



Bailies of Bennachie

Bennachie Centre
Chapel of Garioch
Inverurie
AB51 5HX

Mr G Tough

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Inverurie

22/07/02

Dear Mr Tough,

I am writing to thank you for very kind donation of books belonging to the late Dr Robert Scott to the Bailies. They are all very interesting and will make a valuable addition to the Bailies Library. They will be available for reference at the Bennachie Centre and are much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Fred Gordon
Senior Bailie

Faint handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page. It appears to be a letter or note related to the book donation, mentioning 'Dr Robert Scott' and 'Bailies Library'.

Fred,

Below are the details regarding
our most recent donation of books

The books all belonged to the
late Sr. Robert Scott who was
Graham Lough's father-in-law.

The books are in general
local to the North West of Scotland
and are all in very good
condition. They are worthy
of a place in the Birkie's library.

Jim

address of donatee.

Mr Graham Lough
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ABERDEENSHIRE.

Jim Lough

From Mrs Tough daughter of
 Sir Robert Scott.

Dr Robert Orr Scott born in Glasgow in 1916, did a B.Sc degree at Glasgow University, then moved to Aberdeen to further his research into trace determination and did Ph.D. at Aberdeen University. Joined Macaulay Institute for soil research in 1942 and became head of department of spectrochemistry in 1968 where he remained till he retired in 1981.

He was a great historian, especially relating to the Garioch and Aberdeenshire. Started collecting books in 1960's and it became his hobby.

He read all his books at least once, and could and did give some talks on local history.

Died of cancer at the age of 71 in 1987, after a very short illness. & is buried at Cluny ^{where he stayed,} churchyard, because he loved old church yards & found them to be of great interest.

If he was still alive he would be very happy to know some of his books have been put to good use.