

At Christmas 1796, James Carnegie, weaver, and formerly tide-waiter in Arbroath died, leaving seven children, the youngest of

whom was baptized at his fathers coffin—only two of them were able to do for themselves; other two were taken by their fathers relations, the Widow—(his 2nd wife) Isobel Hill, remains burthened with the three youngest who are all Boys. The Kirk Session of Arbroath has hitherto given her a weekly allowance, and she has received the overplus of the Carnegies fund; but would need much more than it can afford, untill the children are able to go to service or trades. The Widow Carnegie is a well behaved woman, and her connexions not of the lowest order, but by sundry accidents, they can give her little assistance.