# The Scribner Family Scottish History



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# Your Scottish Heritage



Isabella Livingstone McKenzie
Born: 2 April 1840
Dalkeith, Scotland
Married: 6 July 1870
Died: 9 January 1906
Oshkosh, Wisconsin



WILLIAM MACKENZIE
Born: 20 February 1846
Arbroath, Scotland
Married: 6 July 1870
Died: 8 September 1933
La Mesa, California



# Introdution by Douglas MacKenzie Scribner

The Scribner Family Scottish History is primarily the life stories of my Great-grandparents, William MacKenzie and his wife Isabella (Bella) McKenzie. We are fortunate to have some of their story recorded

in William's own handwriting. Another part of their history is in pictures given to my brothers and me by our Grandmother, Isabella (Ella) Livingstone MacKenzie Scribner. Some details came from research done during the three years that my family and I lived in Scotland while I was on a work assignment for my business. Finally, the last part came from a trip to Oshkosh, Wisconsin where I discovered Bella's grave and some living descendants from William's older sister. These wonderful people, the Sullivans, were especially helpful in providing information about William's brothers and sisters who staved in the Midwest when William moved to California after his wife died. Compiling the Scribner Family Scottish History has been like assembling a large

complex jig-saw puzzle - frustrating at times, but rewarding when the whole picture became complete.

I am convinced that it is God's will that we learn about our ancestors and that we honor their memory. More than four hundred years before Jesus was born in Bethlehem, the Old Testament Prophet Malachi foresaw our day and recorded the Lord's promise that our

hearts would be turned to our "Fathers."

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and dreadful day of the Lord: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse. (Malachi 4:5-6)

Inspiration from God has been an essential part of my search for these Scottish ancestors. There were many times that it seemed like there was nowhere to turn but to ask for His guidance. I gratefully acknowledge



that He answered those prayers in ways that I never expected. research into this Scottish ancestry began over fifty years ago when I was in the Graduate School of Engineering at Brigham Young University. seemed then that records were sparse and research by correspondence was tedious and confusing. However, in 1979, my wife Cecile and I made a trip to Scotland and went

to the town of Dalkeith, about ten miles south of Edinburgh. There we met the Beveridge Family. John Beveridge was then serving as Bishop of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Dalkeith. His wife was very helpful and showed us the church where William and Isabella were married in 1870, and also the home where she had lived. This experience whetted my appetite to learn more, but I didn't see how I could. Not

in our wildest dreams did we think that just four years later we would be given the opportunity to

move to Scotland on a work assignment for the Hewlett-Packard Company.



Cecile with The Beveridge Family - 1979

Douglas MacKenzie Scribner Gordon Raymond Scribner

Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

Isabella (Bella) L. McKenzie

William MacKenzie

Alice Jane Johnson

Irvin Aldridge Scribner

However, in June of 1984, Cecile and I put most of our possessions in storage and, with seven of our eight children, moved to Edinburgh for three years. Our oldest son, Russ, entered Brigham Young University that year so he didn't move with us, but he did join us for the summer. Knowing that we had a large family in a country where small families were the norm, Hewlett-Packard agreed to purchase a country place

we selected in the small town of Ratho, twelve miles west of Edinburgh. Many places like this one had names instead of addresses. We lived in a home called Kirktonhill, which meant it was the house on a hill behind a Kirk (the old Scottish name for a church). Our home, which was built in the early 1800's, was directly behind an old church originally built around 1300.



Kirktonhill



Gina, Scott & Craig



Spencer, Christy, Jimmy



Lora Michelle



Russ leaving for BYU



Cecile & Doug, England



Since our son Russ was with us for Christmas our first year in Scotland, we were able to take a photo together inside the house at Kirktonhill. The artwork on the wall by Jeff Thomas reminded us of our home in Santa Rosa, California. However, over the three years we lived in Ratho we grew to love Scotland so much that it was hard to leave it in 1987.



It was hard
to say,
"Bye the
noo"
without a
"Haste ye
back."

Gina, Russ, Lora, Doug, Cecile Front Row: Spencer, Christy, Scott, Craig, Jimmy



Elly Morlin and Craig performing many opportunities to do this. The Scots love a good time.



Doug and Scotty - Hill Walking!



Christy at one of the many dances held in our Ward and Stake in Edinburgh

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Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

William MacKenzie

Alice Jane Johnson

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Isabella (Bella) L. McKenzie



LDS Youth Performing at Waverly Market in Downtown Edinburgh Gina, Jose Morlin, Sadie Stirzaker, Craig, Tracy Horne



Scotty, Steve (Doug's brother) Craig



Fun in the Sun (when it comes), Lora, Gina, Scott, Christy Jimmy, Spencer

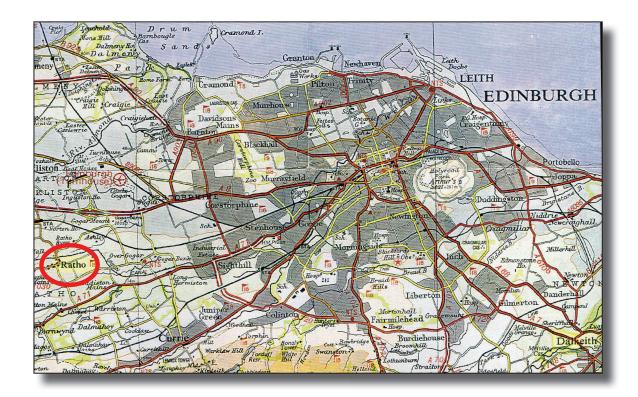


Jimmy, Spence, Doug, Cecile



Christy, Spencer, Lora, Jimmy and Uncle Steve







Surely we, as God's children, receive His assistance when we turn our hearts to our Fathers and their Fathers before them. As faithful members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, we believe that Elijah has come in a glorious vision to the Prophet Joseph Smith and has fulfilled the ancient prophesy made by Malachi. I have felt the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the search for these Scottish ancestors and have had experiences that cannot be logically explained in any other way.

One experience was in locating two homes where William MacKenzie lived in Scotland as a young man 150 years ago. In William MacKenzie's life story, he mentioned the name of one lodge where he lived with his parents in his youth and later a large estate where he lived and worked as a young man. In his life story he wrote,

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Scribner

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Scribner

William MacKenzie

Isabella (Bella) L. McKenzie

". . .the family went to a place named Strathbran Lodge in the county of Ross Shire where we all resided for nearly 16 years. My father was Head Gamekeeper on this place and I was also (the) Under Keeper. At this stage of my life I made up my mind to leave home for the first time (23 years old) to take charge of a shooting estate (which) consisted of about 11,000 acres. The place was named Gledfield House and this was in the year 1868 . . ."

When we were living in Ratho I discovered a set of sixty maps that divided Scotland into small segments of about eight miles across. They were so detailed that they had the names of homes on the maps. After considerable prayer and effort, I located both the Strathbran Lodge and the Gledfield House. We visited them in the summer of 1987 just before returning to



California to live. When we first drove through the stone arched gates of the Gledfield House Estate, I thought it must be a mistake. We traveled down a long narrow lane and reached what appeared to be a modern apartment complex. Then it occurred to me that these apartments might have been made from the old servant's quarters. So I got out of the car and walked through waist high wet grass around the apartments. Sure enough, when I reached the far side, it was a magnificent old estate home. I took a picture of it. Then about a year later in California, my brother Steve showed me an old family photo album from Scotland that I had never seen before. There in the album was a photo of the Gledfield House dated 1868, and it was taken from exactly the same place that I had taken my photo in 1987, one hundred and nineteen years later. The house had been added upon, but the original part was still intact. The Gledfield House is located near the town of Ardgay where the Bonner Bridge crosses the Dornock Firth. (Northeast Coast of Scotland)







Another spiritual experience happened in Oshkosh, Wisconsin two years after we returned from Scotland. I was on a business trip that ended Friday afternoon in Milwaukee. Instead of flying home, I decided to spend the weekend in upstate Wisconsin where William and Isabella MacKenzie had settled when they immigrated from Scotland. On Saturday I drove to Oshkosh and eventually discovered a genealogy section in the public library that contained some information about the MacKenzie Family. They settled in the little town of

Omro about ten miles west of Oshkosh. In visiting Omro, I met the minister of the Presbyterian Church, which is the American version of the Church of Scotland. He didn't know of any MacKenzie members of his church, but he agreed to have someone search the church records for me. This was the day before Palm Sunday, and he was busy preparing his sermon, so I was concerned

that he might not remember my request. Early Sunday morning I decided to try further to locate my family roots before the afternoon flight home to California. My first stop was a graveyard on the edge of town. It was a beautiful sunny Sunday morning, although there was still about three inches of snow on the ground. Still, within fifteen minutes, I located the MacKenzie Family plot where Isabella Livingstone MacKenzie was buried. Then I felt prompted to return to Omro and the Presbyterian Church. When I arrived, Reverend

Susser was in the midst of his sermon. A man at the door asked if I wanted to come in, but I said, "No, I just want to make a donation." So I wrote out a \$100 check for them hoping that it would remind the good minister to follow up on my request. Three weeks later, I received a phone call from Dorothea Sullivan in Omro. She was the the secretary and historian for the Presbyterian Church.



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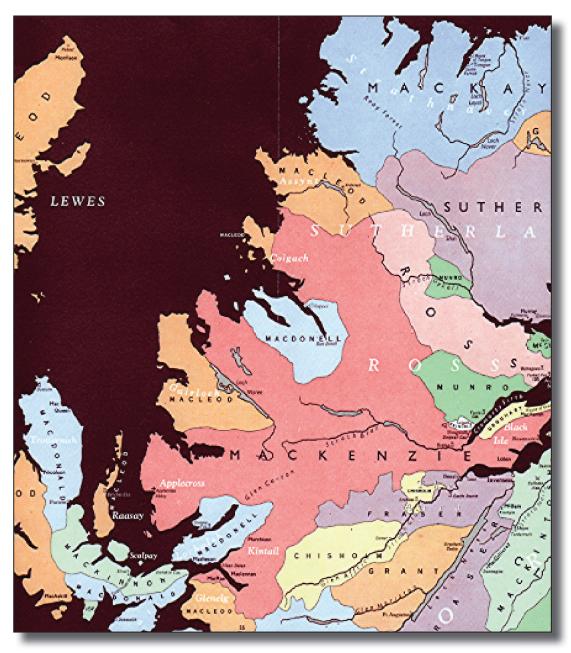
Art and Dorothea Sullivan - 1985

She explained that Reverend Susser had met with the Church officers after Easter and mentioned my request. Then he finished describing my visit and asked about the MacKenzie Family. Dorothea spoke up and said, "Reverend Susser, William MacKenzie's sister is my husband Arthur's grandmother." She and her husband had the very records I was looking for. This reaffirmed again to me that God's hand was in this work. It was far beyond the realm of coincidence. I hope that Scribner family descendants of these Scottish ancestors will always remember their cultural heritage and the brave lives of their immigrant forbearers.

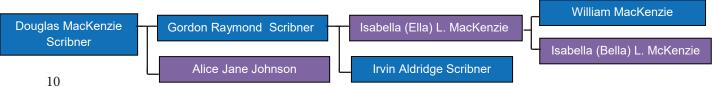


Omro, Wisconsin - 1989 Ten Miles West of Oshkosh in Winnebago County



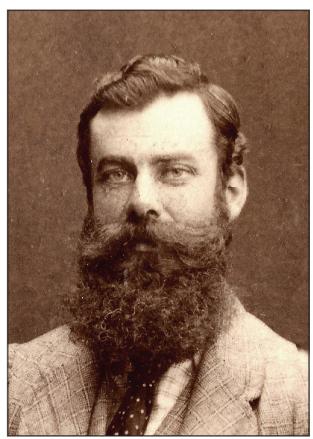


# Clan Map Scotland of Old



# Ancestors of William MacKenzie

Volumes have been written about the origins of the Scottish Clans, but their beginnings are still shrouded in uncertainty as mysterious as the mist that hangs over the Highlands themselves. The MacKenzies were one of the largest of the clans. Their homeland reached northward along the West Coast from Kintail, near the Isle of Skye, to Ullapool and beyond. Their territory stretched east through the counties of Ross and Cromarty all the way to the borders of the North Sea. Inverness was the most populated city but the majority of the Highlanders lived in small country villages. In those days most of them were farmers who eeked out a meager living on small plots of land rented from wealthy landlords. These poor farming families were called *Crofters* and their homes were known as the *wee Crofters' Cottages*. Writers of the time, like Robert Louis Stevenson and Sir Walter Scott, described the fiercely independent nature of these courageous people. They were proud



William MacKenzie in 1882 Born: 11 March 1845 Arbroath, Angus, Scotland Died: 8 September 1933 La Mesa, San Diego, California of their heritage despite their poverty. The land was filled with rocky hills – sparsely treed but covered heather and thistles. Gaelic was the language spoken throughout the Highlands in those days, whereas, it is limited to the Isle of Lewis today. The wild and romantic attracted scenery wealthy people from England including Queen Victoria who built a castle at Balmoral. This *landed gentry* purchased large estates for their hunting and fishing trips which fueled resentment from the Scots who then felt that they didn't even have ownership of their own country.









Lora and Delma exploring a Crofter's Cottage

In 1986 Cleon and Delma
Forsyth came to visit us (Delma
was our children's adopted
Grandma). We went up North
to show Cleon his Forsyth Land
in Scotland. Way up North
in Thurso is an area where
the MacKay Clan came from
(President David O. McKay).
This area was so different
from everything else we saw in
Scotland. They used so much
slate in their buildings and
fences. It was treeless, rolling
hills, and WINDY.



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Mist encircling the Highland mountains and heather covering the hillsides.



Plentiful streams rush down into the Glencoe Valley below



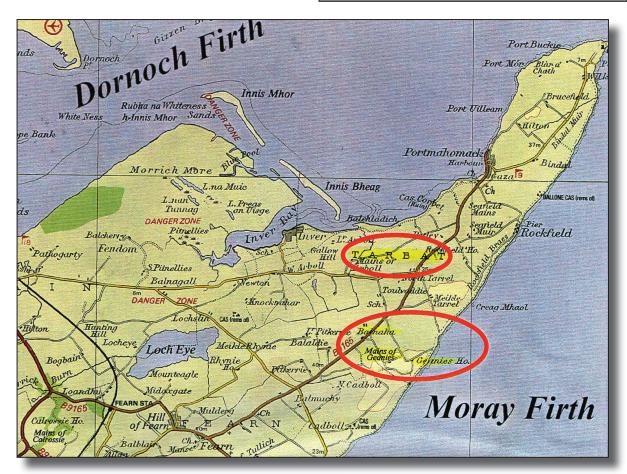
A Highland Cow (Highland Coo)



### David MacKenzie and Isobel Ross

William MacKenzie's paternal grandparents, DAVID MACKENZIE and ISOBEL ROSS, lived in the Parish of Tarbat which is located on the tip of a small peninsula jutting into the North Sea between the Moray Firth and the Dornoch Firth. David MacKenzie's first wife, ISOBEL STRONACH, died in 1811 at age thirty after giving birth to two children, **DAVID** and **ISABELLA**. He then married Isobel Ross and had four more children; JOHN, MARGARET, RODERICK AND SAMUEL. Though John did not marry, Margaret married Alexander Robertson and they had eight children. However, our story centers with the two youngest children, Roderick born in 1817 and Samuel born in 1819. The youngest, Samuel, was William MacKenzie's father.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	Birth Place
David MacKenzie	9 April 1808	Geanies
Isabella MacKenzie	11 November 1810	Geanies
John McKenzie	20 March 1813	Genies
Margaret MacKenzie	1 November 1815	Geanies
Roderick MacKenzie	30 March 1817	Geanies
Samuel MacKenzie	1 January 1819	Balnahaugh



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In 1987, we took a trip to the Old Tarbat Parish and to the tiny villages of Geanies and Balnahaugh. Each village had only five or six houses surrounded by a few farms. Cecile's brother Tom and his wife Roberta were visiting with us so we all decided to try and find living relatives who might have descended from David MacKenzie and remained in Scotland. There were still MacKenzie families living in Geanies! We met Kenneth MacKenzie and his wife who were very friendly and anxious to show us around their farm. Kenneth's



ancestors had lived in that same area for over 100 years, but we couldn't quite make any connection between his ancestors and ours. Still, just looking at Ken, I could see exactly the same facial features that I remembered in my grandmother Isabella MacKenzie Scribner (William's daughter).





MacKenzie & Sons

David MacKenzie

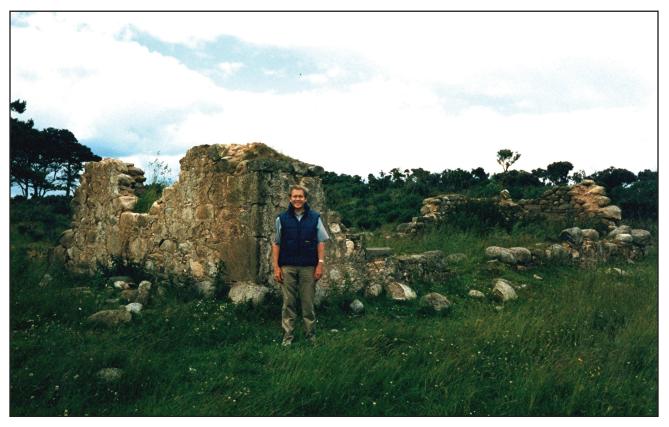
Samuel MacKenzie

Isobella Ross



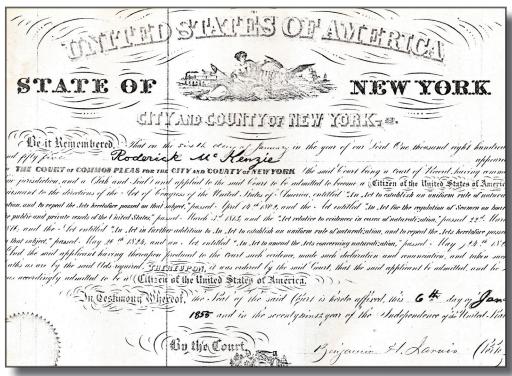
Life had always been difficult for David and Isobel MacKenzie and their six children. However, in the 1820's, it became much worse! The Highland Clearances began on a large scale in Sutherland County during the second decade of the 19th Century. Wealthy landlords decided they would evict the Highland farmers from their homes and turn the better land into grazing for sheep. Rents were hard to collect, and there was an increasing demand for woolen goods in the markets throughout Europe. The notorious Sutherland Clearances stirred up hatred

and resentment as thousands of tenant farmers were forced to leave their homes and move to the coast of the North Sea to become fishermen or to emigrate to other countries. Though David and Isobel were already living near the coast, they too were affected by these turbulent times. Finally, in 1843 Roderick and his wife emigrated to America in hopes of finding greater happiness. Four years later, Samuel and his wife, together with their two oldest children also moved to the United States, though not to stay.



Only two walls and a few piles of stones remain of this old crofters' cottage in Balnahaugh. It was owned by a MacKenzie family, which might have been David and Isobella MacKenzie

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"Roderick McKenzie, (deceased), was one of the old settlers of Winnebago, and was a resident of Oshkosh about thirty years. He was one of the

successful businessmen of the city during most of his life, but about 1874 he retired to the farm where he lived until his death, which occurred in 1886. At the time of his death he was reckoned among the wealthy and prominent citizens of Winnebago County. William McKenzie, his nephew, who now lives on the farm, is a substantial farmer and prominent among the citizens of Algoma town. He is a native of Scotland, born in 1845. He lived in Scotland until 1882 when he emigrated to America and settled on his present farm. In 1870 he was married to Isabella L. McKenzie, born in 1847, and they have had three children. He and wife are members of the Presbyterian church. His farm includes eighty acres of excellent farming land which is supplied with good and substantial buildings." (Newspaper Article)



Roderick MacKenzie 1817 - 1886



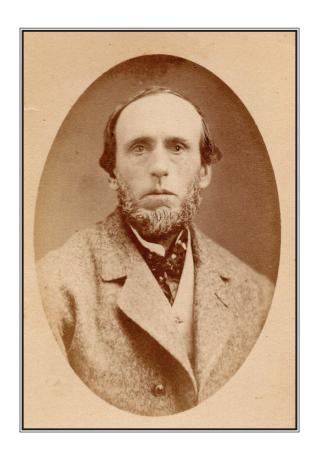
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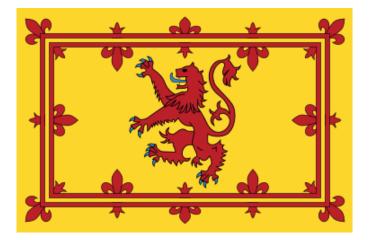
## Roderick MacKenzie and Johanna

**RODERICK MACKENZIE** and his wife **Johanna** were William MacKenzie's Uncle and Aunt. They were the Scribner Family's first Scottish ancestors to settle

in the United States of America. These pictures were taken in Oshkosh, Wisconsin in January of 1874. Roderick was fifty-seven years old and Johanna was fifty-one. This was the year that Roderick retired from his business in town to devote full time and energy to his farm.

When Roderick and Johanna left Scotland, the Edinburgh "New Town" was just beginning. Below the Edinburgh Castle and the Royal Mile to Holyrood

Palace, a beautiful new city was emerging. Princes Street was wide with stores on one side and museums and gardens on the other. The monument to Sir Walter Scott was and still is a highlight of the *new town*.



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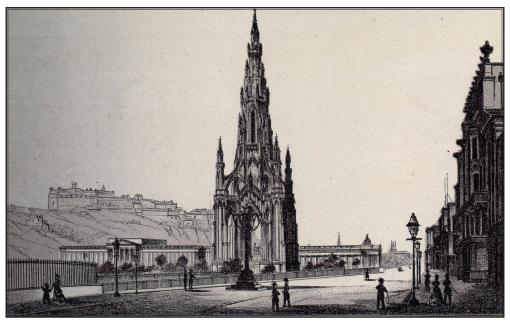
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Scott Monument on Princes Street, Edinburgh



Holyrood Palace and Arthur's Seat in Edinburgh

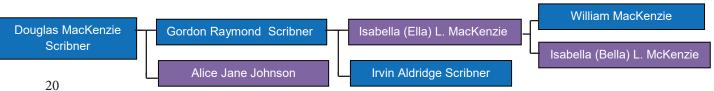


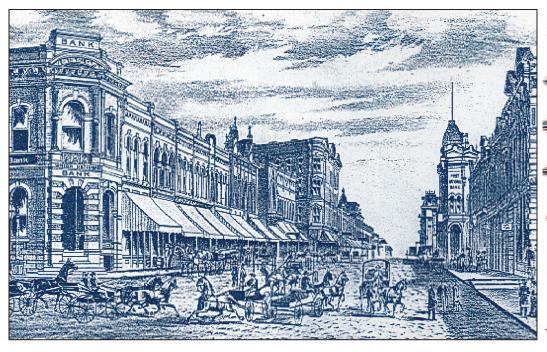
David and Isobella's son, Roderick MacKenzie, married Johanna in about 1843. Johanna's gravestone Ellenwood Cemetery, Oshkosh, Wisconsin indicates that she was born on the 4th of March 1823 in Cromarty, which is a town just to the south of Balnahaugh. Some time after their marriage, Roderick and Johanna emigrated to America. They first settled in New York City where Roderick was granted his United States citizenship on 6 January 1855. A year later they moved west to Wisconsin and settled at Oshkosh in Winnebago County where Roderick became a prominent farmer.

Apparently Roderick and Johanna never had any children of their own, and Johanna died at the age of fifty-eight on 9 May 1881. When Roderick's nephew William MacKenzie arrived in 1882 with his wife Isabella, their three children and her brother George, Roderick took William in as if he were his own son. Shortly thereafter, Roderick returned to Scotland to find another wife. He married Robella Jayner who then joined the family in Oshkosh and lived there until Roderick's death in 1886 at sixty-nine years of age. Robella then returned to Scotland, leaving the farm to William.

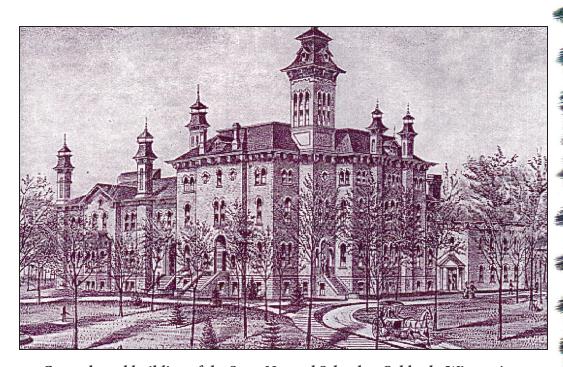


# Map of Winnebago County





View of some of the principle business houses of Oshkosh, Wisconsin



Grounds and building of the State Normal School at Oshkosh, Wisconsin

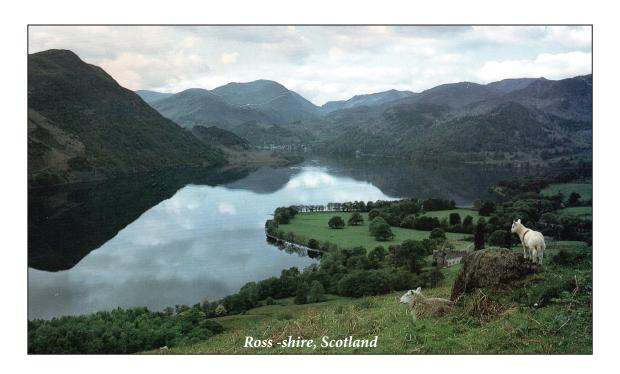
# Samuel MacKenzie & Flora Ann Bain

William MacKenzie's parents, SAMUEL MACKENZIE and FLORA ANN BAIN were married in 1843 when Samuel was twentyfour and Flora was only nineteen years old. Flora was born on 26 April 1824 in the highland city of Inverness to WILLIAM BAIN and MARY A. FINDLAY. Samuel and Flora had five children. The first two, Isabella and William, were born in Scotland. When these children were only two and three years old, Samuel and Flora decided to emigrate to America. It was 1847 and Samuel's older brother Roderick had emigrated four years earlier. For some reason they decided to go to the southern city of New Orleans, Louisiana, where they lived for seven years. Their next child, a daughter named Frances, was born there in New Orleans. In 1854, they returned

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	Birth Place
Isabella MacKenzie	4 May 1844	Kintail, Ross, Scotland
William MacKenzie	20 February 1846	Arbroath, Forfar, Scotland
Frances MacKenzie	16 November 1853	New Orleans, Louisiana, USA
Roderick George MacKenzie	4 October 1857	Contin, Ross, Scotland
Johanna Mary Ann MacKenzie	8 January 1860	Contin, Ross, Scotland

to their native country. After their return to Scotland, Samuel and Flora had two more children named Roderick George and Johanna Mary Ann. Their family was then complete.

The five children born to Samuel MacKenzie and Flora Ann Bain are shown here. Their second child, **WILLIAM MACKENZIE** was my Great Grandfather.



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Samuel and Flora's first child, **ISABELLA**, was born in Kintail when Flora was only twenty years old. The old Clan Map shows Kintail as a district rather than as a town, and no town by this name exists today. The Kintail District included the forests, lochs and hills just to the east of the Isle of Skye. The picture on the previous page is typical of that area where the people still live on individual farms and sheep pastures today.

A highland clansman of the MacDonells is shown here dressed in the kilt and garb of the 1840's. Samuel must have been dressed much like this, except in a MacKenzie tartan, as he left his home in the Highlands. Ancient castles like the one at Eilean Donan below were left far behind as they journeyed to the East Coast of Scotland.



Eilean Donan Castle (photo by David Iliff)

After their daughter Isabella was born in 1844, life became increasingly difficult for Samuel and Flora. There was no work available in farming because of the widespread effect of the Clearances. Samuel decided to move his little family away from the Highlands with its castles and crofters' cottages to the Eastern Seaboard town of ARBROATH, fifteen miles north of the city of Dundee. On their journey they may have passed by the Eilean Donan Castle and through the beautful small village of Killin by



Loch Tay as our family did 140 years later. Once in Arbroath, Samuel became a policeman to support his family. On 20 February 1846, their first son, **WILLIAM MACKENZIE** was born.



Doug in front of the Eilean Donan Castle - April 1987





Left: Christy and Jimmy Above: Jimmy and Spencer Our family enjoying ourselves in the town of Killin, Scotland - April 1987

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Infroath 14th May 1847

"I hereby certify that the bearer

lamuel Mckenzie has for some

time back been an officer in the

Watching department of the Arbroath

Police establishment, and that he has

performed his duties in a very dateipte

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Life in Scotland still did not meet the hopes and expectations that Samuel and Flora dreamed about. Letters from his brother, Roderick, in New York City must have fueled their excitement about opportunities for a new life in America. So, in 1847, Samuel got a letter of recommendation from his employer, the Arbroath Commissioner of Police. They said "goodbye" to their family and friends, their home in Arbroath and the beautiful fields of grain on the hills overlooking the North Sea. Taking their two young children - Isabella, who was nearly four, and William who was less than two - Samuel and Flora MacKenzie set sail for the city of New Orleans, Louisiana in America.

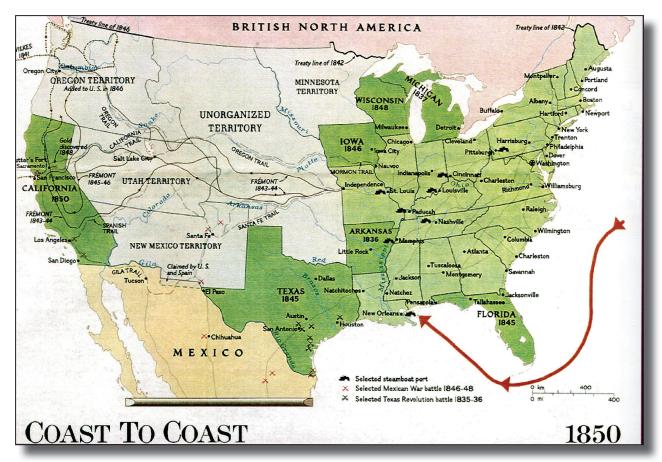


Glamis Castle in Forfar just west of Arbroath



# THE TERRITORIAL GROWTH OF THE United States



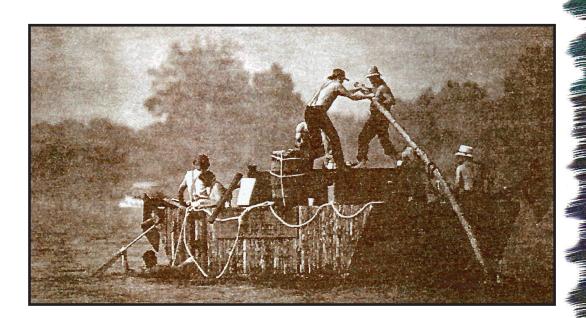


When Samuel, Flora and their two children arrived in New Orleans in 1847, it was a bustling city of contrasting cultures. Owned by the Spanish until 1800 and by the French until 1803, it was acquired by the United States in the Louisiana Purchase from Napoleon

Bonaparte. Cotton plantations brought great wealth to their owners. Slavery was commonplace for the Black people. A rush of White settlers and immigrants flooded in to get land for farming and to provide trade routes up and down the Mississippi River.

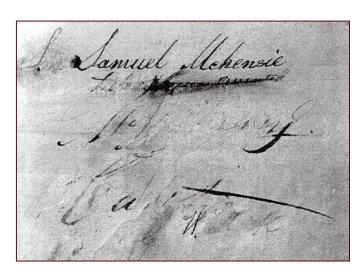
Mississippi River country bustled with prosperity before the Civil War. Steamboats laden with cotton and sugar churned down the river highway to New Orleans. Though many a planter lived in a humble cabin on a diet of hog and hominy, a few acquired little fiefdoms with slaves, a big house, perhaps a racetrack and stables. In a good year the cotton nabobs could net \$50,000; those who craved city life built mansions in Natchez. A romantic rambler veiled in wisteria. Linden was built about 1785, with the 980 foot gallery added later. Steaming past riverside Natchez, the stern-wheeler Delta Queen takes passengers on a notalgic journey back to antebellum days.





Samuel and Flora remained in New Orleans for seven years. On 16 November 1853 their third child was born. Her name was FRANCES A. MACKENZIE. This copy of an old tintype photo taken in 1854 is the only photo we have of Samuel and Flora. Later that same year this famiy of five emigrated back to Scotland. Many years later, William recorded this in his own life story and said,

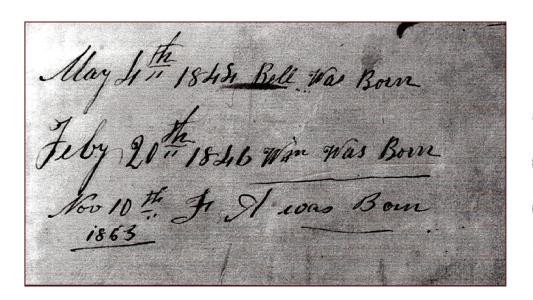
"My father and family emigrated in the year 1847 to New Orleans, America from our native country Scotland. I was at that time about two years old, and my father and family remained in New Orleans for upwards of seven years, when my Father again resolved to return to Scotland."





William (8), Samuel (35), Isabella (10), Flora (30), & Frances (6 months) in New Orleans in 1854 just before returning to Scotland to live.

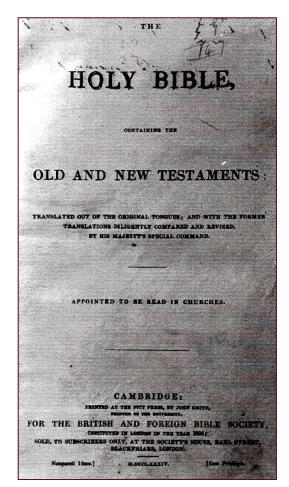
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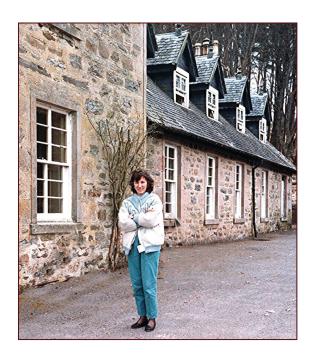
Their reason for leaving America is not known but the contrast between the crisp, cool hills of Scotland and the steamy, hot bayous of Louisiana was probably more than they could stand. There was also an epidemic of Yellow Fever. A local minister recorded the following in his diary in 1853,

"The pestilence swept over us like a hurricane. . . all business has been sus-pended in town, but that of nursing the sick and burying the dead."

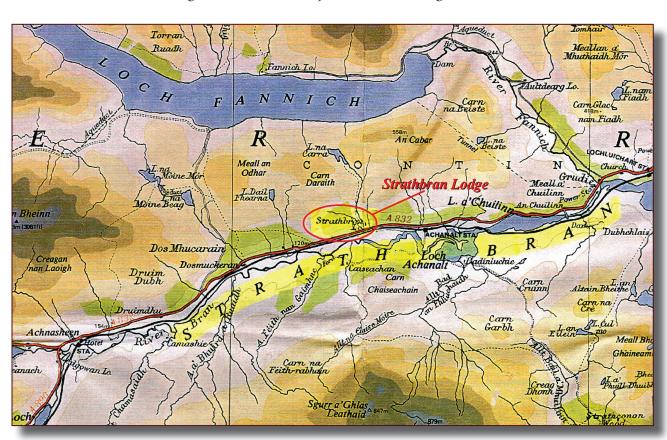
In 1854, they returned to their native country. This decision was actually a blessing, for had they remained another seven years, they would have been in New Orleans when the Southern States plunged into the Civil War. Undoubtedly, Samuel would have been conscripted to fight in the war and may well have died alongside the thousands of other men who lost their lives in America's most terrible conflict.

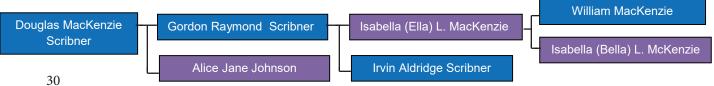


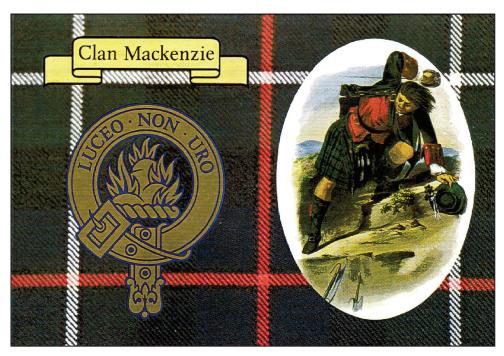




Doug and Cecile Scribner by the Strathbran Lodge in 1987





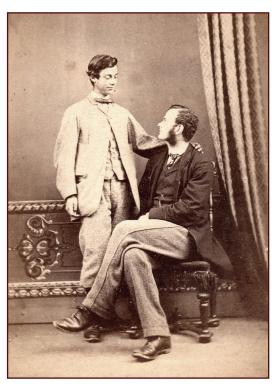


In 1854, when Samuel, Flora and their three children returned to Scotland, they went back to the heart of MacKenzie country in the Highlands, northwest of Inverness. They settled on a large estate named **Strathbran Lodge** where Samuel was employed as the "gamekeeper." His job was to train the hunting dogs, lead the landlord's hunting trips and keep any poachers away. In 1987 we located the Strathbran Lodge which, like so many old estates, was being restored. It is in a beautiful valley with the River Bran flowing nearby and mountains on both sides.



Ben Nevis in the Highlands by Ft. Williams. This is the highest mountain in the British Isles, and is not far from Strathbran





1865 photo of William MacKenzie taken at age 19 with a friend



1868 photo of William shown as a Mason at age 22

**WILLIAM MACKENZIE** grew up living with his family at Strathbran from the time he was eight until he left home in his early twenties. He later wrote, "He (Samuel) and the family went to a place named Strathbran Lodge in the county of Ross Shire where we all resided for nearly sixteen years. My father was the head gamekeeper on the place and I was also under keeper ..."





Douglas MacKenzie Scribner

Gordon Raymond Scribner

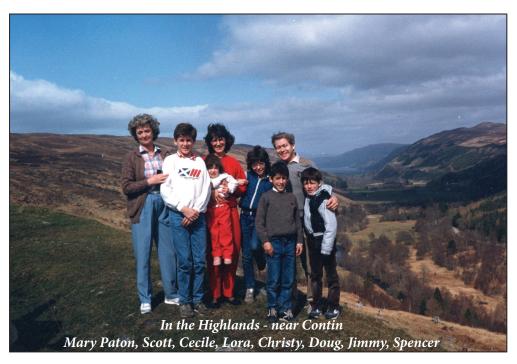
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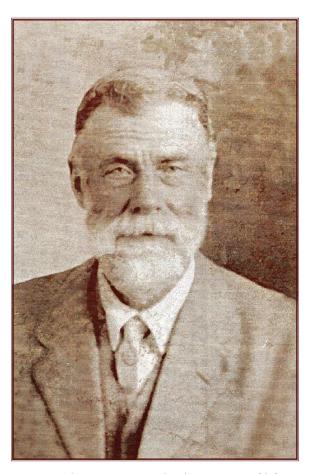


Three years after their return from America William's younger brother was born. RODERICK GEORGE MACKENZIE was born on 4 October 1857. Then on 8 January 1860, Flora gave birth to their youngest child whose name was JOHANNA MARY ANN MACKENZIE. Both of these children were christened at the parish church in Contin, about twenty miles from their home. Our family, along with our long-time Scottish friend, Mary Paton, explored this area while we lived in Scotland.



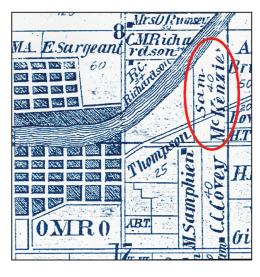
Jimmy & Spencer in Highlands - near Ben Nevis and Ft. Williams





Samuel MacKenzie in his later years of life





Samuel MacKenzie's home in Omro, Wisconsin

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In 1872, when Johanna was twelve years old, Samuel and Flora decided once again to emigrate to America. This time they went to Wisconsin where Samuel's brother Roderick had gone nearly thirty years earlier. Samuel gathered personally written character references from his employer at Strathbran Lodge and from church leaders to help him get established in this new land. When Samuel and Flora departed from Scotland for the second time, they took Isabella (28), Frances (19), George (15) and Johanna (12) with them. William had been married in 1870 so he remained behind. Samuel settled on a forty acre farm next to the town of Omro in Winnebago County, just ten miles west of Oshkosh and Algoma where Roderick lived. Samuel and Flora lived

in the old home until they died. Flora died on the 3rd of December 1902 at seventy-eight years of age. Samuel lived alone for another seven years until he died on 11 May 1909, twenty days before his nintieth birthday.

One of my favorite references of Samuel was given him by the Elders of his parish in the Church of Scotland on 25 June 1839 when he was only twenty years old. In part it said,

"... Samuel MacKenzie, an unmarried young man, twenty years of age, a native of the Parish of Tarbat, has resided in this Parish of Rosskeen nine years . . . behaving himself soberly, honestly and irreproachably, and he now leaves us with a fair and unblemished character . . . recommended to any Christian Society or Congregation where-ever the providence of God may order his lot."







### Siblings of William MacKenzie



Isabella MacKenzie O'Sullivan

William's older sister, **ISABELLA MACKENZIE**, had this photo taken at Inverness, Scotland in 1872 when she was twenty-eight years old. It was just prior to her leaving for America with Samuel and Flora.

Isabella married **PATRICK O'SULLIVAN** in Omro, Wisconsin in 1875 and they had two children; **FLORA MAUDE SULLIVAN** and **JOHN GEORGE SULLIVAN**.

Isabella died in 1920 at the age of seventy-six years and is buried in the Omro Cemetery. Isabella' grandson Arthur Sullivan and his wife Dorothea then lived on that same farm.

Douglas MacKenzie
Scribner

Gordon Raymond Scribner
Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

Isabella (Bella) L. McKenzie

William's younger sister, FRANCES MACKENZIE, was born in New Orleans, Louisiana in 1853. She had this picture taken in Oshkosh, Wisconsin in 1876 when she was twenty-three years old. In 1879, Frances married JACK FOSTER in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They had a baby son born in 1880 who they named Johnny Foster. Unfortunately, Johnny died a year Johnny is shown here at about six months old. Then, on 16 October 1887, Frances died in Milwaukee. She was only thirtyfour years old.



Frances MacKenzie



Johnny Foster



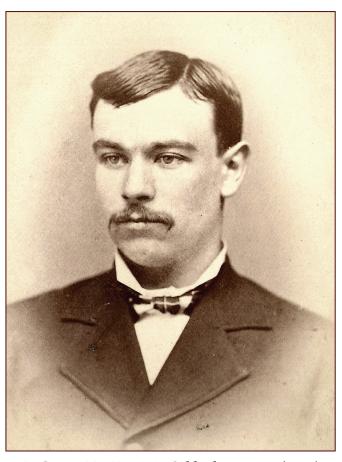
Jack Foster



William's younger brother, RODERICK GEORGE MACKENZIE, known as George, was born at Strathbran Lodge in Scotland on 4 October 1857. He was fifteen years old when the family moved to America and settled in Omro, Wisconsin. Following his uncle Roderick MacKenzie's death in 1886, the farm in Algoma was divided with forty acres going to George and eighty acres going to William. George was forty years old in 1896 when he married SARAH JANE CARVER, known as Jennie. She was only twenty-four at the time of their marriage.



Algoma, Winnebago County, WI - 1889



R. George MacKenzie in Oshkosh at age 23 (1880)



Roderick George (48), Edith (7) & Jennie MacKenzie (32)

They had one daughter, named EDITH, born 4 May 1898. George worked the farm until Edith was about ten when they moved back to Omro and George worked as a machinist. Eventually George owned his own business called MacKenzie Machine and Supply Company. George died in Omro in 1926, but Jennie lived another forty-one years and was ninetyeight years old when she died in 1967. They are both buried in the Omro Cemetery. Their daughter Edith never married and was still living in Oshkosh in 1993 at ninety-five years of age.

Douglas MacKenzie Scribner Gordon Raymond Scribner

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Alice Jane Johnson

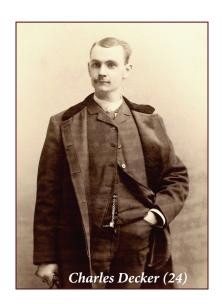
Irvin Aldridge Scribner



William's youngest sister, JOHANNA MARY ANN MACKENZIE, was born in 1860 at Strathbran Lodge in Scotland. She was twelve years old when the family came to live in Omro, Wisconsin. This picture was taken of her in Omro in 1877 when she was seventeen years old.







When Johanna was twenty-three years old she married **CHARLES H. DECKER** who was twenty-four. These pictures were taken of them in Milwaukee shortly after their wedding. Johanna and Charles had four children:

- 1. Flora (1884 1904) who never married.
- 2. Ervin (1886 1959) who never married.
- 3. Everet (1897 1977) no information.
- 4. Mabel (1898 1981) who married Leo Schneider.

Charles lived to be sixty-nine and died in 1928. Johanna lived to be seventy-five and died in 1935. Both are buried in the Omro Cemetery.



# Ancestors of Isabella Livingstone AlcKenzie



Isabella Livingstone McKenzie

Born: 2 April 1840, Dalkeith, Edinburgh, Scotland Died: 9 January 1906 at Algoma, Kewaunee, Wisconsin

Unlike the Highland home of her husband's ancestors, Isabella's progenitors came from the Lowlands of Scotland. She was born in Dalkeith, about ten miles south of Edinburgh, and her family came from Haddington which is about thirty miles further east. The Lowlands contained the industrial and cultural centers of Scotland. The universities of Glasgow, Edinburgh and Saint Andrews spawned famous engineers and scientists like James Watt and James Maxwell; authors and poets like Sir Walter Scott, Robert Burns and Robert Louis Stevenson; explorers

and missionaries like David Livingstone. The land was rich in coal deposits so the mines became a major source of employment. The city of Glasgow was built along the deep-water Clyde River so it became a shipbuilding center whose dry-docks stretched for miles. Edinburgh, which was built along the Firth of Forth, became the center of government, culture and the professions. These scenes were taken from early sketches of Edinburgh around 1800 when Isabella's parents were living nearby.

Douglas MacKenzie
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Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

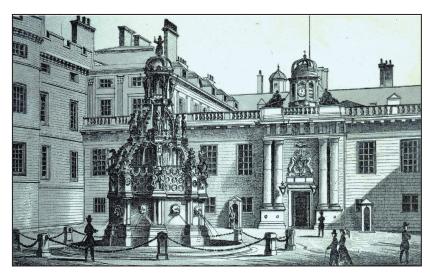
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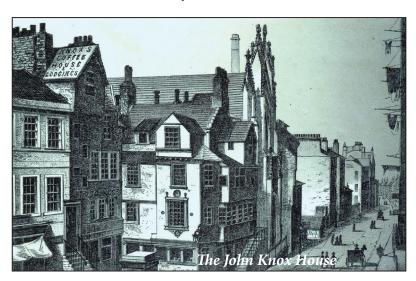
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The New Post Office built on Princes Street, Edinburgh



Scenes along the Royal Mile between the Edinburgh Castle and Holyrood Palace





When we were living near Edinburgh we took the opportunity to enjoy the breadth of culture. One example was the *Robert Burns Supper*. On the 25th of January each year it was popular to celebrate the life of this famous poet with a traditional Haggis Dinner. After preparation by the chef, the Haggis was led in by a bagpiper and carried through the room by Gina's friend, Sadie Stirzaker.





Following an *Ode to the Laddies* and an *Ode to the Lassies*, some of the poems by Robert Burns were read aloud. My favorite lines are from his poem titled, "*To a Louse.*"



Gina & Sadie Stirzaker at our home, Kirktonhill - 1986



Elder Smith & Elder Cook with Lora at Kirktonhill dressed in full Scottish kilts

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To a Louse (On seeing one on the back of a lady's bonnet at church)

O Jenny, dinna toss your head An set your beauties a' abread! Ye little ken what cursed speed The beastie's makin! Thae winks and finger-ends, I dread Are notice takin!

O wad some Pow'r the giftie gie us
To see oursels as ithers see us!
It wad frae monie a blunder free us
And foolish notion:
What airs in dress an' gait wad lea'e us,
And ev'n Devotion!
By Robert Burns (1759 - 1796)

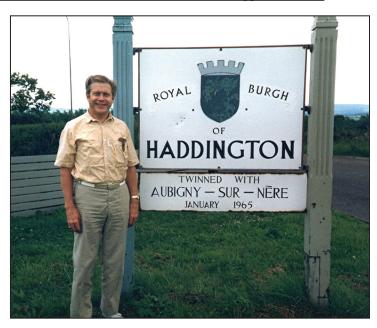
Brig -O-Doon (The Bridge over the River Doon) Ayrshire, Scotland, Robert Burns Country. We thought it was best seen in the rain!





#### George McKenzie and Isabella Livingstone

Isabella McKenzie's father, JAMES MCKENZIE was born 1 August 1815 to George McKenzie and his wife Isabella Livingstone. was the seventh of their nine children, all of whom were born in Haddington County, east of Edinburgh, close to the edge of the North Sea. Little is known about James' brothers and sisters other than his younger brother WILLIAM (WILL) McKenzie. When James was twenty-five he married JANET BLAIR who was from Dalkeith. Janet was the daughter of JOHN BLAIR and MARGARET WOOD. James took his own life on 13 March 1863 leaving his wife Janet a widow for the next twentyone years. The nine children born to George McKenzie and Isabella Livingstone are shown here. The seventh child, James McKenzie, was Isabella McKenzie's father





Haddington Parish and Cemetery Below: North Sea



<u>Name</u>	Birth Date	Birth Place
Kennenth McKenzie	8 September 1805	Humbie
Jean McKenzie	5 January 1807	Humbie
George McKenzie	23 November 1808	Salton
Mary McKenzie	10 February 1811	Giffordhall
Archibald McKenzie	1812	Prestonpans
Isobel McKenzie	27 April 1813	Prestonpans
James McKenzie	1 August 1815	Haddington
Andrew McKenzie	16 August 1818	Haddington
William McKenzie	24 August 1821	Haddington

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William MacKenzie

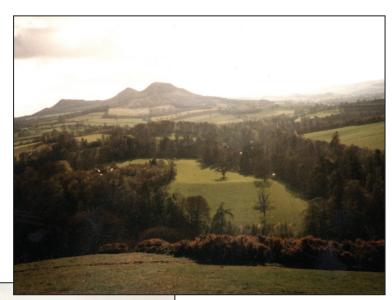
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Unlike their father George McKenzie, who was a carpenter, James and William McKenzie worked as miners in the coal fields near Dalkeith. James wanted to preserve the maiden name of his mother so he and his wife Janet named their first child ISABELLA LIVINGSTONE McKenzie with the nickname of Bella. She was my great grandmother. When Bella McKenzie married William MacKenzie in 1870 it was a merger between the Highlands and the Lowlands. They also named my grandmother ISABELLA LIVINGSTONE MACKENZIE with the nickname Ella. Family tradition indicated that Isabella Livingstone was somehow connected to the famous Scottish doctor/missionary/explorer David Livingstone but

there is no known connection between them.

Dr. Livingstone was most famous for his exploration of Africa and the discovery of Victoria Falls while searching for the headwaters of the Nile River.



"The Borders" as seen from "Scott's View"

Our family in 1986 enjoying Scott's View, and our sons, Spencer and Jimmy loving



#### John Blair & Margaret Wood

On her mother's side of the family, Bella's grandparents JOHN BLAIR and MARGARET WOOD were the parents of six children. Their fourth child, Janet Blair, was Bella's mother.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	Birth Place
Margaret Blair	17 February 1805	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
Jean Blair	21 February 1807	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
David Blair	1809	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
Janet Blair	7 October 1815	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
George Blair	1824	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
James Blair	1827	Dalkeith, Edinburgh

John Blair was a soldier who first served in the ARGYLE SHIRE militia and then in the 70th Regiment of British Footsoldiers. On 6 June 1814 he was discharged at York, England (age twenty-eight) due to an injury in his right leg. Though only twenty-eight years old, he was given a military pension, so he returned to his wife Margaret and their three children in DALKEITH. Their fourth child, a daughter named JANET BLAIR, was born 7 October 1815



The Army of **Great Britain** protected the countries of Scotland, England and Wales. JOHN BLAIR was in the 70th foot regiment based in York, England.

#### James McKenzie & Janet Blair

Bella's parents, JAMES MCKENZIE and JANET BLAIR, were married on 27 March 1840 when they were both only nineteen years old. Together they had seven children but only four of them lived to become adults. James and Janet lived in this upstairs apartment (flat) above a store on High Street in Dalkeith.



<u>Name</u>	Birth Date	Birth Place
Isabella L. McKenzie	2 April 1840	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
Elizabeth McKenzie	28 October 1841	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
Margaret McKenzie	5 August 1843	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
Margaret W. McKenzie	29 June 1845	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
James McKenzie	6 July 1847	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
George McKenzie	2 April 1851	Dalkeith, Edinburgh
George McKenzie	29 January 1854	Dalkeith, Edinburgh

William MacKenzie

Isabella (Bella) L. McKenzie

Irvin Aldridge Scribner

Douglas MacKenzie

Scribner

Bella was born there in 1840 followed by her younger sister **ELIZABETH** born in 1841. Two died in infancy, and their names, Margaret and George, were passed on to their next sister and brother. **Margaret Wood McKenzie** was born in 1845 and her brother **James** was born in 1847 but he only lived for eight years. Bella was fifteen years old when her brother James died. Following James, another child (**George**) was born in 1851 who died as an infant. Finally Bella's youngest brother, **George McKenzie**, was born in 1854. Then tragically, when Bella was twenty-three, her father, James McKenzie, took his life by

hanging himself. These were hard experiences for Bella, but she and her remaining family drew very close to each other.

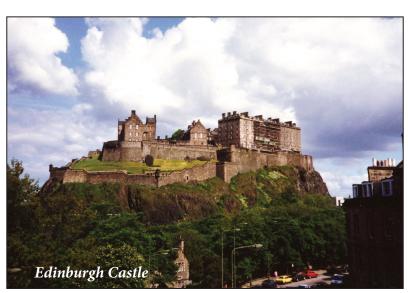
The coal mines of Scotland were a dangerous and difficult place to work in the 19th Century. The nation was cold, and coal became a primary source of warmth, but mining the coal without clean air to

breathe was damaging to the miner's health. Many also lost their lives when mine shafts would sometimes collapse. It is no wonder that James became discouraged. The exterior walls of buildings throughout the entire city of became Edinburgh blackened because of the burning of coal for heat. When we were there in

1984, there was a massive effort to sandblast these stone buildings to remove the black and turn them back to their original beautiful light brown color.









### Siblings of Isabella Livingstone McKenzie



Margaret (Maggie) Wood McKenzie Mitchell about 1890 - forty-five years old



Margaret (Maggie) Wood McKenzie about 1861-sixteen years old

Bella's younger sister, MARGARET WOOD MCKENZIE (known as Maggie), was the first of the children to marry. Margaret was working in Dalkeith as a dress maker when she married an Edinburgh baker named JAMES MITCHELL. She was twenty-three and he was twenty-four years old when they married on 26 June 1868. Together they had four children: Jessie, Effie, William and GEORGE, who were my grandmother's cousins. Before Margaret was fortyfive years old, her husband died leaving her to raise the children. She lived in Edinburgh working as a provision merchant until her death in 1906. She often wrote to her sister Bella in America. Bella kept these photos of Margaret and her children.

William MacKenzie Douglas MacKenzie Gordon Raymond Scribner Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie Scribner Isabella (Bella) L. McKenzie Alice Jane Johnson Irvin Aldridge Scribner

These are the children of Margaret Wood McKenzie Mitchell and James Mitchell. They were the first cousins of my own grandmother, Ella MacKenzie, and she often corresponded with them.



Jessie Mitchell (Janet Blair Mitchell)



Effie Mitchell (Euphemia B. Mitchell)



William and George Mitchell



Effie Mitchell shown later in life with her Aunt Bessie Lockhart





Elizabeth McKenzie (Bessie) about 1858 Seventeen Years Old

Elizabeth McKenzie Lockhart (Bessie) about 1871 Thirty Years Old

Bella married at age twenty-nine on 6 July 1870 to William MacKenzie in Dalkeith, Edinburgh, Scotland. Less than a year later her younger sister ELIZABETH (known as Bessie) married Hugh Lockhart. Bessie was twenty-eight and Hugh was twenty-six when they married and moved to Edinburgh where Hugh was the head attendant at an asylum. We have no information of any children being born to them.



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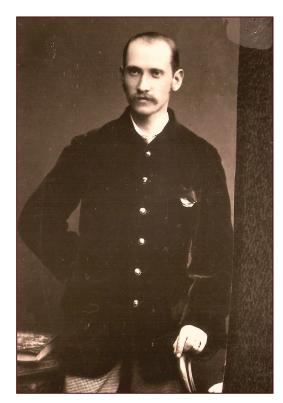
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Bella's younger brother, **GEORGE McKenzie**, never married. He was only fifteen when Bella married but later, when William and Bella moved to America, George went with them. My grandmother Ella always referred to him as Uncle George.

When George McKenzie was seventeen, he was still living with his mother in Dalkieth and was working as a draftsman. He then moved to Ayr on the West Coast of Scotland where he worked for the *Johnstone Company* until he was twenty years old. George must have been popular there because he was given two volumes of the Poetry of Robert Burns by his co-workers when he left. The inscription in them says,

"Presented to George McKenzie by the young ladies of Johnstone on his leaving Ayr, as a token of their sincere respect and esteem. – 5 September 1874."



George McKenzie Age 20 in 1874



George McKenzie with Bella and William MacKenzie, Ella (4), Will (2), Allan (6)

George kept in close touch with William and Bella as they began their family in the town of Dingwall in the Highlands. Just before William and Bella emigrated to America with their three children in 1882, George had his picture taken with them. A few years later he followed them and also settled in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. George never married but he became sick and died there at the age of thirty-eight.



# William MacKenzie & Isabella (Bella) Livingstone McKenzie

"At this stage of my life I made up my mind to leave home for the first time to take charge of a shooting estate which consisted of about 11,000 acres. The place was named Gledfield House. This was in the year 1868. I took charge of it as head gamekeeper on the place.

After I had been two years in this place I made up my mind to get married and, on the 6th day of July, 1870, the marriage was performed in the town of Dalkeith near Edinburgh. We both returned to Gledfield House where we remained for five years more ..."



Entry from the Diary of William MacKenzie





William MacKenzie

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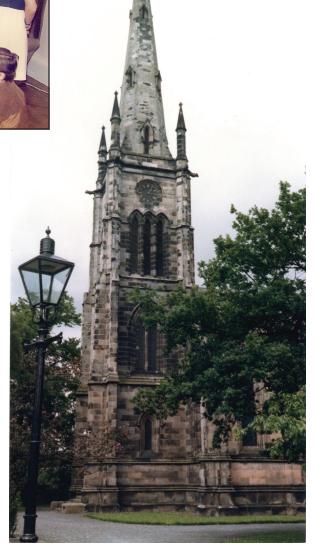




Our Family in Ratho - Jimmy, Scotty, Gina, Craig, Russ, Cecile, Doug, Christianne, Spencer and Lora in the middle

**WILLIAM MACKENZIE** married **ISABELLA LIVINGSTONE McKenzie** whose maiden surname was the same as his own (except *Mc* intead of *Mac*). Her home was in Dalkeith, ten miles south of Edinburgh. Since this was so close to Ratho where we were living, we often visited this town and the old parish church where they were married in 1870.





Church in Scotland in Dalkeith where William and Bella were married in 6 July 1870

Douglas MacKenzie Scribner

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During the five years (1870-1875) that William and Bella lived at the Gledfield House, William's family emigrated again to America. In 1872 Samuel and Flora together with their unmarried children set sail from Glasgow

for New York and on to Wisconsin. William's brother Roderick George (15) and his sisters, Isabella (28), Frances (19) and Johanna (12) were a great strength to his parents as they risked everything a second time to start a whole new life in this land of opportunity.





In 1875, at the expiration of his lease at Gledfield, William and Bella moved south to the county of Ayrshire near Glasgow where this photo was taken. The young man shown with them was possibly Bella's nephew, Thomas McKenzie, who was twenty years old at that time.



Times were hard so William and Bella apparently lived with Bella's sister Maggie and her family at Irvine in Ayr. There Bella gave birth to their first child, a son named **ALLAN**. Then in 1878 they returned to the Highlands where William began working as a farmer. In his journal he wrote,

"We had been waiting for about three years when I resolved to lease a farm. This was in the year 1878, and I took the farm of Mountrich for four years..."

That same year William and Bella had a daughter born who they named **ISABELLA LIVINGSTONE MACKENZIE** and gave her the nickname of *Ella*. Ella MacKenzie eventually became my grandmother. She was born while they were living in the town of Dingwall, just north of the city of Inverness. Their third child, a son named **WILL**, was born out on their Highland farm and was blessed in the nearby Parish of Kiltearn. Their family was then complete.

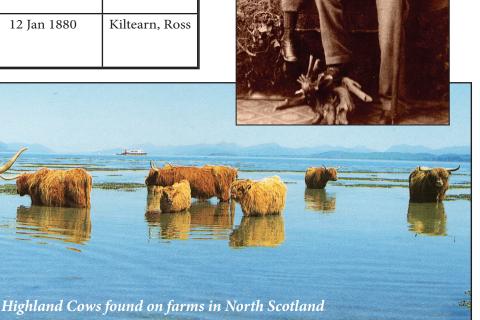
When Will was two years old William and Bella decided to leave their beloved Highlands forever and take their children to America. There they would join the family in the state of Wisconsin. William later wrote,

"At the expiry of the four years I gave it up as the farm did not pay. By this time I had three of a family so I came to the conclusion that I would leave this country with my wife and family for the United States of America. On the 22nd day of September 1882, we sailed from Glasgow to New York, arriving on the 6th day of October."

This photo was taken Edinburgh in 1882 with Uncle George (Bella's brother) and William and Bella's son,

Allan.





Douglas MacKenzie Scribner Gordon Raymond Scribner

Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

William MacKenzie

Alice Jane Johnson

Irvin Aldridge Scribner

#### William wrote:

"From New York we travelled by train to a place named Omro in the State of Wisconsin where my father had a farm. We remained there until the following Spring, 1883, when I left with my wife and family to the township of Algoma near the city of Oshkosh where my uncle (Roderick MacKenzie) had a very nice farm of 120 acres. We remained there with my uncle until he died in 1886. In his will he left 40 acres to my brother (Roderick George MacKenzie) and he bequeathed the old homestead of 80 acres with everything that was on it to myself, so I remained there with my wife and family ..."



Allan MacKenzie (Age 18 - 1894)



William (Will) George MacKenzie (Age 12 - 1892)



Isabella (Ella) Livingstone MacKenzie (Age 14 - 1892)

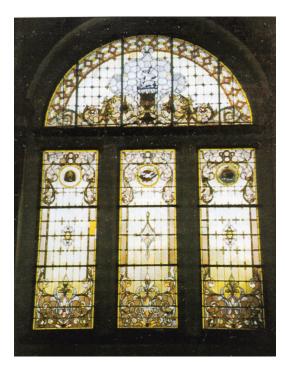


# Irvin Aldridge Scribner & Isabella (Ella) Livingstone MacKenzie

Allan, Ella and Will grew up on a farm at Algoma near the bustling city of Oshkosh in Winnebago County, Wisconsin. There they attended American schools and enjoyed occasionally going into the business district of the city. William MacKenzie wrote,

"... I was a member of the Plymouth Congregational Church on Church Street in Oshkosh for the period of 22 years and, during the last three years of my membership, they elected me as one of their Deacons."





Plymouth Congregational Church Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Another family that attended the Plymouth Congregational Church in Oshkosh was JEREMIAH BANKER SCRIBNER, his wife FRANCES, and his four sons: Irvin, Herbert, Jerry and Jesse. IRVIN SCRIBNER and ELLA MACKENZIE became very fond of each other. they are shown here in the Scribner home with Jeremiah and his family.

Ella's mother, Bella, died on the 9th of January 1906 in Algoma, Winnebago, Wisconsin at sixty-six years of age. However, William lived another twenty-seven years. He moved to San Diego, County, California to be close to his daughter, Ella. and her family.



Douglas MacKenzie Scribner

Gordon Raymond Scribner

Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

William MacKenzie

Alice Jane Johnson

Irvin Aldridge Scribner



Irvin and Ella were married in Oshkosh, Wisconsin on 24 August 1899 by her Congregational Minister, Edward H. Pruitt. Ella's older brother, Allan MacKenzie, and Irvin's younger brother, Herbert F. Scribner, were witnesses to their marriage.

Certificate of Marriage
THIS CERTIFIES THAT!
According to the ordinance of God
and the laws of the State of Wisconsin
at Chrook on the 24/4
day of august In the year of
Mr. Javin Prioner
of Green Bay State of Misionism
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Marriage Certificate of Isabella (Ella) Livingstone MacKenzie and Irvin Aldridge Scribner







At the time of their marriage IRVIN ALDRIDGE SCRIBNER was living in Green Bay, Wisconsin where he was an apprentice jeweler learning the art of engraving and carving gold jewelry. He returned to Oshkosh for his wedding to ISABELLA (ELLA) LIVINGSTONE MACKENZIE on 24 August 1899. Ella was twenty-one and Irvin was twenty-four years old. A year later Ella gave birth to their only child, my father, GORDON RAYMOND SCRIBNER, in Green Bay on 26 July 1900. They lived there until 1908 when they moved to San Diego, California.





Douglas MacKenzie Scribner

Gordon Raymond Scribner

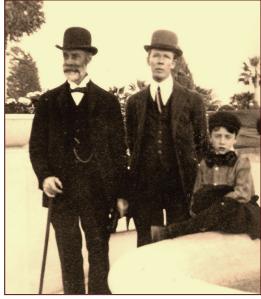
Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

William MacKenzie

Alice Jane Johnson

Irvin Aldridge Scribner





William MacKenzie, Irvin Aldridge Scribner, Gordon Raymond Scribner



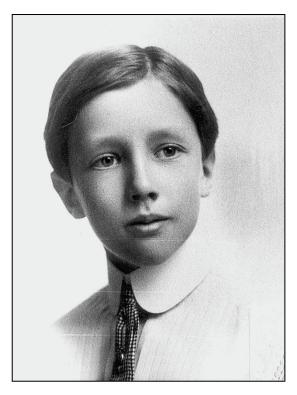
Gordon Raymond Scribner as a young boy (both photos)



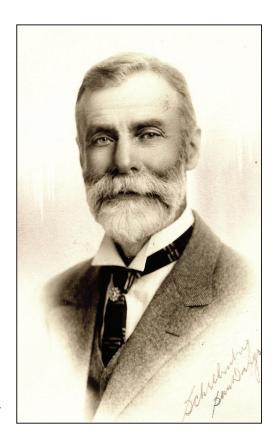
William wrote about his last years on the eighty-acre homestead in Algoma saying,

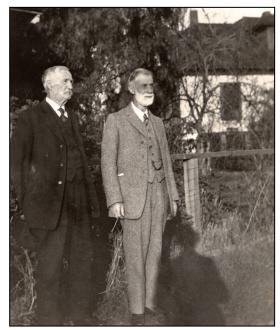
"I remained here with my wife and family until death took my dear wife away on the 9th day of January 1906. Four years after her death I disposed of the old home where we all resided for upwards of 28 years."

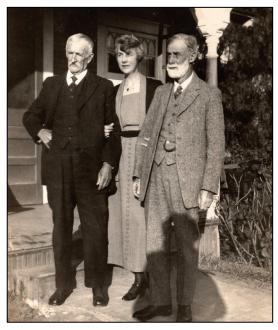
Ella, Irvin and their son Gordon enjoyed living in San Diego where Irvin was a jeweler, so they persuaded William to move there and live with them, which he did in 1910.



Gordon Raymond Scribner (age 12) and his Grandfather William MacKenzie (age 66) - 1912







Jeremiah Banker Scribner and William MacKenzie with Ella MacKenzie Scribner (Ella's Father-in-law and Father) Christmas 1923 in San Diego

Douglas MacKenzie
Scribner

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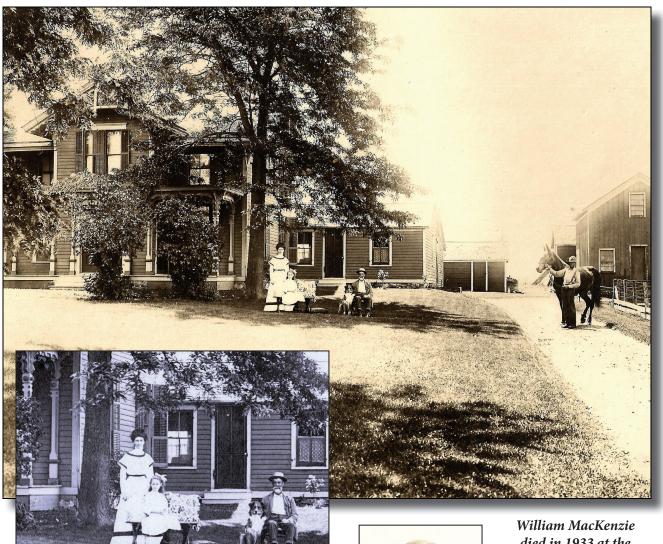
1923 William MacKenzie with Gordon and Alice Scribner





Gordon Raymond Scribner - abt 1924





Lilly (Allan's wife), Helen (Lilly's daughter), William MacKenzie, Allan MacKenzie (with horse). The Farm where Ella grew up in Algoma, Wisconsin

Ella's brother Allan married Lillian Alvina Johnson in 1907 (about when this picture was taken). Lilly had been married before and had a young daughter, Helen, but she and Allan never had any children of their own. After the farm was sold in 1910, Allan and his family moved to Bakersfield, California, where Allan died on 26 July 1930. Ella's youngest brother Will, never married. He died somewhere in Montana.

Isabella (Ella) MacKenzie Scribner, William's daughter, died in 1955 at the age of 77

died in 1933 at the age of 87



Douglas MacKenzie Scribner

Gordon Raymond Scribner

Alice Jane Johnson

Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

Irvin Aldridge Scribner

William MacKenzie



1953 - Camping Irvin, Ella, Alice & Doug Scribner, Phillip Neergard, Steve Scribner



About 1910 at the beach in San Diego Irvin Scribner, Frances & Jeremiah Scribner (Irvin's parents), Ella Scribner, Jeanette (Ella's housekeeper), William MacKenzie, & young Gordon Scribner



## Gordon Raymond Scribner & Alice Jane Johnson







1965 Kenneth Jerome Stephen Peter Douglas MacKenzie David Gordon

> Gordon & Alice Scribner

Douglas MacKenzie Scribner

Gordon Raymond Scribner

Isabella (Ella) L. MacKenzie

Isabella (Bella) L. McKenzie

William MacKenzie

Alice Jane Johnson

Irvin Aldridge Scribner



Alice & Gordon, Ken & Doug Scribner in San Diego, California Home



About 1941 - Kenneth Jerome, Douglas MacKenzie, David Gordon Scribner





Doug & Steve



Gordon & Alice Scribner Extended Family - 1963 in San Diego



Gordon and Alice Scribner Wedding - 1924



Steve & Mary, Doug & Cecile, Ken & Doreen, Dave & Marion (inset)

Douglas MacKenzie Scribner

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