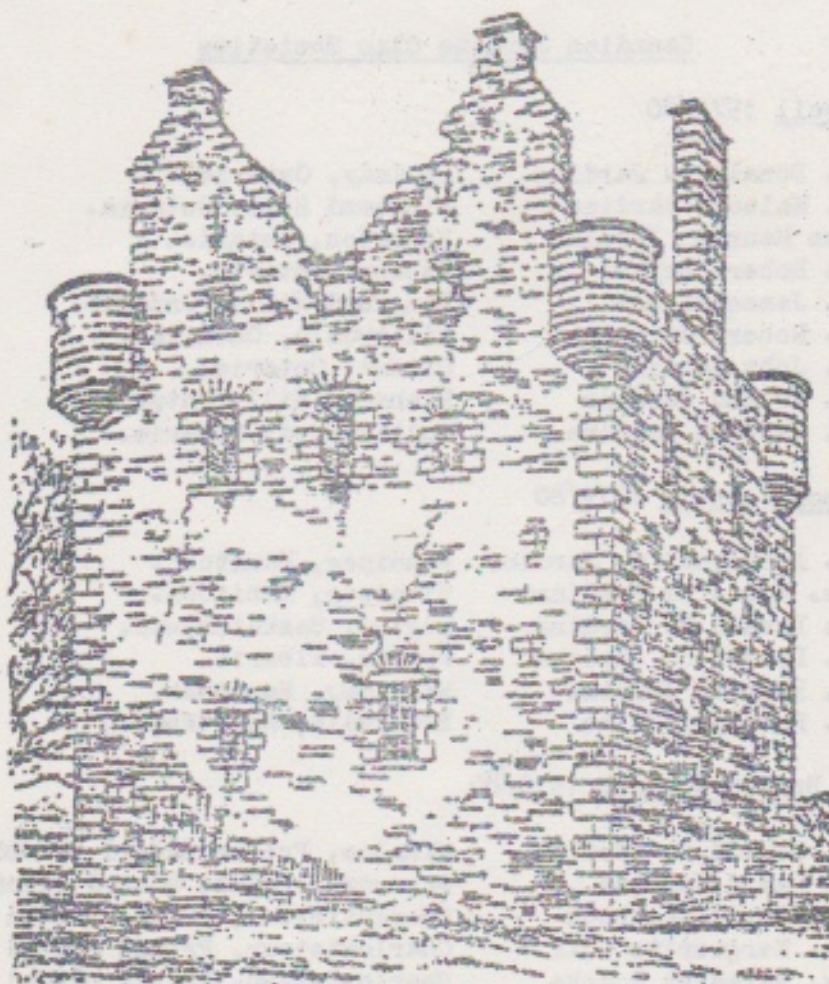


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CLAN SOCIETY



SPEDLINS
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NEWSLETTER NO. 3

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"	Mr. Hartley Jardine	Souris, Prince Edward Island.

FORWARD

by

THE CHIEF OF CLAN JARDINE.

I would like to start by welcoming all those who have joined our Society since the last News Letter was sent out. I hope you will enjoy our Gatherings and find interest in these News Letters.

To those members in Canada and America who received their last News Letter very late through a slight misunderstanding, I apologise. I hope that this one arrives with you before Christmas.

We held our Annual General Meeting in July, the Minutes of which are included in this letter. I was very disappointed in the numbers attending, only 70 as against 180 the previous year. I trust that our next meeting will prove more popular. At the conclusion of the meeting many went on to Spedlins Castle, luckily it was a lovely evening and we were able to walk round it and most members went inside to see the dungeon where poor James Porteous was incarcerated and died.

This brings me to the question of the purchase of the Castle by the Clan Society - you will see in the Minutes of the meeting that Mr. Jim Jardine proposed that the Clan Society should purchase it with money raised through an appeal to yourselves. The majority of those present thought this was a good idea and that it would be preferable for the Society to purchase it even if they could not afford to restore it. This would have meant that we would have had to raise £6,000 to purchase it, a further £40,000 to put a roof on it and a total of £46,000 to restore it completely. Had we bought it and failed to restore it or put a roof on it, it would undoubtedly have fallen into complete ruin. Your council went into this matter in considerable detail and decided that it was not in the Society's interest to buy it unless we could make it wind, water and vandal proof - this would cost up to £46,000 in the first year; thereafter we would be faced with a considerable drain on our annual income for maintenance and further repairs. To raise such a sum from such a new Society was unlikely to succeed and that the risks were unacceptable.

In fact the Castle has now been resold by Mr. Arbuthnot, with Captain Cunningham-Jardine's consent and work has already started on the restoration.

Your Society was represented at the International Gathering of the Clans - Nova Scotia by Don Jardine of Prince Edward Island; he, as Chairman of our Canadian Atlantic Provinces Branch organised a Clan Gathering at Pugwash Nova Scotia which I understand was thoroughly enjoyed by all attending. Many congratulations are due to Atlantic Don. A detailed account of this event appears later in this letter.

We did not make any decision as to the date of our next Clan Gathering at the A.G.M. I have been left with the difficult task of choosing a date and place for it. To help our overseas members this year I have decided to hold it on Sunday 21st September 1980 at Lockerbie House Hotel. Details on page.

May I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

William Jardine / Applin

MINUTES OF THE SECOND CLAN GATHERING HELD AT
DENBIE, DALTON ON SUNDAY 22nd JULY, 1979 AT 3.30 pm.

Present Col. Sir William Jardine of Applegirth (Chief of the Clan) in the Chair
Mr. Alexander Jardine younger of Applegirth (Council)
Lt. Col. A.J. Jardine Paterson " "
Major Noel Jardine Paterson " "
Miss Jean Jardine (Honorary Secretary)
Mr. Arthur Jardine (Honorary Treasurer)
Miss Violet Jardine (Honorary Genealogical Secretary)
and 63 members whose names are recorded in the Visitors Book.

Welcome Sir William welcomed all those present and made special mention of the Overseas members - Mr. and Mrs Jock Jardine from Ottawa, Ontario (formally from the Atlantic Provinces), Miss Henrietta Rea from British Columbia and Miss Kath Jardine from Victoria, Australia. Sir William regretted that there were so few from the United States and from Canada this year, but thought that members there had probably not received the News Letter in time to organise their holidays around the Gathering date.

Minutes The Secretary read the Minutes of the First Clan Gathering held at Denbie on Sunday, 30th July 1978. Mr Ray Jardine, Bournemouth moved their adoption as a true record, seconded by Lt. Col Arthur Jardine Paterson.

Matters Arising

- (a) Council Meeting The Council of the Jardine Clan Society has not met since 2nd April 1978.
- (b) Overseas Branches Sir William reported that a new branch has been formed in Manitoba. Miss Rea is helping to form one in British Columbia.
- (c) Treasurers Report The Treasurer reported that there was a balance of £738 in the fund. The original loan had been paid off. He appealed to members to pay their subscription by Bankers Order, or to become Life Members. (Life Membership subscription £30). It was decided to deep the fee for ordinary membership at £2 per annum, running from 31st July.
- (d) Newsletter Sir William explained the mix-up over the sending out of the Newsletter to members in Canada and America which had resulted in many members not receiving the invitation to the Gathering until April/May. He asked for suggestions for the improvement of the Newsletter but, since none were forthcoming, he again asked for volunteers to help in its compilation. Again, no response! - so Mr. Ronald Jardine, Dumfries and Mr. James Jardine, Lockerbie will be asked to continue to give their help.
- (e) Tartan The Chairman intimated that Tartan, Badges and photographs of Spedlins would be on sale at the back of the tent after the meeting and that orders could be placed for scarves and headsquares. It was decided that it would be too costly to have blazer badges of the Clan Crest made as these would be £12 each.
- (f) Clan Gathering The decision at last years meeting to have an Annual Gathering was endorsed. Mrs. Jardine Paterson suggested that perhaps there should be alternating years of Tea at Denbie and something more ambitious, e.g. a Ceilidh.
- (g) Family History Mrs. Michael Jardine Paterson, Balgray, who is a journalist by profession, has volunteered to compile the Family History from notes, papers etc. which Sir William has collected and passed to

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her. She hopes to have a draft completed by the time of the Gathering in 1980. Since publication of this, however simply produced, will be expensive Sir William suggested that a fund should be set up to sponsor it. His request that some money acquired from over payment for Tartan should be transferred to this Family History Fund was sanctioned by the meeting.

- (h) Spedlins Sir William reported that Mr. Arbuthnot had abandoned his plans to restore Spedlins and wished to re-sell it. The "asking" price for the Castle as it stands and 2 acres of land is £5,000. It is estimated that it would cost £30,000 to make the building water-tight and £120,000 to make it habitable. There would be a grant from the Department of the Environment (Ancient Monuments Department & Historic Buildings Council) towards this, but even with these grants it seemed to him to be beyond the means of the Clan Society to raise such a sum of money. Sir William said he had received some small donations towards the re-purchase of Spedlins; he will be writing to the donors to ask if they wish to have the money returned or transferred instead to the Family History Fund. The National Trust is helping Mr. Arbuthnot to sell Spedlins and there had been more than one potential purchaser making enquiries. Captain Cunningham-Jardine has made it a condition of sale that anyone buying Spedlins should allow the Jardine Clan Society access to it by arrangement.
- (i) Membership Lists The secretary apologised for any errors in the membership list issued with Newsletter No.2. Amendments only will be issued annually and the full list will be updated in three years time.
- (j) Ex-patriate Entertainment Sir William hoped that more members would offer entertainment and/or accommodation both at home and overseas.
- (k) International Gathering of the Clans, Nova Scotia, 29th June 1978 The Jardine Clan Society was represented at this Gathering by Mr. Don Jardine and Mrs. Hazel Callbeck of the Atlantic Branch. Sir William read a letter from Mr. Jardine describing the event.
- (l) Scottish Tourist Board Gathering 1981 The Scottish Tourist Board are organising an International Gathering in Scotland in 1981. On the day of the opening ceremony in Edinburgh, Clan Societies may send representatives to the Assembly Rooms, George Street where booths will be available for genealogical research. It was suggested that Miss Violet Jardine, our genealogical secretary should attend as the representative of the Jardine Clan Society.

The Meeting was then opened for questions and general discussion.

Spedlins

Jim Jardine from Aylesbury said that the Buckinghamshire Jardines had written to Mr. Arbuthnot and to Captain Cunningham-Jardine putting forward a suggested plan for the financing of the restoration of Spedlins by the Clan. This opened up general discussion about the future of Spedlin and, on a vote, there was a majority in favour of the Clan Society raising money to purchase the Castle in its present state. Arthur Jardine (Treasurer) put an amendment to the proposal to the effect that the Clan Society should purchase the Castle but lease it, if possible, to someone who would restore it to a habitable state.

Sir William asked leave of the meeting to put the proposal to the Council of the Society and let them go into the feasibility of purchasing the Castle for the Clan Society. Their decision should then be circulated to the Membership.

Wall Plaques

William Jardine, Caterham asked where Jardine Wall Plaques could be bought. After note:- Plaques can be purchased from:- P.E. Stewart-Blacker, Rosemount House, Blairgowrie, Perthshire.

Life Membership for Honorary Officers of the Society

David Jardine, Cairn of Craigs, Dumfries proposed that the Honorary Treasurer and the Honorary Secretaries should be made Life Members of the Society. This was agreed unanimously.

Poem

Sir William then called upon Mr. Tom Jardine, Motherwell to read a poem Composed by himself to commemorate the formation of the Jardine Clan Society. This was much appreciated. (A copy of the poem appears in this Newsletter).

Votes of Thanks

Mr. Alexander Jardine Younger of Applegirth proposed a vote of thanks to the ladies who had prepared and would serve the tea. Mr. Arthur Jardine voiced the thanks of those present to Sir William and Lady Jardine for their hospitality.

After Tea, the Gathering continued at Spedlins Castle where Sir William gave an interesting resume of the history of the place and those who wished were given access to the Castle.

In the evening, a social gathering with excellent Buffet Supper was enjoyed by around forty Clanmen at Lockerbie House Hotel. One feature of the evening was the playing of a tape recording of Reels and Strathspeys composed by James Porteous - the great, great grandson of the Ghost of Spedlins!

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INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF THE CLANS, NOVA SCOTIA, 1979.

The Jardine Clan Society was well represented at this event.

Don Jardine of Prince Edward Island represented the Chief of the Clan at the opening ceremony performed by Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother at Halifax on 29th June 1978.

The Atlantic Branch represented the Clan Society by holding its meeting at Pugwash on 30th June (see separate report) and by organising a Picnic at the Gulf Shore Provincial Park on 1st July.

After the delicious picnic a rousing game of Volleyball was played in addition to horseshoes, Croquet and a programme of races was carried out.

Prizes were given as follows:-

Captain of winning Volleyball team:-	Janet Jardine, Oakville, Ontario.
Croquet tournament:-	Adelaid Barbour, New Brunswick.
	Shirley Jardine, Middle River Junction, Vermont.
Youngest girl present:-	Andrea MacLellan, Sackville, N.B.
Youngest boy present:-	Robert Jardine, Shubenacadie, N.B.
Oldest gentleman present:-	Dr. John Barbour, Quispansis, N.B.
Lady with most grandchildren:-	Mrs. Andrew Jardine, Sussex, N.B.
Person coming longest distance:-	Robert Jardine, Oakville, Ontario.

The Clan Society must congratulate Don and his team for organising such a good show.

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BRANCH ACTIVITIES

Atlantic Branch

The Royal Canadian Legion Home, Pugwash, Nova Scotia was the venue for this branch's third meeting and Gathering.

It had been decided to meet in Nova Scotia as the International Gathering of the Clans was being held there and that they would represent the Jardine Clan Society at this event.

Some 62 members attended from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Ontario, U.S.A. and Scotland. The meeting was addressed by Mr. Thomas Hamilton Irving on the subject of genealogy.

After their business meeting they adjourned for lunch followed by a chat and literary entertainment by Alanmah O'Sullivan, New Zealand and John Cairney, Scotland. This was enjoyed by all.

This Branch is divided into Provinces, each with its own Chairman as follows:-

New Brunswick	The Rev. Austin Jardine.
Nova Scotia	Dr. Eric Jardine.
Prince Edward Island	Hartley Jardine.

Donald E. Jardine is to be congratulated on his organisation and interest in this Branch; he is ably assisted by his secretary, Hazel Callbeck.

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Western Canada Branch

This Branch held their third Annual Meeting at the home of their Chairman, Archie Jardine at Magellan Bay in Winnipeg on 19th June 1979.

Their meeting was mainly concerned with the election of Councillors, their term of appointment, subscription rates and the matter to be included in their News Letter.

Donald G. Jardine of Alberta and Ken Jardine of Winnipeg and Ronald G. Jardine of Brookvale, Man. were elected Councillors for their respective areas.

This Branch is progressing well due to the efforts of Archie and his team.

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Ontario Branch

This Branch held its second Annual Meeting & Gathering in the Canadian Legion Hall, Lindsay on 2nd June 1979; there were 72 members present.

Their main business was centred on a Motion by Malcolm Jardine that their Constitution be incorporated. Malcolm had done a great deal of work and study and taken legal advice on drafting a motion to incorporate; this was agreed and it was suggested that other Branches should consider this move.

Mr. Phil Day of Kawartha Genealogical Society gave a most interesting and informative talk on Genealogy and the uprise of interest in family history.

Robert Jardine also addressed the meeting on the objects of the Society.

After the meeting members gathered for a "Social Hour" with access to the bar - this was much enjoyed.

Don (of Lindsay) is doing a great job and running a well organised Branch.

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CLAN GATHERING

1980

As no decision was made at our meeting on 22nd July 1979 in respect of our next Clan Gathering 1, as your President, have decided to try holding it in September next year - this, I hope, will suit both Canadians and Americans in that fares are cheaper then than in the summer. This may not of course suit all members but it is impossible to find a date acceptable to everyone. British Airways advise me that flights are cheaper from America after 1st September and from Canada after 16th September.

As the programme for this years Gathering seemed to be enjoyed by those attending I thought that we should follow roughly the same pattern except that instead of a visit to Spedlins we would have a talk on a subject of interest. It is too far ahead to arrange a speaker now but I hope you will trust me to get a good speaker on a suitable and interesting subject like "The Clan system" or "Genealogy". We will try to arrange for some fun games out of doors or something like Bingo indoors if wet.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at 3.00 pm on Sunday 21st September 1980.

Programme:-	2.30 to 3 pm	Assemble at Lockerbie House Hotel
	3 pm	Annual General Meeting
	3.30	Talk
	4 pm	Tea
	4.30 to 5.30	Games
	8 pm	Reassemble at Lockerbie House Hotel
	9 pm	- Buffet Supper
	10 pm	Dancing etc.

Accommodation will be available at Hotels etc. in and around Lockerbie, but members will have to make their own bookings.

Members will of course be able to visit Spedlins Castle in the evening if they wish. Lady Jardine and I will be at Denbie during the afternoon of Saturday 20th and Monday 22nd September, should anyone wish to visit.

To help with the catering and seating accommodation, will those wishing to attend please make sure they complete the Form at the back of this News Letter and send it to me to arrive by 31st August 1980.

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YOUNG ADVENTURER ESTABLISHED OWN CAPE YORK REALM

The "KING" of Somerset settlement at the tip of Cape York stared starry-eyed that day in the early 1870's when he boarded a visiting missionary ship and first sighted the lovely olive-skinned passenger. The girl, Jardine quickly discovered was Princess Sana Solio, niece of King Malietoa of Samoa. Her beauty took the tough Australian's breath away and he knew in that instant that he was going to marry the girl. To get things moving Jardine dashed off to Rockhampton to ask his father to give his blessing to the match. He did not get it but the rebuff only strengthened his resolve to wed the princess.

Shrugging his shoulders philosophically, Frank Jardine sailed back to Somerset to find that the missionaries, scared off by his marriage avowal, had upped anchors and were on their way back to Samoa. To the ordinary man that would have been the end of the matter. But Frank Jardine was no ordinary man and, scarcely taking time to reprovision his schooner, set out in pursuit. It was indicative of this amazing pioneer's determination that he eventually caught the fleeing ship, "kidnapped" the princess, married her and with her eventually founded a Cape York dynasty.

Frank - with his younger brother Alex - first showed the stuff of which he was made back in 1864 when he overlanded a mob of cattle 1600 km from Carpentaria Downs to the northern extremity of Cape York. Having conquered the wild country and the hostile Aborigines that 18 years earlier had beaten the explorer Edmund Kennedy, Frank Jardine set himself the task of building his personal empire. He succeeded beyond his wildest dreams. The cattle multiplied a hundredfold, he established his own pearling fleet, built a mansion of regal proportions - and married a princess.

Frank Jardine was born in Sydney in 1841, the son of John Jardine and was educated at Sydney Grammar School. When Queensland became an independent colony the family moved north. Queensland came into existence with a few shillings in the Treasury and the need for cash was desperate. To this end Governor George Bowen determined to set up a coaling station and port for the trade he hoped would pass between the new colony and the countries of the West Pacific. Having decided that a sheltered spot on the coast near Albany Island would make an ideal site for the port, Bowen nominated John Jardine, then a Rockhampton magistrate, as chief of the proposed settlement.

In 1863 Jardine, with a squad of marines, landed at a point about 13 km from the tip of Cape York. It was named Somerset. As the first buildings rose, Jardine and his men found that their chief problem was the lack of fresh meat. A sort of flying marsupial abounded but these were far from tasty. So it was that John Jardine sent a message to the Governor asking that his sons, Frank and Alex, be given aid in a scheme to drive 1,000 head of cattle to Somerset.

In mid-1864 the brothers, after mustering their great cattle herd, moved from Rockhampton to the port of Bowen. There they bought more horses until they had a total of 42 and travelled to the northernmost point of settlement, Carpentaria Downs. The party now consisted of 10 drovers, the Government Surveyor Archibald Richardson, C. Scrutton, R. Binney and A. Cowdrey. There were also four young Aborigines, Barney, Sambo, Peter and Eulah. On October 11th, 1864, the party, travelling as light as possible, set out on their epic trek.

Maps showed that in a direct line their destination was only 300 km away. But by the time they arrived they had actually covered twice that distance. The Jardines had learned a lesson from Edmund Kennedy's tragic failure. For a start they drove cattle rather than less hardy sheep and used pack-horses

instead of unwieldy drays. While Kennedy's drays bogged constantly the Jardines' horses didn't falter. And while Kennedy's sheep drowned in the turbulent rivers, the Jardines' stock swam from shore to shore with few losses.

Perhaps the Expedition's greatest problem came from hostile Aborigines who not only picked off stragglers among the cattle but occasionally made hit-and-run attacks on the main herd. Determined he was not going to make the mistake of trying to placate the raiders as Kennedy did, Frank Jardine prayed for forgiveness at Sunday services then went at the natives with carbines. The expedition was on the banks of Mitchell River on December 18th when a large party of Aborigines charged the interlopers. Shots blasted down 30 of the attackers before the rest broke off the suicidal action. As the survivors fled towards the cover of nearby bush, Frank Jardine shouted to his men: "Cease Fire! Let the poor devils go". What he did not notice was that one of the natives had hidden himself under the river bank. Later, as the party drove the cattle across the river, the native sprang to his feet and hurled a spear at Scrutton. It missed its target by a few centimetres. A second later Frank Jardine's musket discharged. The Aboriginal died on the spot, leaving the expedition's leader to philosophise grimly: "A dead Myall is better than a spear in the back".

About four months after that incident, with saddles rotting, clothes in tatters, ulcers covering their bodies, the overlanders emerged from the wilderness to meet the trackers sent out by John Jardine. The loss in cattle was amazingly low - about one fifth - and apart from that the Jardines had blazed the trail to a huge valuable area and had introduced the first stock to the far north.

In time John Jardine returned to Rockhampton and Alex sailed to England. But Frank stayed on to watch his cattle multiply at such a rate that it was impossible to brand them. Within a few years he had only a vague idea of the number of beasts he owned but he could tell where they were by the mighty clouds of dust that rose when they were on the move.

There were times when Frank Jardine was called on to act as Government Resident at Somerset and it was during one of these stints that he shot to death the white cannibal of Badu Island, now known as Mulgrave. The so-called cannibal who had been guilty of several murders was supposed to be a Frenchman who, after being shipwrecked, had taken over control of the island from the local chief. In time his lawlessness became such a headache to the authorities in Brisbane that Jardine was ordered to "bring back the wild white man of Badu dead or alive". Wasting no time Mr Acting Government Resident Frank Jardine led a police party across the strait to Badu. Their ketch was just about to put her bows on the beach when the French cannibal, followed by a group of armed natives, plunged into the surf to launch an attack. It was to be the last attack the white murderer ever made for when he was no more than a few metres from the ketch Jardine blasted the life from him.

In 1874 the Somerset garrison was transferred to Thursday Island, leaving Frank Jardine to lord it over the port as virtual monarch. By now he had built up a substantial beef trade and owned a pearling fleet. Actually there was a time when the Queensland Government accused him of using the Government Schooner Lizzie-Jardine, named after a member of his family, for personal business purposes. Frank Jardine was furious. In the Brisbane press he denied the allegations, told readers what he thought of the Government and began moving his headquarters to an off-shore island. Unwilling to lose such a valuable man, the Government made an apology by appointing him permanent Resident at Somerset.

Then came the day when the missionary ship carrying as a passenger Princess

Sans Solio of Samoa, pulled into Somerset and the following romantic chase which has already been related. After bringing the Princess back to Somerset Jardine waited until his bride-elect was 21 and then married her. After that the couple moved into the mansion the beef baron had built on the Cape and there held court like benevolent potentates. The large house was surrounded by a garden paradise of lawns, flowering trees and shrubbery. There was also a tennis court and a high pole around which the couple's children played "purple monkey". This game had been brought from Samoa by their mother.

Guests who had the good fortune to stay at the Jardines' delightful home were enchanted by the proud yet gracious hostess and the powerfully-built bearded man who was idolised by the household's scores of servants. Part of the duty of the maids attached to the bedchambers was to see that the children dressed formally for the main evening meal which was prepared in a 30 metre-long kitchen by about 20 cooks and assistants. By now the local Aborigines had completely accepted the presence of the whites and it was these men who looked after Frank Jardine's now enormous cattle herds and who manned his pearling luggers.

Although Governor Bowen's original dream of seeing Somerset develop into one of Australia's most important ports never eventuated, Jardine refused to give up his battle to attract population and industry to the settlement. Whenever Jardine met up with a young man who seemed genuinely interested in establishing himself in Somerset the plebian monarch generally would give him a start either with cash or at least plants. Although, despite Jardine's efforts, the little settlement never grew the cattle baron found much to occupy him. For instance, it was this amazing man who supervised the building of the overland telegraph line between Cookstown and Cape York.

There were many other aspects to Frank Jardine's life, details of which he recorded in scores of diaries. Were they still in existence they would be treasured historical documents. But as it was one of his sons buried them on a Pacific island to prevent them being destroyed by the Japanese during World War II. They have never been seen since.

Frank Jardine, the man who spent most of a long life trying to turn one of the loneliest areas in Australia into a great centre of commerce, died at Somerset in 1919. He was 76.

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PUBLICATIONS

The following recent publications will be of interest to Members.

"They called me an Impeccable Imperialist" by

Lionel Jardine C.I.E. (I.C.S. ret'd)

Published by Grosvenor Books,

54 Lyford Road,

London, S.W.18. 3JJ.

This describes Mr. Jardine's experiences of British India 1914 - 1917.

"Shadows on the Hill" by D.G. Jardine

Published by A.R. & A.W. Reed Ltd.,

11 Southampton Row,

London, W.C.1.B. 5HA

This is the story of a remarkable man who has spent a lifetime sheep farming in the Remarkable Mountains of Queenstown, New Zealand.

To commemorate the formation
of
The Jardine Clan Society

Hail to the Chief of the Jardine Clan
An ancient name indeed.
They came with the Conqueror, boy and man,
Sons of a fighting breed.

The twenty second in the line,
By virtue of his brief,
He honours us we do opine,
The Society's first chief.

His forebears settled in the land,
From south to farthest north,
Each nation had its Jardine band,
acknowledging their worth.

Since that far off and stirring time,
Our honoured name appears
In history's page, in prose and rhyme,
through several hundred years.

In battles many, Jardines fell;
Who fought for England's crown,
And many more, historians tell,
Were men of some renown.

They also fought for Scotland's cause,
and lauded her with fame,
Defending Right, Defying law
which sullied Freedom's name.

His line is from the Borders where
No trace our heritage,
Midst ruined castles, gaunt and bare,
And from the written page.

Where tales of reiving, feud and strife,
And Covenanters, brave,
Of love, romance, and death and life,
Reach out beyond the grave.

The suffix Applegirth first known,
in thirteen sixty one,
Was granted by a deed of crown,
For Kingly service done.

A Castle, once a Jardine seat,
Alas a ruined pile,
Was long their strong & safe retreat,
And still our hearts beguile.

When first to Spedlins, Jardines came,
Five hundred years before,
Each Chief, in turn, the honoured name
of Applegirth he bore.

A ghost, the tower of Spedlins hides,
A legend does regale,
And somewhere in a vault it bides -
BUT that's another tale.

A noble mansion, Denbie Hall,
Is now our Chieftains place,
Where ancient portraits on each wall
Trace his ancestral race.

In March of Nineteen Seventy Seven
The Society was born,
But sad surprise, not kilted even,
He seemed a Chieftain shorn.

A lowland clan can claim no right
To wear the kilt or plaid.
We boast no tartan, but we might,
If you so wish, he said.

Now we've a badge and tartan too,
Of registered design,
With crested Tie, in Royal Blue,
A trinity Devine.

The Badge, one six point spur displays,
A belt encircles there,
Its motto "Cave Adam", says,
"I'm here, so you beware".

Then hail to all the Jardine Clan,
Your heritage proclaim.
Come swell its ranks, your birthright
And honour your proud name.

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JARDINE MEMORIALS IN APPLLEGARTH KIRKYARD

by The Rev. J. Kydd, Minister of Applegarth.

As a united Parish, Applegarth and Sibbaldbie dates from 1609. By an Act of the Scottish Parliament of 24th June of that year, the two separate Parishes were joined and John Young, already Minister of Applegarth, became Minister of Sibbaldbie as well. Later, the Church at Sibbaldbie was allowed to fall into ruin and Applegarth in the extreme South West corner came to serve the whole united Parish as it does to this day.

The earliest record of a church here is dated 1140, probably built by Humphrey de Gardino ancestor of the Jardines of Applegirth, but there may have been an ecclesiastical building on the site much earlier. The oldest existing part of the church building is the Jardine vault, built on to the South wall of the church, where are said to lie the remains of the first six Baronets of Applegirth. It is thought that some of these may have been exhumed from beneath the floor of the church during one of the reconstructions and transferred here.

The present church was built in 1760 and largely altered towards the end of the last century with the purpose, among others, of providing an enlarged "loft" for the Jardines of Applegirth and their staff.

Obviously, burials have taken place round the church for many centuries. The earliest dates recorded on memorials are in the Jardine vault but outside and close to the church is one to Elisabeth Jardine "who departed this life on 5th July 1705". The area immediately round the church contains the oldest graves while later ones are on the lower level and the modern ones completely separate across the "common ground".

All graveyards are records of social history and especially so in this part of Scotland where the places of residence and of death, the wives' maiden names and often the men's occupations are faithfully recorded. It is interesting to note that most of the old place names are still those of to-day's farms, the community then as now being predominantly agricultural. The life of the community was often influenced as it has been from Roman times and is to-day, by the main route between Scotland and England passing through the Parish. The surnames are not so static, many of the commonest on the earliest memorials have disappeared completely and even that of Jardine, borne by so many families in the parish in times past, occurs infrequently on more modern headstones.

For the Twentieth century descendants of the Anglo-Norman Humphrey de Gardino and of his family and retainers, these old graves are very tangible links with the past. A complete list of memorials and their inscriptions up to 1855 may be consulted at the manse and also such portions of the Parish Registers as are still available locally.

As most of the graves are grouped in family burial grounds, it is possible to trace the relationships through the generations.

The Jardine of Applegirth vault and the enclosure below the slope to the right of the church contain, between them, the graves of ten Baronets and their families. The Cunningham-Jardine ground is at the back and at the extreme right of the lower level. A very tall stone to the left of the main gate and a further stone in the sixth row from the back to the right of the church record the Jardine-Patersons of Balgray as does also a modern stone in the new cemetery.

A mote, probably constructed by the first de Gardino's, can be seen at the end of the manse garden. The whole area of the church, manse and common ground is an example of a "Mote and Bailey".

GENEALOGY NEWS

The family trees held in the Clan Society's genealogical records now number 59, and thanks go to all members who have helped build up the records by sending in all details known to them about their family history. Many more family trees are still needed to increase the Society's knowledge of all the different branches of the Clan, and to assist members in linking their own families to others which are already on file. This 'linking' is done through a system of index cards - one for each member - and also for each person who appears on a family tree.

No matter how few the details you know about your ancestors - please send them in to the Society. We would especially like to hear from members living in Dumfries and Galloway. Please help us to help you send any known details of family trees to Miss Violet Jardine, Genealogical Secretary, 33 Eiderston Road, Peebles EH45 9 DT, Scotland, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope for reply. All family trees are treated with complete confidentiality.

The Genealogical Secretary undertakes to help members trace their ancestors through the Society records, but regrets she cannot help in individual research through other channels. However, members who are particularly interested in genealogy may like to find out more about the subject through the recent publication of a 2nd edition of "Introducing Scottish Genealogical Research", by Donald Whyte, published by the Scottish Genealogy Society, 1979. This booklet, which is an excellent and inexpensive guide for beginners and others seeking a handy reference to records and printed sources, is obtainable by post - U.K. 90p; overseas orders for single copies will be sent airmail only - U.S.A., Canada, £1.08; Australia, New Zealand, £1.15; Europe, £1.05. Orders to:-

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4 Carmel Road,
Kirkliston,
West Lothian, EH29 9DD,
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(payable to "Donald Whyte").

The following members seek information regarding their ancestors. If you have any knowledge of the Jardines mentioned will you please initially get in touch with those seeking the information direct. If any member would like a similar request for information printed in next year's Newsletter, please contact the Genealogical Secretary.

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Seeks information re. great, great, great grandfather Richard Jardine and wife Grizell Cowan born about 1795 and known to be living at Lochmaben, Scotland on Burnside Farm when my great, great grandfather John Jardine was born 13th July, 1812. Would like their birth and death dates possibly buried in old cemetery pre-1850 at Lochmaben.

Mrs. Isobel Jardine,
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Seeks information about John Jardine farmer and miller at Irengrey around 1776, and Mains Mill, Millbank, Southwick around 1800 (Kirkcudbrightshire).

Violet E. Jardine
Genealogical Secretary.