

P69 Wick: In and Around it
RECORDS' IDENTITY STATEMENT

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Title: *Wick: In and Around it*

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RECORDS' CONTEXT

Name of creators: John Horne

Administrative history: Presented to Henry Henderson (1873-1957) by Staxigoe and District Literary Society

Henry Morrison Henderson was born at West Borrowston, Parish of Reay, Caithness, 25 July 1873 to Margaret Morrison and Henry Henderson. He was the eldest of six children. Leaving Dounreay School at the age of 13, he worked as a tea traveller and then postman. He was sub postmaster at Dounreay for 46 years until his death, 3 October 1957. He married Margaret Henderson from Dounreay in 1906 and had nine children named after literary and historical characters.

In November 1893 he earned the Humane Society bronze medal for saving the life of Captain Ballard, sole survivor of the S.S. Dauntless. A fellow poet and postie, Donald Mackay (AKA Jenny Horne) encouraged Henry to submit his poems to The John O'Groat Journal. 'Dying year 1892' was the first of around 2,000 poems published in the Caithness Courier, the Northern Times and the John O'Groat Journal over a 50 year period. In 1893 he won a gold medal in a Glasgow Caithness Society poetry competition

John Horne - well known writer and poet
John Horne, born 10th May 1861 at 12

Louisburgh Street, Wick.

Parents - Donald Horne and Jane Taylor

He began writing in the Northern Ensign and later became a Pastor.

He died on 10th Nov 1934.

Custodial history:

RECORDS' CONTENT

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'Wick: In and Around it' by John Horne, presented to Henry Henderson by Staxigoe and District Literary Society

Appraisal:

Accruals:

RECORDS' CONDITION OF ACCESS AND USE

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ALLIED MATERIALS

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