# 42 & 44 High Street



No.42 was the bakers shop. No.44 is on the right.

# **◄** Chronology of Ownership & Occupancy ►

Deeds of No.38 High Street refer to a property to the east belonging to James Douglas, baker, suggesting that he may have planned to feu this property. The failure of the Ayr Bank may have prevented James Douglas from taking up the feu.

1782 Feu charter to John Hunter, baker.

1790 Willed to his wife Catherine Rae.

1820 Ownership recorded of James Hunter, son of John Hunter.

**1825-6 Pigot & Co. Directory:** Margaret Hunter was a baker in Front Street. **1837-8 Pigot & Co. Directory:** Margaret Hunter was a baker in Front Street.

## 1841 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 7 Page 2 Front Street 50

| <b>Surname</b> | Forename(s) | Rel. | Mar. | <u>Sex</u> | <u>Age</u> | <b>Occupation</b> | <b>Birthplace</b>  |
|----------------|-------------|------|------|------------|------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Hunter         | Margaret    |      |      | f          | 45         | baker             | Kirkcudbrightshire |
| Hunter         | Anna        |      |      | f          | 20         |                   | Kirkcudbrightshire |
| Hunter         | John        |      |      | m          | 15         | baker apprentice  | Kirkcudbrightshire |
| Cunningham     | Agnes       |      |      | f          | 25         | female servant    | Kirkcudbrightshire |

## 1851 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 2 Pages 5 & 6 High Street (South) 10

| <u>Surname</u> | Forename(s) | <u>Rel.</u> | Mar. | <u>Sex</u> | <u>Age</u> | <b>Occupation</b>    | <b>Birthplace</b> |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|------|------------|------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Hunter         | Margaret    | head        | W    | f          | 58         | baker & confectioner | Wigtown, Wigtown  |
| Hunter         | Anna        | dau.        | S    | f          | 30         | baker & confectioner | Kbts, Girthon     |
| Hunter         | John        | son         | S    | m          | 26         | baker & confectioner | Kbts, Girthon     |
| Mackie         | Anna        | sister      | W    | f          | 60         | annuitant            | Wigtown, Wigtown  |
| Herron         | Agnes       | visitor     | S    | f          | 26         | farmer's daughter    | Wigtown, Mochrum  |
| McTier         | Roseanna    | visitor     | S    | f          | 15         | farmer's daughter    | Wigtown, Mochrum  |
| Cunningham     | Agnes       | servant     | S    | f          | 38         | house serv.          | Kbts, Anwoth      |
|                |             |             |      |            |            |                      |                   |

McClelland Mary head 61 annuitant Kbts, Twynholm f

| 1852 Slater's Direc  | etory: M    | largt. Hunter | was a | baker &         | & confe    | ectioner in High Str | reet.                   |  |  |
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| 1861 Girthon Cen   | Page 8      | 3 & 9         | High  | Street South 16 |            |                      |                         |  |  |
| <b>Surname</b>   | Forename(s) | Rel.          | Mar.  | <u>Sex</u>      | Age        | Occupation           | <b>Birthplace</b>       |  |  |
| Hunter   | Margaret    | head          | W     | f               | 68         | baker                | Wigtown, Wigtown        |  |  |
| Hunter   | Anna        | dau           | S     | f               | 39         |                      | Kbts, Girthon           |  |  |
| Hunter   | John        | son           | S     | m               | 35         |                      | Kbts, Girthon           |  |  |
| McKee  | Anna        | sister        | W     | f               | 70         | fundholder           | Wigtown, Wigtown        |  |  |
| Cunningham   | Agnes       | servant       | S     | f               | 48         | domestic servant     | Kbts, Anwoth            |  |  |
| McMaster   | William     | boarder       |       | m               | 16         | draper's apprentice  | England                 |  |  |
| Boreland   | Robert B    | lodger        | S     | m               | 20         | banker's clerk       | Kbts, Castle Douglas    |  |  |
| Dargie   | Mary Anne   | head          | W     | f               | 30         | sempstress           | Wigtown, Newton Stewart |  |  |
| Dargie   | Joseph      | son           |       | m               | 6          | scholar              | Kbts, Girthon           |  |  |
| Dargie   | Elizabeth   | dau           |       | f               | 5          | scholar              | Kbts, Girthon           |  |  |
| Dargie   | Margaret H  | dau           |       | f               | 3          |                      | Kbts, Girthon           |  |  |
| 1871 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 1 Page 8 High Street (S) 15 |             |               |       |                 |            |                      |                         |  |  |
| <b>Surname</b>   | Forename(s) | Rel.          | Mar.  | <b>Sex</b>      | <b>Age</b> | <b>Occupation</b>    | <b>Birthplace</b>       |  |  |
| Hunter   | John        | head          | S     | m               | 45         | baker employing 1    | boy Kbts, Girthon       |  |  |
| Hunter   | Margaret    | mother        | W     | f               | 77         |                      | Wigtown, Wigtown        |  |  |
| Hunter   | Anna        | sister        | S     | f               | 48         | shopwoman            | Kbts, Girthon           |  |  |
| Mackie   | Anna        | aunt          | W     | f               | 79         | annuitant            | Wigtown, Wigtown        |  |  |

| 1881 | Girthon | Census - | <b>Enumeration</b> | District 1 | Page 8 | High Street | (South) | 22 |
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head

servant

Kirkpatrick

Blyth

Irving

John H

Maggie

Joan

| <u>Surname</u> | Forename(s) | <u>Rel.</u> | <u>Mar.</u> | <u>Sex</u> | <u>Age</u> | <b>Occupation</b> | <b>Birthplace</b> |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Hunter         | John        | head        | S           | m          | 56         | baker             | Kbts, Girthon     |
| Dargie         | Elizabeth   | servant     | S           | f          | 23         | housekeeper       | Kbts, Girthon     |
| McDill         | John        | servant     | S           | m          | 21         | baker             | Kbts, Kirkbean    |

m

f

f

14

33

17

apprentice baker

retired dressmaker

domestic servant

England

Kbts, Gatehouse

Kbts, Twynholm

#### 1891 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 1 Page 6 High Street (S) 15

| <b>Surname</b> | Forename(s)    | Rel.     | Mar. | <u>Sex</u> | <u>Age</u> | <b>Occupation</b> | <b>Birthplace</b> |
|----------------|----------------|----------|------|------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Hunter         | John           | head     | S    | m          | 69         | baker             | Kbts, Girthon     |
| McDill         | Elizabeth      | servant  | W    | f          | 34         | baker assistant   | Kbts, Girthon     |
| McDill         | Mary           | serv.dau |      | f          | 8          | scholar           | Kbts, Girthon     |
| McDill         | John Hunter    | serv.son |      | m          | 4          | scholar           | Kbts, Girthon     |
| McDill         | George William | serv.son |      | m          | 2          |                   | Kbts, Girthon     |

Failure of John Hunter, baker. The property was sold to Miles Leighton, Dumfries, for £322. 1895

| 1901 Girthon Census - | Enumeration Disti | rict I Page 12 | High Street 38 |
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| <b>Surname</b> | Forename(s) | Rel. | <u>Mar.</u> | <u>Sex</u> | <u>Age</u> | <b>Occupation</b>  | <b>Birthplace</b>   |
|----------------|-------------|------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Walker         | William     | head | m           | m          | 43         | shopkeeper baker   | Kbts, Kirkcudbright |
| Walker         | Janet       | wife | m           | f          | 43         |                    | Kbts, Kirkcudbright |
| Walker         | James       | son  | S           | m          | 18         | baker's apprentice | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | Annie       | dau. | S           | f          | 15         | baker's assistant  | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | William     | son  |             | m          | 10         | scholar            | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | Margaret    | dau. |             | f          | 9          | scholar            | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | Robert      | son  |             | m          | 6          | scholar            | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | Albert      | son  |             | m          | 4          |                    | Kbts, Tongland      |
| w aiker        | Albert      | son  |             | m          | 4          |                    | Kots, Tongland      |

Walker Florence dau. f 2 Kbts, Gatehouse Walker Louisa dau. f 2m Kbts, Gatehouse

1905 Failure of Miles Leighton and property sold to William Walker, baker, Gatehouse for £250.

### 1911 Girthon Census - Enumeration District 1 Page 4 High Street

| <b>Surname</b> | Forename(s) | Rel.  | Mar. | <u>Sex</u> | <u>Age</u> | <b>Occupation</b>    | <b>Birthplace</b>   |
|----------------|-------------|-------|------|------------|------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Walker         | William     | Head  | m    | m          | 54         | baker                | Kbts, Southwick     |
| Walker         | Janet       | Wife  | m    | f          | 54         |                      | Kbts, Kirkcudbright |
| Walker         | Annie       | dau.  | S    | f          | 25         |                      | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | William     | Son   | S    | m          | 20         | baker                | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | Margaret    | dau.  | S    | f          | 19         |                      | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | Robert      | Son   | S    | m          | 16         | chemist's apprentice | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | Albert      | Son   | S    | m          | 14         | school               | Kbts, Tongland      |
| Walker         | Florence    | dau.  | S    | f          | 12         | school               | Kbts, Gatehouse     |
| Walker         | Louisa      | dau.  | S    | f          | 10         | school               | Kbts, Gatehouse     |
| Walker         | Leonard     | g-son | S    | m          | 8          | school               | Kbts, Gatehouse     |

1912-3 Girthon Valuation Roll: William Walker, baker, owned and occupied a house, shop & bakehouse in High

Street.

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1924-7 Stewartry P.O. Directory:
William Walker was a baker in High Street.
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**1929** Passed to William Walker junior and Robert Ireland Walker, bakers.

1955 Sold to John Kean, baker, for £1,135.

1965 Title of Jessie Kean, widow.

1976 Sold to Archibald Wood. After nearly two hundred years the baker's shop was turned into a gift shop.

The shop was called 'Kaleidoscope'.

1988 Sold to Leo and Bunty Davies.

**2001** Sold.

## 20th Century adverts for Bakers at 42 High Street





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