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Volume 2

BREMNER, John Kirkmichael and Garrel

Born Huntly, Aberdeenshire 22nd September 1846, son of **George BREMNER** and **Jane SMITH**; educated at the Huntly Parish School, Grammar School, and Univs. Of Aberdeen and Edinburgh; M.A. (Aberdeen, 1866), B.D. (Edinburgh, 1870); licen. by Presbytery of Linlithgow 20th Dec. 1870; Assistant at Liberton and St George's Parish, Edinburgh; ord. 2nd May 1876.

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BREMNER, George M.A., B.D. Inverarity and Meathie

Ord. 18th January 1906; trans. To St. Margaret's, Barnhill, 13th July 1921

BREMNER, George St. Margaret's, Barnhill

Born Forres 19th March 1875, son of **George BREMNER**; educated at Univ. of Aberdeen; M.A. (1895), B.D. (1902); became English Master in Mackie Academy, Stonehaven; licen. by the Presb. Of Edinburgh in 1902; assistant at St. Bernard's, Edinburgh; ord. to Inverarity 18 JAN 1906; trans.and adm. 13th July 1921. He married 2nd October 1907, **Jeannie**, daughter of **D.M.MACKAY**, Aberdeen.

BRYMER, John (or BREMNER) Marykirk

Born about 1740, son of **John BREMNER**, merchant at Marnoch-Kirk; educated at Marischal College, Aberdeen, M.A. (1761); licen. by Presbytery of Strathbogie 25 MAR 1767; ord. 30 November 1768 with a view to a congregation in England; pres. by his father in March and adm. 3rd July 1771; a complaint was made against the settlement on the ground of simony but his admission was affirmed by the Synod 23rd October that year and by the General Assembly 27th May 1772; died suddenly on his glebe 16th October 1804. He married 11th September 1777, **Mary** (died 15th Feb. 1810), daughter of **William HAY**, minister of Cruden, and had issue- **John**, born 6th Sep. 1778, died at Nassau, Bahamas, 10th JUL 1799; **William**, born 18th November 1779, died at Bombay 18th June 1802; **James** born 8th July 1781, died at sea on H.M.S. Le Duguesne 22nd March 1804; **Thomas**, born 16th Feb 1783, **Helen Hay**, born 28th August 1788, died 14th April 1806, **Jane Belsches**, born 1st Aug. 1791, died 7th Sep. 1821; **Mary**, born 5th Oct. 1792. Publications- (Sinclair's Stat.Acc., xviii.)

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BREBNER, Duncan

Essie Parish, reader in 1585

BREBNER, James Forgue

Born Lonmay, 22 FEB 1839, son of **James BREMNER** and **Lily SADLER**; educated at Lonmay and Grammar Schools, Aberdeen and Univ. and King's College, Aberdeen; M.A. (1st APR 1859), licen. By Presb. of Turriff; schoolmaster at Daviot, 1865-69; ord. to Ythan Wells 22 SEP 1869; trans and adm. 29th June 1871; D.D. (Aberdeen, 1908). Married 1862, **Elsie** (died 30th May 1919, aged 80), daughter of **Gavin ELMSLIE** and **Elizabeth MATHESON**, and has issue- **James**, born 04th February 1863, died 1902; **Lily Elizabeth**, born 29th December 1864, died 1866; **Gavin Elmslie**, Realton, Waterloo, USA, born 3rd September 1866; **Elsie**, born 10th April 1868 (marr. **J.H.MARSHALL**, architect); **Annie Grace**, born 3rd January 1870 (marr. **David Duthie MCLAREN**, min. of Bressay); **Alexander Morison**, captain-pilot, Melbourne, born 26th August 1871; **Helen Jane**, born 24th May 1873 (Marr. **John CAMERON**, farmer, Nairn); **Louisa Duff**, born

11th March 1875, died Middleburg, South Africa, 1902; **Robert Frederick**, major, Scottish Rifles, factor, born 24th October 1878; **Walter Scott**, engineer, South Africa (twin), born 24th October 1878; **Catherine Morison**, born 12th April 1881; **Isabella May**, 7th September 1882. Publication- "The Braes of Gight" (*The Vale of Ythan*), Aberdeen 1904.

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BREBNER, James, M.A. **Ythan Wells Q.S.**

Ord. 23rd September 1869, transferred to Forgue 29th June 1871.

BREBNER, William **Gilcomston Q.S.**

Born Tarland 4th March 1848, son of **Charles BREBNER**; educated at the University of Aberdeen; M.A. (1868); assistant at New Kilpatrick; ord. (assistant and successor) 17th February 1876; res. 16th May 1916, when he was presented with his portrait, painted by **Fiddes WATT**, R.S.A.; died unmarried 22nd May 1920. He was Chairman of Aberdeen Blind Asylum. During his ministry, a scheme for the complete restoration of the church was carried through, a suite of halls built, and a pipe organ installed.

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BREMNER, John Glenbuchat

Born Strathdon, 26th June 1815, son of **Garden BREMNER**, farmer and **Janet WATTIE**; educated at King's College, Aberdeen; M.A. (1836); licen. By Presbtery of Forres 24th July 1844; ord to Glenlivet 11 APR 1850; pres. By Queen Victoria 8th July trans. and adm. 24 SEP 1863; died at Elgin, 01 DEC 1880. He marr. 03 OCT 1862, **Helen Stewart** (born 05 APR 1831) daughter of **Lieut. Robert INNES**, Aberlour, and had issue: **Robert Garden**, born 11 JUL 1864, died 12 MAR 1898; **John William**, born 05 JUN 1868, **Helen Grace**, born 10 JUN 1870.
[Henderson's *Aberdeenshire Epitaphs*, 464]

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BREMNER, John, M.A. **Glenlivet**

App. Nov. 1849, having served from Jan that year, ord. 11th April 1850; adm. to Glenbuchat 24th Sep 1863.

BREMNER, Robert, **Banff**

Born Fochabers, 1805, son of **Joseph BREMNER**, feuar and **Christian ROSS**; educated at King's College, Aberdeen; M.A. (1823); licen. By Presb. of Strathbogie 4th May 1832; Murray Lecturer at King's College, 1834-5; travelling tutor to **Colonel HEPBURN** of Fusilier Guards and to **Colonel MACDONALD** of Rossie; pres. by **Francis William, Earl of Seafield**, 2nd Jan., and ord. 4th March 1845; L.L.D. (King's College 10th March 1856); died 23rd October 1872. In 1851 he was presented with his portrait by members of the congregation and friends. He married 18th September 1862, **Elizabeth** (died s.p. 23rd August 1907, aged 87), daughter of **Alexander SMITH**, Moorend House, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham. Publications- "*What has Christianity Done for Mankind?*" [Murray Lecture] (Aberdeen, 1835); *Travels in Russia*, 2 vols (London, 1829); *Excursions in Denmark, Norway and Sweden*, 2 vols. (London, 1840)- [Cramond's *Annals of Banff*, i. 360-9, ii. 127-48, 150, 365]

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Volume 7

BREMNER, James **Walls and Flotta**

Born 1740, educated at Marischal College, Aberdeen; M.A. (1766); tutor in the family of **MOODIE** of Melsetter; pres. By **Sir Laurence Dundas** 21st Feb., and by **Major James Moodie of Melsetter** with his curators, 28th and 30th March 1771; ord. 11th March 1772, retired to Edinburgh in 1814; died 8th Jan. 1836. He had considerable mechanical genius and was inventor of a lock for guns in the Navy, and of a system of signals by telegraph. He married 12th April 1783, **Isabella**, daughter of **William MOWAT**, and had issue- **James**, M.D., Kirkwall; **Thomas**, min. of this parish. Publications- *The Mystery of Magnetism fully discovered by Experiments*, p.p. (London, n.d.); *Account of the Parish* (Sinclair's *Stat. Acc.*, xvii) [Liddell's *Case; Acts of Ass.*, 1828]

BREMNER, Thomas, Walls and Flotta

Son of the preceding, born 1790; educated at Univ. of Edinburgh; licen. by Presb. of Cairston 7th April 1813; pres. by **Thomas Lord Dundas**, and also by **James Moodie of Melsetter**, and ord. (assistant and successor) 13th Oct. 1814; died (suicide) 23rd Aug. 1827. [Acts of Ass., 1828.]

BRYMER, John ;M.A. (or BREMNER) Northumberland,ENG

(cf. Vol V., 479); ord. to Belsay, 30th Nov. 1768; adm. to Marykirk 3rd July 1771.

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BRABONER, Andrew Farnua

Pres. to parsonage 18 JUN 1569, died before 1575; had issue:, **Andrew** who succeeded him in the charge.

[*Wardlaw MS.*, 183; Acts and Dec., 1v, 132; *Reg Pres. Bene.*, I, 25.]

BREBNER, James Forgue

Died 23rd Jan 1927; his daughter, **Helen**, died at Aberdeen 2nd April 1937; his son, **Robert**, factor at Dalmeny.

BREMNER, George St.Margaret's, Barnhill

Dem. 10 NOV 1946; died 27th November 1946; his widow **Jeannie MACKAY** died 18th November 1943.

BREMNER, John Kirkmichael

Died at Edinburgh 28th AUG 1925

BREMNER, John Glenbucket

His daughter, **Helen**, died Archieston 15th May 1945.

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BREMNER, James Alexander St.Paul's Newington

Born 25th April 1914 at Edinburgh, son of **Charles Spence BREMNER** and **Jane Keith EDMONSTON**; educ. privately and at Edinburgh St. James's S. 1921-5, Broughton Secondary S. 1925-31, University of Edinburgh M.A. (1939); licen. by Presb. of Edinburgh April 1942; loc. ten. Kelso St. John's Edenside 1942-3; ord. and ind. 5th May 1943. Married 28th July 1943, **Brenda Isobel**, M.A., younger daughter of **Robert MITCHELL**, and has issue, **Ruth Mitchell**, born 8th September 1947.

BREMNER, William Innes, M.A. Fauldhouse Croftfield

(edin.), licen by Presb. Of Edinburgh 7th July 1936; ord. and ind. Flotta and Fara 10 Nov 1937; trans. and ind. 10th April 1946; dem. 10th Nov 1949. Marr. 3rd Nov 1937, **Sadie Carrie**, Portobello, and has issue, daughter born 5th April 1943.

Volume 10

BREMNER, James Alexander St. Paul's Newington

Trans. to Dundee St. Mark's (Roseangle) 5th January 1961

BREMNER, James Alexander Roseangle

Formed 12th September 1968 by union of St. John's and St. Mark's under ministry of **Rev. J.A. BREMNER**, minister at St. Mark's.

James Alexander BREMNER became minister of united charge 12th September 1968; Convener of General Assembly's Committee on Admission of Ministers of Other Churches 1972; Clerk to the Presb. of Dundee from 1st April 1972.

BREMNER, James Arthur 1968 Bonkyl and Preston

Ind to linked charge with Reston 20th September 1968; trans to Kilfinichan and Kilvickeon 8th Aug 1972.

BREMNER, James Arthur Kilfiichen and Kilvickeon

Born 6th June 1913 at Lenzie, son of **Matthew Allison BREMNER** and **Henrietta Ewing JAMIESON**. Educ. Lenzie 1918-29; St. Andrew's University 1963-6; stud. Asst. Plockton and Kyle 1965; assoc. minister Tobermory Kilninian and Kilmore 1966-68; lic. by Presb. St. Andrews 4th May 1966. Married 3rd Dec 1938 **Bertha Johnston McQuat**, b 26th Mar 1915, daur of **John M.** and **Bertha Elizabeth JOHNSTON**. Issue: **John Michael**, b 5th September 1943, **James Gavin** b 27th June 1949. Ord. by Presb. of Lorn and Mull 21 DEC 1966; ind. to Bonkyl and Preston with Reston 20th Sep 1968; trans to Kilfinichan and Kilvickeon 8th Aug 1972.

