Currie Kirk

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**John Allison**

Pte 30208 2nd Battalion KOSB.

Died 4th October 1917, aged 24 yrs.

Commemorated on Tyne Cot Memorial panel 66-68

Husband of Bella J M Allison, Baberton Avenue, Juniper Green, Midlothian.

John was born on 3rd March 1893 at Parkhead, in the Parish of Corstorphine. At this time his father, John Allison was a Farm Grieve. He & Catherine Allsion M/S Blyth were married on 25th May 1887 at Cambusnethan.

In the 1911 Census the family lived at Ivy Terrace, Juniper Green. John Snr was 49 and gave his occupation as a Papermaker Millworker. Catherine was 46 years of age and stated that they had been married for 24 years, had had 6 children, all of whom were alive.

Living at home were John, aged 18 years who was employed as a Cleaner in the Papermill, Robert aged 12 years and James aged 5 years were both school pupils.

John married Bella Jane Meikle Haston on 18th December 1914 at Helen Bank, Juniper Green. He was 21years of age, a Paper Maker living at Ivy Terrace, Juniper Green and she was 22 years of age, a Paper Mill Worker living at Belmont Avenue, Juniper Green.

John’s parents were John Allison, a Platelayer and Catherine Allison, M/S Blyth.

Bella’s parents were Catherine Haston, a Table Maid by now married to Thomas Allison, a Paper Maker.

On 9th May 1915, John & Bella’s son, also John was born at Bridge Road, Colinton.

**John Arnot**

Pte 251237 4th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 19th November 1917, aged 37yrs.

He is buried at Kantara War Memorial Cemetery, Egypt, grave D91

Son of Alexander Arnot, Riccarton Arms, Currie.

John was born on 9th January 1880 at Cookbrae(?), Currie.

His parents, Alexander Arnot and Annie Arnot M/S Anderson were married on 15th June 1877 at Currie. At this time Alexander was a Farmer.

In the 1911 Census the family were living at Lanark Road, Currie. Alexander was 58 years of age and a Hotel Keeper. His wife Annie stated that they had been married for 34years, had had 6 children, 5 of whom were alive.

Living with them were son John, aged 31years who worked as a Clerk at a Papermill and daughter Lizzie who was 21 years old.

John was a member of Baberton Golf Club and is commemorated on the War Memorial situated outside the Clubhouse.

**David Baillie**

David Carmichael Baillie

Pte 13673 3rd Battalion Scots Guards.

Died on 29th May 1915, aged 22 yrs.

Buried in Currie Churchyard, 64.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**My times are in thine hand.**

Son of William Baillie, Kinauld, Currie, Midlothian.

David Carmichael Baillie was born 01/03/1893 to William Baillie and Davina May Baillie of Juniper Green, Midlothian

**Colin Bruce**

Lt in 6th Battalion Highland Light Infantry.

Died 5th September 1918, aged 26yrs.

Buried in Abbeville Communal Cemetery Extension, IV E2. (Abbeville is a town on the main road from Paris to Boulogne)

Son of Patrick Chalmers Bruce & Lucy Bruce, Kinleith, Currie, Midlothian.

Colin was born on 10th June 1892 at Canaan Lodge, Canaan Lane, Edinburgh. His parents were Patrick Chalmers Bruce, Paper Manufacturer and Lucy Bruce, M/S Hodgson who had married on 22nd October 1889.

At the time of the 1911 Census the family were living at Kinleith, Currie. Colin was not at home;

Patrick C Bruce, 53yrs, Paper Maker

Lucy Bruce, 44yrs who stated that they’d been married for 21 yrs, had had 6 children, 5 of whom were alive.

Alison K., aged 8yrs, Scholar at home

Phyllis H, aged 3yrs

Margaret Rankin, aged 43yrs – servant -Cook

Anne Harvey, aged 42yrs – servant – Nurse

Georgia Wilson, aged 26yrs – servant- Table Maid

Margaret Forrest, aged 32yrs- servant – Housemaid

Isabella Douglas, aged 18yrs, servant – Kitchen Maid

Mary Kerr, aged 19yrs, servant – Under Nurse

Emily Ross, aged 26yrs, servant – Sewing Maid

Colin was in fact staying with his maternal grandmother, Emily Hodgson, and her staff at Huntly in Colinton. He was 18 yrs of age.

 **Andrew Bryce**

Pte 8158, 2nd Battalion Cameron Highlanders

Died 12th March 1915.

Buried Vermezeele Enclosure, Belgium. Grave X111 A2

Andrew was born on 28th July 1890 at Rosebank, Currie.

His parents were Andrew Bryce, a Gardener and Mary Jane Bryce, M/S Fowler who had been married on 6th June 1879 at Logie, Coldstone & Cromar.

In the 1911 Census the family lived at Lanark Road, Currie. Andrew & Mary had been married for 31 years, had had 10 children, 8 of whom were still living. Their son Andrew was not part of the household at this time.

Living at home were;

Christina, aged 27 years who worked as a Domestic Servant

James, aged 23 years who worked as a Signalman with Caledonian Railway

Mary Ann, aged 17 years who worked as a paper Catcher at the Paper Mill

Alexander, aged 16 years who worked as a Grass Shaker Boy at the Paper Mill

Jessie, aged 14 years who attended School

Robert Polson, Andrew & Mary’s 2 year old grandson

**David Burns**

 D. Burns Pte 9413 1st Battalion Scots Guards.

Died 27th January 1915, aged 21yrs.

Buried in Pont-a-Vendin Communal Cemetery, France.

David McGillvray Burns was born on 13th May 1893 at 2 Fife Street, Keith, Banffshire.

His parents were David Burns, Road Labourer and Jane Ann Burns, M/S McGillvray. At the time of registering this birth it was noted that his mother was deceased.

Jane Ann Burns died on 17th May 1893. The causes of death were given as Albuminuria and Puerperal Eclampsia, 4 days.

In the 1911 Census David McG. Burns is recorded as living at Ladycroft, Currie with George & Janet Steele and family. He was 17yrs of age and was employed as a Shop Assistant & Grocer.

**William Butler**

Pte in 25th Battalion Australian Infantry

Died 29th July 1916, aged 19yrs.

Commemorated Villers- Bretonneaux Memorial, Australian National Memorial to WW1.

William was born on 28th December 1896 at Marchbank, Currie.

His father was Robert Butler who was a Coachman and his mother, Charlotte Butler, M/S Sken were married on 14th December 1878 in Berwick on Tweed.

In the 1911 Census the family still lived at Marchbank, Currie. William was not present.

Robert Butler, aged 56yrs, Coachman

Charlotte, aged 52 years who stated that they’d been married for 32 yrs & that they’d had 8children, 7 of whom were alive.

Richard, 21 yrs, Wood Carter

Mary, 14yrs, school.

**Frank Byrne**

Pte 18640 2nd Battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers.

Died 8th July 1916, aged 21yrs.

Buried Doullens Communal Cemetery 111 C19. (Doullens is a town in the Somme, approx. 30kn north of Amiens).

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**On whose soul sweet Jesus have mercy. RIP** Inserted by his father & brothers

Son of James Byrne, Ravelrig Crossing, Balerno, Midlothian.

Francis was born on 29th September 1895 at Ravelrig Crossing, Currie. His parents were James Byrne who gave his occupation as a Railway Porter and Helen Byrne, M/S Collins who were married on 19th October 1874 at Ratho.

In the 1911 Census the family were living at Ravelrig Cottage. James (Snr) was by now 60 years of age and still working as a Railway Porter. Helen Byrne was 56 and stated that they had been married for 37 years and had had 9 children, 6 of whom were still living. It is also recorded that Helen had been born in Ireland.

Living at home were;

James, aged 29 years who worked as a Quarryman at the Whinstone Quarry.

Michael, aged 26 years who worked as a Platelayer with Caledonian Railway.

Thomas, aged 22 years who worked as a Labourer in the Quarry.

Peter, aged 19 years who worked in the Quarry

Francis aged 15 years who also worked in the Quarry

**James Calder**

Pte 3488 9th RoyalScots

Died 2nd August 1917 - Cottage Hospital, Liberton, Midlothian.

James was born on 20th November 1877 at Blythbank, Parish of west Linton.

His parents were John Calder, Ploughman and Margaret Calder,M/S Adams who were married on 30th October 1876 in Newton.

James died in Liberton Hospital, Midlothian on 2nd August 1917.

His occupation was given as a Boiler Fireman and Private in 9th Royal Scots.

His parents were John and Margaret Calder, both of whom were deceased.

James usual place of residence was given as Fernieflatt, Juniper Green.

The cause of death was Phphisis Pulmonary (Pulmonary Tuberculosis). His death was registered by a friend, William Stein.

**James Cassidy**

Pte 275932 9th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 11th August 1918, aged 20yrs.

Buried Bouchoir New British Cemetery. (Bouchoir is a village on the straight main road from Amiens to Roye)

Son of Charlotte A Cassidy, Parkend Cottage, Juniper Green, Edinburgh & the late John Cassidy.

**John Cassidy**

Pte 3546 9th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 25th July 1916.

Commemorated on Thiepval Memorial, Pier & Face 6D & 7D

**James Coffer**

Pte 40745 16th Battalion Royal Scots (McRae’s Battalion)

Died 28th March 1917, aged 34 years.

Buried Faubourg D’Amiens Cemetery, Arras, France.

Personal Inscription “**Though death divides fond memory clings”**.

Son of the late Ebenezer Coffer & Jane Goodfellow Coffer. Husband of Mary Pryde Coffer, 84 Gorgie Road, Edinburgh. James was born in Currie.

James was born 13th August 1880

On 27th July 1906, James and Mary Pryde were married in Currie by the then minister David Caldwell Stewart. James was 25 years of age and a Postman whilst Mary was 20 years of age and worked as a Housemaid, her usual residence being in Slateford, Parish of Colinton. Her father was Robert Pryde who worked as a Ploughman. Her mother, Jane was deceased.

James & Mary went on to have 3 children;

Ebenezer Coffer, born on 12th February 1908 at 3 Kinauld, Currie.

Robert Coffer, born 12th May 1910 at Kinauld Cottages, Currie.

Bertha Coffer, born 5th May 1914 at 5 Kinauld Cottages, Currie

**George Downie**

George Cairns Downie Pte 19188 16th Battalion Royal Scots (McRae’s Battalion).

Died 1st July 1916, aged 21yrs.

Commemorated on Thiepval Memorial, Pier & Face 6D & 7D.

George was born on 10th September 1894 in Juniper Green.

His parents, James Downie was a Papermaker and Isabella Downie, M/S Cairns were married on 17th February 1882.

In the 1911 Census the family are recorded as living at Grove Place, Juniper Green ;

James Downie, aged 53yrs, Paper Finisher working at Paper Mill

Isabella aged 52yrs, stated that they’d been married for 29yrs, had 8 children all of whom were alive

Helen aged 25yrs Paper Finisher

Isabella, aged 23yrs, Paper Finisher

William, aged 20yrs, Vanman

James, aged 19yrs, Assistant Calendar Man, Paper Mill

George, aged 16yrs, Apprentice Butcher SCWS

Thomas, aged 14yrs, School

Christina, aged 4 yrs, grandaughter

**Robert Davidson**

L/Cpl S/8887 1st Battalion Gordon Highlanders

Died 18th July 1916, aged 25yrs.

Commemorated Thiepval Memorial, Pier & face 15B and 15C

Robert was born on 7th December 1890 at Slateford, Colinton.

His parents, Archibald Davidson, Slater and Ann Davidson, M/S Forbes were married on 15th April 1872.

In the 1911 Census, the family were living at Forrests Building, Slateford, in Parish of Colinton;

Archibald Davidson, aged 70yrs, Slater

Annie Davidson, aged 66yrs stated that they’d been married for 38yrs, had 10 children, 9 of whom were alive.

James, aged 31yrs, Labourer

Robert, aged 20yrs, Labourer.

**J. Garnet Fairbairn**

James Garnet Fairbairn – Pte 18042 1st Battalion Canadians (Western Ontario Regiment).

Died 18th March 1915, aged 32yrs.

Buried Y Farm Military Cemetery, Bois-Grenier (in the grounds of the Monastery at Haut-Mont).

Son of David B. Fairbairn, Balerno, Midlothian.

James was born 20th September 1882 at Dunraven Villa, Currie. His father David Bryce Fairbairn was a Builder and he & James’ mother, Elizabeth Fairbairn, M/S Cunningham, were married on 23rd June 1881 in Currie.

His death was reported in Canadian Press. His next of kin was given as Miss Laura Fairbairn, Edinburgh, Scotland.

**Andrew Fraser**

A.G. Fraser. Pte 2046 6th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 23rd November 1916, aged 20yrs.

Buried in Warlincourt Halte Cemetery, Saulty. Grave IV.C.13

Andrew Gourlay Fraser was born on 13th April 1896 at Rosevale, Currie. He was the younger brother of James Fraser – see following entry.

His parents were John Fraser, General Labourer and Marion Fraser, M/S Simpson who had married on 28th November 1892.

At the time of the 1911 Census, the family were still living at Rosevale, Currie;

Marion Fraser, aged 47yrs was a Widow and head of the household.

John, aged 19yrs, Railway Porter

James, aged 17yrs, Mill Worker at Paper Mill

Andrew, aged 14 yrs, Apprentice Plumber

Thomas, aged 13yrs, School

Willie, aged 8 yrs, School

**James Fraser**

Pte 14788 12th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 25th September 1915, aged 22yrs.

Commemorated on Loos Memorial, panel 10-13.

James Simpson Fraser was born on 24th April 1893 at Rosevale, Currie.

His parents were John Fraser and Marion Fraser, M/S Simpson.

James was the elder brother of Andrew Fraser – see previous entry.

At the time of the 1911 Census, the family were still living at Rosevale, Currie;

Marion Fraser, aged 47yrs was a Widow and head of the household.

John, aged 19yrs, Railway Porter

James, aged 17yrs, Mill Worker at Paper Mill

Andrew, aged 14 yrs, Apprentice Plumber

Thomas, aged 13yrs, School

Willie, aged 8 yrs, School

**John Gaffney**

Pte 18097 2nd Battalion Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

Died 26th August 1917.

Buried Coxyde Military Cemetery, Belgium. Grave 111.D.16

**Peter B. Gardner**

Air Mechanic, 1st Class 28923, 59th Squadron Royal Flying Corps.

Died 6th December 1916, aged 28yrs as a result of a flying accident in England.

Buried in Currie Churchyard, grave 300

Son of Peter Boyd and Elizabeth Love Gardner, Currie.

Peter was born on 23rd December 1888 in Levenhall Police Station House, Musselburgh. His father, Peter Snr was a Police Constable. He & Elizabeth were married 23rd April 1886.

At the time of the 1911 Census, the Gardner family were living at Lanark Road, Currie. Peter was not present. It is recorded on his gravestone that he served with Hong Kong Police Fire Brigade so it may be that he was in Hong Kong.

Peter Boyd Gardner, aged 47 yrs, Police Sergeant, Midlothian Police

Elizabeth, 48 yrs who stated that they had been married for 24yrs and had 6 children, all of whom were alive.

Margaret B., 20 yrs, Telephone Operator, National Telephone Co.

Alexander B., 15 yrs, Gardener

Drummond F, 9 yrs, School

**Sir A. Gibson Craig**

Sir Archibald Charles Gibson-Craig. Lt 2nd  Highland Light Infantry

Died 14th September 1914, aged 31yrs.

Commemorated La Ferte-sous-Jouarre Memorial, France.

Son of the late Sir James Henry & Lady Gibson-Craig, Riccarton, Currie.

Archibald was born on 24th August 1883at Riccarton , Currie. His father James Henry Gibson Craig of Riccarton was a Baronet and his mother, Julia Gibson Craig, M/S Buchanan had married on 9th June 1870.

Archibald had two brothers;

Robert James Gibson Craig was born on 5th June 1882 at Riccarton, Currie.

Henry Thomas Gibson Craig was born on 5th January 1885 at Riccarton, Currie.

Archibald was a member of Baberton Golf Club where his name is also listed on the Memorial Board there.

**James Gifford**

Pte S/96551st Battalion Gordon Highlanders.

Died 25th September 1915, aged 40yrs. Commemorated on Menin Gate, Ypres, panel 38

Son of John & Jane Wood Gifford, Corporation Buildings, Leith.

Husband of Ellen Thomson Gifford, Newmills, Balerno, Midlothian.

James was born on 6th May 1875 in Leith. His father John was a Seaman, Merchant Services and his mother was Jane Gifford, M/S Wood. They had married on 17th January 1874 in Edinburgh.

On 27th July 1894 James married Ellen Thomson. He was 19 years of age and employed as a Labourer whilst she was 18 years old and employed as a Domestic Servant. His usual residence was 50 Bangor Road, Leith and she lived along the road at 39 Bangor Road, Leith.

In the 1911 Census they were living at 87 Bonnington Road, Leith. At this time their family consisted of;

James, aged 25 years who worked as a Flour Miller.

Ellen was also 25 years old.

James, aged 6 years who was born in Inverkeithing

Robert aged 5 years who was born in Leith

Jane aged 4 years who was born in Leith

William aged 3 years who was born in Leith.

The following year it appears that the family moved to Newmills, Balerno.

On 25th August 1912 a daughter Harriet was born. James’ occupation is recorded as a Meal Miller.

**Robert Gillon**

Pte 40892 2nd Kings Own Scottish Borderers

Died 4th October 1917, aged 23years.

Buried in Bedford House Cemetery, Belgium. Enclosure 4 111G15

Son of Mrs Agnes Gillon, Main Street, Balerno.

Robert was born on 1st September 1894 in Currie.

His parents were William Gillon, a Butcher and Agnes Gillon M/S Somerville who had been married on 11th June 1891 in West Calder.

In the 1911 Census the family lived at Main Street, Balerno.

Agnes was recorded as the Head of Household, aged 45 years and gave her occupation as a Butcher.

Living with her were;

Helen, aged 18 years

Robert, aged 16 years who worked as a Butcher’s Assistant

Elizabeth, aged 13 years who was at School.

**Joseph Godley**

Pte 14039 2nd Battalion Scots Guards.

Died 26th September 1916

Commemorated on Thiepval Memorial, Pier & Face 7D.

Joseph was born 7th December 1884 in Juniper Green

His parents were Joseph Godley, a Papermaker and Elizabeth Godley, M/S Moffat who were married on 31st December 1878 in Dalkeith.

In the 1911 Census the family resided at Lanark Road, Currie.

Elizabeth, aged 56 years, is listed as Head of Household.

Living with her were;

Janet, aged 31 years who was a Papermill Worker

John, aged 27 years who also worked in the Papermill

Joseph, aged 17 years who was a Butcher.

**W. Norris Gourlay**

William Norris Gourlay, Capt 5th Cameron Highlanders.

Died 6th June 1917, aged 21yrs.

Buried Wimereaux Communal Cemetery 111 B2 (Wimereaux is a small town situated approx. 5km north of Boulogne. Also buried here is Lt Col John McRae who in 1915 composed In Flanders Fields).

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Death is swallowed up in Victory**.

Son of Kenneth & H. Grace Gourlay, Malleny, Balerno, Midlothian.

William was born 8th December 1895 at 32 Royal Circus, Edinburgh.

His parents were Kenneth, a Chartered Accountant and Hannah Grace Gourlay who were married 8th September 1893.

At the time of the 1911 Census the family were living at Malleny, Balerno. It is recorded that the house had 17 rooms with one or more windows. William, then aged 15yrs was not with his family;

Kenneth M. Gourlay, aged 45yrs, Chartered Accountant

Hannah G, aged 44 yrs who stated that they’d been married for 17 yrs , had 3 children who were all alive

Hannah, aged 13yrs, Scholar at Home

Henry M D Watson, brother- in-law, Chartered Accountant

Jessie Morrison, aged 34yrs, Sewingmaid, born at Lochbroom, Ross-shire

Grace Ballantyne, aged 24yrs, Tablemaid, born in Kirkund, Peebles

Margaret M Scott, aged 25 yrs, Cook,born in Dirleton, Haddington

Isabella McKay, aged 29yrs, Housemaid, born in Dornoch, Sutherland

William was a member of Baberton Golf Club and is commemorated on the War Memorial situated outside the Clubhouse.

**John D. Girvan**

John Dalgleish Girvan. Pte 9870 1st Battalion Cameron Highlanders.

Died 22nd December 1914, aged 24yrs.

Commemorated on Le Touret Memorial, France, panel 41&42.

John was born on 7th March 1890 at the Police Station, Liberton Dams, Liberton,Edinburgh. His parents were James Dalgleish Girvan, a Police Constable and Margaret Girvan, M/S Fell who were married on 7th June 1889 in Blackfriars, Glasgow.

**James Henderson**

Gunner 159202 Royal Garrison Artillery (254th Siege Battery)

Died 9th April 1918, aged 36yrs.

Commemorated Ploegstreert Memorial, Belgium, panel 1.

James was born on 17th May 1881 at South Gyle, Currie.

His parents were James Henderson, Farm Steward and Margaret Henderson, M/S Nicol who were married on 22nd June 1866 at Liberton.

**Thomas B. Henderson**

L/Cpl 10198 9th Battalion Royal Scots

Died 12th May 1915, aged 32yrs.

Commemorated on Menin Gate, Ypres, Belgium, panel 11

Son of Christina Henderson, 23 Bank Street, Alyth, Perthshire

**William Houston**

William James Houston. Gunner 307339 Royal Garrison Artillery.

Died 26th May 1918, aged 24yrs.

Buried Bertrancourt Military Cemetery, Row C, plot 2 (Bertrancourt is a village in the Somme).

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Treasured memories of one so dear oft recall a silent tear**

Son of Thomas John & Mary Houston, Mid Lodge, Oxenfooord Castle, Ford, Midlothian.

In the 1911 Census the family were living at Corslet, Currie;

Thomas Houston, aged 42yrs, Forester who had been born in Lochmaben, Dumfries

Mary, aged 41yrs who stated that they had been married for 19 yrs and had 8 children, 7 of whom were living. She was born in Kilwinning, Ayr

Mary, aged 18yrs, Farm Worker who had been bornin Beith, Ayr

William, aged 17yrs, Farm Worker who had been born in Beith, Ayr

Jane, aged 15yrs, Farm Worker who had been born in Glasgow

Thomas, aged 11yrs, at School who had been born in Blair-Drummond, Stirling

Samuel, aged 8 yrs, at School who had been born in Gorebridge, Midlothian

Earnest, aged 5 yrs, at School who had been born at Lamancha, Peebles

Rachel, aged 3yrs who was born in Tranent, Haddington.

**Guy Jack**

Gavin Jack. Lt 3rd Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 25th September 1915, aged 30 yrs.

Commemorated Menin Gate, Ypres, panel 11.

Brother of Mrs Catherine M. Watherston, 4 Ellersley Road, Edinburgh.

Guy was born on 12th August 1885 at Hermiston, Currie.

His parents were Thomas Jack, a Farmer and Jane Jack, M/S Greenshields who had married on11th June 1878 in Lesmahagow.

**Oliver F Johnstone**

Oliver Frederick Johnstone. Pte 32996 10th Battalion Scottish Rifles (Cameronians)

Died 23rd July 1918, aged 19yrs.

Commemorated on Soissons Memorial, France (The town of Soissons is approx. 100km North East of Paris. The memorial lists 3887 names of British soldiers killed in the area May to August 1918, with no known grave, during German offensive)

Son of the late Mrs A Johnstone. Born Glenbrook, Balerno, Midlothian.

Oliver was born on 29th November 1898 at 26 Arthur Street, Dundee. His parents were Oliver who was a Stonemason and Annie Johnston who were married on 22nd December 1897 in Dundee.

**William Knox**

Pte 95674 3rd Battalion Tank Corps.

Died 29th August 1918, aged 27 yrs.

Buried Vaulx Hill Cemetery, France, 1D2

William was born on 25th March 1891 in Currie.

His parents were William Knox, Grocer and Isabella Knox, M/S Kinnear who had married on 26th December 1879.

At the time of the 1911 Census the family were living at Malleny Bower, Balerno, Currie;

Wm Knox, aged 55yrs, Gardener.

Isa, aged 58 yrs who stated that they’d been married 31yrs and had 6 children, 4 of whom were alive.

Wm, aged 20yrs, Mill Worker Paper Mill

John Swanson, 13yrs, Boarder, School

Lucy Swanson, 10 yrs, Boarder, School

Wm Swanson, 7yrs, School

Alex Swanson, 4yrs.

**Frederick Lewis**

Pte 19048 16th Battalion Royal Scots

Died 1st July 1916, aged 24yrs

Commemorated Thiepval Monument, Pier & Face 6D & 7D

Frederick Linton James Meikle Lewis was born on 2nd February 1891 at Sighthill, in the Parish of Corstorphine.

His parents were William Lewis, Ploughman and Christina Chapman Lewis, M/S Meikle were married on 12th December 1866.

In the 1911 Census the family were living at West Hermiston;

William Lewis, aged 67yrs, Ploughman

Christina Lewis, aged 63 yrs stated that they’d been married for 45 years, had 9children of whom 8 were alive.

Alexander Lewis, aged 42yrs, Barrowman on Farm.

Frederick was living in Stewart Street, West Calder, boarding with Margaret Clarkson and her son. He was 20yrs of age and employed at Youngs Gill Bog as a Pitheadman.

**Frank McCue**

Pte 18647 2nd Battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers.

Died 1st July 1916

Commemorated Thiepval Monument, Pier & Face 16C

Francis was born on 13th January 1895 in Balerno, Currie. His parents were James McCue, papermaker and Helen McCue, M/S Orr who had married on27th October 1892 at Currie.

In the 1911 Census the family were living in a house at Side Street, Currie;

James McCue, aged 48yrs, Paper Mill Foreman

Helen, aged 40yrs who stated that they had been married for 18 yrs and had 9 children, all of whom were living

William, aged 17 yrs, Mill Worker

Frank, aged 16yrs, Mill Worker

Phemia, aged 12 yrs, Scholar

Mary, 11 yrs, Scholar

Catherine, aged 9 yrs, Scholar

John, aged 6 yrs, Scholar

Edward, aged 4yrs.

**James McEwan**

L/Cpl 3/6594 Gordon Highlanders.

Died 2nd September 1916, aged 38yrs.

Buried at Birmingham Lodge Hill Cemetery, B10.4.345E

**Frank McGovern**

Cpl 200443 5th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 12th November 1917, aged 23yrs

Commemorated Jerusalem Memorial where 3318 names of those with no known grave are listed.( Within Jerusalem War Cemetery, approx. 4.5km north of the walled city and at the north end of Mount of Olives).

Son of Mrs McGovern, 32 St Mary Street, Edinburgh.

Francis was born on 29th March 1895 at Malleny Mills, Balerno, Currie.

His parents were Thomas McGovern, Wood Turner and Helen McGovern, M/S Wynne who had married on 10th April 1893.

In the 1911 Census the family are recorded as living at Malleny Mills, Balerno.

Thomas McGovern, aged 57yrs, Wood Turner

Helen, aged 39yrs who stated that they’d been married for 18yrs and had 5 children, all of whom were alive.

Francis, aged 16yrs, Apprentice Blacksmith

John, aged 14yrs, School

Catherine, aged 9 yrs, School

Jane, aged 3yrs

**John McGregor**

Pte 41501 15th Battalion Royal Scots

Died 16th April 1918.

Commemorated on Ploegstreert Memorial, Belgium

**Arthur McGuigan**

Pte 19305 16th Battalion Royal Scots

Died 28th April 1917, aged 21yrs.

Commemorated on Arras Memorial where 35,000 names of those with no known grave are listed. Servicemen from UK, South Africa and New Zealand who died in the Arras region between Spring 1916 and 7th August 1918.

Son of James & Nellie S McGuigan, Belmont Avenue, Juniper Green, Midlothian

Arthur was born on 6th January 1896 in Juniper Green. His parents, James and Helen Flint McGuigan, M/S Scott were married on 12th July 1895 in Juniper Green.

In the 1911 Census the family are recorded as living in Taylors Buildings, Belmont Avenue, Juniper Green.

James McGuigan, aged 39 years of age gave his occupation as a Papermaker.

Helen, aged 41 years, stated that they had been married for 15 years, had had 10 children, 9 of whom were alive;

Arthur, aged 15 years, Apprentice Baker

Margaret, aged 12 years, attending School

Janet, aged 11 years, attending School

James, aged 10 years, attending School

Alison, aged 8 years, attending School

Alexander, aged 6 years, attending School

Samuel, aged 5 years, attending School

Walter, aged 10 months

**Thomas McMenigall**

Thomas Neil McMenigall.

Pte S/5615 12th Battalion Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

Died 10th June 1916, aged 38yrs.

Buried in Salonika (Lembet Road) Military Cemetery, Thessalonika, Greece.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**To memory ever dear**

Husband of Isabella McMenigall, Weiss Cottages, Currie, Midlothian.

Thomas was born on 28th December 1875 at Redsort, Currie. His father John was a Foreman at Paper Mills. His mother was Helen McMenigall, M/S Leishman. John & Helen were married on 27th January 1860 at Currie.

On 28th December 1894, Thomas, then 18 years of age married Isabella Nicolson, aged 19 years . He was a Papermaker. She was a Domestic Servant residing at Hillbank, Currie. His father was deceased as was her mother.

In the 1911 Census Thomas & Isabella lived in Lanark Road, Currie. They had been married for 16 years, had had 5 children, 4 of whom were alive at the time of the census. The family consisted of;

Thomas, aged 35 years, who gave his occupation as a Papermaker

Isabella, aged 35 years

Edward, aged 14 years – born in 1896 – who worked as a Vanboy.

Christina, aged 10 years – born 1901

Isabella, aged 7 years – born 1904

John, aged 3 years – born 1907.

Thomas Neil was born later that year in 1911

Helen Leishman was born in 1914

**Wm Marshall**

William Marshall, Pte 14288 2nd Battalion Scots Guards.

Died 27th September 1918, aged 25yrs.

Commemorated on Vis-en-Artois memorial where 9000 names of those with no known grave who fell in the period 08/08/1918 to 11/11/1918 are listed.

Son of Robert & Jeanie Chassells Marshall, South Park Road, Hamilton.

**Peter Marshall**

Peter Philip Marshall. AB SS/1370 SS Caldergrove.

Died 7th March 1917, aged 30yrs

Killed in action with a submarine in The Atlantic Ocean

Commemorated on Plymouth Naval memorial, panel 21.

Son of Robert & Margaret Marshall, Balerno Bank, Balerno, Midlothian.

Peter Phillips Marshall was born on 25th September 1886 at Balerno, Currie.

His parents were Robert Marshall, Papermaker and Margaret Marshall, M/S Phillips who had married on 27th April 1883 at Cockpen.

**Alexander Martin**

Pte 16120, 8th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 26th September 1915, aged 20yrs.

Commemorated on Loos Memorial where 20,636 names of those with no known grave are listed. The memorial forms the sides and back of Dud Corner Cemetery that is located on the main Lens to Bethune Road.

Grandson of the late Peter Martin, 19 Cockburn Street, Falkirk.

**Walter Melrose**

Pte 1624, 4th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 28th June 1915, aged 18yrs.

Commemorated on Helles Memorial, Turkey where 20962 names of those from the UK, India, Australia & New Zealand with no known grave are listed. The memorial stands on the tip of the Gallipoli Peninsula

Son of George Melrose, Kinauld, Currie, Midlothian.

Walter was born on 9th May 1897 at Station House, Currie. His parents were George Melrose, Station Master and Rachel Melrose, M/S Williamson and they were married on 22nd October 1880 in Newington, Edinburgh.

In the 1911 Census the family are recorded as living at Station House, Currie;

George Melrose, aged 54yrs, Station Master, Railway Co.

Rachel aged 53ys who stated that they’d been married for 30 years, had 7 children, 5 of whom were alive.

William, aged 26 yrs, Railway Clerk

Walter, aged 13 yrs, School

Janette, aged 11yrs, School

Rachel Tweedie, aged 21yrs who been married for 4 years had 2 children, 1 of whom was alive.

John Tweedie, aged 4 yrs, grandson.

**David L. Messer**

Pte 351410, 9th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 9th April 1917

Buried in Roclincourt Valley Cemetery.

**Archibald Moffat**

Pte 203507, 7th Battalion Seaforth Highlanders.

Died 28th December 1917

Buried Tincourt New British Cemetery, 1VC9

**Robert Murray**

Pte 8102 Cameronians (Scottish Rifles)

Died 18th July 1916, aged 21yrs.

Commemorated on Thiepval Memorial, Pier & face 4D

Son of Matthew & Isabella Robertson Murray, 15 Livingstone Place, Rawyards, Ayrshire

**Frederick Pepper**

Pte 8676 2nd Battalion KOSB

Died 6th June 1921 at Malleny Mill, Currie.

Buried at Currie Cemetery.

On 29th August 1913 Frederick, aged 26yrs and working as a Carterman in Paper Mill married Agnes Kindred Muirhead, aged 24yrs who worked as an Overhauler in Papermill at United Free Church Manse. Both resided in Balerno.

His father William Pepper worked as a Fireman in Bleachworks and her father, Alexander Muirhead was a Sett Maker.

On 18th August 1914 William Pepper was born at Malleny Mills, Balerno. His grandfather, Alexander Muirhead registered the birth. Frederick is recorded as being a Papermaker.

On 17th November 1917 Alexander Muirhead Pepper was born at Malleny Mills, Balerno. Frederick is recorded as being a Papermill worker ( Private 8676 3rd KOSB) Agnes registered the birth.

Frederick’s death on 6th June 1921 was registered by Alexander Muirhead, his father-in-law. The cause of death was given as Gassed – Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

In 1921 Census Agnes Pepper is recorded as being aged 32yrs and a widow.

William, aged 6yrs, Scholar

Alexander Muirhead, aged 3 yrs.

Mary Eliza Pepper, visitor.

**Wm Philp**

Pte S/10093, 1st Battalion Gordon Highlanders.

Died 31st March 1916, aged 18yrs.

Commemorated Menin Gate, Ypres, Belgium, panel 38

Son of George Philp, Braeburn, Currie, Midlothian

**Thomas Purves**

L/Cpl 51672 12th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 25th April 1918, aged 28yrs.

Commemorated Tyne Cot Memorial where the names of 34,973 servicemen with no known grave from the UK and New Zealand are listed. The memorial forms the north east boundary of Tyne Cot Cemetery, Belgium.

Thomas Ford Purves was born on 7th May 1889 at Woodhall Lodge, Colinton. His parents were William Purves, Labourer and Eleanor Purves, M/S Hunter who had married on 5th June 1888 at Coldingham.

**Walter Rankine**

L/Cpl 33398. 16th Battalion Highland Light Infantry.

Died 9th July 1917, aged 28yrs.

Commemorated Nieuport Memorial where the names of 553 servicemen with no known grave are listed, West Flanders, Belgium.

Son of William Rankine, Malleny Bank, Balerno, Midlothian.

Walter was born on17th May 1889 at Balerno, Currie. His father was William Rankin, a Stone Dresser and Margaret Rankin, M/S Knox who had married on 17th July 1885 in Balerno.

**Peter Robertson**

L/Cpl 351246. 9th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 9th April 1917, aged 20yrs.

Buried in Roclincourt Valley Cemetery where 465 servicemen lie, all from Battle of Arras that commenced on 9th April 1917.

Son of Peter & Alison Robertson, Sighthill, Corstorphine, Edinburgh.

**John Robertson**

Pte 30838, 4th Battalion Kings Own Scottish Borderers.

Died 13th November 1917, aged 28yrs.

Buried in Ramleh War Cemetery, Israel & Palestine where 3888 servicemen from the UK, India & Egypt lie.

Son of Alexander & Janet Robertson and husband of Janet Russell Robertson, Malleny Mills, Balerno, Midlothian.

John was born on 19th February 1889 at Curriemuirend, Parish of Colinton.

His parents were Alexander Robertson, Miller and Janet Paris Robertson, M/S Anderson who had married on 18th August 1888.

On 9th July 1915 John Robertson, aged 26yrs, Papermaker married Janet Nicol Russell, aged 26yrs, Papermill Worker of Malleny Mills, Balerno. The marriage took place at The Manse, Currie.

**James A. Sinclair DCM**

James Alexander Sinclair, L/Cpl 10574. 1st Battalion Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

Died 11th May 1915 aged 25 yrs.

Commemorated on Menin Gate, panel 42, Ypres, Belgium.

Son of James Alexander & Clementina McDonald Sinclair, native of Edinburgh.

James Alexander Sinclair was born on 17th May 1890 at 15 Bedford Street, Edinburgh.

His parents were James Alexander Sinclair, Coach Painter and Clementina Gow Sinclair, M/S McDonald who had married on 28th February 1886.

**John Smith**

Pte Royal Highlanders

The Royal Highlanders are The Black Watch.

There are 10 men with the name John Smith who are recorded on the CWGC website who died between September 1914 and July 1918.

It has not been possible to identify our John Smith.

**Thomas L. Smith**

Thomas Laurie Smith. Lt Ayrshire Yeomanry.

Died 18th September 1918, aged 35yrs.

Buried Gouzeaucourt New British Cemetery, where 1295 servicemen lie, following the Battle of Cambrai in the Western Front.

Son of Robert& Betsy Smith, Warriston, Currie and husband of Jessie Smith, 80 Brunstane Road, Joppa, Edinburgh.

Thomas was born on 30h September 1882 in Harwood, West Calder. His parents Robert Smith, a Farmer, and Betsy Robb Smith , M/S Young were married on 12th June 1875 in Whitburn.

On 22nd August 1914 at the Maitland Hotel, Shandwick Place, Edinburgh Thomas, then aged 31years, Seed Merchants Traveller married Jessie Prentice, aged 28 years, School Teacher. Jessie’s father, Thomas Prentice was deceased. Her mother was catherine Prentice M/S McCallum.

Thomas & Jessie had a daughter, Catherine McCallum Smith who was born in 1915.

In the 1921 Census, Jessie lived at 80 Brunstane Road, Edinburgh with her daughter Catherine then aged 6years 3months. Also living with them were Jessie’s sister Mary Brown and her daughter, Catherine, aged 15 years.

**James Stark**

Pte S/12664. 1st Battalion Cameron Highlanders.

Died 22nd December 1914.

Commemorated Le Touret Memorial where the names of 13477 men with no known grave are listed. The memorial is located at the east end of le Touret Military Cemetery.

**Michael Stark MM**

Pte 907068. 5th Battalion Canadian Infantry ( Saskatchewan Regiment).

Died 10th November 1917, aged 19yrs.

Commemorated Menin Gate, panel 18, Ypres, Belgium.

Michael was born on 28th December 1897 at Currievale, Currie.

His parents were John Kemp Stark, Blacksmith and Fanny Stark, who had married on 22nd October 1897.

In the 1911 Census the family were living at 3 Lanark Road, Currie.

John Stark, aged 40yrs, Blacksmith

Fanny Stark, aged 35yrs who reported that they’d been married for 13 yrs, had 4 children, all of whom were alive.

Michael, aged 13 yrs, School

James, aged 11yrs, School

John, aged 5 yrs, School

Margaret, aged 4 yrs

The family emigrated to Canada shortly after the 1911 Census.

Michael enlisted on 17th February at Regina, Saskatchewan.

Canadian Press reported, on 7th November 1917, that he had been awarded the Military Medal for signal bravery and valour on the battlefields of France at Hill 70.

Prior to enlisting Michael was employed with the Huron & Erie Loan Company.

Michael’s brother James also enlisted.

**John Stewart**

John Kinloch Stewart. Sapper 28432, Royal Engineers.

Died 15th July 1916, aged 22yrs.

Buried Dantzig Alley British Cemetery, Mametz where 1539 servicemen who were killed in the Battle of the Somme.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Till the day dawns and shadows flee away.**

Son of Willaim & Jessie Torrance Stewart, Stanley Place, Newton St Boswells.

**Robert B. Shankie**

Robert Brash Shankie. Pte 352709. 9th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 11th April 1917, aged 19yrs.

Buried Etaples Military Cemetery where 10771 servicemen lie. During WW! The area around Etaples was the scene of large concentrations of reinforcement camps and hospitals. The cemetery was also used in WW2.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Our loved ones sleeping.**

Son of John & Barbara Shankie, Larchgrove Lodge, Balerno, Midlothian.

Robert was born on 25th July 1897 at Larchgrove, Currie. His father John was a Gardener and his mother was Barbara Hunter Shankie M/S Brash. They were married on 19th June 1890 in Uphall.

He was the younger brother of Thomas Shankie – see next entry.

In the 1911 Census the family are recorded as living at Larchgrove Lodge, Balerno, Currie.

John Shankie, aged 45yrs, Gardener

Barbara Shankie, aged 46 yrs who stated that they’d been married for 21 yrs, had 2 children both of whom were alive.

Thomas R Shankie, aged 17yrs, Law Clerk

Robert B Shankie, aged 13yrs, School.

**Thomas R. Shankie**

Thomas Robert Shankie. Pte 43196. 2nd Battalion Royal Scots

Died 20th November 1916, aged 23yrs.

Commemorated Thiepval Memorial.

Son of John & Barbara Shankie, Larchgrove Lodge, Balerno, Midlothian.

Thomas was born on 20th August 1893 in Adderleiy, Monifeith. His parents were John Shankie, Gardener, and Barbara Hunter Shankie M/S Brash who had married on 19th June 1890 in Uphall.

He was the elder brother of Robert B Shankie – see previous entry.

In the 1911 Census the family are recorded as living at Larchgrove Lodge, Balerno, Currie.

John Shankie, aged 45yrs, Gardener

Barbara Shankie, aged 46 yrs who stated that they’d been married for 21 yrs, had 2 children both of whom were alive.

Thomas R Shankie, aged 17yrs, Law Clerk

Robert B Shankie, aged 13yrs, School.

**Thomas Sims**

Thomas Henry Sims. Gunner 930 Royal Field Artillery.

Died 18th July 1916, aged 18yrs.

Buried Laventie Military Cemetery, La Gorgue.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Dearly loved by all at home**

Son of H. Ralph & Ellen E. Simms, 68 Spon Street, Coventry.

**Alexander Smart**

Pte 19368 16th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 25th August 1917, aged 21yrs.

Commemorated Thiepval Memorial.

Son of Alexander & Isabella Smart, Helen Bank, Juniper Green, Edinburgh.

Alexander was born on 25th May 1896 at Colinton.

His parents were Alexander Smart, Labourer and Isabella Smart, M/S horne who had married 13th April 1883 at St. Giles, Edinburgh.

In the 1911 Census the family were recorded as living at Helen Bank, Lanark Road;

Alexander Smart, aged 48 yrs, Labourer, Paper Mill

Isabella, 52yrs who stated that they’d been married for 28yrs,had 8 children, 7 of whom were alive.

John, 27yrs, Vanman -Grocer

Anne, paper Mill Worker

Christine, paper Mill Worker

Adam, 20yrs, Paper Mill Worker

William, 16yrs, Golf Club Maker

Alexander, 14yrs, Joiner

Clement, 11yrs, School

**Wm Straiton**

Pte 45930 3rd Battalion Royal Scots

Died 12th November 1917.

Commemorated Jerusalem Memorial where the names of 3,300 Commonwealth servicemen who died in operations in Egypt & Palestine, with no known grave are listed.

**Peter M. Stuart**

Peter Maxwell Stuart.

Pte 350725 9th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 9th April 1917, aged 33 yrs.

Commemorated Arras Memorial where the names of almost 35,000 servicemen from the UK, South Africa and New Zealand who died in the Arras Sector between the spring of 1916 and 7th August 1918, with no known grave are listed.

Peter Maxwell Stuart was born on 9th February 1884 at Juniper Green.

His parents were John Stuart, Draper and Jessie Stuart, M/S Maxwell who were married on 20th July 1881 at Juniper Green

In the 1911 Census the family were living at Lanark Road, Currie;

John Stuart, aged 61 yrs, Draper

Jessie Stuart, aged 65yrs stated that they’d been married for 30yrs , had 2 children, both of whom were alive.

Robert Burns Stuart, aged 28 yrs, Clerk Insurance

Peter M. Stuart, aged 27 yrs, Clerk Stockbrokers.

**Peter Swan**

Pte 13192, 2nd Battalion Scots Guards

Died 10th September 1916, aged 21yrs.

Commemorated on Thiepval Memorial, the Memorial to the missing of the Somme bears the names of 72,000 servicemen from the UK and South Africa with no known grave.

Peter was born on 30th April 1895 at Riccarton Mains, Currie. His parents were Robert Swan, a Ploughman and Mary Swan, M/S McCran who had married on 26th February 1883 in Galashiels.

In the 1911 Census the family were living at Hermiston, Currie;

Robert Swan, aged 46yrs Farm Grieve

Mary, aged 49 years. She stated that they had been married for 29 yrs and had had 8 children, 6 of whom were living.

Patrick, aged 23yrs, Ploughman

Robert, aged 18yrs, Farm Labourer

Peter, aged 15 yrs, Farm Labourer

Annie, aged 13yrs Scholar

Katherine, aged 11yrs, Scholar

**Maitland Telfer**

 Pte 40116. 9th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 22nd August 1917, aged 35 years.

Commemorated on Tynecot Memorial where the names of 34973 servicemen with no known grave from the UK and New Zealand are listed. The memorial forms the northeast boundary of Tyne Cot Cemetery, Belgium.

Maitland was born on 29th November 1881 in Kirknewton, parish of Kirkliston.

His parents were William Telfer, Quarryman and Mary Telfer, M/S Bird who had married on 28th July 1871 in Kirknewton.

In the 1911 Census the family lived at The Old Schoolhouse, Currie;

William Telfer, aged 67yrs, Sett Maker Whinstone, born Ratho.

Mary, aged 62 yrs who stated that they had been married for 40 years, had 9 children, 6 of whom were living.

Mary Telfer, aged 39yrs, Dressmaker, born Kirknewton

Maitland, aged 28yrs, Quarryman, born Kirknewton

George, aged 25yrs, Quarryman, born Currie

Mary Bird Telfer, granddaughter, aged 1yr

**Kenneth D. Thompson**

Kenneth Douglas Thompson. Lt 10th Battalion Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders.

Died 18th July 1916, aged 29yrs.

Buried in Bray Military Cemetery where 874 Commonwealth servicemen lie, 127 of whom are unidentified.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Until the day dawn**

Son of James Wishart & Mrs Thomson, Glenpark, Balerno, Midlothian.

Kenneth was born on 10th October 1886 at 8 Inverleith Place, Edinburgh. His parents were James Wishart Thomson, a Ship Owner and Barbara Gray Thomson, M/S Cunningham who were married on 7th December 1866 in Leith.

In the 1911 Census, Kenneth was living with his elder brother William & his wife Charlotte at 18 Coates Gardens, Edinburgh and their staff. He was 24yrs of age and working as a Stockbroker’s Apprentice.

He was a member of Baberton Golf Club and is commemorated on the War Memorial situated outside the Clubhouse.

**George Torrance**

Pte 123 Canadian Infantry (Manitoba Regiment).

Died 15th August 1915, aged 21 yrs.

Buried in Wandsworth Cemetery, Magdalen Road, London, F.B.9.19.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**To memory ever dear**

Son of Mr & Mrs Robert Torrance, 435 Trent Avenue, East Kildonan, Winnipeg, Canada. Native of Edinburgh.

George was born on 6th November 1893.

Canadian Press reported that George died in a London Hospital from the effects of gas poisoning.

**Robert Traill**

Pte 30182 11th Battalion Royal Scots

Died 21st March 1917.

Commemorated on Arras Memorial where the names of almost 35,000 servicemen from the UK, South Africa and New Zealand who died in the Arras Sector between the spring of 1916 and 7th August 1918, with no known grave are listed.

Robert was the younger brother of Willaim Traill and on 17th February 1911 he was a witness at the marriage of his brother & Catherine Alison.

In the 1911 Census he lived with his father at Janeville, Lanark Road, Juniper Green, Midlothian.

John Traill, aged 58 years, Widower who was employed as a Paper Cutter.

Robert Traill, aged 21years, Paper Mill Worker.

**Wm Traill**

William Traill, Pte 46113 13th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 24th January 1918.

Buried in Fillievres British Cemetery where 81 Commonwealth servicemen from WW1, lie, 8 of whom are unidentified. The Cemetery was used again in WW2.

William was born in Juniper Green, Parish of Colinton in 1883.

By the time of his marriage, on 17th February 1911, his mother Marion Traill, M/S Tweedie, was deceased. William, aged 27 years who gave his occupation as a Carter and Catherine, aged 29 years who gave her occupation as a Shopkeeper were married at Helen Bank, Juniper Green. William resided at Lanark Road, Juniper Green and Catherine lived at Belmont Avenue, Juniper Green.

Both Catherine’s parents – Alexander Allison and Marion Allison, M/S Henderson were deceased.

Witnesses at the wedding were Robert Traill and Alison Millar Allison.

In the 1911 Census William and Catherine lived at Elmbank, Juniper Green.

On 30th August 1911 William & Catherine became parents to twin sons;

John Traill and Alexander Alison Traill who were born at Elmbank, Juniper Green. William registered the babies births, having been present when they were born.

On 20th July 1915 their daughter Mariona Henderson Tweedie Traill was born at Elmbank, Lanark Road, Juniper Green. William registered the baby’s birth having been present when she was born

On 1st June 1917 their son William Robert Traill was born at Elmbank, Lanark Road, Juniper Green. William registered the baby’s birth, having been present when he was born. He is recorded as being a Paper Maker and Pte 46113, 3rd Royal Scots.

In the 1921 Census, Catherine and the children lived at Elmbank, Juniper Green.

**Robert H. Turner**

Robert Holmes Turner. Pte 251327 9th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 16th September 1917, aged 27yrs

Buried in Zuydcoote Military Cemetery, I.E.3 where 327 servicemen lie.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Until the day break and the shadows flee away**

Son of James & Mary Turner, Firtree Park, Juniper Green, Midlothian.

Robert was born on 29th October 1889 at Hill Mount in the Parish of Colinton. His father James was a Builder and his mother was, Mary Turner, M/S Holmes. They married on 15th September 1871 in Irvine.

**Alexander Tweedie**

Pte 235504 2nd Battalion Gordon Highlanders.

Died 26th October 1917, aged 21ys.

Commemorated on Tyne Cot Memorial Cot Memorial where the names of 34973 servicemen with no known grave from the UK and New Zealand are listed. The memorial forms the north east boundary of Tyne Cot Cemetery, Belgium.

Son of John & Christina Tweedie, Baberton Avenue, Juniper Green, Midlothian.

Alexander Whiteford Tweedie was born on 17th April 1896 at Juniper Green. His father, John was a Mill Worker and his mother was Christina Whiteford Tweedie, M/S Dickson. They were married on 5th March 1886 in Juniper Green.

**Thomas Urquhart**

Pte 533 24th Battalion Australian Infantry

Died 29th July 1916, aged 21 yrs.

Commemorated on Villers -Bretonneaux Memorail, the Australian National Memorial to all Australian soldiers who fought in France & Belgium during WW1 where the names of 10,982 servicemen with no known grave are listed.

Thomas was born on 30th March 1895 at 92 Albert Street, Edinburgh.

His parents were George Urquhart, Engine Fitter and Mary Jane Urquhart, M/S Martin who had married on 24th July 1891.

In the 1911 Census, the family were living in a house in Main Street, Currie.

Mary Jane Urquhart, aged 41yrs was the head of the household. She was a widow and working as a Paper Finisher.

Thomas, aged 16yrs, General Labourer

Mary, aged 13yrs, School

James, aged 10yrs, School

James Dunnet, aged 20yrs lodged with the family. He was employed as an Apprentice Engine Fitter – Paper Machine Engine.

**George White MM**

Cpl 275671 6th Battalion Royal Scots.

Died 24th October 1917 aged 20 yrs.

Commemorated on Tyne Cot Memorial Memorial where the names of 34973 servicemen with no known grave from the UK and New Zealand are listed. The memorial forms the north east boundary of Tyne Cot Cemetery, Belgium.

Son of John & Jessie White, Lanark Road, Currie, Midlothian.

George was born on 4th March 1897 at Juniper Green. His father was John who was an Engine Keeper and his mother was Jessie White, M/S McFadyen. They were married on 26th June 1896 at Colinton Manse, Edinburgh.

**John R. White**

John Robertson White.

Pte 351370 11th Battalion Royal Scots

Died 13th October 1917, aged 28yrs

Commemorated at Tyne Cot Memorial, panel 11-14

Son of Mrs Isabella White, Smith’s Buildings, Balerno .

John was born on22nd April 1889 in Balerno, Currie.

His parents were William White, Rural Postman and Isabella White, M/S Robertson who were married 22nd October 1881.

In the 1911 Census the family were recorded as living in a house, Side Street, Balerno;

William White, aged 54yrs, Postman

Isabella White, 54 yrs who stated that they’d been married 29 yrs had 9 children, 7 of whom were alive.

William, 27yrs, Paper Mill Worker – Labourer

John, 21yrs, Paper Mill Worker

Alice, 19yrs, Paper Overhauler

Catherine, 17yrs, Paper Overhauler

Grace, 13yrs, School

Thomas, 10yrs, School

Johan, 7yrs, School

Isabella Robertson, 30yrs, Paper Finisher

**John Williamson**

Pte 45204 15th Battalion Highland Light Infantry.

Died 3rd April 1919.

Commemorated Arras Memorial where the names of almost 35,000 servicemen from the UK, South Africa and New Zealand who died in the Arras Sector between the spring of 1916 and 7th August 1918, with no known grave are listed.

**Martin Wynne**

Pte S/18651 6th Battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers

Died 3rd January 1918, aged 29yrs

Buried Jerusalem war Cemetery, A25.

Martin was born on 3rd August 1888 in Balerno, Currie

His parents were John Wynn, Labourer and Rosanna Wynn, M/S Fee who were married on 12th November 1872.

In the 1911 Census the family were living at Main Street, Currie. John was widowed.

John Wynne, aged 64yrs, Platelayer with Caledonian Railway Co.

Rose Ann, aged 34yrs, Housekeeper

Thomas Wynne, aged 32yrs, Farm Labourer

Martin Wynne, aged 22yrs, Quarry Labourer, Whinstone.

**Peter Young**

119129 39th Battalion Machine Gun Corps.

Died 5th October 1918, aged 22yrs.

Buried in Tehran War Cemetery, Iran which is located on the southern edge of the British Embassy’s Gholhak compound in north Tehran and where 412 Commonwealth servicemen from WW1 lie, 13 of them unidentified.

Son of William Young, Currievale, Currie, Midlothian.

Peter was born on 7th July 1896 at Rosebank, Currie.

His parents were William Young, Ploughman and Catherine Young, M/S Weir who had married on 4th June 1880 in Fauldhouse.

In the 1911 Census the Young family were living at Rosebank Cottages;

William Young, aged 50yrs, Ploughman

Catherine Young, aged 52yrs who stated that they’d been married for 30yrs, had 9 children, 8 of whom were alive.

John W. Young, aged 21yrs, Ploughman

Margaret Young, aged 21yrs, Farm Worker

Peter Young, aged 14yrs, Labourer on Farm.

**Wm. Young**

William Young.

Pte 430858 Canadian Infantry (British Columbia Regiment)

Died 15th August 1917, aged 25yrs.

Commemorated Vimy Memorial

Son of John & Margaret Young, Glenbrook, Balerno, Midlothian

**Jeannie A Young**

War Nurse.

Died 15th January 1919, aged 27yrs in Bangour Hospital.

Cause of Death influenza – 9days, Bronchio Pnuemonia – 5days.

Buried Currie Cemetery.

Jane Affleck Young was born on 27th September 1891 at Currie.

Her parents were John Young, Ploughman and Agnes Young, M/S Westwood who were married on 4th June 1886 at Liberton.

In the 1911 Census the family were living at Burnside, Lanark Road, Currie;

John Young, aged 45 yrs, Mill Worker

Agnes Young, aged 46 yrs who stated that they’d been married for 24yrs, had 4 children, all of whom were alive.

James, aged 22yrs, Gardener

Jane, aged 19yrs, Paper Finisher

John, aged 16 yrs, Mill Worker

Alfred, aged 14yrs, Mill Worker.

**WW2**

**George S. Anderson**

Sgt 1061136, RAF, 37th RAF Volunteer Reserve.

Died 16th November 1941, aged 21years.

Commemorated on Alamein Memorial, Egypt.

Son of Mr & Mrs John Anderson, Dunfermline, Fife.

George Swan Anderson was born on 6th December 1919 at 1 Commercial Street, Dundee.

His parents were George Swan Anderson, Ship Yard Labourer and Anne Richards Anderson, M/S Cook who had married on 18th March 1916, Dundee.

**Douglas H Archibald**

Douglas Haig Archibald.

Tpr 420370 2nd Battalion Lothians & Border Horse, Royal Armoured Corps.

Died 21st February 1943, aged 26yrs.

Buried at Enfidaville War Cemetery, Tunisia.

Son of Andrew & Charlotte Archibald. Husband of Jemima Archibald.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Without farewell he fell asleep leaving memories to keep**.

Douglas Haig Archibald was born on 28th September 1916 at 1 Hermitage Place, Edinburgh.

His parents were Andrew Archibald, Coal Miner (Private 2nd Battalion Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders) and Charlotte Fraser Archibald, previously Lawrie, M/S Noble who had married on 8th October 1909.

In the 1921 Census the family are recorded as living at 94 Ravelrig Siding;

Andrew Archibald, aged 48yrs, Quarry Worker – Lothian Quarry Co.

Charlotte, 34yrs

Elizabeth, 9yrs, Scholar

Dena, 6yrs, Scholar

Douglas Haig, 4yrs

James, 1yr

On 28th October 1938 Douglas Haig Archibald, aged 22yrs, General Labourer of 4 Dolphin Road, Currie married Jemima Clark, aged 21yrs, Confectionary Worker of 2 Wauchope Place, Craigmillar, Edinburgh.

**James S. Atkinson**

James Sheridan Atkinson.

S19 D/JX205676 HMC Curtana.

Died 7th March 1941, aged 21yrs.

Buried in Currie Cemetery, 4A, grave 29.

Son of John & Catherine Atkinson, Juniper Green.

In the 1921 Census the family are recorded as living at 81 Lanark Road;

John Graham Atkinson, 35yrs Weaver-Tweed Messrs MacNab “Blighty” Homespun Factory

Catherine, 34yrs

William Thomas, 4yrs

Rose Donnelly, 3yrs

James Sheridan, 1 yr

**John Ballantyne**

Sgt. 580936 RAF, 88 Squadron

Died 12th June 1940, aged 23yrs.

Buried in Beaurepaire Community Cemetery, France.

Personal inscription on gravestone;

**Until the day dawns.**

Son of John & Alexandra M.M. Ballantyne, Juniper Green, Midlothian

**George H.S. Bennett**

George Henry Sydney Bennett.

Sgt 1113757, RAF, 144 Squadron (Volunteer Reserve)

Died 5th November 1941, aged 20yrs.

Commemorated Runnymeade Memorial, panel 39.

Son of Sydney C Bennet & Madge Bennett, M/S Newall, Parkstone, Dorsetshire.

**James L. Black**

James Leadbetter Black,

Pte 3056479 7th Battalion Royal Scots

Died 15th November 1945, aged 26yrs.

Buried in Munster Heath War Cemetery (4F15)

**John Brown**

John Robert Brown. Lance Bombadier 1742443 Royal Artillery.

Died 25th February 1943, aged 30yrs.

Buried in Calcutta Cemetery (Bhowanipore) Kolkata, India (Plot L, grave 20)

Son of John & Bellilah Agnes Brown, Amble , Northumberland

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

 **In loving memory of Jack, son of John & Lila Brown, Amble, Northumberland, England.**

**James Bryce**

Cpl 3059464 The 1st London Scottish, Gordon Highlanders.

Died 8th January 1944, aged 24yrs.

Buried Mintamo War Cemetery, Italy, IVC12

Personal inscription on gravestone;

**Thy will be done**

Son of John & Edith Bryce, Juniper Green, Midlothian.

In the 1921 Census the family are recorded as living at Belmont Avenue, Juniper Green;

John Bryce, aged 37yrs, Dairyman

Edith, 33yrs

John, 11yrs, Scholar

May Clements, 9yrs, Scholar

Edith Young, 4yrs

James, 2yrs

**Peter Cannon**

Driver 3192544 Royal Corps of Signals.

Died 16th February 1944, aged 26yrs.

Buried in Anzio War Cemetery, Italy (111 G4)

In the 1921 Census Peter is recorded as living with his family at Side Street, Balerno;

James Cannon, 33yrs, Paper Calendar Man, Hill Criag & Co, Papermakers

Isabella, 28yrs

Peter, 3yrs

Isabella, 5yrs

Jean, 2yrs

Joan Macadie, Boarder

**Gordon Frizzell**

Gordon Abercromby Center Frizzell,

Sgt 1787720 463 Squadron Royal Air Force (Volunteer Reserve)

Died 18th December 1944, aged 20yrs

Buried Le Gros- Thiel Communal Cemetery, France.

Son of George Graham Frizzell & Mary Jane Frizzell M/S Donaldson of Galashiels, Selkirkshire.

**George Gascoigne**

Pte 3059820 7th Yorkshire & Lancashire

Died 5th February 1945, aged 27yrs.

Buried Madras War Cemetery, Chennai, India (4D17)

**John D. Henderson**

John David Henderson.

Pte 2987000 8th Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders

Died 3rd December 1942, aged 25yrs.

Buried Tabarka Ras Rajel War Cemetery, Tunisia (2B20)

Son of John & Annie Henderson, Corstorphine, Edinburgh

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Ever cherished in the hearts of those he left behind.**

**John Latto**

John Alexander Latto,

Sapper 2014436 Royal Engineers

Died 23rd April 1943, aged 27yrs.

Buried Qued Zarga War Cemetery, Tunisia (1H22)

Son of John & Marian Latto, Currie, Midlothian

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**In loving memory of our dear son John who died that we might live, Father, Mother and Brothers.**

John Alexander Latto was born on 18th November 1915 at The Wairdo, Upper Uphall, Uphall. His parents were John Alexander Latto, Ploughman and Marion Latto, M/S Hastie who had married on 12th August 1909 in Edinburgh.

**Donald MacGregor**

Sgt 169673 RAF, 149 Squadron (Volunteer Reserve)

Died 10th April 1944.

Buried Roye New British Cemetery, France plot 2 Row A11, grave 8.

**John McNeill**

Pte 3318445 6th Battalion Seaforth Highlanders

Died 18th January 1944, aged 24 yrs – died of wounds.

Buried Minturno War Cemetery, Italy.

Grandson of Agnes McNeill, Currie.

Personal inscription on gravestone;

**In loving memory of my dear grandson who died of wounds. He died that we might live.**

John was born 28th April 1921 and had the name John William Anderson Binnie.

His mother, Helen Meikle Binnie, Brewery Worker, registered his birth at Currie.

On 11th August 1971 his name was changed and recorded by Registrar General – John McNeill

**Alexander Mitchell**

Alexander George Mitchell.

Sgt 1568767 Royal Airforce Volunteer Reserve, 175 Squadron.

Died 31st March 1945, aged 21 yrs.

Buried Rheinberg War Cemetery, Germany, 17 F 14

Son of Thomas & Jemima Mitchell, Currie, Midlothian

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Fondly Remembered.**

**Alexander Moffat**

Ableseaman, C/JX 402482, HMS Intrepid

Died 26th September 1943 aged 19yrs.

Commemorated Chatham Naval Memorial.

Son of George & Jessie Moffat, Currie, Midlothian

**John Myles**

Signalman 3061668 Royal Corps of Signals.

Attached to 26th Indian Division Signals, Indian Signal Corps

Died 6th May 1944, aged 24yrs

Buried Maynamati War Cemetery , Bangladesh 1F13

Son of Mr & Mrs John D Myles and stepson of Mary A Myles, Malleny Bank, Midlothian

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**His memory is our dearest treasure, in our hearts he will live forever**”

**Robert D. Napier**

Robert Dickson Napier.

Pte 3063714 2nd Battalion Royal Scots

Died 23rd December 1941, aged 29yrs

Commemorated Sai Wan Memorial, China (including Hong Kong), column 12

Son of Robert & Elizabeth Napier, Currie, Midlothian.

Robert was born on 11th March 1912 at Malleny Mills, Balerno. His father, Robert Napier was a Carter. His mother was Elizabeth Napier, M/S Herriot. They were married 25th February 1910 in Newbattle.

**Thomas Orr**

Thomas McLaren Orr.

Driver Royal Electrical Mechanical Engineers

Died 16th October 1942, aged 30yrs

Buried in El Alamein war Cemetery, XXIII E 24

Son of David & Janet Orr. Husband of Isabella Orr, Juniper Green.

Personal inscription on gravestone;

**In memory of dear Tom. He died that we might live**.

Thomas McLaren Orr was born on 7th December 1911 at Ravelrig Siding, Balerno.

His parents were David Orr, Whinstone Quarryman and Janet Orr, M/S McLaren who had married on 22nd December 1988 at Currie.

In the 1921 Census the family are recorded as living at 95 Ravelrig Siding;

David Orr, aged 46yrs, Engine Driver, Lothian Quarry Co.

Janet, 52yrs

William, 20yrs, Paper Mill Worker, Hill Craig & Co, Papermakers

Janet, 18yrs, Paper Mill Worker, Hill Craig & Co, Papermakers

John, 16yrs, Wood Cutter, Graham Saw Millers

Robert, 12yrs, Scholar

Thomas, 9yrs, Scholar

Margaret, 9yrs, Scholar

Jessie, 8yrs, Scholar

Nellie, 7yrs, Scholar

Davina, 5yrs

On 31st December 1936 Thomas Orr , then aged 25yrs, Papermaker residing at Ravelrig Siding married Isabella Knowles Skirving Baigrie aged 24yrs, Farm Worker who resided at Rosebank Cottages, Currie.At this time Thomas’s mother was deceased.

**Ian A. Roy**

Ian Alister Roy,

Boy 1st Class, P/JX 162453 HMS Hood.

Died 24th May 1941, aged 17yrs.

Commemorated Portsmouth Naval Memorial, panel 51, column 3.

Son of George & Ethel Roy, Edinburgh.

**David G. Russell**

David Geddes Russell,

LAC 1007171, 84 Squadron RAF (Volunteer Reserve)

Died 1st March 1942, aged 28yrs

Commemorated Singapore Memorial, 417

Son of Mr & Mrs James Russell, Currie, Midlothian.

David was born on 21st November 1914 at Livingston Station, Livingston. His parents were James Russell, Shale Miner, and Alexandrina Russell M/S Geddes who were married 10th June 1904 in Whitburn.

**James Russell**

James Reid Russell

Cpl 2879717 The 1st London Scottish, Gordon Highlanders

Died 6th November 1943, aged 33yrs

Buried Naples War Cemetery, Italy III.J.16

Son of John S & Annie G Russell, Kirknewton, Midlothian

Personal inscription on gravestone;

**Loved and remembered by his own kith and kin and all who knew him. Oh man look into this grave and consider life’s journey**

**Stuart Sneddon**

Stuart Robert Sneddon

Lance Bombadier 1587585, Royal Artillery

Died 22nd September 1944, aged 30yrs

Buried Milsbeek War Cemetery, The Netherlands, (11C4)

**William Todd**

William Frederick Todd

Lance Bombadier 6088290, Royal Artillery,53 Battery.

Died 30th June 1944, aged 25yrs

Buried in Tilly-sur-Seulles War Cemetery, France IX.J.3

Son of William & Janet Todd, Husband of Marion Todd of South Moor, Stanley, Co Durham.

Personal Inscription on gravestone;

**Often a silent tear many a secret longing wishing you were here**

**Ian D.C. Veitch,**

Ian Donald Cruikshank Veitch M.B.ChB,

Major 246179, Royal Army Medical Corps

Died 4th March 1946, aged 38yrs.

Buried in Currie Cemetery.

Son of John & Jessie Veitch, husband of Elizabeth I Veitch.

Ian was born on 21st August 1907 at Dunnbrae, Currie. His parents were, John Veitch, Stationer and Jessie Veitch M/S Cruikshank. They were married on 2nd July 1906 in London.

Ian married Elizabeth I Smith on 30th January 1935 at 193 Union Street, Aberdeen.

At that time Ian was aged 27yrs and a Medical Practitioner of Dunnbrae, Currie. Elizabeth was 22yrs and a Drapers Shop assistant living at York House, Brechin. Her father William Smith was a Draper.

Ian died at The Military Hospital, The Castle, Edinburgh – usual residence 12 Sime Place, Galashiels. His father John Veith is recorded as being a Stationer - Bank of Scotland – deceased.

The cause of death is given as Carcinoma of Liver (primary). His death was registered by his widow Betty I Veitch.

**Post WW2**

**William A. Inglis**

William Alan Inglis,

Cfn 23329100, REME

Died 19th June 1957 in Kreis Krankenhouse ( Hospital in Germany), Soltau, Germany.

William was serving with the Light Aid Detachment REME with 5th Royal Irish Dragoon Guards and died as a result of an accident whilst on Military Exercise.

Willaim was born on 11th May 1913 in Currie.

Prior to his National Service, he trained as a Mechanic at Hope Scott Garage..

**David Ross**

Sgt 24231319 Royal Military Police

Died 27th March 1984 aged 31yrs, Londonderry in IRA car bomb.

Husband of Carole and father of Craig & Graham.

David was born on 4th March 1952 in Currie.

David married Carole Ann Blyth at Currie Kirk in 1976.

They had 2 sons, Craig David and Graham.

**Sean Gordon McDonald**

Pte 25110838 1st Battalion Royal Regiment of Scotland.

Died 7th February 2010, aged 26yrs in Helmund Province, Afghanistan.

Son of Jacqui, brother of Darryle & Ceilidh. Husband of Jenny.

Sean was born on 5th October 1983 in Toronto, Canada. He was baptised in Currie Kirk on 25th December 1983.

Sean returned to live in Currie with his mother in 1998. He attended Currie High School from January 1998 to December 1999 when he left to join the Army.

During his time in Currie, Sean was a member of 65th Edinburgh (Currie) Boys Brigade. He was also a member of the Air Cadets and athletics Club where he was the record holder for 200m.

Sean’s name is listed in the Roll of Honour, Scottish National War memorial

and on a memorial Celtic cross at Dreghorn Barracks, Edinburgh. He is also commemorated on a memorial plaque at Mortonhall Crematorium.