Alexander Donald Mackintosh, the twenty eighth Chief of Mackintosh and twenty ninth of Clan Chattan, succeeded his brother in 1876. Born in 1851, he was educated at Cheltenham College and the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, joining the Highland Light Infantry in 1870. Soon after he became the Chief he left the army and obtained a Militia company of the Highland Light Infantry. Later on, he joined the third battalion Cameron Highlanders, and succeeded to the command of the regiment in 1897, retiring in 1903. He took the keenest pride and personal interest in his clansmen, tenants and estates, also adding to Moy Hall. In 1914, although over sixty years old, he volunteered for service, and commanded his old regiment, the 3rd Cameron Highlanders, at Invergordon, until Cameron of Lochiel resumed command in 1917. He became Lord Lieutenant of Inverness-shire in 1905, and was awarded the C.B.E in 1919. He took a very prominent part in the administrative affairs of the country, having been Vice-Convener of the County since its establishment in 180, and convener for over twenty years.

Alfred was a keen sportsman, a first class shot, and was Master of the Glamorgan Hounds. He was a personal friend of H.M King George V, whom he entertained on several occasions at Moy Hall.

Alfred married Harriet Diana Arabella Mary, only child and heiress of Mr Edward Priest Richard of Plas Newydd, Glamorganshire. She was a perfect hostess. She was a keen rider to hounds and an expert fisher. She killed a 43 lb salmon in the River Spean. She and her husband always lived half the year at Moy Hall and the other half at Cottrell, near Cardiff. During WWI, Arabella Mackintosh ran her own Red Cross hospital at Inverness, for which she was awarded he CBE. She survived her husband by three years.

Alfred had an only son, Angus Alexander, born 1885. He entered the Army, and as a Captain in the Roya Horse Guards was badly wounded at Ypres in 1914, and was subsequently appointed Aide de Camp to the Governor General of Canada. He married Lady Maud Cavendish, eldest daughter of the Duke of Devonshire in 1917. For the last year of his life he was on the Military Staff of the British Ambassador in Washington. He died from pneumonia in 1918, leaving a daughter, Anne Peace Arabella, known as Arbell, who was born in that year.

The chief died at Moy in 1938 and was buried at Petty. In his will he left all the Mackintosh estates and family heirlooms to his cousin Lachlan, who became the twenty ninth chief.