# CHAPTER XXIX.

# CADETS OF NEWE.

## PITTALLACHIE.

- I. Patrick, second son of Alexander, 1st Laird of Newe, acquired Pittallachie about 1550. He married Annabella, daughter of Alexander Forbes of Cairncoullie, by whom he had three sons and two daughters:—
- I. William his heir; 2. John of Ardgeith; 3. Alexander of Easter Migvie, who had a son William in possession of "ane croft" in 1667; Ann, married Gordon of Blelack, and another daughter married Gilbert White, burgess of Aberdeen.

He died after 1597 and was succeeded by his eldest son,

II. William, married before 1600 Margaret, daughter of James Skene of Skene, and had two sons and a daughter: William, his heir, and Captain Alexander of Drumlassie, who married Isobel Forbes of Tolquhon and had three sons, Alexander, William and Patrick, who all went to Poland.

The daughter married John Chalmers of Balnacraig.

Further accounts of two of these sons were as follows:—

1664. By the depositions of Duncan Forbes of Camphill and Master John Forbes, Professor of Humanity in New College, Aberdeen, it is stated "That the deceast Alexander Forbes who went from this kingdom about 20 years ago, he being then of the age of 16 or thereabouts and laitly reported killed in Poland, being upon his journey about his merchandise—and William Forbes who went from this about 3 years ago and now reported to be in Poland are the lawful sons of Alexander Forbes of Drumlassie and Isobel Forbes their Mother and that the said Alex. Forbes and Isobel were lawful married persons and livit civilly and under ane good report." (Aberdeen Birth Brieves.)

There was also one for Patrick, their brother.

III. William, sometime of Pittallachie, afterwards of Kinaldie, was served heir to his grandfather, Patrick, July 15th, 1613, but the property was shortly afterwards disposed of to Alexander Forbes of Boyndlie.

<sup>1</sup> Patrick of Pittallachie was one of the Forbes specially excepted from the jurisdiction of the Earl of Huntly, 1573. He was an elder of the kirk of Coldstone and sat upon a trial of witches there.

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He married first a daughter of Troup of Balnacraig, and had by her two sons, Peter and John, who went abroad, and secondly a daughter of Mr. William Douglas, minister of Aboyne.

William Forbes died at Kinaldie September 9th, 1672. He was buried in the kirk at Coldstone,

"but not under the long stone which justly belonged to him," since this was contested by his cousin, Alexander Forbes of Easter Migvie. Later in the same year, "his corpse was taken up by his brother's son, Patrick Forbes, and buried under the long stone."

IV. This Patrick Forbes appears to have acquired the lands of Pittallachie. He married Jane Farquharson of Inverey and had James, Alexander, Barbara, Margaret and Anne.

James Forbes, an officer in the 25th Regiment of Foot, married 1762 Elizabeth Gribble of Cork, and had by her Alexander.

Alexander, married Mary, daughter of Thomas Hodder of Ringabella House, Co. Cork, and by her had one son, James Hodder, and a daughter, Anne, died young.

James Hodder Forbes, Captain R.N., married 1817 Charlotte, eldest daughter of Charles Sturgeon and grand-niece of the Marquis of Rockingham, and had two sons, George Wentworth and Charles Wentworth, died young.

George Wentworth Forbes, born 1820, Lieut.-General, married Harriet Ann, daughter of William Pender Roberts, Captain R.N. of Cornwall, and had one son,

George Wentworth Forbes, Captain King's Dragoon Guards, married 1888 Eva, daughter of Thomas Lloyd of Minard Castle, Argyllshire, and had two daughters, Marjory and Isabella, and a son, William, in the Burmah Civil Service. He is buried at Drumconrath, Ireland.

### INVERNOCHTY.

Alexander Forbes, second son of William, 2nd Laird of Newe, was first of Invernochty in the parish of Strathdon.

He married and had a son Arthur, who died before 1675, who married first, Violet Coutts, and secondly, Isobel Thomson.

Arthur's son, Alexander, appears in the Poll Book of 1696 with his wife, Isabella Ross, widow of John Forbes of Buchaam, whom he had married July 2nd, 1676, and William, Adam and Arthur his children. He had also a brother John, as "Alistair Forbes of Glenochty" appears in a decret of Lawboroughs with John of Invernochty, his brother, in 1682.

Alexander died 1722.

#### SUNHONEY.

- I. John Forbes, second son of William of Daach, designed of Sunhoney. He married Elizabeth, daughter of John Skene of Auchtererne, by whom he had three sons: John, his heir; Alexander, o.s.p.; and Robert of Pittentaggart, see below.
- II. John Forbes of Sunhoney married a daughter of Robert Forbes, son of the Laird of Echt, by whom he had one son, Arthur.
- III. Arthur married Marjory, daughter of John Forbes of Camphill, by whom he had one son, Robert, in Mill of Melgum.

# PITTENTAGGART.

- I. Robert of Pittentaggart married Anna, daughter of Alexander Gordon of Cults, and had, with other children, Arthur, his heir.
- II. Arthur married April 7th, 1687, Elspet, daughter of George Forbes of Skellater, and had issue.

#### FORBES OF DESKRIE.

JOHN FORBES, fourth son of William Forbes, 5th Laird of Newe, came into possession of the Estate of Deskrie—parish of Tarland, probably after the death of his father in 1698. He married on the 22nd August, 1699, Margaret Farquharson of Belenach and died in 1739 leaving issue:—

(1) Archibald, his successor, born 1713. (2) Alexander in Buchaam, born 1715, married 1740.

ARCHIBALD FORBES of Deskrie, married firstly ——? And secondly Agnes Lumsden in Newbigging and had issue: John, Rector of St. Augustine, East Florida.

On December 24th, 1776, he sold Deskrie to Alexander Mitchell, merchant of Aberdeen, and died at New Mill of Keith on December 2nd or 3rd, 1793, aged 8o.

THE REVEREND JOHN FORBES, eldest son of Archibald Forbes of Deskrie, went to America and there married on February 2nd, 1769, Dorothy Murray, a Scotswoman, who died at Milton, Massachusetts, in June, 1811, aged 68. He (The Rev. John Forbes) died on the 17th September, 1783, while on a visit to his native country, leaving issue three sons, viz.:—

(1) James Grant, born November 22nd, 1769—founder of the New York branch of the family. (Vide next page.) (2) John Murray, born August 13th, 1771, graduated at Harvard University, U.S.A., and was class mate and intimate friend of the late John Quincy Adams, President of the United States. He was for many years, both at Copenhagen and Hamburg, Consul for the United States, and subsequently Chargé d'Affaires at Buenos Ayres, where he died unmarried in 1831. (3) Ralph Bennet, born June 11th, 1773—founder of the Boston branch of the family. (Vide page 386.)

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#### NEW YORK BRANCH.

COLONEL JAMES GRANT FORBES, eldest son of Reverend John Forbes, Rector of St. Augustine, was born at St. Augustine, E. Florida, on November 22nd, 1769. He returned to England with his father in July, 1783, where he was educated. He married at New York on November 16th, 1804, Frances Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph Blackwell of New York. He served in the war of 1812, and, in 1813, was Colonel of the 42nd Regiment of Infantry. He died at New York and was buried on the September 25th, 1825, at St. Mark's. His widow died at New York on December 27th, 1845, and was buried at St. Luke's. Issue:—

- (1) John Murray, born May 5th, 1807 (of whom hereafter). (2) Paul Siemen, born December 8th, 1808 (of whom hereafter). (3) William Howell, born March 24th, 1811. Lost at sea.
- (1) Mary Josephine, born August 6th, 1805, died unmarried at New York in May, 1871. (2) Harriet Blackwell, born April 14th, 1814, married W. Colhoun and had issue. She died May 24th, 1885. (3) Frances Margaret, born May 20th, 1817, married N. M. Beckwith and had issue. She died May 5th, 1885. (4) Adelaide Augusta, born December 13th, 1820, married Colhoun, and had issue. She died in 1884.

THE REVEREND JOHN MURRAY FORBES, Rector of St. Luke's, New York, eldest son of Colonel James Grant Forbes, was born at New York on May 5th, 1807. He went to Scotland in 1836 and was served Heir-General to his grandaunt, Mrs. Margaret Forbes or Paterson, at Aberdeen on August 15th, 1836. He married firstly, in 1837, Anne Howell, and secondly, in 1870, Emily Anthony, and had issue by both marriages. He died at Elizabeth, New Jersey, in 1885, leaving issue:—

- 1. Francis Blackwell, died in 1908, married in May, 1867, Isabel Clark, and had issue: (1) Francis Murray, married Mary Cochrane, and has issue; (2) Charles Stewart, unmarried; (3) James Grant, director of Blair & Co. Ltd., Austin Friars, married Margaret Winthrop, and has issue. (1) Isabel, married Albert de Meniont (France). He died in 1907; (2) Anna, unmarried; (3) Ethel, married Potter.
- 2. John Murray, married Minnie E. Griswold, and has issue: (1) Gordon; (2) Howell; (3) John Murray; (1) Adelaide Augusta, married Dr. J. R. Carmichael, no issue; (2) Ethel Stuart, unmarried.
  - 3. Archibald, married Gertrude R. Vernam, and has issue.

Paul Siemen Forbes, second son of Colonel James Grant Forbes, born at New York, December 8th, 1808, married at Rio de Janeiro on April 25th, 1835, Valeria, daughter of Samuel Wright of Queen Anne's County, Maryland. She was born on September 12th, 1817. He died at Paris on April 30th, 1886, and his widow died at Versailles, France, on the 8th July, 1888. They were both buried in the Forbes Vault in Greenwood Cemetery, New York. They left issue:—

(1) Thomas Tunno, born at Rio de Janeiro in 1836, died at New York in 1840. (2) William Howell, born at Rio de Janeiro on November 24th, 1837. He married, in 1869, Dora Delano—no issue—died July 10th, 1896. (3) James

Grant, born at New York in 1839, died in 1844. (4) Henry de Courcey, living in Paris, unmarried. (5) Charles Stuart, living in Paris, unmarried. (6) Paul Revere, living in Mexico.

(1) Eleanor, born 1841, died November, 1855. (2) Pauline. (3) Frances Elizabeth, married December 14th, 1869, to Odilon Barrot, Deputé for the Ardèche, France. He died in 1904, issue. (4) Lillie, married at Geneva, December 16th, 1874, to the Duc de Choiseul Praslin, France, issue. He died in 1906. (5) Florence.

#### BOSTON BRANCH.

RALPH BENNET FORBES, born June 11th, 1773, youngest son of the Reverend John Forbes, married October 13th Margaret Perkins of Boston, and has issue: (1) James, born and died in 1800. (2) Thomas Tunno, born April 11th, 1803, and died without issue August 9th, 1829. (3) Robert Bennet, born September 18th, 1804, issue. (Vide below.) (4) John Murray, born February 23rd, 1813, issue. (Vide below.)

(1) Emma Perkins, born August 18th, 18o1, died unmarried September 26th, 1847. (2) Margaret Jenkins, born April 10th, 1806, unmarried. (3) Cornelia Frances, born June 19th, 1807, died October 20th, 1809. (4) Mary Abbot, born September 4th, 1814, married Reverend F. Cunningham. (5) Cornelia Frances, born July 24th, 1817, unmarried, died on July 28th, 1911, in her 97th year.

ROBERT BENNET FORBES (third son of Ralph Bennet Forbes), born September 18th, 1804, died November 23rd, 1889, married June 20th, 1834, to Rose Greene, daughter of John Smith. He (Robert Bennet Forbes) was partner of Russel & Co., Canton, and in business with his brother, John Murray, and was noted for his interest in the welfare of the sailor and in life-saving at sea. He had issue:—

- Robert Bennet, junior, born October 24th, 1838, died in 1891, unmarried.
   James Murray, born July 17th, 1845, married June 10th, 1871, Alice Frances Bowditch, grand-daughter of the renowned navigator. J. M. Forbes was also partner in Russel & Co., Canton. He has issue:—
  - (a) Allan, born 1875; (b) Mary B., born 1878; (c) Dorothy, born 1880.

JOHN MURRAY FORBES, fourth son of Ralph Bennet Forbes, born at Bordeaux, France, on February 23rd, 1813, died October 12th, 1898, married in 1834 Sarah Swain Hathaway, and had issue: (1) William Hathaway, born November 1st, 1840; (2) John Malcolm, born February 2nd, 1847. (1) Ellen Randolph, died at 21 years of age; (2) Sarah, born July 3rd, 1852, married W. H. Hughes.

WILLIAM HATHAWAY FORBES, eldest son of John Murray Forbes, born November 1st, 1840, married on October 3rd, 1865, Edith Emerson, daughter of Ralph Waldo Emerson (philosopher, etc.), and died leaving issue.

(1) Ralph Emerson, born July 10th, 1866. (Vide below.) (2) William Cameron, Governor of Philippines, 1911, later U.S. Ambassador to Japan, born May 21st, 1870, unmarried. (3) John Murray, born August 27th, 1871, and died in August, 1888. (4) Edward Waldo, born July 16th, 1873. (Vide below.) (5) Waldo, born February 28th, 1879. (Vide below.) (6) Alexander, born May 14th, 1882.

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(1) Edith, born October 28th, 1867, married in August, 1903, Kenneth E. J. Webster, and has issue. (2) Ellen R., born October 28th, 1880, died in infancy.

RALPH EMERSON FORBES (eldest son of William Hathaway Forbes), born July 10th, 1866, married January 16th, 1901, Elise Cabot, and has issue:—

- (I) William Hathaway, born February 21st, 1902. (2) David Cabot, born October 29th, 1908.
  - (1) Ruth, born October 4th, 1903. (2) Margaret, born May 19th, 1905.

EDWARD WALDO FORBES (fourth son of William Hathaway Forbes), born July 16th, 1873, married on January 29th, 1907, Margaret Leighton, and has issue:—

- (1) John Murray, born July 14th, 1910.
- (2) Rosamund, born October 14th, 1908.

Waldo E. Forbes (fifth son of William Hathaway Forbes), born February 28th, 1879, married his kinswoman, Ellen Forbes, on January 20th, 1910, and has issue:—

(1) Stephen Hathaway, born November 26th, 1910.

ALEXANDER FORBES (sixth son of William Hathaway Forbes), born May 14th, 1882, married in June, 1910, Charlotte Grinell.

JOHN MALCOLM FORBES (second son of John Murray Forbes), born February 2nd, 1847, died 1904, married, firstly, on October 14th, 1873, Sarah C. Jones. She died in March, 1891, leaving issue:—

- (1) John Malcolm, born September 15th, 1877, died January 6th, 1878. (2) Gerrit M., born in August, 1880, married June, 1904, Florence Emerson, and has issue two daughters. (3) Henry Stone, born May 27th, 1882. (4) Stephen Hathaway, born April 9th, 1885, died November 15th, 1885.
- Margaret, born March 7th, 1876, married and died in 1899, leaving one child, Sarah M. Klebs.
   Ellen Randolph, born March 20th, 1886, and married Waldo E. Forbes.
   (Vide above.)
   Amelia, born November 29th, 1889.

John Malcolm Forbes married, secondly, in July, 1892, Miss Rose Dabney, and by her had issue:—

- (5) John Malcolm, born August 9th, 1901.
- (4) Alice Hathaway, born November 30th, 1897.

This account has been kindly verified from America.

# FORBES OF FORBESFIELD.

The descendants of Alexander Forbes in New Balgonen, Keig, now called Airlie, at one time claimed to be the senior line of Newe, and that the said Alexander was the second son of William, 6th Laird of Newe, the descendants of whose eldest son failed in the 9th Laird. It has now been conclusively proved from the gravestone in the old churchyard of Forbes, that Alexander Forbes of New Balgonen was born in 1684 or 1685, and cannot therefore be the same as the Alexander born 1687.

The Inscription on the stone is as follows:-

"Here lyes Alex. Forbes Farmer and Square wright in New Balgonen who departed this life Aug. the 14th in the year of God 1740 aged 55 and his children Alex. Anne as also Alex. Gellan and Margaret Morgan his father and mother in law."

He had eight children.

His second son, Francis, was a writer in Aberdeen.

The third son was John, who bought Forbesfield and married Anne Ferguson of Badifurrow.

John's son James married Elizabeth Fraser and had a son, James, 3rd of Forbesfield. He married Elspet Morgan and it was his son, another James, who was stated, by his next brother, Alexander, in a book published in 1905 called *Forbes of Forbesfield*, to be heir of line of Lord Pitsligo. The third brother, John, was an eminent K.C. and there are numerous collaterals of Forbes of Balgonen.

# CULQUHONNY, CALLENDAR AND ROTHIEMAY.

The family of Forbes of Culquhanny or Culquhonny is cadet of Newe. In the main line it is extinct, but a cadet branch of it became Forbes of Callendar, and a cadet branch of Callendar is now Forbes of Rothiemay.

The family tree is as follows:-

Sir Alexander Forbes, 2nd Laird of Pitsligo, had a son, William Forbes, who had a younger son, William of Daach. The eldest son of William was Alexander Forbes first of Newe. (See p. 365.)

WILLIAM FORBES OF COLQUHONNY, second son of John Forbes, 3rd "Guidman of Newe," was described as "of Colquhanny" in 1628. He had sasine of Towie February 28th, 1634, and died in April, 1644, leaving by his wife, Isobel Gordon:—

- (1) Arthur Forbes, born January 3rd, 1627, and a second son, William, born 1634, died 1667 s.p.
  - (I) Helen, who married her cousin, William Forbes, fifth of Newe.

ARTHUR FORBES, born January 3rd, 1627, married (I) Anne Gordon and (2) Marjory Forbes. He sold to William Forbes of Newe "a certain portion of the lands of Culquhunny lying between the old Strype and the lands of Mill of Newe," d. February 14th, 1670.

(Patrick Forbes, second son of William Forbes of Newe, had sasine of the lands of Mill of Newe and that portion sold by Arthur Forbes of Colquhanny, May 16th, 1670, proceeding on a disposition of these lands by the same William Forbes to the same Patrick Forbes d. February 14th, 1670.)

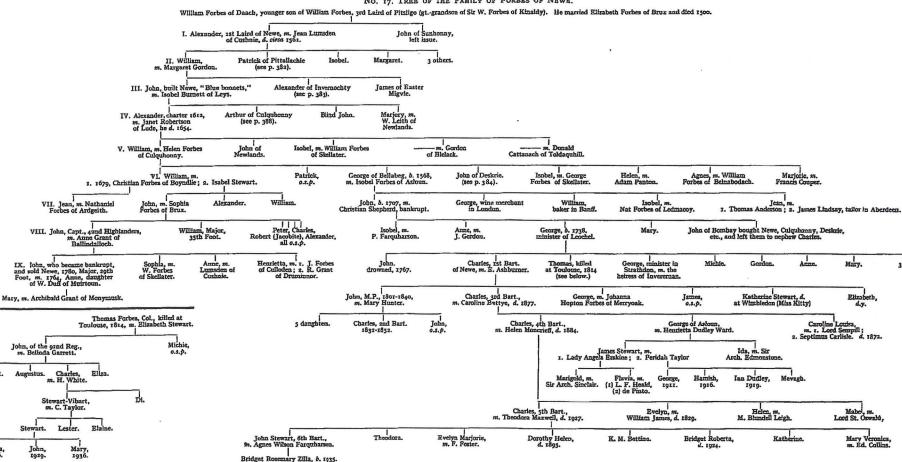
The remainder of the Colquhonny Estate became the property of John Forbes of Inverernan ("Black Jock") in 1700. The house is a ruin.

FAMILY TREE
No. 17

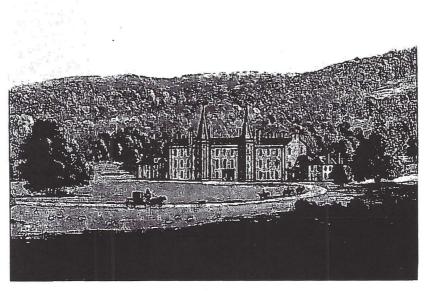
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#### MOTTO OF FAMILY OF NEWE .- "Altius ibunt qui ad summa nituntur."

## No. 17. TREE OF THE FAMILY OF FORBES OF NEWE.



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CALLENDAR HOUSE, FALKIRK.

(From an old engraving.)



TOLQUHON CASTLE.
(From picture by James Giles, by permission of L. McD. Chalmers, Esq.)

Arthur Forbes of Colquhonny died before 1704, leaving issue, six sons:—
(I) Patrick, married Mary Strachan and left issue, a son William and two daughters. (2) Adam, married Elizabeth Reid on June 20th, 1704; issue, if any, unknown. (3) William. (4) George, baptized Strathdon Church, September 21st, 1678, married June 16th, 1708, Elizabeth Gordon, of whom presently. (5) Alexander, baptized April 13th, 1689. (6) Roderick, baptized March 23rd, 1695; and three daughters: (1) Jean (married Patrick Wyld), born July 3rd, 1680. (2) Elspet, baptized July, 1683, unmarried. (3) Helen, baptized June 5th, 1686.

GEORGE FORBES, the fourth son shown above—baptized September 21st, 1678, married on June 11th, 1708, Elizabeth, daughter of James Gordon (described in Aberdeenshire Poll Book 1696, as "Gentleman-farmer—Mill of Auchindoir"). George Forbes was dead before 1720 (as in that year his widow remarried Charles Lumsden, and had further issue by him). No record of his death has been found. He left issue:—

(1) William, born 1709 (vide below). (2) George, born 1711, died young. (3) Robert, a doctor in Banff, married —— Sutherland, and left a son, Robert. (1) Margaret or Janet, married Alexander Innes.

WILLIAM FORBES, eldest son, born 1709, married on October 15th, 1740, Janet, daughter of Rev. William Dyce, minister of Belhelvie, Co. Aberdeen-He was known as "The Coppersmith" and as such had a successful business career in Old Aberdeen. He died in 1762, and his widow in 1803; both were buried in the Churchyard of Old Machar. They left issue:—

- (1) George, born October 25th, 1741, married Jane Lumsden, died November 29th, 1791. (2) William Forbes of Callendar. (3) James, born 1745, died unmarried June 22nd, 1801. (4) Andrew, died in infancy, 1749. (5) David, merchant in London, born December 26th, 1753, d.s.p. 1832, buried at St. Botolph's, Aldersgate. (6) Robert of Castleton, ancestor of Forbes of Castleton and Lochcote and of Forbes of Rothiemay. (See p. 392.)
- (I) Katherine, born 1747, married Robert John Abercrombie, Provost of Aberdeen. They have many descendants. She died 1771. (2) Elizabeth, died unmarried April 5th, 1766, aged 16. (3) Janet, married James Allardyce, collector of H.M. Customs, Aberdeen, and had issue. (4) Jean, born 1761, died January 27th, 1830. She resided at Hillbrae.

The eldest son George Forbes, born October 25th, 1741, merchant and coppersmith in Aberdeen, married April 11th, 1774, Jean, daughter of David Lumsden of Strathmore, Tarland, and died in 1791, leaving issue:—

(1) William, who was M.D. in Jamaica. He married Miss Tamplin of Jamaica, and left one daughter, Ellen. (2) David, Captain, Madras Fusiliers. He was made Governor of Ternate for his gallant services in capturing that

island. The island was ceded to the Dutch in 1810, when he became Governor of Banda, where he died. (3) John, born 1780, Captain, R.N. (vide below). (4) George, born 1781, d.s.p. 1802 at Dominica. He was a baillie of Aberdeen. (5) James, Captain, H.E.I.C.S., o.s.p.

(1) Janet, married her cousin, Robert Forbes, merchant in London. (2) Margaret, married Rev. William Urquhart, minister of Touch, and had one daughter.

The third son of George above, John Forbes, Captain, R.N., J.P. and D.L. for the county of Berks, was born March 15th, 1780. He saw much active service, including the taking of St. Lucia, the Battle of the Nile, Abercrombie's Landing in Egypt 1801, and the Passage of the Dardanelles 1807, where he was severely wounded. He married, July 22nd, 1814, Laetitia Mary, daughter of George White, Esq., of Newington, Oxfordshire. He purchased Winkfield Place, Berks, in 1816, and died January 16th, 1868, leaving issue:—

- (I) James William, born November 7th, 1815, Lieutenant 13th Foot. Died at sea (Bay of Bengal), January 29th, 1839 (no issue). (2) John George, born January 31st, 1817. (Vide below.) (3) Frederick Edwyn, R.N., born April 3rd, 1819, Commander Royal Navy. Died on service off the West Coast of Africa, March 23rd, 1852. Unmarried, o.s.p. 1852. (4) George Harrison Anne, born June 7th, 1828, Colonel Royal Artillery, married in 1868 Gertrude Marian, daughter of Rev. Thomas Gregory, and d.s.p. September, 1914.
- (1) Marianne, born 10th August, 1820, married Rev. Charles Saltern-Willett, M.A., Vicar of Monkleigh, N. Devon, and died in 1894, leaving issue.
  (2) Maria, born June 26th, 1822, married George Latham Browne, Barrister-at-Law, and left issue. (3) Laetitia Margaret, born March 16th, 1831, married Captain John Saltern-Willett, R.H.A., of Petticombe, N. Devon, and Newington House, Oxford, and died July 18th, 1889, leaving issue.

The second son of John of Winkfield Place, John George Forbes, born January 31st, 1817, educated Eton and Trinity College, Oxford, Barrister-at-Law, County Court Judge, Chairman of Sessions in the Colony of Victoria, married October 19th, 1861, Clara, daughter of Captain George Watson, 3rd Light Dragoons. She died in 1880, and he died March 3rd, 1900, leaving issue:—

- (1) John George, born February 2nd, 1865, Major, King's Shropshire Light Infantry. (2) James Frederick, born May 2nd, 1866, Lieut.-Colonel, D.S.O., formerly commanding 2nd Btn. Wiltshire Regiment, married July, 24th, 1894, Frances Ellen, daughter of Francis a Beckett Chambers of Hay, Pevensey, N.S.W., and has:
  - (1) Marjory Clara, born September 15th, 1897, married March 12th, 1935, Lieut.-Colonel Henry Koebel, Royal Artillery. (2) Angela Gertrude, born March 13th, 1899, married June 24th, 1919, Major C. B. Swift, Norfolk Regiment, and has one daughter.

(1) Clara Laetitia and (2) Caroline Mary—both died young. (3) Margaret Jane, born March 30th, 1868, married August 2nd, 1893, George Kennedy Abercrombie, who died August 7th, 1911, leaving one son. (4) Janet Cecilia, born July 6th, 1870 (unmarried).

William, the second son of the coppersmith, carried on along with his elder brother George the business of coppersmiths in Aberdeen, and inspectors of weights and measures for that city. William subsequently entered into profitable contracts with the Government for the sheathing of ships with copper, he having in his hands large stores of this metal, and from these transactions he realised an immense fortune out of which he purchased, in 1783, from the York Buildings Society, the forfeited estate of Callendar in Almond, Stirlingshire, formerly the property of the Earl of Linlithgow and Callendar, attainted after the Jacobite Rising of 1715. The sum paid was £80,000, and the story went that at the public sale, William Forbes, who was unknown to the auctioneer, was asked for a deposit on the price and produced a note for £100,000 which he had had specially printed by the Bank for this eventuality.

- I. William Forbes, 1st of Callendar, married Miss Macadam of Craigengillan, and secondly, in 1808, Agnes Chalmers of Westfield, and had two sons and three daughters:—
  - 1. William, who succeeded; and 2. John, Colonel, Coldstream Guards; (1) Katharine, married J. Russell, R.N.; (2) Jessie, married E. L. Gatacre: and (3) Agnes, unmarried. Colonel John Forbes married Lucy Whitmore, and had five sons and four daughters: 1. William Henry, Fellow of Balliol, born 1851, died 1914; 2. Arthur, 1852, married Catherine Drummond Murray, and had issue; 3. Sir John, 1856, killed in Afghanistan; 4. Walter, 1858; and 5. Granville, 1859, all three o.s.p. The daughters were Edith, Lilian, married H. Stevenson; Marjory and Dorothy.
- II. William, 2nd of Callendar, M.P. for Stirlingshire; married, 1832, Lady Louisa Charteris, daughter of the Earl of Wemyss, and had William and Francis and five daughters.
- III. William, 3rd Laird, married first, Rose O'Hara, and had William and John, both o.s.p.; and secondly, Edith Hervey, by whom he had three surviving sons, Francis, Charles, and Dudley, and three daughters, Lilian, Marjory and Dorothy.
- IV. The present owner is Charles William, the fifth son, who has William Dudley, and three other sons and four daughters.
- <sup>1</sup> A letter from Sir Stuart Threipland to Lady Fanny Steuart of Coltness of date August 9th, 1783, gives a slightly different account. Sir Steuart had just succeeded in buying back his own family estate, forfeited after the "Forty-five." "As I am sensible how much you are interested in what concerns me and my family I have the pleasure to inform you that yesternight I purchased the estate of Fingask and Kinnaird at the upset price. . . . Callender and Linlithgow went at more than double the upset price, they were both bought by a coppersmith who sheathes ships; his name is Forbes, an Aberdeenshire man; he paid for the two £66,100."

# CASTLETON AND ROTHIEMAY.

ROBERT FORBES OF CASTLETON, youngest son of the coppersmith, married Elizabeth Chalmers, sister of his brother's wife, and had:

- i. William, 2nd of Castleton and 1st of Lochcote, married J. D. Watson and left issue, William, 3rd of Castleton (see below).
- John, Lieut.-Colonel, E.I.C.S., born 1800 (see below).
   iii. Robert, died young.
   iv. David, Colonel, 91st Regiment, born 1808.
- v. James, born 1814, some time Captain of the 11th Regiment, and of the Aberdeenshire Militia, married, May 3rd, 1843, Margaret Lumsden of Auchindoir, and had:
  - (i) Robert William, married Anna Renny, o.s.p., aged 78, in 1924.
  - (ii) Henry Lumsden, married Helena Manders, and died in 1913, leaving issue: (1) James. (2) Richard, Colonel, Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders, married, September 24th, 1912, Jessie Wilson-Paton, and had issue: (i) Agnes, born 1802; died 1817. (ii.) Janet Dyce, born December 17th, 1810, married, first, Gavin Hadden; and secondly, Duncan Forbes of Balgownie.

William, 3rd of Castleton and Lochcote, born 1850, married Margaret Chalmers, and died in 1883, leaving one son, William David (4th of Castleton, born 1876, and was drowned at sea in 1903; and one daughter, Elizabeth, married the Rev. K. D. Mackenzie.

John Forbes, second son of Robert Forbes of Castleton, married Eliza Orrock, and had issue: i. John Foster Forbes of Rothiemay (see below).

ii. William, died unmarried, and five daughters: I. Eliza Anne, married Major John Pollexfen; and secondly, General Boyd. 2. Maria. 3. Jane. 4. Margaret. 5. Agnes.

JOHN FOSTER FORBES OF ROTHIEMAY (which he purchased in 1892), Colonel, Bombay Cavalry, born 1835, died 1917; married Mary Livesey Wardle, and had six sons and two daughters:—

- i. Ian Rose Innes (see below).
- ii. William Stronach, R.N., 1879, married Helen Margaret Strutt, and has two sons: William (Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders), and David (Cameron Highlanders).
- iii. Ronald, Lieut.-Colonel, D.S.O., Highland Light Infantry, born 1881; married Rosita Torr, and secondly, Sylvia Leslie, and died in 1936.
- iv. Roualeyn, R.N., born 1882, married Georgina Walker, and has one daughter.
- v. Hugh Gordon, born 1888, died in India, 1912. vi. John, B.A., Cambridge, born 1889; married, 1925, C. Hollins.
- Sheila, married, 1906, J. W. Guy-Innes of Raemoir, and has three sons and a daughter.
- ii. Sybil Mary, married Leslie Fisher, R.N., and has issue, two daughters; secondly, Captain Cherry.

Ian Rose Innes Forbes, present owner of Rothiemay, married, 1901, Helen, daughter of the 3rd Earl of Craven, and has issue: George, now a monk; and Charles Drostan; and four daughters: Victoria, Katherine, Isabel and Rose Mary. He married, secondly, Mary Shaw-Stewart.

FAMILY TREE
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COLQUHONNY, CALLENDAR AND ROTHIEMAY

Swift.

S. Leslie.

2 sons.

Diana.

Charles Drostan.