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Mr. Percy L. Climo,
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Dear Mr. Climo:-

I obtained your address from the Ontario Genealogical Society, Toronto Branch, on St. Clair Ave. E. I am doing a genealogical study of my ancestors and have come up against a stone wall with respect to my maternal Great-Grandfather. His name is Richard Cockburn, and he happens to be the brother of the Hon. James Cockburn, about whom you did a historical compilation as a centennial project in 1967.

I was wondering if, in the course of your research on the Hon. James, you came across any information regarding other brothers and sisters including my maternal Great-Grandfather Richard.

I understand, from more immediate members of the family, that he may have married a Julia

Henry in Montreal and subsequently moved to Whitechurch Twp., Ontario. My Grandmother was born ⁱⁿ Whitechurch Twp. and was named Julia Sarah, and her father was Richard Cockburn. But I have no actual information as to where he lived, nor where he died, nor where he married. Can you confirm whether or not my Great-Grandfather Richard Cockburn did marry in Montreal to Julia Henry?

I would be most grateful for any information you may have come across with respect to Richard Cockburn.

Yours sincerely

Felton Probert Baker.

6 Simmons Street,
P.O.Box 299,
Colborne, Ontario, K0K 1S0.
November 29, 1982.

Mr. F.P.Behan,
20 Edgecliffe Golfway,
No. 308.
DON MILLS, Ontario, M3C 3A4.

Dear Mr. Behan :

Last September you wrote to me seeking information on the JAMES COCKBURN family and particularly about his brother RICHARD COCKBURN.

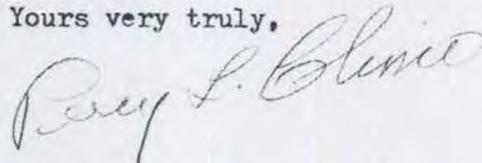
On September 11th last I replied to your letter and supplied information to the best of my records.

The restoration of Victoria Hall, in Cobourg, is now in its final stage. It was in this building that the Honourable James Cockburn had his law office following the completion of the building in 1860.. It is now in the plans of restoration to set aside one room to commemorate the Hon. James. It will be my task to prepare a special historical resume to be used when visitors are shown the Cockburn room..

I am now wondering what progress you have made with regard to Richard Cockburn. The leads I sent to you, were they of any help in your search. There is the possibility you may have now uncovered some important details re Richard. If you have , would you mind sharing any pertinent facts with me. In the preparation of my story, I would like to give some mention to the brothers and sister of the Honourable gentleman.

I would be pleased to have you write to me.

Yours very truly,



Percy L. Climo

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6 Simmons Street,
Box 299,
COLBORNE, Ontario, K0K 1S0.
February 21st. 1983.

Mr. F.P.BEHAN,
20 Edgecliffe Golfway, No. 308.
DON MILLS, ONTARIO M3C 3A4.

Dear Mr. Behan :

To-day I was searching through some of my JAMES COCKBURN records and I located some information about RICHARD COCKBURN (1825-1856)

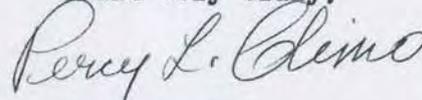
Mr. J.E.L.HOLLYER, 17 Oak Road, Woodland ; St. Augustine Beach Florida, 32084.
Postmark of December 23, 1968 sent to me the following :
" reports Richard entered the Hudson Bay Company,
married an Indian Girl who was known as
"Aunt Julie Cockburn. They lived ^{at} near Mimico,
near Toronto. "

I have had no correspondence with Mr. Hollyer since 1968. Mr. Hollyer would be a descendent of Margaret Cockburn, Mrs. George E. Castle, of Cobourg..

I hope this bit of information will be of some help. Would Hudson Bay Company records be of any assistance.? .

I would be pleased to have you write back to me. The Cockburn story is warming up in Cobourg and in preparation of dedicating a room in the restored Victoria Hall, the Town Hall, where Hon James had an office in 1861-1874.

Yours very truly,



Percy L. Climo



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Mr. Percy L. Climo,
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Colborne, Ont.
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Wednesday,
20 April 1983

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A-Cockburn family

Mrs. Percy L. Climo,
6 Simmons St., Box 299,
Colborne, Ont., K0K 1S0.

Dear Mrs. Climo;

I must apologize to you for not having written much sooner than now. I did receive your letter of Nov. 1982 in which you mentioned that you had no information regarding my great-great-Grandfather Richard Cockburn, brother of the Hon. James Cockburn.

And again I received your letter of Feb. 1983 with your note about "Aunt Julie Cockburn". I have just called my cousin, Mrs. Judy Gibson, Toronto, to ask if she thought that this note might have some connection with our Richard Cockburn and it was her opinion that there was no connection, although it may be through another branch of the Cockburn family. I believe I mailed to you a copy of the genealogical extract I received from the Prov. Archives which

showed that my great-Grandmother was born in Newmarket, Ont., and that her mother was a "Hamm" from Quebec (whether City, or Prov. not indicated). During my search through the Prov. Archives on Grenville St. I noticed quite a number of Cockburns in ~~the~~ Whitechurch Twp.

I have just this minute phoned the head office of the Bay and received the address for their archives in Winnipeg. For your general information I give it here, -

Hudson Bay Archives,
 c/o Mrs. Shirlee Smith,
 Keeper of the Archives,
 Provincial Archives Building,
 St. Mary Ave., and Memorial Blvd.,
 Winnipeg, Manitoba.

(no postal code)

During Easter week just past my wife and I drove to Montreal and stopped for lunch in Coburg. I first went, briefly, into Victoria Hall and was told that the restoration offices were at 107 King St. W. So I walked there in hopes of seeing you but was told that you did most of your work from your home. I phoned you at 355-3619 but got no answer. We then drove on to Montreal. Yours truly Falton B.

6 Simmons Street,
P.O Box 299,
Colborne, Ontario, K0K 1S0.
April 23, 1983.

Mr. Felton P. Behan,
20 Edgecliff Golfway, # 308,
DON MILLS, Ontario M3C 3A4.

Dear Mr. Behan :

Your letter of the 20th April, 1983 came yesterday, and I am very pleased to have you write to me. It is with regret you were unable to contact me on your recent journey to Montreal. Unfortunately, neighbours here have been giving us harassment trouble to the point where we have had to change our telephone number to an unlisted number. This is why you were unable to reach us. Further, I am deaf and cannot now use the telephone, and my wife is quite sick most of the time. We are a bit handicapped.

I Hope you can gain some pertinent details with THE BAY archives.

As I understand the earlier Cockburn family, they were very close and kept in touch with each other. The little detail I gained from Mr. J.E.L.HOLLIER, a descendent of James Cockburn's sister, I feel sure is quite authentic. Richard may have lived in Mimico as well as Whitchurch Township and/or Markham.

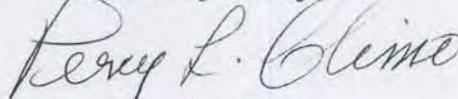
I regret to say I did not receive the Genealogical extract you obtained from the Archives of Ontario and sent on to me.

The surname Cockburh is reasonably common and there could be a number of Cockburn families in Whitchurch Township and not necessary related. There are two or three Cockburn families long resident in the Cobourg Area.

To establish relationship in the Cockburn surname, one must go back to English/Scottish records . In my research of 1965-66 I did not consult overseas records.

Once again , I am grateful for your letter.

Yours very truly,



Percy L. Climo

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