Fife's Mills, Dufftown – source data

1772	Alexander Stewart born Mortlach, feuar and proprietor of Mill of Ruthrie. Father of Peter Stewart of Fife's Mills)
1779	Peter Stewart, brother of Alexander Stewart, born Mortlach. Feuar in Dufftown.
1790	Peter Thompson born Foggieloan (Aberchirder). Would become clerk/bookkeeper at Fife's Mills, Dufftown.
1793	Peter Stewart, son of Alexander Stewart and Margaret McConachie, born. He will become the tenant at Fife's Mills.
1814	Peter Stewart (feuar in Dufftown) marries Elizabeth McAdam, of Boharm, in Mortlach. Peter Thompson, born Foggieloan, marries Elspet McKenzie of Knockando.
1817	Newspaper advertisements announcing the feuing off of plots in the creation of Dufftown.
1820 +/- 3	Fife's Mills erected by James Duff, 4th Earl of Fife.
1828	Peter Stewart of Fife's Mills marries Ann Gordon, of Grange parish.
1829	Mary Stewart, daughter of Ann Gordon and Peter Stewart of Fife's Mills, born in Dufftown
1830	Jane Symon, daughter of John Symon (who becomes a feuar in Dufftown) born in Cullen.
1831	William Stewart, son of Peter and Ann Stewart (nee Gordon) born at Fife's Mills. His mother died at or shortly after his birth.
1841	Peter Thompson, son of Peter and Elspet Thompson (nee McKenzie) working at Fife's Mills. At the waulkmill of Edinglassie the wool miller is Ann Phinn, who was born in Dallas, Elginshire. Mrs Phinn was a Miss Young before her marriage to Charles Phinn of Knockando.
1845	William Stewart, son of Peter and Ann Stewart (nee Gordon) dies 4 th February 1845.
1850	Mary Stewart, daughter of Peter and Ann Stewart (nee Gordon), married John Walker of Turriff. Mr Walker was an accountant and a Bank Agent for North Bank of Scotland; later he would become a JP.
1851	Mrs Ann Phinn, now using her own name, with daughter Margaret is still at the waulkmill at Haugh of Edinglassie and still involved in wool manufacturing.
1856	Jane Symon marries Peter Thompson. Later the couple have a daughter, Elizabeth.
1858	Peter Stewart, feuar in Dufftown, dies on 30 th March 1858 at his home in Priestwell, Mortlach. John Thompson, son of Peter and Jane Thompson (nee Symon) is born
1860	Patrick Thompson, son of Peter and Jane Thompson (nee Symon) is born.
1861	Alexander Gauld, a forrester, is resident as Haugh of Edinglassie waulkmill. However, he is not a woollen manufacturer.
1863	Margaret Thompson, daughter of Peter and Jane Thompson (nee Symon) is born.
1865	William Thompson, son of Peter and Jane Thompson (nee Symon) is born.
1866	Alexander Lawson Fraser born in Keith. He and his brother will run Fife Mills by 1905.
1868	James Fraser, brother to Alexander L Fraser, born in Keith.

1871	Peter Stewart now retired and living in Fife Street, Dufftown. William Norrie comes from Garlogie Mill, with his widowed mother Margaret to take over the carding mill at Haugh of Edinglassie from Mrs Ann Phinn (nee Young)
1873	George Thompson, son of Peter and Jane Thompson (nee Symon) is born. Peter Stewart, lately of Fife's Mills, dies at his daughter's home.
1881	Mr and Mrs Peter Thompson living at "Rose Cottage", Dufftown. Son John now noted as a woollen manufacturer. Nephew Robert Niven, working at Fife's Mills.
1890	Robert Laidlaw, of Rothiemay's Bridge of Isla Mill now advertising that his firm is in Dufftown.
1894	James Fraser marries Agnes Masson of Keith, Banffshire.
1897	William Alexander Fraser born in Huntly, son of James and Agnes Fraser (nee Masson).
1900	Alexander Lawson Fraser marries Helen Anderson.
1911	Alexander Lawson Fraser dies 31 December at Craichie.
1915	Mr William Norrie, of Haugh of Edinglassie, dies on 16 th June 1915. He had lived for some time at 73 Balvenie Street, Dufftown. The informant for his death was John Craig and it is noted that he is the Secretary of the Mount Stephen Old Age Pensioners.
1920	Fife's Mills, Dufftown one of the signatories of The King's Roll.
1925	William Alexander Fraser marries Constance Niven of Dufftown.
1939	Helen Gordon Fraser, daughter of Alexander Lawson Fraser and Helen Anderson marries George Leslie Reid in Craichie, Dufftown.
1942	James Fraser dies 26 th February at Alness, Ross-shire.
1973	William Alexander Fraser JP dies and is buried in Mortlach Old Kirkvard.

NOTE: Thompson has been spelt in this way. Some newspaper reports, valuation rolls and BMD register entries show various ways of spelling the surname for this family. Similarly, Stewart is occasionally found in its old spelling of "Stuart".

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