

25, Elmbank Crescent,

Glasgow, Scotland.

March 2nd 1953.

My dear Fiona, this letter is just to inform you that your Granny and Grandpa are sitting at the fire, doing what a lot of folk do, when they are cold - just warming themselves. Aye, we are very comfortable here, and I hope you are enjoying a snorter in New York; but no one I knew Li'le ol' N'Yawk a long time ago!

So, people ask you where you came from and when, and, perh aps, why. Americans call themselves "old", if they went over with the Mayflower, but you tell them that the first Medical Chair established in the British Isles, was in 1492, the year America was discovered, by Columbus, and the place, the City of Aberdeen. Oh yes, I know; all countries imagine that England was away ahead in everything in these parts, but the fact is that they were a long way behind! For example we had the present Callendar 172 ye rs before Englabd, and all else was in that ratio.

Your name, and mine. The first of our name was born in Ireland, in the 14 A.D. Ulster, at that time, and long before, was settled by