

The Masonic Arms Hotel



A Masonic Hall was built in 1812 and the premises below the hall became The Masons Arms, later The Masonic Arms. The premises were sold to the tenant, Jessie Kelvie, about 1876. Later John Rodgers sold the Masonic Arms to Alexander Montgomery in 1909.

◀ Chronology of Ownership & Occupancy ▶

1841 Girthon Census

Porter	Thomas		m	45	innkeeper	Kirkcudbrightshire
Richardson	Margaret		f	40		Kirkcudbrightshire

1851 Girthon Census

Cowan	Elizabeth	head	m	f	52	innkeeper	Kbts, Kirkcudbright
Cowan	Jane	dau.	s	f	27		Kbts, Kirkcudbright
Cowan	Mary	dau.	s	f	25		Kbts, Kirkcudbright
McMaster	Fergus	servant	wr	m	65	hostler	Wigtown, Glasserton
Johnston	Ro	head	m	m	34	victualler & innkeeper	Kbts, Tongland
Johnston	Agnes	wife	m	f	37		Kbts, Kirkcudbright
Johnston	John	son	s	m	6	scholar	Kbts, Girthon
Johnston	William	son		m	4	scholar	Kbts, Anwoth
Johnston	Mitchell	son		m	2		Kbts, Girthon
Alexander	Marion	m-in-law		f	68	visitor	Kbts, Kells
Hawthorn	John	servant	s	m	18	house serv.	Kbts, Girthon
Smith	Jean	servant	s	f	18	house serv.	Kbts, Girthon
McCall	Mary	servant	s	f	18	house serv.	Kbts, Kirkcudbright

1861 Girthon Census

Kelvie	David	head	wr	m	62	innkeeper	Wigtown, Stoneykirk
Kelvie	Jessie	dau	s	f	38		Kbts, Anwoth

Kelvie	Jane	dau	s	f	32		Kbts, Girthon
Kelvie	Thomas McAdam	son		m	16		Kbts, Girthon
Kelvie	Mary	dau		f	11	scholar	Kbts, Girthon
Conchie	Fanny	servant	s	f	15	domestic servant	Wigtown, Kirkmaiden

1871 Girthon Census

Kelvie	Jessie	head	m	f	42	public house keeper	Kbts, Anwoth
Kenyon	Agnes	servant	m	f	15	servant	Wigtown, Whithorn

1876 (about)

Tenant Jessie Kelvie bought the property.

1881 Girthon Census

Kelvie	Jessie	head	s	f	49	innkeeper	Kbts, Anwoth
Latta	Christina	niece	s	f	19		Lanark, Glasgow

1891 Girthon Census

Kelvie	Jessie	head	s	f	67	public house keeper	Kbts, Anwoth
Latta	Christina	niece	s	f	28	assistant	Lanark, Glasgow

1901 Girthon Census

Kelvie	Jessie	head	s	f	78	public house keeper	Kbts, Anwoth
Rodgers	Christina	niece	m	f	38	waitress dom.	Lanark, Glasgow

1909

John Rodgers sold the property to Alexander Montgomery. [*presumably Christina Rodgers (née Latta) inherited the property from her aunt Jessie Kelvie (who died in 1904), and John Rodgers inherited from his wife Christina*]

1911 Girthon Census

Montgomery	Alex	head	m	m	47	inn keeper	Wigtown, Whithorn
Montgomery	Jane	wife	m	f	56		Kbts, Rerrick

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