

## 28 Catherine Street



### Chronology of Ownership & Occupancy

**1771** Feu to James Porter, shoemaker, Gatehouse - 30 ft along street

<b>1841 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 6 Page 12</b>		<b>Back Street 24 &amp; 25</b>					
<u>Surname</u>	<u>Forename(s)</u>	<u>Rel.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Cairns	John			m	35	mason	Kirkcudbrightshire
Cairns	Jane			f	35		Kirkcudbrightshire
Cairns	Jane			f	14		Kirkcudbrightshire
Cairns	John			m	10		Kirkcudbrightshire
Cairns	Elizabeth			f	6		Kirkcudbrightshire
Cairns	William			m	10m		Kirkcudbrightshire
Donaldson	George			m	23	mechanic	Scotland
McDonald	Donald			m	40	mechanic	Scotland
Gaw	Robert			m	22	mason	Kirkcudbrightshire
Gaw	Jane			f	63		Kirkcudbrightshire
Gaw	Ann			f	23		Kirkcudbrightshire
Gaw	Margaret			f	17		Kirkcudbrightshire
Alison	Peter			m	4		Kirkcudbrightshire

**1842** New charter in favour of James Hanning, woodcutter at Boatrigg, Kirkmahoe

**1844** Sold to Robert Hume, builder, Gatehouse

<b>1851 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 3 Page 20</b>		<b>Back Street (South) 8</b>					
<u>Surname</u>	<u>Forename(s)</u>	<u>Rel.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Cairns	John	head	m	m	46	mason	Kbts, Kirkcudbright
Cairns	Jane	wife	m	f	45		Kbts, Gatehouse

Cairns	Jane	dau.	s	f	23	house serv.	Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	John	son	s	m	20	mason	Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	Eliza	dau.	s	f	16		Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	William	son		m	10	scholar	Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	Alexander	son		m	6	scholar	Ireland
Cairns	Robert	son		m	3		Kbts, Gatehouse

**1859-60 Girthon Valuation Roll :**

Robert Hume, Alderlee Cottage, Gatehouse, owned a house in Gatehouse where annual rent was <£4. *This could well be 28 Catherine Street.*

**1861 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 3 Page 12** [Back Street 34](#)

<u>Surname</u>	<u>Forename(s)</u>	<u>Rel.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Cairns	John	head	m	m	30	master builder emp 11	Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	Mary	wife	m	f	27		Kbts, Girthon
Cairns	Elizabeth	sister	s	f	26		Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	William	brother	s	m	20	bank accountant	Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	Alexander	brother	s	m	16	builder apprentice	Ireland
Cairns	Robert	brother	s	m	13	scholar	Kbts, Gatehouse
Garroway	Mary Ann	servant	s	f	18	domestic servant	Kbts, Gatehouse

*Presumably parents John & Jane Cairns died between 1851 & 1861.*

**1871 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 3 Page 8** [Back Street 12](#)

<u>Surname</u>	<u>Forename(s)</u>	<u>Rel.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Cairns	John	head	m	m	40	councillor & builder employing 12 men	Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	Mary	wife	m	f	37		Kbts, Girthon
Cairns	John	son		m	9	scholar	Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	James F	son		m	3		Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	Robert	son		m	1		Kbts, Gatehouse
Cairns	Elizabeth	sister	s	f	36		Kbts, Gatehouse

*By 1881 Mary Cairns was a widow living at Salamanca Cottage with sons John & James.*

**1878-79 Girthon Valuation Roll :**

Robert Hume, Alderlee Cottage, Gatehouse, owned a house and garden in Catherine Street which was occupied by George Hume, mason.

**1879** Passed to George Hume, mason and builder, Gatehouse

**1881 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 3 Page 14** [Back Street \(S\) 09](#)

<u>Surname</u>	<u>Forename(s)</u>	<u>Rel.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Hume	George	head	m	m	49	mason	Kbts, Gatehouse
Hume	Agnes	wife	m	f	42		Kbts, Castle Dougals
Hume	Elizabeth	dau		f	12	scholar	Kbts, Gatehouse
Hume	John G	son		m	10	scholar	Kbts, Gatehouse
Hume	Thomas B	son		m	9	scholar	Kbts, Gatehouse
Hume	Robert	son		m	7	scholar	Kbts, Gatehouse
Hume	Agnes	dau		f	3		Kbts, Gatehouse
Hume	George	son		m	1		Kbts, Gatehouse

**1884-85 Girthon Valuation Roll :**

George Hume, owned and occupied a house and garden in Catherine Street.

**1889** Title of George Hume

**1895-96 Girthon Valuation Roll :**

John Gordon Hume, chemist, 7 High Street, Blairgowrie, owned a house in Catherine Street that was occupied by Henry Bertram, bobbin turner.

**1896** Sold by John Gordon Hume, chemist, Duns, to Mary Ann Campbell or Stewart

**1901-02 Girthon Valuation Roll :**

Mary Ann Stewart, wife of Alexander Stewart, 297 Regent Road, Salford owned 4 properties in Catherine Street, that were occupied by

- (1) Robert Mitchell, Inspector of Poor
- (2) William McNaught, gardener
- (3) Henry Lockhart, labourer
- (4) Agnes Downie, spinster.



Robert & Mary Mitchell

**1901 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 2 Page 7 Catherine Street 34**

<u>Surname</u>	<u>Forename(s)</u>	<u>Rel.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Mitchell	Robert	head	m	m	25	law clerk	Kbts, Borgue
Mitchell	Mary A	wife	m	f	23		Lanark, Glasgow
Mitchell	Mary J	dau.		f	4		Kbts, Gatehouse
Mitchell	Robert	son		m	2		Kbts, Gatehouse

*In the 1911 census, Robert & Mary Mitchell were living in High Street.*

**1911 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 2 Page 8 Catherine Street**

<u>Surname</u>	<u>Forename(s)</u>	<u>Rel.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Henry	Charles	head	m	m	55	joiner	Kbts, Anwoth
Henry	Letita R	wife	m	f	50		Kbts, Girthon
Henry	Herbert C	son	s	m	25	joiner	Kbts, Girthon
Henry	Elizabeth McL	dau.	s	f	23	dressmaker	Kbts, Girthon
Henry	Margaret	dau.	s	f	18	tailor's machinist	Kbts, Girthon
Henry	Letita M	dau.	s	f	15	school	Kbts, Girthon
Henry	Robert	son		m	13	school	Kbts, Girthon

**1912-13 Girthon Valuation Roll :** Charles Henry owned and occupied a house in Catherine Street.

*The 1921-22 and 1930-31 Valuation Rolls say that Charles Henry, joiner, owned and occupied 28 Catherine Street, yet the deeds show that Mary Ann Stewart bought this property in 1896 and it passed to her daughter in 1914. The document which transferred ownership to Wellwood McMurray in 1920 was not formally recorded until 1951.*

*We are not absolutely sure whether Charles Henry lived here at all..*

**1912-13 Girthon Valuation Roll :**

Mary Ann Stewart, widow, gamedealer, 14 Abbey Grove, Wellington Rd, Eccles, Manchester, owned 4 properties in Catherine Street, that were occupied by (1) Robert Mitchell, Inspector of Poor, (2) William McKnight, gardener, (3) Henry Lockhart, labourer, and (4) Agnes Downie, spinster.

*These are the same occupants as listed in the 1901-02 Valuation Roll. Either the census or the valuation roll must be out of date re where the Mitchells lived.*

**1914** Passed from Mary Ann Campbell to her daughter Elizabeth Stewart or Chadwick.

**1920** Sold by Elizabeth Stewart or Chadwick to Wellwood McMurray (recorded 1951).

**1921-22 Girthon Valuation Roll :** Charles Henry, joiner, owned and occupied the house at 28 Catherine Street.

**1930-31 Girthon Valuation Roll :** Charles Henry, joiner, owned and occupied the house at 28 Catherine Street. Robert Henry owned and occupied the house, workshop & woodyard at 6 Catherine Street.

**1950-51 Girthon Valuation Roll :** Wellwood McMurray, ironmonger, owned and occupied 28 Catherine Street/



Elizabeth & Wellwood McMurray with a friend.

**1960-61 Girthon Valuation Roll :** Elizabeth McMurray, widow, owned and occupied 28 Catherine Street/

<b>1979</b>	Sold by Executors of Elizabeth McMurray, widow of Wellwood McMurray, to Margaret Watson. <i>Wellwood lived at 19 Catherine Street before he bought 28 Catherine Street.</i>
	Sold to?
	Margaret Torrance

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