

James Anderson Jannet Simpson

The only information about this couple comes from O.P.R's:

Perth, Meigle 1760 June 14th James Anderson and Jannet Simpson both this parish

Many people in this area were likely to be closely involved with the land in one way or another. The main crops in the area were oats, barley, peas and flax, (in a good year a lippie* of lint-seed could give a yield of a stone of dressed flax). Turnips and hay were also grown as winter-feed for cattle. Young cattle were raised and either sold to drovers or fed up then taken to Falkirk to "meet the English merchants". Potatoes, although introduced only within the last 20 years, were grown in large quantities.

*Note:

4 lippies = 1 peck

4 pecks = 1 bushel

As 1 bushel = 8 gallons and 1 gallon = 4.5 litres,

1 peck = 9 litres and 1 lippie = 2.5 litres.

1 stone = 14 lbs or 6.36 kg