

Melancholy Fatal Accident.

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On the Sabbath last an accident of a peculiarly affecting character took place in the River Kyle near Bonar Bridge. On the morning of that day a boat started from Ross-shire to convey parties joining the Free Church Sacrament at Breich. Twelve persons were in the boat and when nearly at Balbouer the boat, probably being small and ill-balanced in the water, upset and all were thrown into the water. Melancholy to relate only 6 survived. Donald Urquhart dived in and saved 6 - 3 at once till he was exhausted and was obliged to desist further attempts or his own life would have been lost. His is a name to be remembered for his courage and stoutness who lost his own father and sister in this sudden calamity. Donald Urquhart committed their remains to the grave at Kincairdine this morning.

Drowned were George Urquhart & his daughter Janet Ann Ross Gow, Angus Ross (a boy), Donald MacLae from Rhuilony, Auchnafart Parish, Kincairdine