

Doug,

During the week following the trip to Blue Hill, I was flipping through several of the old Nivison family albums that I had brought home with me following the passing of Dad. Knowing how close you were, as we all were, to Nannie & Bub I put together a few images connected to their wonderful lives.

You may already have copies of some of these images, but in some cases two copies are better than one ! Enjoy this small bit of visual history of Nannie & Bub.

Jack N

P.S. Do you have any info on Nannie's family, the Campbells' ? I have very little in the way of birth & death dates, what the family did for a living, etc.. Any details you might have would be greatly appreciated.

Doug

## Nivison Home In Guardbridge Designed by David Boe Nivison

The Nivison family, following the death of their father, Robert Nivison in 1902 would eventually have to vacate their original home, which was the Mill Foreman's residence. Robert Nivison had been Mill Foreman from 1881 right up to the time of his death in 1902, some 21 years. The Mill Foreman's house a stone structure, was located across the road from the mill. ( another paper mill victim - the Guardbridge Mill was shut down in 2008 by the owners, Curtis Fine Papers, a loss of about 250 jobs !)

Following the death of their father, the owners of the Guardbridge Paper Mill would provide 300 pounds for the Nivison family for a new place to live. David Boe Nivison, second oldest in the family, was an apprentice architect with a Guardbridge firm at that time. David would design a new home for his brothers and sisters and their step mother. The home would be built on the west side of the main route which passed through the town center (A 91). See sketch of diagram.

The Nivison family would not remain in their new home for a long period of time. John Alexander would be the first to leave in March of 1904 at the age of 22. Robert, the oldest would follow, also in 1904 several months after John. William and David Boe would travel together in 1905. Helen Thom would leave in 1908 and Annie Boe would travel with John and "Maggie" Nivison in October of 1910 following their wedding in Leuchars on September 30. The youngest sibling, James would remain in Scotland for his entire life.

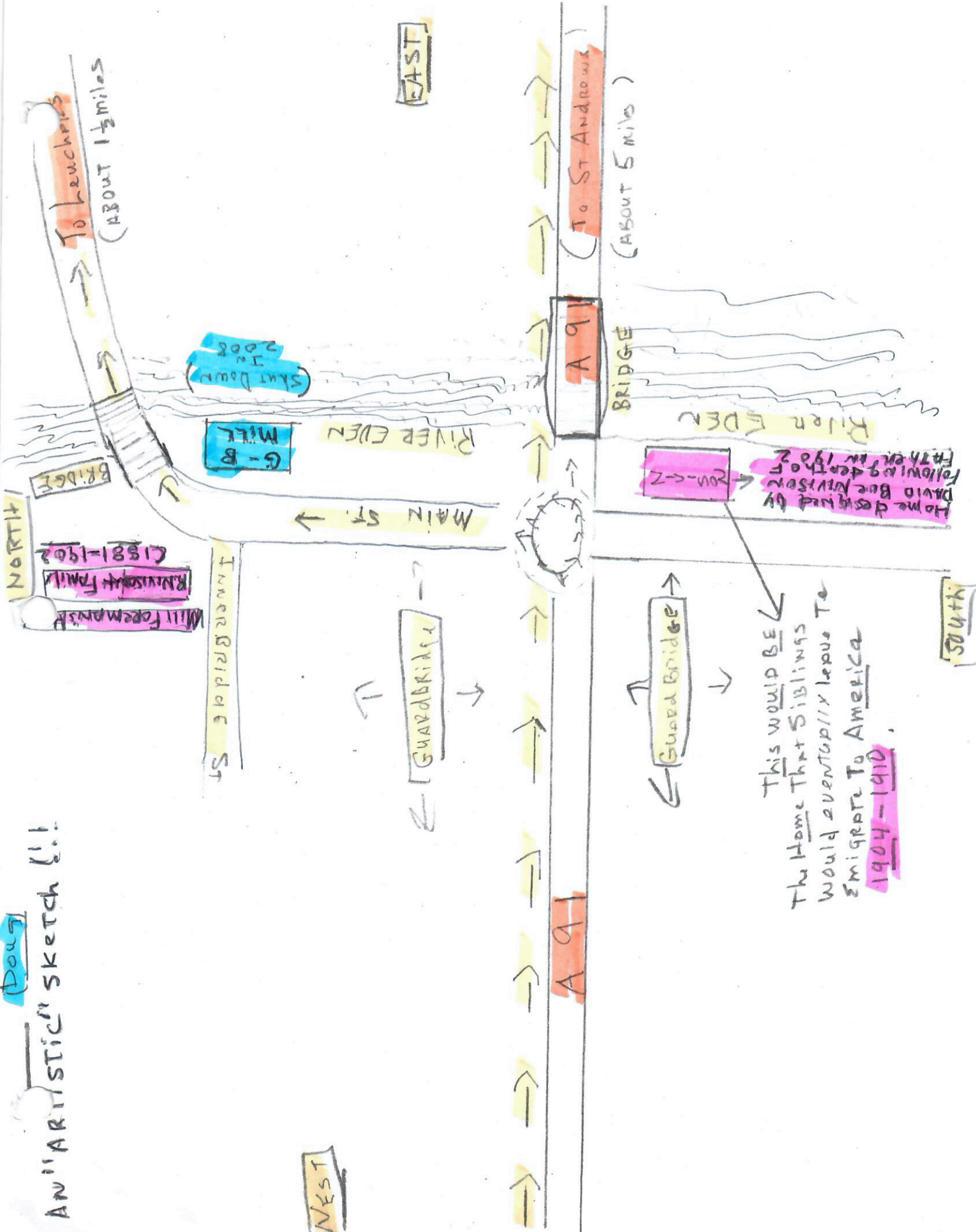
This postcard photo is the Nivison home designed by David Boe Nivison It was built on the west side of Guardbridge. Notice on the photo side of the card the word in quotes, "Westerton" and in the upper left side the two words, "my home". I am not positive of the meaning of "Westerton" . I did ask David S. Nivison if he had any information on the meaning. He did not. In doing some additional research I did find that there is a Westerton village in the area of Glasgow and that there was and still is a very old Westerton Bed & Breakfast. In comparing the old architecture of that Bed & Breakfast and the new Nivison home, there are very similar architectural lines to both buildings, so maybe "Westerton" might have had something to do with an architectural style ?

The two words, "my home" would have been written on the card by our grandfather, John Alexander. If you examine the date stamp on the card it reads; June 6, 1904. The address is the boarding home in Winslow where he lived about 5 years (1904-09).( I discovered several years ago that Jo Ann and I rented a two floor apartment in this very same boarding home in which "Bub" had lived ! ) With the stamp date of June 6, 1904, "Bub" received this photo card about two months after he had arrived in Winslow.

NOTE: Most of the research relative to the Nivison's having to vacate their original home and the designing & building of their new home was taken from a paper written by David S. Nivison of California about his grandfather. He did a great deal of research at the Guardbridge Paper Mill in the 1970's. David, in 1975, visited us at 4 Bowden St and left us with quite a packet of research material. Part of this package was a great piece written by David about his grandfather, Robert Nivison. Your Mom, I feel sure, received a copy ??

Jack N

**Don't**  
AN "ARTISTIC" SKETCH !!



WEST

EAST

NORTH

SOUTH

This would BE  
The Home that Siblings  
would eventually have to  
migrate to America  
1904-1910

Home designed by  
David Beechey  
1902

A 91

A 91

(TO St ANDREWS)

BRIDGE (ABOUT 5 miles)

Guard Bridge

Guard Bridge

INNER BRIDGE ST

MAIN ST.

G-B MILL

SKAT DOWN IN 2008

BRIDGE

Mill Foreman's  
Riverside Family  
1881-1902

RIVER EDEN

(ABOUT 1 1/2 miles)

TO Leuchars