

to verify this tradition and, therefore, little reliance is to be placed upon it as a historical fact. There is no doubt of the Scottish origin of the family and that the migration to the North of Ireland took place during the last half of the seventeenth century.

The writer of this sketch is indebted to his father, who was born in 1797, and to his uncle, born in 1795, for the facts which are given hereafter, until their arrival in New Brunswick in 1824.

MY GREAT-GRAND PARENTS AND THEIR FAMILY.

John Inch and Mary Halliday, his wife, were living in the town of Strabane in the County of Tyrone at the close of the eighteenth century. He was engaged in mercantile pursuits, probably in the dry goods line. He must have been in fairly good circumstances, for several of his sons were men of education, occupying positions of responsibility in the industrial and learned professions. He had six sons.

(1) Nathaniel was educated for orders in the Church of England. After ordination he served for a short time as curate and lived at Muff, a village four miles from Londonderry. About 1820 he was Rector of a Parish near Dublin. In 1818 he had a family of two daughters. Whether he had any other children I do not know.

(2) *John*, called after his father, was an architect. In 1818 he was residing at Rathmines, near Dublin. He was married and had a family of whom I have no record.

(3) *George*. In early life he went to the West Indies, was married there, and both he and his wife died early,