

## The McKenzie Letters

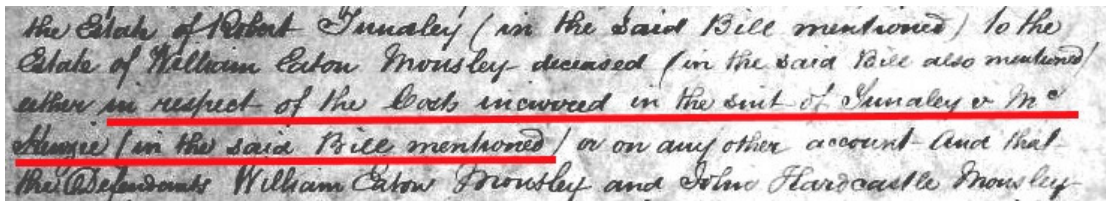
Announcement by Mr. McKenzie in Derby Mercury Wednesday 30 July 1823.

“Dancing

MR.MACKENZIE respectfully Informs the Nobility, Gentry, and the Public in general, that Mr.THOMAS TUNALEY **has refused to sign the Articles of Co-partnership** that he and his Mother entered into two years ago; in consequence of which Mr.MACKENZIE begs to solicit the protection of the Public at large, as he continues the business on his own account, and he flatters himself that the many years of experience he has had in London, will enable him to give general satisfaction; as a proof of the partnership that has been entered into between Mr. Tunaley and himself, he begs to insert the Advertisement they put in the public papers on his arrival from London.....”

Two years earlier Thomas Snape Tunaley had placed a notice in the Derby Mercury announcing a partnership with Mr. McKenzie. Following McKenzie's own public announcement and a subsequent failed legal suit taken out by Tunaley 1824 against McKenzie, Tunaley settled with McKenzie, incurring all costs.

The item below taken from the 1853-55 Court Hearing records



The Estate of Robert Tunaley (in the said Bill mentioned) to the Estate of William Eaton Mousley deceased (in the said Bill also mentioned) either in respect of the Costs incurred in the suit of Tunaley v M<sup>r</sup> Mousley (in the said Bill mentioned) or on any other account and that the Defendants William Eaton Mousley and John Hardcastle Mousley

Derby Mercury, Wednesday 18 July 1821

Announcement by T.S. Tunaley of partnership of Thomas.Snape Tunaley with a Mr McKenzie.

“Dancing

Mr. THOMAS TUNALEY has much pleasure in announcing to his Patrons that he has made arrangements for a Partnership with MR. MCKENZIE, of London, which he flatters himself will obtain their entire approbation, as, by the assistance of so experienced and well educated a Master, he hopes not only to be enabled to offer additional advantages to his Pupils, but to discharge his increasing Engagements with greater satisfaction. In introducing Mr. McKenzie for the first time to the public of this County, Mr. Tunaley is desirous to mention that he was originally a Pupil of the late SIR GEORGE NOVERE, the accomplished Ballet Master of the Opera House, Hay Market, London, under whose instruction he practised five years, and that his subsequent qualifications as a Teacher, besides having secured him the illustrious patronage of his Royal Highness the Duke of Sussex, have been approved by several of the Nobility of this and the neighbouring Counties, whose Families, with many others of the first distinction, he has had the honor of attending in Town.Messrs Tunaley and McKenzie desire to assure the Public that by their constant intercourse with London and Paris, they shall have it in their power to introduce all the fashionable novelties of the day as soon as they appear, and as their System of Tuition will be conducted agreeably to the

principles of the new Parisian System, they feel strong in their appeal for a liberal share of public patronage and favor. The next Quarter will commence at Belper on Tuesday the 31<sup>st</sup> instant; at Derby on Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>; at Bakewell on Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup>; at Burton-upon-Trent on Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup>; at Chesterfield on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup>; and at Mansfield on Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> of August next. Full Street, Derby July 16<sup>th</sup> 1821".

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P.H.Tunaley with newspaper items sourced by J.E.Holmes