

MILLET RESEARCH ENTERPRISES

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15 Feb 1975

Ref.: RLM / Mrs. Mary Jacobson  
C.G. /

Mrs. Carma Golding  
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Dear Sister Golding:

I have now worked on Sister Jacobson's McLaren problem for eighteen (18) hours and thus will report the work to you at this time.

My efforts have been to try to establish James Storemond McLaren with his first wife and children.

Not knowing, from the limited material given me, what had been done in early LDS records, I searched Church Emigration Index--nil; Early Church Information File--nil; Nauvoo Baptisms--nil; Early Utah Marriages --found (as had you) re-marriage of his third wife to Richard Solomon, 12 Oct 1907 and the marriage of his oldest son by his third wife (Mary Smith Richardson), John Henry McLaren, to Edith Mary Davies, 25 Nov 1902.

The old Surname File gave no help; neither did the Patriarchal Blessing Index--there was one listed for the son--John Henry McLaren-but none for James or James Storemond McLaren.

In re-reading the obituary for clues I detected where some interpretive errors have been made. You have noted on the family group sheets that there were "four living from this family in 1902" (the first marriage) and: "2nd wife's children--2 boys survive him (on the 2nd marriage family group sheet). Actually the 1902 obituary reads as follows:

"Mr. McLaren was three times married, and leaves a large family of children to mourn his death. Of the first wife's children, two survive him, both being sons, one of whom lives at Park City, and the other residing somewhere in the Deep Creek country. Of the second wife's children four are living; all are in the east. In all there were 20 children, ten of whom are yet living."

Is the obituary in error? If so, how was such an error detected? Of course, we want to complete details on both marriages so that all temple work can be done for them.

Toward this end I noted that the child, Robert H. McLaren (family group sheet of second

wife which may belong, instead, on the first wife sheet) is listed with the death date of 7 Nov 1935, at Park City. read obituaries, such as I could find in the mixed-up Deseret News of that period, for the days 7 thru 11 for his obituary. I could find nothing on him.

There are copies of the "Park Record", a weekly newspaper of Park City available on microfilm through a private source, for the years 1880 to about 1968. These could be searched not only for this obituary but for additional details--births and deaths--not only on him but on others of this family who may have married, had children, lived and died in Park City. The development of such records would have a two-fold purpose: (1) to accomplish temple work for such of them who have died; (2) to glean out any clues of value in developing and tracing the family on back.

From Park City cemetery records I have developed the attached family group sheet on Robert H. McLaren. You will note the father is listed in one record as born in Scotland (the burial of the first listed child) and as born in New York (burial of child, Dawn). As to the name of the first child: N.X.N. is given in parenthesis where the given names appear in the record. Whether that is an abbreviation of a name or names or some peculiar shorthand to denote "tombstone inscription illegible" I don't know.

I have also made some selected copies of Salt Lake City directories. Some interesting queries come to our attention as we review these directory entries.

For example: in 1894 we find James MacLaren, printer, res. 1 Morton's Row and Mrs. Mary S. MacLaren (obviously the 3rd wife of James), printer, 107 So. Main, res. 1 Morton's Row.

The next two entries are somewhat puzzling: John MacLaren, printer, 153 E. 3rd So., with rooms at the same address. John Henry McLaren, first son and child of Mary and James was born in 1881, thus if the above were referring to him he would only be 13 years of age--not an impossible age to be living away from home alone but not a likely situation.

Then there is a Joseph MacLaren, elev. opt. Progress Bldg. res in the rear of 29 E. 7th So. None of the known children of James Storemond McLaren are named Joseph; there are no McLaren's listed in the Church emigration index. I am supposing that this Joseph, and possibly the John, may be older children of our man by his first wife.

In the 1896 directory our James is the only one of the name--either spelling, McLaren or MacLaren, listed. This may mean that the other two listed in 1894 have moved on or did not take advantage of the directory listing service--or they died (they do not appear in the S.L.C. or Park City cemetery records).

James is listed in 1896 as the proprietor of the Pioneer Type Stereo and Electrotpe Foundry with his residence in the rear of 124 West 1st South.

By 1900, we find an interesting development: James is now residing at 256 East 5th

South--where he continued until his death in 1902--but there is no listing for his impressive business (see paragraph above). His obituary (12 Oct 1902) says he worked his type foundry "until early last spring" (1901).

We find at least three, possibly four, of his sons listed and all four named, "board" at James' residence. Three of the four, namely John, Alexander and James are listed as "MacLaren Bros", confectioners.

The fourth "child," John H., is listed as a "washer" at the American S & H Laundry.

From these facts it will be observed there is further credence attached to the theory that James has two sons named John (see details for 1894 directory listing, above).

By 1903, we find that the brothers are each in their own line of work: Alexander (now appearing with initial "I") is a clerk for one Alvin Bailey (?); James D. (appearing first in 1902) is a teamster; John H., a pressman at T.C. Crawford (Co.) and Storemond (appeared first in 1902) is also a teamster. John H. lists his residence as 256 E. 5th South, whereas the others list as "boarders" at that residence.

There is a listing for the father, James S., in this directory: "died Oct. 12, '02", age 61" (Thus born 1841).

To more fully document and develop these families and determine if there are two sons (of different wives) named John, and to find that second marriage of James will mean considerable work to search in Ward records, business records (if available), newspapers, civil registration (since 1907) and etc. If Siter Jacobson has family records not yet delivered to me, and if it is yours and her intention to have me continue with the work, then, by all means, I want to have the opportunity to read through whatever she has. Things that don't seem to be of any genealogical value to the untrained eye are often of extreme importance in problems such as this.

Also if searches have been carried out by yourself and others then I need to see the results of those searches.

Needed are searches in New York immigration records to try to determine James' arrival from, supposedly, Scotland. From that arrival information we should conceivably be able to track down his place of birth; perhaps also find names of other family members (wife and children) who came with him. Also needed is his residence address in New York so he can be found in directories and census records. If you have carried out any of these searches (or others) I will need to receive that material and press on with that phase of the work.

Now, as to the work undertaken at this time in Scotland: (the Scottish effort was undertaken before the work described above so some of the periods searched there were apparently after he emigrated to New York).

1. Civil registration searches: I searched both male and female birth indices from 1859

through 1871, and extracted all references to any place described as Edinburgh. Of these entries extracted from the index (190 in number) I read the actual birth entries of all from 1859 through 1867--132 in number. (Beyond that I did not read them).

I extracted full entries on any where the father was "James." There were seventeen and of these the following were of particular interest because of the occupation of the father:

1862 - Newington parish, Edinburgh

#897 Henry Robert McLaren, b. 15 Oct 1862. 12:30 am

residence: 27 St. Leonard's Hill, Edinburgh. Male.

Father: James McLaren, journeyman type founder.

Mother: Amelia Connolly. Parents married: 27 Jul 1857 at London.

1860 - Canongate parish, Edinburgh

#301 - Jemina McLaren. b. 19 Mar 1860. 6 a.m.

address: Midcommon Close. 295 Canongate. Female.

Father: James McLaren, type founder journeyman

Mother: Wilhelmina. Maiden name: Stevens

1861 - Canongate parish, Edinburgh

#1017 - Eliza McLaren b. 8 Oct 1861. 10:30 a.m.

address: 285 Canongate, Edinburgh. Female.

Father: James McLaren. type founder journeyman.

Mother: Wilhelmina McLaren. maiden surname: Stevens

Married: 31 Dec 1860, Edinburgh.

Among the marriages of interest are the following:

1860 - St . Giles, Edinburgh

#347 - md 31 Dec 1860 - after banns - at #5 Buccleuch Place.

Groom: James McLaren, age 19, address: #3 Montague St. Edinburgh

occupation: type founder (journeyman)

Parents: Alexander McLaren, tailor, deceased.

Janet McLaren. maiden surname: Stewart

Bride: Wilhelmina Stevens - age 17, #3 Montague St. Edinburgh

occupation: Laundress, spinster

Parents: George Stevens, printer compositor

Margaret Stevens. maiden surname: McPherson

(deceased)

Signed by: Alexander McLaren, Minister of Buccleuch Church.

Witnesses: Ando Beenie --Joann Smith

Witnesses to wife's signature by a mark: Alex. McLaren

And. Beenie



By careful analysis of this marriage it can be seen that it fits to our James Storemond McLaren for age and occupation. The Alexander McLaren who performed the marriage is likely a relative--could be his brother. Therefore, I have a copy of the entry for each of his children as they appear.

Another birth of interest is:

1859 Newington, Edinburgh

#16 William Alexander McLaren. b. 4 Jan 1859, 7 p.m.

address: 9 Brown's Street, Edinburgh. male.

Father: James McLaren, type founder (journeyman)

Mother: Elizabeth McLaren, maiden surname: Cunningham

Now this entry could be a child of our James. If so we would expect to find a death registered for his wife here listed--Elizabeth Cunningham McLaren. I searched both 1859 and 1860, in the death indexes but could not find an Elizabeth answering our needs. Another possibility

{text missing}\_s man, James McLaren, may be an uncle of our James. I did {text missing} n for a marriage for this couple at this time.

{text missing}\_ next searched some birth records, the indexes thereof, for an {text missing}burgh birth of James or James Storemond McLaren. I found a promising {text missing}:

MacLaren, James 1841 vol 62 p. 264

I could not locate this entry in the parish registers we have here and so I believe we should have a search made to determine who is his father. If it is Alexander and the birth date matches or comes close then I believe we are on the right track.

I reasoned that if I could find "our man" in the 1861 census we may find that he lists a place of birth other than Edinburgh which is assumed to be correct.

I began a systematic search and extraction of McLaren entries from the 1861 census of Edinburgh--but, of course, available time ran out before I completed it.

I did find a 20-year-old James McLaren occupation--type founder and with a 20 year old wife but her name is Mary. (I can't find any reason to believe Wilhelmina and Mary are interchangeable).

As to the outlook for future research on this part of the family: I would like to pursue the 1861 census search unless we find some evidence that they emigrated earlier. Guild or apprenticeship records may prove worthwhile also.

I do believe the marriage of James McLaren and Wilhelmina Stevens is ancestral but, of

course, other verifying evidence must be found.

I have prepared a tentative family group based on that marriage and include it herewith.

As you can see I have gone over the allotted time. The first six hours were paid for by your earlier deposit. The next six hours were approved by telephone and payment for those should be made upon receipt of this report.

The rest of the time (6 hrs) was not authorized. If it can be paid for I'll appreciate it as I put in full hours and need to be paid; however, I will understand if she can't do it just now.

I trust I shall hear from you soon. I have retained the file.

Sincerely,

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Richard L. Millet

Encl.: family group sheet  
RLM/ndc

P.S. The cost of clerical will be attached with this letter and should also be paid for separate from the hour pay.

Mr. Jesse A. Gathercoal,  
B.Y.U. Fmily Hist Svces,  
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Provo, Utah 84602,  
U.S.A.

24th November, 1975

RE: 0698 JG

Dear Mr. Gathercoal,

Please find enclosed my report against the above case.

I am sorry that I have been unable to locate anything at all on James Storemond McLaren. From the information in his obituary it would seem that the search would have been reasonably straightforward.

All participants in the Crimean campaign were awarded the Crimean Medal, with clasps for the various battles and engagements. I was unable to find our man amongst these rolls. Further I searched the documents of cavalry men awarded pensions but once again there was a disappointment as I could not locate our man.

Although it was not unknown for young boys to be enlisted, if his birth date is correct he would have only been age 13 at the time of the charge! This would seem to be a little young even for a bugler/trumpeter.

I wonder if in fact he may have been in the Crimea in some capacity lost a leg, in some mishap and in later years this had been romanticised. On a personal note. My own grandfather fought in the Crimea and I was always told (and fervently believed) as a boy that he was invalided out of the army with frost bite. Which is not so dramatic as the above story but 'heroic' in it's way. When I first began familv research I found he did in fact get invalided out but with varicose veins! Not nearly such a good tale.

Yours sincerely,

Simeon Clarke

RE: 0698 JG

I regret that my searches in the Army Records at the PRO have failed to find any mention of a James Storemond McLaren.

The participants of the charge of the Light Brigade were 8th Hussars,11th Hussars,4th Lt Dragoons,13th Lt Dragoons,17th Lancers.

I searched the Medal Roll Ref W0 100 24 for all the above units, all ranks but no McLarens appeared. It was apparent from the number of posthumous entries that care had been taken to include all men who were there. This roll gives the men in receipt of the Crimean Medal as well as those who had a clasp for Balaclava. I examined both sections.

Just in case he served in Crimea but was not actually in the charge I looked at all the trumpeters in the Calvary in the Medal Roll. Once again without any luck.

As a further check I also tried the discharge documents of 1854-1856 for a Cavalry men, both Household and Cavalry of the line. Refs W0 97 1273,1291,1293,85,87 and 7.

These were for all men awarded a pension,but once again no trace of any McLarens under any variation of spelling.

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY  
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RESEARCH REPORT

Date: 9 December 1975  
Account Number: 0698JG  
Customer Name: Carma M. Golding  
Surname, Family: McLaren  
Analyst: Jesse R. Gathercoal

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Using the obituary of James Storemond McLaren as a guide and the facts stated about Mr. McLaren's service in the British Army, we had an agent search the Military Records of the Public Record office in London for his service record. In this way, we hoped to find the birth place and parentage of James Storemond McLaren.

Enclosed is a copy of the agents report. He was able to find no mention of any James McLarens who served in the Cremean War or who were granted pensions for this service. He also checked for trumpeters and for those discharged 1854-1856. All searches were negative.

Enclosed is also a copy of the 1900 census extract made for James McLaren and his family. This explains the reason that we were unable to find the service records of James. The census lists James as being born in New York, age 72 in 1900, born February 1828, whose parents were born in Scotland. This information does not agree with that in his obituary at all. He was born thirteen years earlier than originally supposed and in New York instead of Scotland. We wonder if the war that he fought in and in which he lost his leg, was not our own Civil War. If this is the case, it may be possible to find record of him here.

The 1900 census gives the names and births of his six living children and the fact that he had four children not living at this time. Birth records for Salt Lake City begin in 1890 and death records for Salt Lake City begin in 1848. It may be possible to find some or even all of the missing children in these records.

We would suggest that further searches be made in the census records of Utah to find what year James McLaren came to Utah. Then searches should be made in New York censuses to find him living with his earlier families. Searches should be made in Civil War records to see if our hunch is correct, that James had served in this war. It could be that he was so secretive about his early life because he had been a deserter at this time. We have run into this situation before. Then searches should be made in Utah birth and death records for the deceased children mentioned in the 1900 census enumeration of the family of James McLaren.

We appreciate this opportunity to be of service to you. We look forward to your further instructions. Please accept our sincere wish for a joyful holiday.

This report prepared by:

Jesse R. Gathercoal  
Research Analyst

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Encl.



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Dear Patron:

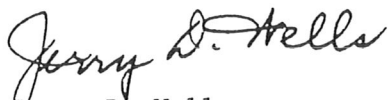
The enclosed report represents a segment of the ancestor research you requested. A financial statement follows the report.

The searches now reported were based on our analysis of the material in our possession, either provided by you or obtained through our previous research. Whenever you receive additional pertinent data, you should forward it to us so that future searches can be enhanced by that information.

Unless other arrangements have been made, copies of our research extracts and calendars are enclosed. Additional copies of any material contained in our files pertaining to your research will be provided at cost to you or anyone you designate.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please let us know.

Sincerely,



Jerry D. Wells  
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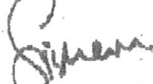
Keith,

Re: Cook

Re your Fax of 22nd April. The originals were mailed on 18th March. At the same time there were three certificates for Client-SCHMITT. The McLAREN certs. were marked McLAREN not COOK. I hope that you can find them

I am not too sure what you need when you ask for detailed information. All the certificates I get, which are usually ordered from the Indexes in the Gen. Library in S.L.C., are obtained from the central General Register Office in London. This equates to your Bureau of Vital Statistics. If you need address costs etc, please let me know. It is usually far more economical to apply thro you, then me, than for someone in the States to apply direct.

Sincerely



Simeon Clarke

## FACSIMILE COVER PAGE

Date: 5/2/96  
Time: 12:59:46  
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To: Robert Cook  
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Message:

Robert,

Here is the fax we received from Simeon. After receiving this fax I wrote a letter to Simeon explaining in further detail about your goals and desires for the information instead of just, "I found it." I told him how you wanted any kind of information about the family (in this case the McLaren family, but in this current project the military information), not just genealogical, but historical; even occupations, physical dimensions, etc.

Hopefully from that letter I sent him, he will have a better idea of what to give you. At any rate, this report from him is a start.

I check the fax every day to see what has come in. When something does come in (either by mail or fax), I will make sure the secretary sends it off to you as quickly as possible, or if it's acceptable, forward faxes on to you by fax.

Sincerely,

Keith

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May 09, 1996

Simeon Clarke

Re: Cook

Dear Simeon,

Hello and good morning! The client would like to know what the status is on the McLaren military search. Are you almost done? not quite? When do you expect to be finished?

Sincerely,

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13 May 1996

Fax 00-1-801-359-4301

Dear Keith

Re - Cook

Thanks for your Fax. I have not started the military research yet. Hopefully I will be able to at least make a start by the end of the month.

All the military records are held at the Public Record Office, Ken. This is a two hour round trip, I usually go there every week or two. My next visit is already quite full with previous research projects.

I received the correspondence at the start of the month and we have two Public Holidays in May. When everything closes down.

If your client is really chasing this please let me know and I will try to improve if possible.

Sincerely  
Simon Chis

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June 13, 1996

Simeon Clarke

Re: Cook

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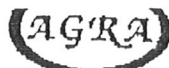
How is the work coming along with the McLaren military search? Drop us a line to let us know. Thanks

Sincerely,

*Keith Mortimer*

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20th June, 1996

Dear Keith,

Re: Cook

I have now been able to complete the searches on Military Records for James Storemond McLaren, within the financial ceiling.

I felt the best avenue to investigate would be the Musters for the various regiments that appeared in John Kitzmiller's book. This would evidence his being at the battle and sustaining an injury of some sort.

<u>Regiment</u>	<u>PRO Ref</u>
2 Foot	WO 12 - 2061
42 "	" - 5528 & 5529
71 "	" - 7894 & 7895
72 "	" - 7968
79 "	" - 8424 & 8425
83 "	" - 8712
86 "	" - 8290
87 "	" - 8994
88 "	" - 9063
89 "	" - 9141
93 "	" - 9432

I found three James McLaren's, in the 42nd Ft, 71st and 79th Foot. In all three cases I searched the following Muster but in every case, they were serving with their regiment after October 1854 when the battle took place. The Cpl James McLaren of the 72nd Ft was in hospital, but is shown as being back with his regt. in 1855.

Detail from the Musters on Page 2.

Sincerely

## II

Keith Mortimer

Simeon Clarke

Richard W Price &amp; Assoc.

42nd Foot Muster 1854 - 1855 WO 12 5528 & 5529

2900 Pte James McLAREN

74th Foot Muster 1854 - 1855 WO 12 7894 - 7895

3159 Pte James McLAREN

79th Foot Muster 1854 - 1855 WO 12 8424 & 8425

2930 Cpl James McLAREN

This soldier spent some time at Hospital in Scutari, but was  
back and serving with the regiment in March 1855



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21 June 1996

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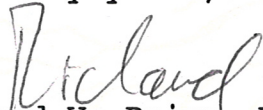
Dear Mr. Cook,

We have completed the research ordered originally by you. We will mail the information. You have received the report from searches in the military papers you requested.

The bill we are mailing to you includes clerical costs in setting up your account, mailing letters, etc. Research of \$■ is charged. This is my time taken in reviewing the stack of papers we started with, which included your previous research. I spent at least an hour on top of this that was not charged to you. This was perhaps the most important part of the research project - the analytical phase. By reviewing all material searched we could decide which records to search and direct the agent in London of what records to research. The sifting time is Keith's time corresponding with the agent and preparing the report for you. About \$■ in fees include the certificates sent you previously. Keith told you that you had not been charged yet for those certificates on the previous bill. We received the bill from our agent after our invoice to you had been prepared. It also includes the \$■ fee paid the researcher on this work.

Now that we know what records need to be consulted, research will be more straightforward in the future. We look forward to assigning you further in working on this family.

Sincerely yours,



Richard W. Price, M. A.  
Accredited Genealogist

RWP:eaw  
Enclosures

June 29, 1996

Dear Simeon,

On Tuesday, 25 Jun 1996, I received a E-Mail message, from "Richard W. Price & Associates" <families@xmission.com>, that read as follows:

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Hello Robert,

We have decided that since you already know what you want done, and how you want to go about it, there is really no need for us to get involved. That is costing you more money than necessary. You may feel free to contact Simeon Clarke by fax at 011441718312088. Tell him exactly what you want done and he will do it. This will certainly be faster and more efficient for you.

Keith  
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Therefore I am contacting you as suggested.

Using John M. Kitzmiller's book as a reference, Volume II pages 1084-1085 Regiments at Balaclava in 1854, the following Muster Rolls should be checked.

1. Since James' stated that he lost his leg while riding a horse, the following Calvary units should be checked.

1st Calvary	The Royal Dragoons	
2nd Calvary	Royal Scots Greys	(this unit was formed or recruited from Scotland!)
4th Calvary	Royal Irish Drag. Guards	
5th Calvary	Princess Charlotte of Wales Dragoons	
6th Calvary	Inniskilling Dragoons	

2. The following Foot Regiments were also at Balaclava in 1854 and should be checked.

7th Foot	Royal Fusiliers
18th Foot	Royal Irish Regiment
19th Foot	1st Yorkshire North Riding
23rd Foot	Royal Welch Fusiliers
27th Foot	Inniskilling Regiment
28th Foot	North Gloucestershire
33rd Foot	Duke of Wellington
41th Foot	The Welsh Regiment
44th Foot	East Essex Reg't
46th Foot	South Devonshire Reg't
47th Foot	Lancashire Reg't
57th Foot	West Middlesex Reg't
63rd Foot	West Suffolk Reg't
68th Foot	Durham Light Infantry
77th Foot	East Middlesex Reg't

3. To make our search complete we should not leave out the Guard Units mentioned.

1st Guard	Grenadier Guards
	Cold Stream Guards
	Scots Guards

4. Units that have been checked to date, with results:

(checked 24 Nov, 1975 ?)

4th Calvary	Queen's Own Hussars
8th Calvary	King's Royal Irish Hussars
11th Calvary	Hussars, Prince Alberts Own
13th Calvary	Hussars
17th Calvary	Lancers, Duke of Cambridge's Own

(checked 20 June, 1996)

2nd Foot	Queen's Royal West Surrey
42nd Foot	The Black Watch (this unit was formed or recruited from Scotland!) (2900 Pte James McLAREN WO12 5528 & 5529)
71st Foot	Highland Light Infantry (3159 Pte James McLAREN WO12 7894 - 7895)
79th Foot	Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders (2930 Cpl James McLAREN WO12 8424 & 8425) (spent time in Scutari Hospital, but back w/unit in march 1855)
88th Foot	Connaught Rangers
93rd Foot	Sutherland Highlanders

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- e. Copies of all findings and documentation would be appreciated
- f. I can be reached in one the following ways:
  1. E-Mail, [bcook@campplan.utah.edu](mailto:bcook@campplan.utah.edu) (preferred)
  2. Fax, 00-1-801-581-6081 or 00-1-801-585-6454 (Please address to my attention)
  3. Postal, 5335 South 5240 West, Salt Lake City, UT, USA 84118-7018
  4. Voice, 00-1-801-969-9448 or 00-1-801-598-5034

I am authorizing you to proceed at your earliest convenience on this project, to the costs of £130.00, (\$200.00 US). Please advise on how to best forward or transfer the funds to you.

Thanks for the work you have done so far, and in advance for the above.

Sincerely,

Bob Cook

June 29, 1996

Using John M. Kitzmiller's book as a reference, Volume II pages 1084-1085 Regiments at Balaclava in 1854, the following Muster Rolls should be checked.

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63rd Foot	West Suffolk Reg't
68th Foot	Durham Light Infantry
77th Foot	East Middlesex Reg't

3. To make our search complete we should not leave out the Guard Units mentioned.

1st Guard	Grenadier Guards
	Cold Stream Guards
	Scots Guards

4. Units that have been checked to date, with results:

(checked 24 Nov, 1975 ?)

4th Calvary	Queen's Own Hussars
8th Calvary	King's Royal Irish Hussars
11th Calvary	Hussars, Prince Alberts Own
13th Calvary	Hussars
17th Calvary	Lancers, Duke of Cambridge's Own

(checked 20 June, 1996)

2nd Foot	Queen's Royal West Surrey
42nd Foot	The Black Watch (this unit was formed or recruited from Scotland!) (2900 Pte James McLAREN WO12 5528 & 5529)
71st Foot	Highland Light Infantry (3159 Pte James McLAREN WO12 7894 - 7895)
79th Foot	Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders (2930 Cpl James McLAREN WO12 8424 & 8425) (spent time in Scutari Hospital, but back w/unit in march 1855)
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2nd July, 1996

Fax 00 - 1 - 801 - 581 - 6081

Dear Bob,

Thank you for your instructions Faxed on 29th June. I will carry out the searches requested on the various records listed. I anticipate being able to reply within the next 3/4 weeks. As to payment, I will be quite happy for this to be sent on receipt of my final report. This can be in U.S. Dollars on your personal cheque drawn on your U.S. Bank.

Sincerely,

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Dear Robert,

Thank you for your Fax. My apologies for the delay in  
letting you have my report on the McLaren Military Research.

There have been two reasons for this, one we have had strikes  
on our sub-way system which has meant travelling within London on  
some days has been very tough. Then the P.R.O. at Kew are  
re furnishing the building (due to end early October). This has  
meant that production of documents is far less speedy than usual.  
I have searched about half of the regiments listed in you Fax, but  
without finding any other possible candidates. I hope to be able  
to complete next week when I will Fax you my full report etc.

Yours sincerely,

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7th August, 1996

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Dear Robert,

I have now have been able to complete the search for James McLAREN in the Crimean War Musters, but regret I have been unable to find any further entries in this name.

Details of the Regts searched are contained in the page that follows. I have been enquiring into the tradition that he 'sold' his pension. There is no official means of doing this, and as it was paid monthly there does not seem to be any way he could have done this, apart from to someone who lived locally. Then only possibly raising some money against his future payments.

Some years ago I searched, for a Canadian client, who had a copy of her grandfather's obituary. This stated that he took part in the Charge of the Light Brigade. I eventually found that his rggt. had but he had actually deserted 3 years previously.

My own grandfather fought in the Crimea, and tradition had it that he was discharged with 'Frostbite'. When I checked the record I found he was at Scutari, but his Discharge was through Varicose Veins.

I wonder whether it is possible that James McLaren lost his leg in some other fashion, and romanticised his loss? He would certainly have had a pension in such an instance

Sorry that my efforts have proved so unfruitful. My Fees are U.S. \$ [REDACTED].00, payment may be made by your personal cheque drawn on you US Bank.

Yours sincerely

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2nd Calvary	Royal Scots Greys	(this unit was formed or recruited from Scotland!)	539
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23rd Foot	Royal Welch Fusiliers		4375
27th Foot	Inniskilling Regiment		4461
28th Foot	North Gloucestershire		4842
33rd Foot	Duke of Wellington		5451
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	Cold Stream Guards		1862
	Scots Guards		

X 5th Cavalry NOT CHECKED. There is a gap in their  
Musters 1799 - 1858

Mr Bob Cook

23rd August, 1996

Fax 00 - 1 - 801 - 581 - 6081

~~Dear Bob,~~

Thank you for your Fax of 8th August, re Regimental Description Books. I have attended at the PRO, Kew to check out the three regiments 42nd Foot, 71st Foot and 79th Foot.

However the records they have for these three do not cover the period of the mid 1850's, ending in 1830.

I did wonder about Casualty Returns but these also stop in 1830, and restart in 1858.

Yours sincerely

