ME No. (Sorit par R. Mak.) (original).

Canden says that about the year of Our Lord 1000, surnames began to be taken up in France, and in England about the time of the conquest - and to this time do the Scotish men refer the antiquity of their surnames. Surnames given for differences of families and continued as hereditary were used in no nations anciently but among the romans. Yet those single names were adjoined sometimes other names as cognomena or sobriquets or nicknames which did die with the bearer. Maurice Fitzgerald son of Gerald & Nesta was the principal person by whom assistance in the reign of Henry II the conquest of Ireland was obtained - and from him the noble family of the Fitz-Geralds of Ireland derive their origin.

Colin Fitz Gerald Descendant of Mauroce Fitz Gerald went to Scotland with a considerable number of follewers about the year 1261 and having signalized himself in the battle of Largs where the Norwegians were defeated King Alexander III bestowed on him the Territory of Kintail in Rosshire. He died at the Castle of St Denain and was buried in the Monastery of Icomkill in 1278. He had a son Kenneth 2d Baron of Kintail who died in 1304. His son the 3d Baron of Kintail was called Kenneth McKenneth from whence his descendants took the name of Mackenneth alias Mackenzie - and was the father of Kenneth Mackensie 4th Baron of Kintail who had a son besides the heir called Murdoch Rearack McKensie, a valiant man, of whom several families of that mame are descended accompanied by a verbal tradition sating forth his exploits - to which however we shall not refer here but instead refer to the description of his tomb - as given by a learned friend who at my request kindly interested himself on the subject.

Dear Sir, Ullapool, 21st Jany 39

I duly received your letter of the 2d Novr last and I now with pleasure hereby convey to you the result which I trust will preve satisfactory. In obedience to your instructions I have selected the fittest person this place could produce for accomplishing the object of your communication, sent him to Beauly with a letter to Capt. M K now residing requesting him to procure the best possible assistance. Capt. J. obligingly got a young man, a good scholar, the fittest considered by him in Beauly for rendering assistance in the matter, who accompanied the person sent from here to the place on internment being furnished

of of deciphering the engraving on Murdeoh Respect gravestone, using hot water, sand, cameas, hard brushee, etc. so as to render the sculpture visible and the following is the result, vis:

EFFIGY ON THE TOMESTONE

The figure on the tembetone is habited in a coat of mail in a praying posture, having a bible under his head, a sword on his left side, and a dirk on his right with a deg laying at his feet. The tembstone lies herizentally under an arch in the

wall of the priory, six feet long and three broad bearing nothing but the above described effigy in full

length.

The stone bearing the inscription which is very different from that described by your mephew, Mr. Rederic, is a stone six feet long and four imhes bread, standing imbedded in one side of the arek above the tombstone and the date on another stone similarly situated on the opposite side of the arch, same length and breadth. The whole inscription is one continued line in length in old Gaelic or Irish characters which under the washing hand of time and exposure are very difficult to make out - bu - which translated into english runs:

HERE LIES MURDOCH MACKENZIE, SON OF THE BARROW OF KIN-TAIL, WHO DIED ON THE TWEINTS DAY OF JAMUARY (and the year is marked by the following characters) MCCCLXXXI which is one thousand three hundred and eighty one forming at present an elapsed period of four hundred and fifty eight years. (fix to le lettre).

The priory of Beauly was femided in the year 1230 & peopled by monks from France who gave the place its name. See Beauties of Scatland, etc.

Colin Fitz-Gerald the progenitor of the Mackensies was buried in the monastry of Icelakill in 1278, and his descendant Murdooh Rearack Mokensie was buried in the priory of Beauly in 1381, forming a period of only 103 years. Murdoch Rearack was the sen of the 4th Baron of Kintail, consequently Colin Fitz Gerald was his great, great grand father.

IC OLLETLL

In leelmkill south of Crans chapel is an inclosure containing a great number of stones, but so overgrown with woods that for of the imeriptions are legible.
In this inclosure lie the remains of ferby eight socials rings, four kings of France, who were smithled to a somewhat and one king of France, who were smithled to a somewhat in this hely-greater where the same in this hely-greater where

Bem Neish is in the shire of Ross, towers above the rest of the mountains and is seen across the Murray Firth in the counties of Murray, Elgin, Banff, &c. It is perpetually covered with snew and the quit rent from the family of Fouls for the tenure of the forest of naish is the payment of a snow ball to his Majesty on any day of the year if required - and a quantity of snow was furnished from it to the Duke of Cumberland when at Inverness in summer 1746 to sool his winw. (Beauties of Scotland.)

In a remantic defile of this mountain which furnishes a convenient pass for travellers, there is a small stream, which after a rapid course of a few miles falls into the river Garve at the border of Achnabrach near a grave mound called Tullach Dearmid reported by tradition from a Daum (?) of OSian to be the death & burving place of Fingalian Wamor. This tomb of Dearmid I have not seen in print - but considering the circumstances attending its situation & origin as related in a Daun attributed to Osian there sught to exist little or no doubt about the truth of its being the real burrying place of that celebrated here. A tradition among the people in that quarter says that a party of Fingalians on an occasion set out from their residence on Knockfarral for the chase. At a small lake in the vicinity of Ben Naish they hunted a bear - pursued him in the face (?) of the mountain across the heath until killed on the spet where the mound now stands. where Dearmid who was the chif of the party was mortally wounded by the boar - and bled to death. The petrified remains of the Fingalian residence on Knockfarral above Dingwall is still visited by strangers as a matter of curiosity. The small lake where the boar was started is situated on the hill adjoining Ben Naish behind Krathgaven and is called to this day Loch an Twirk (?). At the foot of Dearmids mound are the gravestones of his two dogs. At least such is the report believed in that quarter half a century ago. The Read Mr. Pope, Minister of Rea, in a letter dated 15th New 1763 regarding the authenticity of Osians Poems mays there is an excellent Dawn called Dawn Dearmid. Of de in elegy on the death of that here and brushes the aublime very much. This poem is in esteem among a tribe of Campbells that live in this country and would derive pedigree from that here. There is an old fellow in this parish that very gravely takes off

Colin Fitzgerald received the territory of Kintail, in Rosshire, from King Alex. III. Died at castle of St-Donain. Buried at monastery of Icomkill, in 1278 (South of Oran). His son, Kenneth (2nd Baron of Kintail) died in 1304. His grand-son, Kenneth (3rd Baron of Kintail), was called McKenneth. His great-grand-son, Kenneth (4th Baron of Kintail), was called MacKenzie. This last one left an heir and also a son called Murdoch Rearack who was buried at Beauly, having died 12.1.1381. He was therefore the great-great-grand-son of Colin Fitzgerald.

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'Haydri's Dichman Dates" 1898, London.

as as or his as he sings Daun Descritd. On asking ata why he did we he replied that having descended from Dearmid he thought it right to henor his memory. In front of the Mase of Kintail there is Denan Dearmid formed of rough stenes which the Campbells often visit as the tomb of their progenitor. In the parish of Kilcalmound in Slieb Gaul celebrated in ancient story as the seeme of the death of Dearmid - the Achilles of the Fingalian heroes and the great progenitor of the family of the Campbells who are known at this day by the name clas Dearmid. In the same parish are the remains of a petrified fort. (Beauties of Scotland.

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