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Hello again Harvey !

Thank you for all the family news . With 5 sons you have certainly done your bit in ensuring that the Nimmo clan continues !

I would have got back to you sooner, but like you I had spent an inordinate amount of time trying to solve the Helen Binnie question and thought I would have another go in case I had missed something. It bugs me, because I am a stickler for accuracy, and although I am pretty certain she is the 1794 "Janet" , daughter of William, not John Binnie as recorded on her death certificate the lack of proof still hounds me! Her grandmother as well as her mother was called Helen and it is surprising that none of William and Helen Binnie's daughters appears to have been called "Helen".

Grace Thomson, who appears in both the 1841 and 1851 census with John and Helen Nimmo, was the daughter of Robert Thomson and Grace Grant, who had 11 children ! They lived in Baker Street, Stirling and were neighbours of Thomas Binnie and family who COULD have been the link to Helen Binnie (haven't pursued this yet)

How long Grace had already been with the Nimmos in 1841 I have no idea and it seems as if someone included her in error as being in Baker St with her parents at the time of the 1841 census as she appears on it as well as on the one with John and Helen Nimmo! ! I suppose having 11 children, Robert Thomson just reeled off the names, not realising that Grace would be listed with the Nimmos . He died the following year so he maybe was already a sick / exhausted man !

Although Grace is down as a servant in 1851 she obviously had great affection for Helen Nimmo (nee Binnie) Her own mother died in 1855 but having been with the Nimmos for all these years and since she called her first child after Helen it would seem that Helen was perhaps more of a mother figure to Grace than her own birth mother. Since William Mungall registered Helen as his mother-in-law in 1861 it would seem that she had certainly gained his respect as well!

Grace would have known William Mungall through Helen Nimmo (nee Binnie) as he lived at Newleas, Muiravonside and Helen Binnie (nee Craig) mother of Helen Nimmo (nee Binnie)

actually died at Newleas. It could well have been that even after her own mother died in 1839 Helen continued to visit her mother's neighbour (William Mungall's mother) and possibly he visited them also.

I think you have gone a bit wrong in your Family Tree, Harvey.

John Nimmo's parents WERE Alexander Nimmo and Mary Brown, but Alexander's parents were George Nimmo and Mary Dougal, married 1766 at Muiravonside. Their names appear on the gravestone of his parents , Alexander Nimmo and Christian Buchan.

Alexander's parents were John Nimmo (Nemow, Nemo) and Isobell Culon (Culen, Cullen, Killings) , who were married on July 12th 1694 at Muiravonside. The reason I mentioned getting back to approx 1670 is in guessing that John would probably have married around the age of 20-24. I am still trying to find his parents!

I am attaching a picture of William Nimmo, who married Agnes Emsley ,also the Nimmo/Emsley family crest. This is the one for lay members of the family. Emsley's has a few extra ecclesiastical details. Google " Emsley Nimmo" and you will find out more about him. He is unmarried and quite a flamboyant character !

I will stop now and get on with a few things I have to do before our sojourn to Spain, but isn't this family history very addictive ! I don't have a Skype account by the way.

Love to Jenny , yourself and the family.

Jean xx

In the autumn of 2014 the Lord Lyon, King of Arms, approved the granting of a new Nimmo Family Arms. This is basically the original Nimmo Arms (which could be used by anyone from the Nimmo Family) with the addition of an eagle to represent the Emsley Family. Only those who can prove descent in an unbroken male line from William Nimmo and Agnes Emsley are entitled to use it. The Nimmo Motto, "I show not boast" has been changed to a Scots version - " Nae oor ain sells gar us glorie" ie "Self praise is no honour".