

Burns's Ayrshire Associates

for Sources, see page 149.

- AIKEN, Andrew Hunter : son of Robert Aiken, after completing studies went to Liverpool ; successful business career, appointed British Consul in Riga, where died 1831.
- AIKEN, Robert : eldest son of John Aiken, Ayr sea-captain, and by mother a grandson of James Dalrymple of Orangefield, born 1739, became solicitor and Surveyor of Taxes in Ayr, a great orator, subscribed for 145 copies of Kilmarnock edition, died 1807.
- AINSLIE, Hugh : born at Bargany, 1792, wrote *Pilgrimage to the Land of Burns*, died in Louisville, U.S.A., 1878.
- AITON, William : born Silverwood in Kilmarnock parish, 1760, bred as a farmer, trained for the law, became writer in Strathaven and Sheriff-Substitute for Upper Ward of Lanarkshire till resignation after political differences ; a writer on agricultural topics, author of *Agricultural Report for Ayrshire*, 1811 ; still alive in 1847.
- ALEXANDER, Wilhelmina : sister of Claud Alexander of Ballochmyle estate (q.v.), born 1753, died unmarried 1843.
- ARMOUR, Adam : lived in Mauchline, possibly brother of Jean Armour.
- ARMOUR, James : mason and contractor in Mauchline, father of Jean Armour, died 1798.
- ARMOUR, Jean : daughter of James Armour, born at Mauchline, 27 February 1767 ; married Robert Burns, 5 August, 1788 ; died at Dumfries, 26 March, 1834.
- ARNOT, John : son of James Arnot (d.1779), the factor to Earl of Loudoun ; lived at Dalwhatswood farm in Loudoun parish ; he died in 1788 or 1789.
- AULD, Rev. William : Mauchline, v. parish ministers.
- BALLANTINE, John : eldest son of Bailie William Ballantine, Ayr banker and merchant, born 1743, succeeded in father's business, occupied Castlehill estate (q.v.) ; promoter of Ayr New Brig, 1785-1788 ; Dean of Guild, later Provost of Ayr ; died 1812, unmarried.

- BARSKIMMING, Lord : v. Barskimming estate.
- BEGBIE, Alison : daughter of farmer in Galston parish.
- BLAIR, Sir James Hunter, Bt., of Whitefoord : v. Whitefoord estate.
- BOSWELL, Sir Alexander of Auchinleck : v. Auchinleck estate.
- BOSWELL, James, of Auchinleck : v. Auchinleck estate.
- BOYD, Rev. William : Fenwick, v. parish ministers.
- BRICE, David : acquainted with Burns and with Armours, went to Glasgow as shoemaker.
- BROWN, Agnes : the poet's mother, v. Mrs. William Burnes.
- BROWN, Hugh : tenant of Ardlochan mill, near Shanter farm, Kirkoswald, the miller in *Tam o' Shanter*.
- BROWN, John : clock and watchmaker, Mauchline, nicknamed 'Clockie.'
- BROWN, Richard : Irvine sailor, became master of a West Indiaman, lived 1753-1833.
- BROWN, Samuel : half-brother of poet's mother, lived at Ballachneil, Kirkoswald, with whom Burns lodged in the summer of 1775 ; lived 1739-1811.
- BRYEN, James : lived in Mauchline.
- BUCHAN, Mrs. Elspeth : born at Fatmacken, near Banff, 1738, married a Glasgow pottery worker ; in 1783 she came to Irvine as member of the Relief Church congregation of Rev. Hugh White (q.v.) ; believed herself the Third Person of the Godhead ; White deposed from his charge, riots in Irvine against the Buchanites, who were expelled from the town ; they moved to Kirkcudbrightshire where the Buchanite community awaited the imminent Second Coming of the Lord ; she died May, 1791. See Joseph Train, *The History of the Buchanites from First to Last* ; John Cameron, *History of the Buchanite Delusion*, 1904.
- BURNES, Gilbert : brother of the poet, born 28 September, 1760 ; married Jane Breckenridge of Kilmarnock, 1791 ; in 1798 left Mossiel ; became factor of Lord Blantyre's estates in East Lothian ; died there, in Grant's Braes farm, 8 April, 1827.
- BURNES, Robert : uncle of the poet, born at Clocknahill, in 1748 went to England as gardener, returned to Scotland and settled in Stewarton where he died 3 January, 1789.
- BURNES, William : father of the poet, born at Clochnahill in parish of Dunnottar, Kincardineshire, 11 November, 1721, third son of Robert Burnes, farmer, and Isabella Keith ; in 1748 through financial difficulties, William left home for Edinburgh, came as gardener to Fairlie (Dundonald), Doonside, then Doonholm ; leased also 7 acres at Alloway to commence business as nurseryman and market gardener, built the 'auld clay biggin' ; 15 December, 1757, married Agnes

- Broun, daughter of Maybole farmer ; for family, see page 10 ; died at Lochlea, 13 February, 1784, buried at Alloway.
- BURNES, Mrs. William : mother of the poet, born Agnes Broun, 17 March, 1732, eldest daughter of Gilbert Broun of Craigenton Maybole ; broken engagement with local farm servant ; met William Burnes at Maybole fair, and a year later married him, 15 December, 1757 ; died 14 January, 1820, at the home of her son Gilbert, Grant's Braes, East Lothian.
- BURNES, family of Mr. and Mrs. William Burnes : v. page 10.
- BURTT, John : born Knockmarloch, Riccarton, c.1790, poet. See *Contemporaries of Burns* for his life.
- CAMPBELLS of Loudoun : see Loudoun estate.
- CAMPBELL, Bruce : laird of Mayfield and Milrig (q.v.), lived 1734-1813.
- CAMPBELL, George : born Kilmarnock, c.1761, shoemaker, then teacher, published poems 1787, then attended college and became Burgher minister, died 1818.
- CAMPBELL, Mary : 'Highland Mary,' born at Auchanmore, near Dunoon in 1763, became servant in Lochranza, moved to Ayrshire, at Coylfield (q.v.), then nurse-maid with Gavin Hamilton ; in 1786 after visiting parents in Campbeltown, returned to post in Glasgow, then nursed brother Robert in Greenock, stricken with typhus herself, and died at Greenock late in 1786.
- CAMPBELL, Thomas : farmer in Pencloe, Glen Afton, New Cumnock.
- CAMPBELL, William : laird of Netherplace, Mauchline, v. estate.
- CAMPBELL, William : teacher in private school, Alloway, where Robert Burns received his first schooling, till school closed when Campbell appointed master of Ayr Poorhouse.
- CANDLISH, James : school friend of Robert Burns at Dalrymple and Ayr Grammar schools, became a private teacher in Edinburgh and Glasgow, later a lecturer in medicine at Edinburgh ; married Jean Smith of Mauchline (q.v.) ; lived 1759-1806.
- CHALMERS, Margaret : cousin of Gavin Hamilton ; her family lived for a time near Mauchline ; she lived 1763 ?-1843.
- CHALMERS, William : writer and notary-public in Ayr.
- CRAWFURD, Archibald : born Ayr late 18th century, author. See *Contemporaries of Burns* for life.
- CUNNINGHAM, Lady Elizabeth : sister of James, Earl of Glencairn, died 1814.
- CUNNINGHAM, William, of Enterkine and Annbank : v. Enterkine estate.
- CUNNINGHAM, Sir William Augustus, Bt., v. Milncraig estate.
- CUNNINGHAM, Mrs., of Lainshaw : v. Linshaw estate.

- DALRYMPLE, James, of Orangefield : see Orangefield estate.
- DALRYMPLE, Rev. William : Ayr, v. parish ministers.
- DALZIEL, Alexander : factor to the Earl of Glencairn.
- DALZIEL, Gavin : born Old Cumnock, c.1764, weaver, became chapman, settled in Newton-upon-Ayr as teacher with wife a tambourer, for short time soldier at Ayr barracks but discharged, once again chapman, returned to Cumnock, published poems in 1818, died in poverty at an advanced age.
- DAVIDSON, Betty : an old relation of Mrs. William Burnes who resided occasionally with the Burnes family in Robert's infancy.
- DAVIDSON, John : born 1728, lived for many years at Glenfoot of Ardlochan, whence moved to Kirkoswald, shoemaker and cobbler, generally regarded as prototype of Souter Johnnie in *Tam o' Shanter*. v. also John Lachlan.
- DON, Lady Henrietta : sister of James, Earl of Glencairn, married Sir Alexander Don, 1778 ; her two daughters drowned in 1795 ; her son (born 1779) succeeded in 1815 ; she lived 1752-1801.
- DOUGLAS, Dr. Patrick : owner of Garrallan (q.v.) and estates in Jamaica ; shareholder in Ayr Bank ; sometime surgeon in the West Lowland Fencible Regiment ; through him Robert Burns may have arranged for emigration to Jamaica ; died 1819.
- DUNCAN, Rev. Robert : Dundonald, v. parish ministers.
- DUNLOP, Andrew : v. Dunlop estate.
- DUNLOP, Mrs. John : v. Dunlop estate.
- EGLINTON, 11th and 12th Earls of : v. Eglinton estate.
- FERGUSON, Sir Adam, Bt. : v. Kilkerran estate.
- FINDLAY, James : excise officer at Tarbolton, who trained Burns ; married Miss Markland of Mauchline (q.v.) ; later transferred to Greenock.
- FISHER, James : born in Galloway, 1759, blinded by smallpox, settled in Ochiltree, musician, published some verses, in 1809 moved to England, where died c.1839.
- FISHER, William : 'Holy Willie,' born 1737, son of Andrew Fisher, farmer at Montgarswood, Mauchline, whom he succeeded ; ordained elder in Mauchline, 1772 ; rebuked for drunkenness 1790 ; bachelor, died in snowstorm on way home from Mauchline, 13 February, 1809.
- FLEMING, Agnes : daughter of John Fleming, farmer at Doura, Tarbolton.
- FRENCH, John : Cumnock fiddler and composer of reels and strathspeys, 1752-1803 (Warrick, *Old Cumnock*).
- FULLARTON, Col. William, of Fullarton : v. Fullarton estate.

- GED, Johnny : parish gravedigger, Tarbolton.
- GIBB, James : native of Mauchline, c.1770 began soapboiling at Ayr Townhead, built Dalblair mansion there early 19th century, went to Liverpool.
- GIBSON, Mrs. Agnes : 'Poosie Nancy,' landlady of ale and whisky shop cum lodging-house, Mauchline, wife of George Gibson, mother of Janet Gibson.
- GIBSON, Janet : 'Racer Jess,' half-witted daughter of the above, died 1813.
- GILLESPIE, Ann : wife of John Davidson (q.v.), said to have acted as nurse to Burns's mother.
- GLENCAIRN, the Countess of : mother of 14th Earl, born in humble circumstances, Elizabeth McGuire, daughter of Hugh McQuyre of Drumdow estate (q.v.), sister of Mrs. Charles Dalrymple of Orangefield (q.v.), and owner of Ochiltree estate (q.v.), latterly resided at Coates House, near Edinburgh, where she died 1801.
- GLENCAIRN, Earls of : see Kilmarnock estate.
- GLOVER, Jean : born Kilmarnock 1758, became actress. See *Contemporaries of Burns*.
- GOLDIE, John, and his half-brother John : born Ayr, c.1788 and 1798, poets. See *Contemporaries of Burns* for their lives.
- GOLDIE, or GOUDIE, John : born 1717 at Craigmill in Galston parish, became cabinetmaker then wine merchant in Kilmarnock, unsuccessful speculations in coal, scheme Kilmarnock-Troon canal ; special interests in mathematics, mechanics, and theology ; various deistical publications, especially 'Goudie's Bible,' i.e. *Essays on Various Important Subjects, Moral and Divine*, 3 vols., 1780 ; 2nd edition 1785 ; gathered support for Burns among Kilmarnock friends ; died 1809.
- GRAHAM, Douglas : son of Robert Graham, farmer at Douglaston, born 1739, became tenant of Shanter farm, Kirkoswald, also dealer in malt and smuggled goods ; he had a boat called *Tam o' Shanter* ; died 1811 ; the prototype of Tam o' Shanter.
- GRANT, Rev. David : Ochiltree, v. parish ministers.
- GRIEVE, James : laird of Boghead, Tarbolton.
- HAMILTON, Gavin : v. Beechgrove estate.
- HAMILTON, James : estate worker at Netherplace, Mauchline.
- HAMILTON, Charlotte : elder daughter of Gavin Hamilton, born 1764, married Dr. James Adair, 1789 ; died Edinburgh, 1806.
- HAMILTON, Wilhelmina : daughter of Gavin Hamilton, married Rev. John Todd, Mauchline ; she died 1855.
- HETRICK, Robert : Dalmellington poet. See *Contemporaries of Burns*.
- HOOD, William : shoemaker and elder, Tarbolton.

HUMPHREY, James : born Cairngillan, near Tarbolton, masou in Mauchline and Tarbolton ; died 1844.

HUNTER, William, shoemaker, Mauchline.

HUTCHIESON, David : 'Wee Davoc,' orphan son of Lochlea ploughman, adopted by Burns family.

JOHNSON, James : laird of Clackleith, New Cumnock parish.

KENNEDY, Jean : 'Kirkton Jean,' with sister kept 'The Ladies' House' tavern in Kirkoswald.

KENNEDY, John : born Kilmarnock, 1789, poet. See *Contemporaries of Burns* for his life.

KENNEDY, John : born 1757, factor to Earl of Dumfries, later to Earl of Breadalbane ; died 1812.

KENNEDY, Margaret : niece of Gavin Hamilton, daughter of Robert Kennedy of Daljarrock, born 1766 ; seduced by Captain (afterwards Col.) Andrew McDouall, of Logan, Wigtownshire ; bore him a son, 1794 ; died 1795.

KENNEDY, Thomas : 'Tam the Chapman,' probably school-friend of Burns at Dalrymple, later a travelling salesman for Mauchline firm, went to London ; died New York State 1846.

KILPATRICK, Nelly : daughter of Allan Kilpatrick, farmer in Parclewan, Dalrymple, inspired Robert Burns's first song, at Mount Oliphant ; she later married Wm. Bone, coachman to laird of Newark ; died c.1820.

LACHLAN, John : Ayr shoemaker, died 1819, sometimes suggested as prototype for Souter Johnnie. v. John Davidson.

LAPRAIK, John : laird of Dalfram estate (q.v.).

LAWRIE, Rev. Archibald : Loudoun, see parish ministers.

LAWRIE, Rev. George : Loudoun, see parish ministers.

LEES, John : shoemaker, Tarbolton.

LINDSAY, Rev. William : Kilmarnock, see parish ministers.

LITTLE, Janet : born 1759 at Ecclefechan, servant eventually with Mrs. Dunlop (q.v.), then with her daughter, Mrs. Henry, who rented Loudoun Castle ; in 1792 published *The Poetical Works of Janet Little, the Scottish Milkmaid* ; married to John Richmond, an estate worker ; a staunch Burgher ; died 1813.

LOGAN, Dr. Hugh : Maybole physician.

LOGAN, Hugh, the laird of Logan : v. Logan estate.

LOGAN, John : laird of Laicht and Knockshinnoch estates (q.v.).

LOGAN, Miss Susan : sister of Major William Logan.

LOGAN, Major William : retired Army officer who lived with mother and unmarried sister at Parkhouse, near Ayr ; he was noted for his wit and violin playing.

LOUDOUN, Earls of : see Loudoun estate.

McADAM, John, of Craigengillan : v. Craigengillan estate.

McADAM, Colonel Quintin : 'Young Dunaskin's laird,' son of above.

McCARTNEY, George : born Ochiltree, joiner and millwright at Clockclownie, improver of threshing machine, moved to Cumnock, 1790-1868 (Warrick, *Old Cumnock*).

McCULLOCH, Andrew : kept a teashop in Ayr, dealt in contraband ; died leaving four young sons who were acquainted with Burns family.

McGILL, Rev. William : Ayr, see parish ministers.

McGUISTAN, Mrs. : housekeeper at Dunlop House.

McINDOE, Robert : from Mauchline, later Glasgow draper.

McKENZIE, Dr. John : Mauchline physician, married Miss Helen Miller (q.v.), a Mason ; later moved to Irvine, became provost ; M.D. Edinburgh, 1824 ; 1827 retired to Edinburgh, where died 1837 ; introduced Burns to Sir John Whitefoord and Professor Dugald Stewart. On List of Freeholders, 1788.

McKINLAY, Rev. James : Kilmarnock, see parish ministers.

McLURE, David : Ayr merchant, laird of Shawwood (q.v.), owner of Lochlea, reduced by Ayr Bank crash, later moved to Liverpool.

McMATH, Rev. John : Tarbolton, v. parish ministers.

McQUHAE, Rev. William : St. Quivox, v. parish ministers.

McWHINNIE, W. : Ayr writer, took 20 copies of Kilmarnock edition ; died 1819.

MARKLAND, Jean : one of the 'Belles of Mauchline,' married James Findlay (q.v.).

MILLAR, Rev. Alex. : Kilmaurs, v. parish ministers.

MILLER, Betty and Helen : two of the 'Belles of Mauchline' ; Betty married J. Templeton and died young ; Helen became the wife of Dr. John Mackenzie.

MILLER, Sir Thomas, Lord Barskimming, v. Barskimming estate.

MILLER, Sir William, Bt. : son of above, v. Barskimming estate.

MITCHELL, Rev. Andrew : Muirkirk, then Monkton and Prestwick, v. parish ministers.

MONTGOMERIE, Captain : seduced the heiress of Skerrington (q.v.).

MONTGOMERIE, Hugh : 'Sodger Hugh,' became 12th Earl of Eglinton, v. Eglinton estate.

MONTGOMERIE, Capt. James : younger brother of above, Master of St. James Lodge, Tarbolton.

MOODIE, Rev. Alexander : Riccarton, v. parish ministers.

MORISON, Mary : daughter of Adjutant John Morison of the 104th Regt., who died in Mauchline, 1804 ; possibly the heroine of the song ; she died 1791, aged 20, of consumption. There was a 'John Morrison, in Mauchline,' on the List of Freeholders, 1788.

- MORTON, Christina : one of the 'Belles of Mauchline,' married Robert Paterson, Mauchline merchant.
- MUIR, Robert : son of William Muir, Loanfoot, near Kilmarnock, born 1758, became Kilmarnock wine-merchant, subscribed for 72 copies of Kilmarnock edition and 40 of Edinburgh edition ; died of consumption, 1788.
- MUIR, William : miller in Tarbolton, died 1793, aged 48 ; Jean Armour found refuge at 'Willie's Mill' when expelled by father.
- MURDOCH, John : born in Ayrshire, 1747 ; in 1765 hired by Wm. Burnes and four neighbours to conduct private school at Alloway, for 2½ years ; later taught in Dumfries ; in 1772 to Ayr Grammar School, dismissed 1776 ; then to London as teacher of French and author of various school books ; latterly almost destitute ; died 1824.
- MUTRIE, Rev. John : Kilmarnock, v. parish ministers.
- NIVEN, John : blacksmith at Damhouse, near Shanter farm, Kirkoswald.
- NIVEN, William : born 1759, schoolfellow of Burns at Kirkoswald, later Maybole merchant and town councillor, 1792-1837 ; bought Kirkbride estate in Kirkmichael parish 1799, also other property ; Deputy Lieutenant for Ayrshire, 1810 ; married in 1798 Isabella Christian Goudie, daughter of a Jamaican planter, died childless 1844.
- NOBLE, Andrew : parish schoolmaster, Mauchline.
- OLIPHANT, Rev. James : Kilmarnock, v. parish ministers.
- ORR, Margaret : sweetheart of David Sillar, nursemaid at Stair, through whom Burns became acquainted with Mrs. Stewart of Stair.
- ORR, Thomas : lived at Kirkoswald, worked occasionally at Lochlea ; died 1785.
- OSWALD, Richard A. : v. Auchencruive estate.
- OSWALD, Mrs. Richard : widow of Richard Oswald, 'the Peacemaker,' who died 1784 ; she died in 1788 ; v. Auchencruive estate.
- OSWALD, Mrs. Richard A. : Lucy Johnston, who in 1793 married R. A. Oswald, above, and died at Lisbon of consumption, 1797, in her early thirties.
- PAGAN, Isobel : reputed authoress of *Ca' the Yowes* ; born New Cumnock about 1741, spent most of her life in Muirkirk, lived by singing and begging ; her cottage on Garpel banks a favourite howff for drinkers and wits ; a volume of poems published 1805 ; died 1821.
- PARKER, Hugh : brother of Major William Parker, died c.1824.

- PARKER, Major William : Kilmarnock banker, of Asloss estate, master of St. John's Lodge, Kilmarnock, friend of John Goldie. v. also Barleith estate.
- PATON, Elizabeth : servant girl at Lochlea.
- PATRICK, William : born 1776, herd-boy and out-door servant at Mossiel ; died Mauchline, 1864.
- PAUL, Rev. Hamilton : born Dailly, 1773 ; licensed as minister 1800, but tutor, editor for three years of the *Ayr Advertiser* (v. John Wilson), poet, till 1813 ordained to united parish of Broughton, Glenholm, and Kilbucho, in Peeblesshire ; he saved the Auld Brig o' Doon from demolition ; died 1854.
- PEACOCK, David : flax-dresser, Irvine, with which business Burns was associated.
- PEEBLES, Rev. William : Dundonald, then Newton-upon-Ayr, v. parish ministers.
- PIPER, Thomas : 'Spunkie Tammie,' assistant to Dr. Hugh Logan, Maybole.
- RANKINE, Anne : daughter of John Rankine, married J. Merry ; died 1814.
- RANKINE, John : farmer in Adamhill, Tarbolton (v. Adamhill estate) ; died 1810.
- RANKINE, Margaret : sister of John Rankine and first wife of John Lapraik of Dalfram (q.v.).
- REID, George : of Barquharie, Ochiltree.
- REID, Hugh : of the Langlands, near Tarbolton.
- RICHMOND, John : born in Sorn 1765, member of Tarbolton Bachelors' Club, clerk to Gavin Hamilton, in 1765 went to Edinburgh, in 1789 returned to Mauchline as a solicitor, married Janet Sojourner 1791 ; died 1846.
- ROBERTSON, Rev. John : Kilmarnock, v. parish ministers.
- RODGER, Hugh : parish schoolmaster, Kirkoswald, lived 1727-1797.
- RONALD, John : Mauchline-Glasgow carrier.
- RONALD, William : ploughman on Mossiel farm, uncle of John Ronald above, later farmer in Beith parish, where died 1856.
- RONALD, William : along with wife and two daughters, Jean and Anna, occupied Bennals farm, Tarbolton, went bankrupt in 1789. His name is on the List of Freeholders, 1788.
- RUSSELL, Rev. John : Kilmarnock, v. parish ministers.
- SAMSON, Thomas : nurseryman and seedsman in Kilmarnock, ardent sportsman ; died 1795, aged 73. Had a brother, John.
- SHAW, Rev. Andrew : Craigie, v. parish ministers.
- SHAW, Rev. David : Coylton, v. parish ministers.

SHAW, James : born Mosshead farm, Riccarton, 1764 ; brought up in Kilmarnock ; aged 17 went to New York, successful in business, moved to London, 1805 elected Lord Mayor, created baronet 1809, elected M.P. ; died 1843 ; he took prominent part in raising fund for widow and children of Burns.

SHEPHERD, Rev. John : Muirkirk, v. parish ministers.

SILLAR, David : born 1760, son of Patrick Sillar, tenant in Spittleside, Tarbolton ; sweetheart of Stair nurserymaid, whence Burns introduced to Mrs. Stewart ; taught for a time in Tarbolton parish school before appointment of John Wilson (q.v.), then opened school at Commonsides, then became Irvine grocer in 1783 ; published poems in 1789 ; bankrupt, became teacher in Irvine ; inherited Spittleside, then inherited from brother John who had gone to Africa, became rich in old age, Irvine magistrate ; died 1830. See *Contemporaries of Burns*.

SILLAR, Robert : elder brother of above, went to Ayr soap-boiling firm owned by James Gibb (q.v.).

SIMSON, Johnnie : Ochiltree dancing-master.

SIMSON, William : 'Winsome Willie', born 1758, son of William Simson, Ten Pound Land, Ochiltree, educated at Glasgow University, schoolmaster at Ochiltree, 1780 till 1788, when transferred to Cumnock, till death in 1815. See *Contemporaries of Burns* ; Murdoch, *Ochiltree*.

SIMSON, Patrick : brother of above, tutor to Ochiltree family in 1777, became Straiton schoolmaster in 1783, succeeded brother in Ochiltree, 1788, completed 50 years as teacher in 1833 ; died 1851. See *Contemporaries of Burns* ; Murdoch, *Ochiltree*.

SMITH, Rev. George : Galston, v. parish ministers.

SMITH, James : born 1765, member of Tarbolton Bachelors' Club, Mauchline merchant, 1788 partner in Linlithgow printing works, afterwards to Jamaica, where died c.1823.

SMITH, Jean : one of the "Belles of Mauchline," brother of James Smith, married James Candlish (q.v.).

SMYTON, Rev. David : the first Secession minister in the county, Kilmaurs. See Secession Congregations.

STAIR, Earls of : see Stair estate.

STEIN, Isabella : daughter of small landowner near Lochlea.

STEVEN, Rev. James : Ardrossan, afterwards Kilwinning, v. parish ministers.

STEVEN, Katherine : of Laighpark Kiln, Kirkoswald, possibly the prototype of Cutty Sark in *Tam o' Shanter*.

STEWART, Professor Matthew : v. Catrine estate.

STEWART, Professor Dugald : v. Catrine estate.

STEWART, Mrs. Alexander, of Stair and Afton : v. Stair and Enterkine estates.

STIRRAT, James : born Dalry, 1781, poet. See *Contemporaries of Burns* for life.

TAIT, Alexander or Saunders : probably born Peeblesshire, settled in Tarbolton as tailor, owned several houses ; elected bailie of Tarbolton burgh, and colonel of Universal Friendly Society of Tarbolton, took prominent part in erection of Burgher church ; published poems in 1790 ; 1794 enrolled in Major Montgomerie's Regiment of West Lowland Fencibles ; lived for a time in Paisley ; died c.1800.

TANNOCK, James : born Kilmarnock 1784, went to Edinburgh then London as portrait painter, Royal Academician ; died 1863.

TAYLOR, James : born Leadhills 1758, tutor to Patrick Miller of Dalswinton, carried out experiments in steam paddle navigation on Dalswinton Loch, 14 Oct. 1788, with Burns possibly present ; later inspector of mines on Dumfries House estate ; resided in Cumnock, where started pottery works ; died 1825. (Warrick, *Old Cumnock*).

TENNANT, John : born 1725, 'Guid Auld Glen', farmer in Laigh Corton, Ayr ; appointed by Countess of Glencairn (q.v.) as father of Ochiltree estate (q.v.), 1769-1780 ; rented Glenconner (q.v.) ; advised Burns on Ellisland, 1788 ; died 1810. Thrice married. For his five sons, see below. (Murdoch, *Ochiltree*).

TENNANT, Charles : son of above, born 1768, 'Wabster Charlie,' in 1800 founded St. Rollox Chemical Works, Glasgow ; died 1838.

TENNANT, David : son of John Tennant above, teacher in Ayr Academy, then in navy ; died 1839.

TENNANT, James : son of John Tennant above, born 1755, for a time miller in Ochiltree ; died 1835.

TENNANT, John, Jr. : farmer in Auchenbay, then Girvan Mains ; lived 1760-1853.

TENNANT, Rev. Dr. William : son of John Tennant above, for a time chaplain to Col. Wm. Fullarton's regiment in India ; died at Glenconner, 1813.

THOMSON, James : born Kilmarnock 1775, poet. See *Contemporaries of Burns* for life.

THOMSON, Margaret : A Kirkoswald belle, married P. Neilson.

TINNOCK, Nance : keeper of a Mauchline ale-house ; died 1858.

TRAIN, Joseph : born Sorn 1779, in 1799 joined Ayrshire Militia ; patronised by its Colonel, Sir David Hunter Blair of Whitefoord (q.v.), in 1808 became exciseman, became friend of Sir Walter Scott as authority on legends and antiquities of S.W. Scotland ; published poems in 1806, and after retirement from Excise in 1836 books on the Isle of Man and on the Buchanites ; died 1850.

TURNBULL, Gavin : Kilmarnock carpet-weaver, published poems 1788, became an actor and associated with Burns in Edinburgh and Dumfries, later emigrated to America.

WALKER, Professor Josiah : born Dundonald 1761, son of the manse, studied Edinburgh, 1787 tutor to Marquess of Breadalbane; met Burns in Edinburgh, at Blair Castle when Burns visited Duke and Duchess of Athole, and in Dumfries; 1796 became Collector of Customs at Perth; later editor of *Perth Courier*; contributor to *Edinburgh Encyclopedia*; 1811 wrote memoir on Burns; 1815 Professor of Humanity at Glasgow; died 1831.

WALKER, Thomas : tailor at Pool, near Ochiltree, poet; died c.1812.

WALLACES of Craigie : see Craigie estate.

WALLACE, William : Sheriff of Ayrshire; Master of St. David's Lodge, Tarbolton; see Cairnhill estate.

WATT, David : last person baptised in Alloway Kirk, school-fellow of Burns, became miller at Doonfoot Mill; died 1823.

WHITE, Rev. Hugh : Irvine Relief Kirk (see Secession Congregations), and associated with Mrs. Buchan (q.v.).

WHITEFOORD, James : infant son of Sir John Whitefoord, died at Ballochmyle, 1773.

WHITEFOORD, Sir John : see Whitefoord and Ballochmyle estates.

WHITEFOORD, Mary Jane : eldest daughter of Sir John Whitefoord, became Mrs. Henry Kerr Cranstoun.

WILSON, John : born 1750, son of Kilmarnock shopkeeper, c.1780 took over booksellers and printing business set up shortly before by a Mr. McArthur, whose press was the first in Ayrshire. Wilson printed religious works, reprints ranging from Vergil to Anson's *Voyages*, and the poetical works of a number of local versifiers who sought to emulate Burns. Wilson became a magistrate of Kilmarnock. With his brother, Peter, who had a stationery business in Ayr, formed the firm of J. & P. Wilson which in 1803 began the *Ayr Advertiser*, the first newspaper in the county; on death of Peter in 1809, Rev. Hamilton Paul (q.v.) took over his share of the business, and sold it to Adam Carnie in 1816. John Wilson resided in Ayr from 1809 till death in 1821, after which legal dispute over ownership of the firm. See *Contemporaries of Burns*; McCarter's *Ayrshire*; McKay's *History of Kilmarnock*; catalogue of local books in Ayr Carnegie Library.

WILSON, John : Tarbolton parish schoolmaster and session clerk, to eke out salary opened grocer's shop, selling medicines and giving medical advice; after 'Death and Dr. Hornbook' shut shop, but continued in Tarbolton till after 1793 went to Gorbals as schoolmaster and session clerk; died 1839.

WILSON, Robert : native of Mauchline and friend of Jean Armour, went to Paisley as weaver, later returned to Mauchline.

WODROW, Rev. Patrick : Tarbolton, v. parish ministers.

WOOD, Alexander : Tarbolton tailor, member of Lodge St. James.

YOUNG, Rev. James : New Cumnock, v. parish ministers.

YOUNG, Rev. Stephen : Ochiltree, then Barr, v. parish ministers

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