Born 1830
Died 21st October 1914.

Daughter Elizabeth Mary married G. G. Milne Miller, a surgeon of Dingwall, at Tain 1 July 1859.[335] Six years later Elizabeth was a widow and she remarried John B. Dudgeon Esq. of Crakaig 15 November 1865.[336]

Son Gabriel became a doctor. As a boy he attended the Tain Royal Academy where he received the first prize in Mr Armstrong's class 4th Section for English.[337]

Son William George Ross of Forres, after leaving the Collegiate School, Edinburgh entered into the service of the Union Bank of Scotland where he remained for several years. In 1875 he joined the 4th Highland Company Queen's Rifle Volunteers as Lieutenant and was promoted to Captain in 1885. He married Marie widow of Patrick Murdoch and daughter of Hugh Christie Paterson of Glasgow.[338]

Figure 81. Walter George Ross 1897.

Wider Ross Family

Dr William Ross, a physician and farmer appears to be the son of James another brother of Alexander and Walter Ross. James Loch[339] states that in 1820 Dr Ross's residence was at Cambusmore, above the south end of the mound. His Balvraid farm was exchanged for Cambusavie a small farm adjoining his residence and Cambusmore farm.

In 1817 Dr William Ross of Cambusmore was awarded a guinea for the third best Quey (heifer) in the County of Sutherland.[340] Pigot's Directory of 1825 lists William Ross of Cambusmore as a councillor in local government for Dornoch. This is the man who was a trustee of the estate of Alexander Ross. Dr William Ross had died before the death of his son John in June 1849.[341] He was still alive when his eldest daughter Mary married James Christie in 1844.[342] He appears to have held several adjoining farms at the head of Loch Fleet, namely Cambusmore, Cambusavie and Torboll. His widow Mary Fraser aged 73 died in 1860.[343]

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[335] John O'Groat 14 July 1959.
[336] John O'Groat 30 November 1865.
[337] Inverness Courier 14 August 1844.
[338] The Celtic Monthly Vol. 5 No. 7 April 1897
[339] See Footnote 271
[340] Edinburgh Advertiser 23 January 1818.
[341] John O'Groat Journal 17 August 1849.
[342] John O'Groat Journal 23 August 1844.
[343] John O'Groat Journal 9 August 1860.

Who died at Goulburn 19 January 1869
A Public Monument has been erected to his Memory
In Front of St Andrew's Church in this City,
And also a Tablet Within the Church

William was another possible brother of Alexander and Walter. He was a farmer and tacksman of Mulderg. William was married to Catherine Ross. Their children were Donald, Flora (married to John Duff a brother of Hugh Duff), David, John, William, Margaret, George, Walter and Hugh. George Ross esquire of Mulderg was trustee for his (?) Uncle Alexander's estate. George had been a merchant in Quebec at sometime (see Page 96 where George Ross and Robert Pope Ross were trustees of the Laprairie Steam Boat Company in 1826). George, David and Hugh were specified in the marriage contract of their niece Catherine Duff to John Wallace in 1835.

William had held the tack on Edderton farm, Balnafoichan and Torrandow in 1810 but by 1822 his sons (?) David and Alexander held Mulderg.[347]

The James Ross who aided Robert Pope Ross in Quebec in the 1820s was probably some kinsman of Robert's father Alexander Ross.

Other Possible kin

There may be a relationship to the Ross family who settled around the Mansfield, Victoria area in the 1850s. Hugh Ross was born Glaschoill near Ardgay and baptised at Kincardine[348], Ross-shire in October 1807. In 1838 he boarded the *Anne* and sailed to Van Dieman's Land. There he remained until just before his marriage in Victoria to Barbara McKenzie in 1852. Hugh Ross arrived in Geelong. Barbara had come to the Colony with three of her siblings (two sisters and her brother John) in December 1851 on the *Stebonheath*. She was from Syall (Soyal) a mile west of Ardgay and was born in May 1832. The marriage that took place at the Free Presbyterian Church in Melbourne, May 1852, had probably been previously arranged as the McKenzie and Ross families came from the same area of Scotland. The couple was first at Kilmore where Barbara's younger brother Kenneth joined them from Scotland. The young couple moved to the Mansfield area in 1864 after Kenneth McKenzie had purchased "Cornhill" at Merrijig and sent word that the land was good and in response to selectors' demands, a subdivision of land had taken place on the Delatite River. Hugh died in 1898 and Barbara in 1910.

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[347] Inverness Journal 19 April 1822.

[348] Descendant David Clayton in his address to the Mansfield Historical Society identified the baptism at the Croick church, but this Government Church was not completed until 1827 (Statistical Account of Scotland, Volume 14 "Inverness – Ross and Cromarty", 1795. Parish of Kincardine. This parish was sometimes known as Kincardine and Creich or Croick).