

*From Bev Berney - May 14, 2007*

I found Sarah in the Clyde River Cemetery transcript in the plot next to Donald MacPhee and Isabella. The transcript reads:

Sarah Buchanan, w. of John McKinnon, d. May 16, 1893, Ae 40. Their dau., Florence, d. Feb. 3, 1893, Ae 7.

I think Florence must be the same child as Ella of the 1891 Census. I did not see an Ella in the 1901 census.

In the 1901 Census of Lot 31, Sarah's son Harry A., age 18 is living with his uncle Anthony Buchanan. Her daughter Mary, age 9, is living with her grandparents Isabella and Donald MacPhee as an "ad daug" (adopted daughter, I assume). I did not see John, Annie or Minnie in 1901. The girls could easily be married by this time, but it is odd that John and the other 2 children are not together. Perhaps he could not support them and left for parts unknown, or he died as well?

After receiving your e-mail, I checked the 1911 census, as I had not done that since the last time I looked at this file. One entry in Lot 31/65 jumped out at me: a Mary McKinnon, age 19, single domestic, living with a William K. Rogerson, his wife Minnie, age 33, and their nephew Harry McKinnon, age 1. This may be a stretch, but could this be our Mary with an illegitimate child living with her sister Minnie and brother-in-law? The ages of Mary and Minnie are exactly right. I could not find Harry, approx. age 28 anywhere in Canada or US. Perhaps he died?