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for Auchlyne and Wester Durnish in Glendochart in 1486. His father died at Auchlyne in 1488. About that time the MacNabs seem to set about the recovery of their possessions lost in the wars of the Bruce. They had some throubbel with the Dewars and began their long struggle with the Neishes. In 1502 Finley received from James IV. a charter of the lands of Euer abd Keiragan. He was succeeded by his son, Finlay. Finlay (V.) appears as a witness to a charter to Duncan Campbell of Hlenorchy in 1611. In his time the battle of Glenboultachan is supposed to have been fought. He died at 'Illa Rayne and was buried at Kilfin 13th April, 1525.' and his eldest son, Finlay (VI.) succeeded him. He mortgaged the greater part of his lands to Colin Campbell of Glenorchy, under a charter dated 24th November 1552 and confirmed by a charter from Mary, dated 27th June 1553. Finlay (VII.) son of the preceding chief, entered into a bond of friendship with his kinsman, Lauchlan Mckinnon of Strathardil in 1606. This bond is witnessed by James Macnabb, Robert Macnabb, Duncan Dow Macnabb, Archibald Macnabb, Gibble Macnabb, John MacDhel, and Ewan Mackinnon, with others. Finlay married Catherine Campbell, daughter of the Laird of Glenorchy, by whom he had twelve aons. "In 1610 a party of 200 chosen men of the Campbells, MacNabs,

MacDonnells and Camerons defeated a body of Macgregors at Bintach. In 1610 the sons of Machab stormed the stronghold of the Neishes, and

put all save two to the sword.

"Alan Min, or Smooth John (VIII.), succeeded his father. John led his clan under the Montrose in 1645, and after the battle of Kilsyth was commissioned to defend the castle of Kincardine.

"Alexander (IX.), a mere boy, became chief on his father's death. During his minority the Campbells overran the Macnab possessions and destroyed their castle of Kilean Han. His mother was Mary, daughter of Campbell of Glenlyon. Alexander married a sister of Sir Alexander Menzies of Weem, by whom he had Robert, tenth chief, who married Anne Campbell, sister to the first Earl of Breadalbane. Robert raised his clan in 1680, and added Glenorchy in his campaign in Caithness. His son, John Machab, chief, married Jean, sister to Francis Buchanan of Arnprior, by whom he had two sons, Francis and Robert, and two daughters, Elizabeth and Marjory, who survived him. The family of the chief fought for the House of Hanover in the '45; but the clan was out for the Stewarts, under Acharn, Inchewen, and Dundurn. John Macnab died in 1778, and Francis became the twelfth chief. He was somewhat eccentric. .. On his death at Callander, 25th May 1816, his nephew, Archibald, son of Dr. Robert Macnab, became thirteenth chief. Owing to financial difficulties, Archibald was compelled to sell his estates. In the beginning of the last century many of the clan had crossed the Atlantic, and in 1831 the chief, with some hundreds of the clan folk, emigrated to Canada. There he had other difficulties, and in 1853 returned to Europe. After a visit to Scotland he settled in France, where he died on 12th August, 1860, aged eighty-three. He was survived by a widow and but one daughter, out of a family of eight. His daughter, Sophia Frances, died at Florence in 1894."

The illustration of the MacNab Tartan shows red with narrow

dark green crossbars.

Very truly yours, Georgia E. Wasleburn

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