

## East Neuk Memorial Stones

Shown below are some of the memorial stones erected in memory of fishermen who drowned, whilst carrying out their occupation. The stones are to be found in Kilrenny Churchyard, Fife, Scotland.

As the stones are over 120 years old, they have not photographed as well as I had hoped, the weather throughout this time having taken it's toll on the inscriptions. Please see [East Neuk Tragedies, The real cost of Fish](#) for a listing of the boats and crew that succumbed to the cruel sea.

Memorials are to: HENRY BEAT(1865), DAVID BIRRELL(1859), WILLIAM BIRRELL(1859), WILSON BRUNTON(1844), JAMES DAVIDSON(1828), JAMES DAVIDSON(1859), DANIEL FLEMING(1865), FRANCIS MONTIDORE(1865), THOMAS REID(1846), THOMAS REID(1865),



Kilrenny Church



Inscription reads as follows: In memory of Agnes Birrell, Cellardyke, who died 25th February 1873 aged 68 years. JAMES DAVIDSON, her first husband was lost at sea 24 September 1828 aged 23 years. JAMES DAVIDSON their son was lost at sea 8th December 1859 aged 31 years. THOMAS REID, her second husband was lost at sea 22 April 1846 aged 41 years. THOMAS REID, their son was lost at sea 10th May 1865 aged 19 years

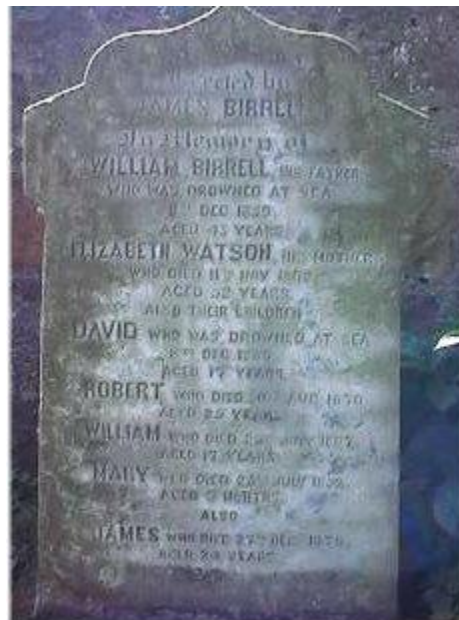
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A few short years of evil past  
we reach the happy shore  
where deathh divided friends, at last  
shall meet to part no more

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WILSON BRUNTON Lost at sea 16 May 1844



Inscription reads as follows: Erected by James Birrell in memory of WILLIAM BIRRELL, his father who was drowned at sea 8th December 1859 aged 43 years. ELIZABETH WATSON his mother who died 11th November 1869 aged 52 years. Also their children DAVID who was drowned at sea 8th December 1859 aged 17 years. ROBERT who died 30th August 1870 aged 25 years. WILLIAM who died 25th July 1867 aged 17 years. HARRY who died 25th July 1852 aged 9 months. Also JAMES who died 27th December 1879 aged 24 years.



HENRY BEAT lost at sea 10 May 1865

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DANIEL FLEMING lost at sea 10 May 1865

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FRANCIS MONTIDORE lost at sea 10 May 1865