

Generation One

1. **William Bremner** #19528, b. c 1785/7 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT,¹ occupation Farmer.

1851: Lived on Walls, OKI with wife and son John. Farmed 3 acres at Burrow'stown.

He married **Catherine Laird** #8507, 17 FEB 1808 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT,² b. c 1778 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT.³

Children:

- i. **Catherine Bremner** #8513, b. DEC 1808 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT, baptized 12 DEC 1808 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT.²
- ii. **Helen Bremner** #8512, b. JAN 1812 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT, baptized 08 JAN 1812 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT.²
2. iii. **Jane Bremner** #8508 b. FEB 1815.
3. iv. **John Bremner** #19530 b. 1817.
- v. **Elizabeth Bremner** #8509, b. FEB 1820 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT, baptized 26 FEB 1820 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT.²
4. vi. **Christian Bremner** #8510 b. APR 1824.
- vii. **Mary Bremner** #8511, b. AUG 1826 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT, baptized 08 AUG 1826 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT,² occupation Domestic Servant, d. 04 NOV 1894 in Stromness, OKI, SCT.⁴

1861: Lived at Brims, Walls, OKI.

She married **Joseph Clouston** #27241, 25 APR 1867 in Stromness, OKI, SCT,⁵ b. c 1833,⁶ (son of **Robert Clouston** #27242 and **Catherine Isbister** #27243), occupation Seaman, d. before NOV 1894.⁷

Joseph:

(No children found IGI LDSFS MAR 2005; not found Scottish Highlands 1881).

Generation Two

2. **Jane Bremner** #8508, b. FEB 1815 in Stroma, Canisbay, CAI, SCT, baptized 28 FEB 1815 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT,² d. 03 JUN 1888 in Saltness, Walls, OKI, SCT.⁸

1861: Lived at Saltness, OKI with children James and Isabella.

1881: Lived with daughter Isabella and husband Robert THOMSON at Saltness, Walls, OKI.

She married **John Stout** #25621, 04 JAN 1844 in Walls & Flotta, OKI, SCT,⁹ b. c 1819 in Walls and Flotta, OKI, SCT,¹⁰ (son of **James Stout** #56239 and **Isabella Bremner** #56238), occupation Fisherman, occupation 1851 Farm Servant, d. before 1910.¹¹

John:

1851: Family lived at Mains of Melsetter, Walls, OKI,.

Children:

- i. **James Stout** #25625, b. 22 MAY 1844 in Walls, OKI, SCT,¹² baptized 07 JUL 1844 in Walls, OKI, SCT.¹²
 - ii. **Catherine Laird Stout** #25624, b. 14 JUN 1846 in Walls, OKI, SCT,¹² baptized 10 JUL 1846 in Walls, OKI, SCT.¹²
 5. iii. **John Bremner Stout** #25623 b. 18 OCT 1848.
 6. iv. **Isabella Bremner Stout** #25622 b. 15 MAR 1851.
3. **John Bremner** #19530, b. 1817 in Stroma, Canisbay, CAI, SCT,¹³ baptized 11 JUL 1817 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT,¹⁴ occupation 1881 Fisherman, d. 20 JUL 1894 in Rackwick, Hoy, OKI, SCT.¹⁵

1851: Lived with parents and family at Walls.

1861: Lived at Brims, Walls with family

1881: Lived at Tuefy, Hoy with family.

He married **Isabella Ritch** #20698, 05/07 MAR 1849 in Hoy/Walls, OKI, SCT,¹⁶ b. c 1821 in Hoy & Graemsay, OKI, SCT,¹⁷ (daughter of **Charles Ritch** #20704 and **Margaret Ritch (ms Ritch)** #20705), d. 16 OCT 1908 in Sandybrae, Rackwick, OKI, SCT.¹⁸

Children:

- i. **William Bremner** #20699, b. 1850 in Walls & Flotta, OKI, SCT, baptized 25 FEB 1850 in Walls & Flotta, OKI, SCT.²
7. ii. **Charles Ritch Bremner** #20700 b. 1852.
8. iii. **Eliza Ritch Bremner** #20701 b. 1854.
- iv. **John Bremner** #20702, b. 16 NOV 1856 in Walls & Flotta, OKI, SCT,¹⁹ d. 1868 in Hoy, OKI, SCT.²⁰
9. v. **Andrew Ritch Bremner** #20706 b. 1860.
- vi. **James Ritch Bremner** #20703, b. 05 MAR 1863 in Walls & Flotta, OKI, SCT,²¹ occupation Fisherman, d. 15 MAR 1895 in Sandybrae, Rackwick, Hoy, OKI.²²

1881: Lived with parents at Tuefy, Hoy.

4. **Christian Bremner** #8510, b. APR 1824 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT, baptized 28 APR 1824 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT,² d. 27 MAR 1870 in Brims, Walls, OKI, SCT.²³

She married **John Simpson** #19529, 02 MAY 1848 in Walls and Flotta, OKI, SCT,²⁴ b. c 1825 in Canisbay, CAI, SCT,^{25,26} (son of **John Simpson** #27432 and **Elizabeth Sinclair** #27433), occupation 1861 Fisherman, occupation Pilot, d. 23 NOV 1868 in Nr. Cantie? Head, Walls, OKI, SCT.²⁷

John:

1861: Lived at Brims, Walls, OKI with family.

Children:

- i. **Elizabeth (Betsy) Simpson** #27429, b. 05 FEB 1852 in Walls and Flotta, OKI, SCT,²⁸ baptized 16 MAR 1862 in Walls and Flotta, OKI, SCT.²⁸
- ii. **John Simpson** #27430, b. 16 FEB 1855 in Walls and Flotta, OKI, SCT,²⁸ occupation 1871 Farmer of 10 acres.

1855: Lived with his siblings Elizabeth, Catherine and James at Brims, Walls, OKI.

Emigrated to Canada (Don SIMPSON, 2005).

- iii. **Catherine Simpson** #27434, b. 1860 in Walls, OKI, SCT,^{29,30} d. 16 OCT 1871 in Brims, Walls, OKI, SCT.³¹
- iv. **James Simpson** #27431, b. 10 MAR 1864 in Walls and Flotta, OKI, SCT,²⁸ d. 09 OCT 1871 in Brims, Walls, OKI, SCT.³²
- v. **Mary Simpson** #27428, b. 24 JUL 1866 in Walls and Flotta, OKI, SCT.²⁸

Emigrated to Canada (Don SIMPSON, 2005).

Generation Three

5. **John Bremner Stout** #25623, b. 18 OCT 1848 in Walls, OKI, SCT,¹² baptized 05 NOV 1848 in Walls, OKI, SCT,¹² occupation 1910 Crofter, d. 30 JUL 1910 in Westend, Whaness, Hoy, OKI, SCT.³³

1888: Informant at mother's death.

He married **Jane Robson** #65413,³⁴ d. after JUL 1910.

Children:

- i. **Catherine Stout** #65414, b. c 1884 in Orkney?, d. 03 JUL 1910 in Westend, Whaness, Hoy, OKI, SCT,³⁵ occupation 1910 Pauper, formerly Domestic Servant.

6. **Isabella Bremner Stout** #25622, b. 15 MAR 1851 in Walls, OKI, SCT,¹² baptized 12 MAY 1851 in Walls, OKI, SCT.¹²

She married **Robert Thomson** #65415, b. c 1831 in Walls, OKI, SCT,³⁶ occupation Crofter and Fisherman.

Robert:

1881: Robert lived with wife Isabella (STOUT) and mother-in-law Jane STOUT (BREMNER) at Saltness, OKI.

1891: Family at Halyiel (ancestry transcription!)... Haldival?, OKI.

Children:

- i. **Isabella Thomson** #65416, b. c 1882 in Walls, OKI, SCT.³⁷

7. **Charles Ritch Bremner** #20700, b. 1852 in Walls & Flotta, OKI, SCT, baptized 09 MAY 1852 in Walls & Flotta, OKI, SCT,² d. 19 MAR 1946 in Mount Rackwick, Hoy, OKI, SCT.³⁸

He married (1) **Mary Ann Manson** #20711, 1886 in Hoy, OKI, SCT,³⁹ b. c 1863,⁴⁰ d. 1893 in Hoy, OKI, SCT.⁴¹

Children:

- i. **Mary Ann Sinclair Bremner** #20713, b. 1887 in Hoy, OKI, SCT,⁴² occupation 1919 Domestic Servant, d. 1978 in Hoy, OKI, SCT.⁴³

1919: Residence when married: Mount Rackwick, Hoy, OKI.

She married **Harry Mowat** #58214, 18 FEB 1919 in Mount Rackwick, Hoy, OKI, SCT,⁴⁴ b. c 1894,⁴⁵ (son of **Harry Mowat** #58215 and **Jessie Ritch** #58216), occupation Fisherman.

Harry:

1919: Residence when married: Moss, Rackwick, Hoy, OKI.

- ii. **Elizabeth Bremner** #20714, b. 1890 in Hoy, OKI, SCT.⁴⁶

He married (2) **Mary Ritch** #20712, 1896 in Hoy, OKI, SCT,⁴⁷ b. c 1851 in Hoy?,⁴⁸ (daughter of **(unidentified)** #46569 and **Isabella Ritch** #46570), d. 07 MAY 1927 in Mount Rackwick, Hoy, OKI, SCT.⁴⁹

Mary: (mother's name shown as Isabella RITCH...but father not shown. Is it possible that she was an illegitimate daughter of Isabella, mother of her husband Charles?).

8. **Eliza Ritch Bremner** #20701, b. 1854 in Walla & Flotta, OKI, SCT, baptized 16 OCT 1854 in Walls & Flotta, OKI, SCT,¹⁴ occupation Domestic Servant, d. 16 JUL 1946 in Congesquoy?, Stromness, OKI, SCT.⁵⁰

1871: Servant to James WATSON at Whitehouse, Orphir.

1892: Lived at Sandybrae, Rackwick at time of marriage.

1911: Census indicated that Eliza had two children, both living at time of the census.

She married **Andrew Mowat** #55978, 14 JAN 1892 in Sandybrae, Rackwick, Hoy, OKI, SCT,⁵¹ b. c 1857,⁵² (son of **William Mowat** #55979 and **Helen Thomson** #55980), d. before JUL 1946, occupation Seaman/Farmer.

Andrew:

1892: Lived at Jhonest? at time of marriage.

1901: Lived at Slack, Hoy with family and aunt Barbara RITCH (83, born Hoy)

1911: Lived at Groups? Hoy with wife and daughter. Son not at home.

Children:

- i. **John W. Mowat** #61201, b. c 1894 in Hoy, OKI, SCT.⁵³

- ii. **Charlesina E. Mowat** #61202, b. c 1898 in Hoy, OKI, SCT.⁵³

9. **Andrew Ritch Bremner** #20706, b. 1860 in Walls & Flotta, OKI, SCT,⁵⁴ d. 05 MAR 1950 in Park, Rackwick, Hoy, OKI, SCT.⁵⁵

1881: Boarded with Donald SUTHERLAND in Walls, worked as Farm Servant at Melsetter.

He married (1) **Margaret Ann Ritch** #20707, 27 JAN 1898 in Stornoway, ROC, SCT,⁵⁶ b. c 1878,⁵⁷ d. 1904 in Hoy, OKI, SCT.⁵⁸

Children:

- i. **John Bremner** #25350, b. 14 APR 1899 in Rackwick, Hoy, OKI, SCT,¹² d. 22 OCT 1965,¹² occupation Lighthouse Keeper.

1925: Residence when married: Barra Head Lighthouse, Castlebay, Barra.

He married **Mary Smith** #57753, 06 MAR 1925 in 57 Kenneth? Street, Stornoway, INV, SCT,⁵⁹ b. c 1893,⁶⁰ (daughter of **Malcolm Smith** #57754 and **Catherine Murray** #57755).

Mary:

1925: Residence at marriage: 4 Corspie, Ness, Barra.

- ii. **Elizabeth Ann Bremner** #25351, b. 18 MAY 1901 in Sandybraes, Rackwick, Hoy, OKI, SCT,⁶¹ d. 17 MAR 1968.
- iii. **Isaac Ritch Bremner** #56295, b. 10 FEB 1904 in Sandbrae, Rackwick, Hoy, OKI,⁶² d. 1981 in Hoy, OKI, SCT,⁶³ occupation Post Office Clerk.

He married **Betsy Skinner** #57510, 15 FEB 1927 in Quoys, Graemsay, OKI, SCT,⁶⁴ b. c 1900,⁶⁵ (daughter of **John Skinner** #57511 and **Mary Jane Rader** #57512).

He married (2) **Ann Ritch Sutherland** #20708, 1908 in Hoy, OKI, SCT,⁶⁶ (daughter of **Edward Sutherland** #20709 and **Isabella Ritch** #20710), d. 28 MAR 1936 in Sandybrae, Rackwick, Hoy, OKI, SCT.⁶⁷

¹ 1841 Canisbay census; age 55. 1851 census in Walls gives age of 67.

² OPRI CD; also recorded 10 FEB 1848 in Walls and Flotta, OKI.

³ 1851 Walls census; age/birthplace.

⁴ NRS Stromness, OKI; ref. 030/00 0044-1894; c/d: Heart Disease; Informant: Mary SIMPSON, Niece; (Image 11-2376).

⁵ SWR Stromness, ref. 0007-1867; Witnesses: Robert F. Clouston, John SIMPSON; Minister: James Stewart NISBET, UP Stromness; (Image 05-0268).

⁶ Age 34 at marriage in 1867.

⁷ Shown as deceased on wife Mary's death certificate.

⁸ NRS Walls, OKI; ref. 0009-1888; c/d: Congestion of lungs; Informant: John STOUT, Son; (Image 04-7101).

⁹ OPRI CD; marriage verified by Jane's death certificate.

¹⁰ 1851 Walls, OKI census; age/birthplace.

¹¹ Shown as deceased on son John's death certificate, 1910.

¹² IGI LDSFS 2004.

¹³ 1881 Hoy census; age/birthplace.

¹⁴ OPRI CD.

¹⁵ SDR Hoy, ref. 0005-1894; c/d: Cancer of liver; Informant: Andrew BREMNER, Son; (Image 03-4290).

¹⁶ OPRI CD; verified by John's death certificate.

¹⁷ Age at death 87; parents from death certificate; 1881 Hoy census; age/birthplace.

¹⁸ SDR Hoy, ref. 0002-1908; c/d: Cancer of stomach; Informant: Andrew MOWAT, Son-in-law; (Image 03-4291).

¹⁹ SBRI Walls & Flotta, ref. 0036-1856.

²⁰ SDRI Hoy, ref. 0007-1868.

²¹ SBRI Walls & Flotta, ref. 0004-1863.

²² NRS Hoy, OKI; ref. 020/00 0002-1895; c/d: Disease of Heart; Informant: John BREMNER, Father; (Image 11-2377).

²³ SDR Walls, ref. 0004-1870; c/d: Ileus, obstruction of bowel; Informant: John BREMNER, Brother; (Image 05-0302).

²⁴ OPRI CD; link from Don SIMPSON, 2003.

²⁵ Age at death 42.

²⁶ 1861 Walls, OKI census; age/birthplace/relationship.

²⁷ SDR Walls, ref. 00`4-1868; Drowned while attempting to board a ship in the Pentland Firth as Pilot; Informant: Alexander GUNN, Neighbour; (Image 05-0304).

²⁸ IGI LDSFS 2005.

²⁹ Age 11 at death in 1871.

³⁰ 1861 Walls, OKI census; age 7 months.

³¹ SDR Walls, ref. 0014-1871; c/d: Diphtheria, 3 days; Informant: John SIMPSON, Brother; (Image 05-0298).

³² SDR Walls, ref. 0012-1871; c/d: Appeared Scarlatina, no medical attendant; Informant: John SIMPSON, Brother; (Image 05-0303).

³³ NRS Hoy, OKI; ref. 020/00 0006-1910; c/d: Phthisis Pulmonalis; Informant: Robert JOHNSTON, Neighbour, not present; (Image 15-0031).

³⁴ Details from John's death certificate, 1910.

³⁵ NRS Hoy etc., OKI; ref. 020/00 0005-1910; c/d: General Tuberculosis; Informant: Robert SINCLAIR, Inspector of Poor, Hoy; (Image 15-0031).

³⁶ 1881 Walls and Flotta, OKI census; age/birthplace/relationship.

37 1891 Walls and Flotta, OKI census; age/birthplace/relationship.
38 SDR Hoy ref. 0001-1946; c/d: Cerebral Hemorrhage; Informant: Harry MOWAT, Son-in-Law; (Image 03-4289).
39 SWRI Hoy, ref. 0001-1886.
40 Age at death 29.
41 SDRI Hoy, ref. 0001-1893.
42 1891 Hoy census; age/birthplace;
NRS Hoy, OKI; index ref. 020/00 0008-1887.
43 NRS Hoy, OKI; index ref. 150/00 0002-1978.
44 NRS Hoy, OKI; ref. 020/00 0001-1919; Witnesses: Hugh R. MOWAT, Lizzie R. BREMNER; Minister: J.D. ANDERSON;
(Image 11-2391).
45 Age 25 when married in 1919.
46 1891 Hoy census; age/birthplace.
47 SWRI Hoy, ref. 0003-1896; name verified from Charles' death certificate.
48 Age at death 75.
49 SDR Hoy, ref. 0003-1927; c/d: Fatty degeneration of heart; Informant: Harry MOWAT, Son-in-Law; (Image 03-4294).
50 NRS Stromness, OKI; ref. 030-00 0018-1946; c/d: Cerebral thrombosis; Informant: Alex DREVER, Son-in-law; (Image
12-0142).
51 GRO(S) Hoy, OKI; ref. 0001-1892; Witnesses: Andrew BREMNER, Hughina THOMSON; Minister: James PATERSON,
Hoy & Graemsay; (Image 11-0119).
52 Age 35 at marriage in 1892.
53 1901Hoy, OKI census; age/birthplace/relationship.
54 Age at death 89; parents from death certificate; SBRI Wall & Flotta, ref. 0021-1860.
55 SDR Hoy, ref.0004-1950; c/d: Cardiovascular degeneration, cerebral arteriosclerosis; Informant: Isaac R.B. MOAT?, Son, JP
for Orkney; (Image 03-4292).
56 IGI LDSFS 2003; SCWRI Hoy ref. 0001-1898.
57 Age at death 25.
58 SDRI Hoy, ref. 0003-1904.
59 NRS Stornoway, INV; ref. 088/00 0010-1925; Witnesses: William MURRAY, Margaret Ann Paterson MURRAY; Warrant of
Sheriff Substitute; (Image 11-2281).
60 Age 32 when married in 1925.
61 GRO(S) Rackwick, ref. 0006-1901.
62 NRS Hoy and Graemsay, OKI, ref. 020/00 0001-1904; Informant: Andrew BREMNER, Father; (Image 11-2443).
63 GRO(S) Hoy, OKI; index ref. 150/00 0001-1981.
64 NRS Hoy, SHI; ref. 0001-1927; Witnesses: J.W. THARNAT?, Groups, Hoy; C.E. SKINNER, Quoys, Graemsay; Minister:
J.D. ANDERSON, Hoy; (Image 11-0365).
65 Age 27 at marriage in 1927.
66 SWRI Hoy, ref.0002-1898; verified by Andrew's death certificate.
67 SDR Hoy, ref. 0004-1936; c/d:Cerabral hemorrhage, right ovarian cyst; Informant: Isaac MOAT?, Step-son, Post Office, Hoy;
(Image 03-4293).