett.



The two sons of our Chief cannot use their father's Arms. On the left is the shield of our Chief, next the shield of Alexander, eldest son, who has a label of three points on the shield to show he is the heir to the Barony of Leys. On the right is the shield of his younger brother Victor who will start a new cadet branch of the Burnett family. All his heirs will use Victor's Arms which have been 'differenced' from the Arms of his father by the addition of two red triple-towered castles which represent the City of Aberdeen.

All this may sound complicated and pedantic, but the beauty of the Scottish heraldic system is that an individual and his family, or descendants, can be in turn individually recognised.

So, to sum up a Member of the House of Burnett can;

1. Wear or use the Chief's crest within a belt and buckle
2. Fly a flag composed of White and Green, the Burnett livery colours
3. Wear the Chief's tartan or the alternative Burnett tartan sold in Highland wear shops
4. Display a framed copy of the Chief's armorial achievement as a mark of loyalty to him.



Chiefly Burnett Tartan



Alternative Burnett Tartan

Any Burnett who can prove descent to the satisfaction of the Lord Lyon King of Arms from a native-born Scot can petition for a personal Grant of Arms from the Court of the Lord Lyon in Edinburgh. This involves the production of paper proof – birth, marriage and death certificates, or copies of parish records. The process takes about a year and costs almost £2,000 in legal and heraldic painting fees.

Readers may have seen articles on this subject in previous Banners. I am grateful to Charles Burnett for providing this clear and much more comprehensive account of the subjects

James C. A. Burnett

TRADITIONAL SCOTTISH RECIPE

DUNDEE CAKE

Here is a rich, fruity cake topped with almonds. It became popular at the end of the 19th century. It is often served at Christmas. You can omit the whisky or use another spirit if you wish!

Ingredients:

8oz Flour
6 oz Butter
5oz Caster/Granulated Sugar
4 Eggs
1oz Blanched Almonds
1.5oz Mixed Peel
6oz each of currants, raisins, sultanas (seedless white raisins)
Grated rind and juice of lemon
1 level teaspoon baking powder
2 tablespoons whisky
2 tablespoons boiled milk and 1 tablespoon sugar

Method:

Cream the butter and sugar in a bowl. When it is white and creamy, slowly add the four eggs (one at a time), plus a spoonful of flour with each beating well all the time. Stir in the nuts and fruits. Add the rest of the flour, (sifted with the baking powder) and the whisky. Make sure the mixture is stirred well - right to the foot of the bowl. If it is too stiff, add a little milk.

Place mixture in an 8-inch greased and lined cake tin. Flatten the top with hands which are slightly wet. Cover with foil or greaseproof paper and bake at 325F (170C) or gas mark 3 for two hours.

Halfway through, take off the foil and arrange the split almonds in concentric circles on the top of the cake. Check the cake with a skewer towards the end of cooking - if it is still wet in the middle, put it back for more cooking! 5/10 minutes before cooking is finished, brush the top with the sweetened milk to create a dry glaze. Keep in the tin for 15 minutes before turning out on a wired tray. Store in an airtight container



SCOTTISH POETRY

COME LADS AND COME LASSIES

This poem by Charles Nicol recalls the days when many thousands of people left the grime and hard work of industrial Glasgow and went by steamer or train "doon the watter" of the river Clyde to the coastal resorts of Ayrshire and Argyllshire. Sometimes it was just for a day or a weekend, sometimes for the two weeks of the "Fair Fortnight".

Come lads an' come lassies, come ane an' come a',
The boat it lies ready at aul' Broomielaw;
Come noo get yer tickets an' let's be away,
For we a' mean to spend a richt happy day.

An' when we arrive doon at Campbeltown's shore,
We'll meet wi' oor callants that's there by the score;
An' oh, sic gran' fun as we then a' will hae,
Sae noo lads an' lassies let's hie an' away.

We'll dance and we'll sing maist the hale o' the day.
Ilk lassie an' lad, while the piper will play;
An' them that likes best, they a-fishing can gang,
Syne pass aff the day wi' a jest an' a sang.

Sae let us be aff while the sun noo is rising
And we'll be there lads in time maist surprising;
An' oh, sic gran' fun as we then a' will hae,
Alang wi' oor callants this bright simmer day.

The thocht o't brings back oor young days again,
An' the trips that we then used tae hae by the train;
Sae noo for the sake o' aul' times let us spend,
A richt rollicking day at oor journey's end.

Then come lads an' lassies, come ane an' come a',
The boat it lies ready at aul' Broomielaw;
Noo come get yer tickets an' let's be away,
For we a' mean tae spend a richt happy day.

Meaning of unusual words:

come ane an' come a' = come one and come all
aul' Broomielaw = old Broomielaw (the central Glasgow docks)
callants = lads
sic = such
Ilk lassie = every girl
Syne = then, thereafter