# This is from an email from David A. Cairncross – F-T-44 – regarding information about Cathern Maclean, wife of Alexander Cairncross (1829-1921).

“My guessing is that in the Alexander and Cathern (Maclean) Clan, there could be as many as 800 individuals living in the Minnesota area of the USA.

**Cathern Maclean's data.**

She was born in Kilmark Scotland. Her mother died when she was three weeks old.

She was nursed till she was two years old by a niece of Robert Burns, "Jarn Armur" Jean Armou.

Jean Armour was the poet Robert Burns wife and the niece was named after her. They moved to Augen Lake, Dolrey.

Her father, Andrew Maclean was a farmer and coal miner. They came to the US in 1853. They were passengers on the river from Louisville Kentucky to Glena Illinois where she met Bill (1829) and got acquainted, and eventually married.

This was written by Myrtle Cairncross on a copy she hand wrote of their marriage certificate.

“Her name is listed as Katherine Stuart and Her Mother is Margaret. But on her death certificate her father is listed as Andrew Maclean.

They had 13 children.

She Died Feb 15, 1913.

William had 165 persons to call him Daddy when he died.

He died Apr 21, 1921, survived by 10 of their children, 49 Grandchildren, 43 Great Grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild.”