

Third Report of the Committee for Managing
the Meikle Ferry Fund.

Dornoch 5th Nov. 1811

The committee beg leave to intimate to the public that they have come to the following resolutions regarding this fund.

- 1st That the plan adopted for the disposal of this fund as stated in their second report dated the 3rd March 1810 be strictly adhered to with respect to the subscriptions received prior to that date.
- 2nd That the sum of Fourteen Hundred Pounds having been received from Bengal, Goa, Grenada and the Cape of Good Hope, subsequently to that arrangement, and consequently could not then be in the contemplation of the committee, shall form another distribution, and be paid to the sufferers agreeable to the annexed scheme on Wednesday the 11th Dec. next.
- 3rd. That the thanks of the committee are due in an eminent degree to J. Palmer, Esq; Mackintosh and Walter Ross Munro, Esqrs. of Bengal; to Captain Joseph Bethune of the 48th Regiment at Goa; to Major Dale of the 93rd Regiment at the Cape, and to George Gunn Munro Esq of Grenada for their great and successful exertion in obtaining subscriptions and affording means of making the present distribution, thereby contributing most effectually to the relief of the sufferers.

R. Sutherland
Chairman.

Persons Drowned	Remarks on the circumstances and state of their families and the description of persons relieved.	Amount to be paid
Place of residence	Names	Date
9		11 th Dec. 1811
Dornoch Town	Mr Hugh McCulloch	This case not included in the first report, but requiring aid the following sums are to be granted.
	Mrs McCulloch, widow.	£ 25 - -
	Mrs Leant, his daughter.	£ 10 - -
	Mrs Munro do	£ 20 - -
	Miss McCulloch do	£ 15 - -
	Mrs Sutherland, his sister in law	£ 10 - -
do	John Williamson Soldier	£ 10 - -
do	Philip McKay Blacksmith	His Father and Mother £ 12 - -
do	William Munro Shoemaker	His Mother, a widow and two sisters. £ 12 - -
5 do	Angus Sutherland Shoemaker	His Father and C. Munro to whom he was betrothed £ 12 - -
do	Isobel Sutherland	A young child £ 10 - -
do	A. McKay Shoemaker	Their Father and Mother £ 18 - -
	Janet " his sister	
10 do	Isobel Leslie	Her parents £ 11 - -
do	Charlotte Grant	do £ 11 - -
do	Margt. Clark	do £ 10 - -
do	Geo Munro Tenant	His daughter £ 10 - -
do	Barbara McLeod	Two young children £ 16 - -
do	Bessie McKenzie	Her husband and children £ 16 - -
15 do	Sergt. Morrison 42 Reg	An infant destitute £ 25 - -
	Mrs Morrison	
	his wife	£ 25 ³ - -

Carried Forward.

Persons Drowned

Place of Residence	Names	Remarks on the circumstances and state of their families and the description of persons relieved.	Amount to be paid
Dornoch		Carried forward	£ 253 - -
Town	Corp. John Murray	Aged Father 80 years	£ 10 - -
do	Sergt. Munro	A widow and child	£ 10 - -
do	John Leslie Merchant	A young child	£ 10 - -
20 Dornoch Parish	Barbara McKay	John Campbell her husband Her Father	£ 10 - -
Ardnacalk	Catherine Ross		
Achlahach	Robert Gordon Soldier	A widow and two children	£ 24 - -
Cuthill	Alex Campbell and		
do	Margt. " his wife	Two infants	£ 25 - -
25 do	Margt. Ross Kessagach	Her Father and natural child	£ 10 - -
Overskibo	Flora Fraser from Ass'tnt	A mother and sister	£ 10 - -
Clashmugach	Robert Gordon Soldier	Parents	£ 15 - -
do	John Grant	do	£ 10 - -
do	Wm. McDougal		
	Soldier in 42 nd Reg.	His Father	£ 10 - -
30 Asdale of Reacher	Alex Matheson <small>tenant</small> Hugh Munro <small>pensioner</small>	A widow and five children A widow and four children	£ 30 - - £ 25 - -
do	John Sutherland	A widow and three children	£ 22 - -
do	Alex McKay Tenant	widow and children	£ 21 - -
do	Kate McKurchy	Aged mother	£ 12 - -
35	Janet McKay, Allan	do	£ 10 - -
Tenagrange	Charlotte Grant	Parents	£ 10 - -
Glenuchary	Margaret Calder	do	£ 10 - -
do	Grissel Grant	Her husband Wm. Murray	£ 10 - -
Evelichs	Wd. Wm. Murray	Her son	£ 8 - -
40 do	John Leith Labourer	An aged mother and two sisters	£ 21 - -
Embo	Anne Campbell	Wm. Ross her husband	£ 8 - -
do	Barbara Sutherland	Blind mother	£ 18 - -
			£ 626

11th Dec. 1811

Persons Drowned		Remarks on the circumstances and state of their families and the description of persons relieved.	Amount to be paid
Place of Residence	Names		11th Dec. 1811
Embo	Wm. Leslie and his sister Helen Leslie	Their mother and sister who were saved from the boat	£ 20 - -
45 do	James Grant	Parent	£ 10 - -
Coul	Janet McKay "David"		£ 10 - -
Achovandra	Janet McKay "Baillie"		£ 10 - -
Balvraids	Alex Mackay "Bain"	A widow and six young children	£ 38 - -
"	Betty Matheson } George her son }	Angus Sutherland her husband and children	£ 16 - -
50 "	George Matheson Tenant	A widow and two children	£ 24 - -
Achdading	Merran Gray	Her parents	£ 10 - -
Byderhall	Widow Matheson } Alex her son }	Two boys	£ 20 - -
55 Meikle Ferry	Donald Chisholm Ferryman	Parents	£ 10 - -
Parish of Breich	William Sutherland Ferryman	A widow and nine children	£ 26 - -
Pulrossie	Hugh Ross Servant	A pregnant wife and a child £ 15 a natural child £ 3	£ 18 - -
Newton	Jane Ross his sister	Her mother	£ 10 - -
60 Ospisdale	Ann McRae	Her father	£ 10 - -
"	Isobel Ross	Her parents and sick sister	£ 20 - -
"	Margt. Campbell } Isobel Campbell } sisters	Their parents	£ 16 - -
"	Isobel McKay Callan	Her Mother	£ 10 - -
"	Margt. McIntosh	" "	£ 10 - -
65 Gopland	Margt. Fraser	Her husband John Campbell	£ 10 - -
Reniere	Charlotte Ross	Her Mother	£ 10 - -
"	Janet McDonald	" "	£ 10 - -
"	Catherine Chisholm	Her Father	£ 5 - -
Gloed	Jane Forbes	" "	£ 10 - -
			£ 959

Forward

Persons Place of Residence	Drowned Names	Remarks on the circum- stances of their families and to be paid description of persons relieved	Amount
Parish of Rogart		Brought Forward	£ 1244 - -
Edder	James Gordon	A widow and four young children	£ 30 - -
"	John McDonald	A pregnant widow and 4 children	£ 38 - -
95 "	Alex Henderson	A widow and five children	£ 30 - -
"	Janet Macdonald	A poor mother	£ 10 - -
Achellie	John Ross	A widow and child	£ 10 - -
Rimusag	C. McIntosh	A husband and four children	£ 25 - -
Edder.	Mary McDonald	A sister	£ 10 - -
			£ 1400

Sum to be paid 11th Dec. 1811

Paid on the 14th Dec. 1809 as particularly stated in
^{single} the first report, to which the committee beg leave
 to refer for the number and description of persons
 relieved. £ 509 .. 15 .. 0

Paid 29th March 1810 as stated in second report £ 1,000

Total paid from the fund £ 2909 .. 15 ..

Abstract

It appears by the above statement that 99 persons were drowned of whom 43 were males and 56 females, of the males 23, and females 16 were married people, 2 were widows, 20 unmarried young men and 38 girls; 12 were saved by swimming or clinging to the boat of whom 4 were males and 8 females.

The generous contributors to this Fund will learn with satisfaction that nearly 200 persons have benefited by their liberality of which 14 are widows and 96 children or orphans, and that after dividing £ 2909 among the sufferers and paying all expenses the sum of £ -- remains to be paid to the parishes for relieving such as may hereafter be reduced to indigent circumstances.

(Sgd) R. Sutherland

The drowning occurred on 16th August 1809.