

SANDISON FAMILY OF GARTH

Alexander Sandison, Senr., Seaman, R.N.R. Garth, South Nesting.

Father of Alexander J and twelve other children, husband of Catherine Georgeson.

Alexander J Sandison, Seaman, R.N.R., *HMS York*. Garth, South Nesting.

ROBERTSON FAMILY OF LINGNESS

Thomas M Robertson, A.B., *HMT Meroney*. Lingness, South Nesting.

Arthur R Robertson, Deck Hand, *HMS Cormorant*. Lingness, South Nesting.

Their parents were Thomas Magnus Robertson and Elisabeth Ramshaw Hughson. They had three more brothers (one died at birth) and three sisters, one of whom died of measles as a baby. Thomas emigrated to Australia.

HMS Cormorant was an Osprey-class sloop of 1150 tons, launched at Chatham on 12 September 1877 and later the receiving ship at Gibraltar. She was renamed *Rooke* in 1946 and broken up in 1949.

These men kept a watch in South Nesting

John Anderson, Seaman, R.N.R. Shetland section. Patrol duty. Eswick, South Nesting.

John Gear, Seaman, R.N.R. Shetland section. Patrol duty. Skellister, South Nesting.

William Gear, Senr., R.N.R. Patrol duty. Brough, South Nesting.

Alexander Hughson, Seaman, R.N.R. Shetland section. Patrol duty. Tripwell, South Nesting.

John Leask, Seaman, R.N.R. Shetland section, Patrol duty. Eswick, South Nesting.

Probably aged 50 in 1914.

Andrew Pearson, Seaman, R.N.R. Shetland Section. Patrol duty. Gletness, South Nesting.

Aged 53 in 1914.

William Reid, R.N.R., Patrol duty. Gletness, South Nesting.

He was from Culswick. He was aged 61 in 1914.

These men would have kept a look-out at either the Stooril (Eswick), Flaach or Point o da Taing watch-huts.