

Glengrant

Strathspey

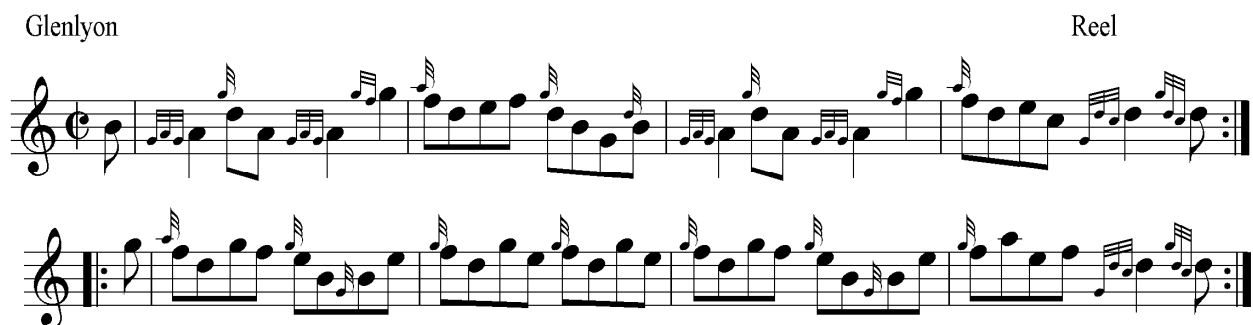


Glengrant: This is one of the series of tunes composed by James Scott Skinner for the great Scottish whiskies; it might suit a band looking for a bright, punchy strathspey for a medley. The most influential piping figure amongst the Grants was Charles Simeon Thomason, whose grandfather, William Grant of Elchies and Carron, on the River Spey near Aberlour, was the musical heir of Donald MacDonald. Thomason and several of his family are buried in

Glengrant (continued from previous page): Inverallan Kirkyard at Grantown on Spey. The grave is marked by an unpretentious stone, a simple cross mounted on a series of plinths and much encrusted with moss, bearing the words “Charles Simeon Thomason Major General Royal Engineers (Bengal) 25-5-33 Into Thy Hand I Commend my Spirit.” It contains also the ashes of his granddaughter, Lucy Mabel Maynard Thomason, born in India December 20 1891, who was his amanuensis in later years and compiled the index of his great piobaireachd collection, *Ceol Mor*.



General Thomason's grave



Glenlyon: reel. This was published by David Glen, but I prefer the present setting.