

## CHAPTER XXXI.

### CADETS OF TOLQUHON.

#### FORBES OF ARDGEITHEN, SECOND SON OF 1ST TOLQUHON.

Duncan Forbes of Ardgeithen, second son of Sir John Forbes of Tolquhon, married Christian, daughter of Thomas Gordon of Auchindoir, and had a son John, in Terpersie, married Magdalen Leslie of Balquhain, by whom he had four sons :

John, of Clova, who married a daughter of Forbes of Brux, "the white Laird." William in Terpersie, who married another daughter of Brux. George in Coutlage, married Bessie Barclay of Towie. Alexander in Auchmillen, married a daughter of John Ross of Auchlossan.

Isabel, married Robert Lumsden of Maidler, and had nineteen children ; and another, who married (1) Lumsden of Midstrath ; (2) Forbes of Cults ; and (3) Douglas of Tilquhillie.

Duncan Forbes, above, had also six *other* sons, three by a Thompson in Pittodrie and three by a Mortimer ; they were none of them lairds, but were settled in various farms, etc.

John in Tulloch ; James in Balfour ; James in Seafield (who left a son, "John, with the garters") ; William in Abersnithack ; Alexander in Birklassie ; and Henry, parson of Alford.

Of the above, *John* left two sons : John of Tulloch (who left a son, John) and Alexander of Fingask, who had William, Thomas in Tilliecairne, another in Cloack, who married Isabel Burnett.

William in Abersnithack married a Strachan and had seven sons, of whom Alexander Spangar (p. 72), has already been mentioned. Two others died in France, also his grandson, Thomas (p. 84).

#### DAVID FEDDAN.

David Forbes, called David Feddan, eighth son of Sir John Forbes, 1st of Tolquhon, had a son William, called "blae Willie," who was killed at the Huxter Stone and left issue two sons—Henry, Burgess of Aberdeen, and John, called "John of the Tun."

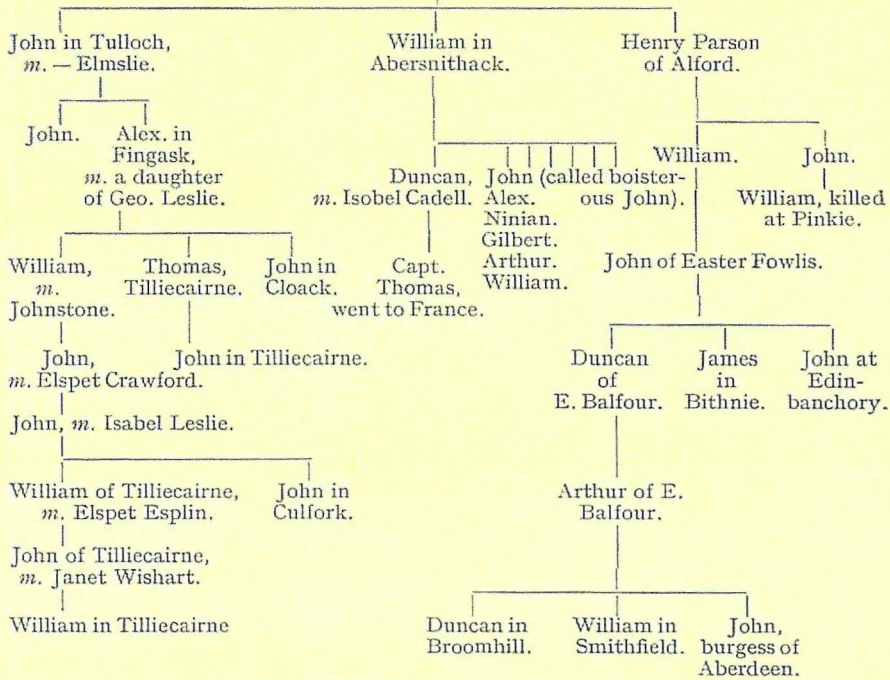
#### ESSIE.

David Forbes of Essie, second son of the second Sir John of Tolquhon, had a son Alexander in Essie, who had three sons :

Alexander in Essie, killed at Pinkie, left a son, John. John in Little-Auchmacoy had a son, Alexander in Balgonie. John in Rora had a son, John.

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No. 20. Younger sons of DUNCAN FORBES of Ardgeithen,  
*m.* (1) Christian Gordon, (2) Thomson, and (3) Mortimer.



LOGIE AND THAINSTON.

Henry of Logie, third son of the second Knight of Tolquhon, married — Middleton, by whom he had two sons :

Alexander, whence the first family of Thainston, and Andrew, who had two sons, Arthur of Tertowie and James of Easter Echt.

I. Alexander of Thainston, married Chalmers of Balbithan, by whom he had two sons, Henry of Thainston and William.

II. Henry, 2nd of Thainston, married first a daughter of Mowat of Balquholly, by whom he had William, his heir ; and secondly, a Tillyduff of Ranieston, by whom he had Alexander, Gilbert and Arthur.

III. William, married Christian Gordon of Auchindoir, relict of the Laird of Lessendrum, and had one son, Alexander.

IV. Alexander, married (1) Anne Leslie of Wardhouse, and had Henry ; and (2) Grant of Ballindalloch.

V. Henry, married Margaret, daughter of William Forbes of Corse, and had James and Patrick, who both went to Sweden. Henry was killed fighting with King Charles XII., along with many other Forbesees—for his sons see Forbesees in Sweden (p. 469).

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CULLODEN.

A great many minor branches have sprung from the house of Tolquhon. Of these the most important are those of Culloden, Foveran and Waterton ; some of the lesser branches will be noted in passing.

FAMILY OF CULLODEN. John Forbes of Bandle, second son of Alexander Forbes, 6th Laird of Tolquhon, married about 1567 Elizabeth, daughter of William Keith of Tulloch, by whom he had three sons :

Duncan of Culloden, M.P. ; John, an officer in the Scots Guard in France,<sup>1</sup> and Patrick, the Black Baillie of Inverurie and ancestor of Forbes of Foveran.

I. Duncan Forbes, born 1572, Provost of Inverness, bought the Bucht about 1626, Culloden from the Laird of Mackintosh in 1638, and Ferintosh in 1653. He married Janet, eldest daughter of James Forbes of Corsindae, by whom he had three sons : John, James of Caithness, and Duncan of Assynt ; and two daughters, Elizabeth, married William Baillie of Dunain, Inverness-shire, and Anna, married (1) Ewan Macpherson of Cluny, and (2) Alex. Mackintosh of Connage. Duncan died October 14th, 1654, and was succeeded by his eldest son.

II. John Forbes of Culloden, M.P., married in 1643 Anna, eldest daughter of Alex. Dunbar of Grange, and had six sons and two daughters :

Duncan, his heir. Sir David of Newhall, advocate and judge. (See p. 406.) Thomas, in Raitt, who married Jean Cuthbert. Alexander, went to America. Jonathan, M.D., married Jean Brodie of Lethen. John, of Pittencrieff, Lieut.-Colonel. (See p. 406.) Jean, married Sir Robert Munro of Fowlis ; and Naomi, married Robert Dunbar of Burgie.

John died about 1688, and was succeeded by his eldest son.

III. Duncan, M.P., married in 1668 Mary, daughter of Sir Robert Innes of Innes, and by her had two sons and seven daughters :

John, his heir, and Duncan, the famous Lord President.

Jean, married Sir Harry Innes of Innes. Anna, married Peter Forbes of Phylie, Assynt. Mary, married Robert Urquhart of Burdsyards. Margaret, married George Munro of Newmore. Isabel, married Fraser of Auchnagairn. Naomi, married Dr. Alexander Paterson of Inverness. Grizel, married David Ross of Kindeace.

He died in 1704, and was succeeded by his eldest son, John.

Duncan Forbes, 3rd of Culloden, was a great genealogist, and undertook to write the history of the Innes family, that of his wife, in order, as it was said, to show the "proud Kers," to whom the Inneses succeeded, that the latter family

<sup>1</sup> John Forbes, second son of John Forbes of Bandle, went to France when about 18 years of age. Obtained a commission in the Scots Guards, married a French woman, and had a son, Malcolm, who married an heiress, and his son, James, was Lord of La Faye. As "James Forbes of Fay in France" he had a sasine of an arent out of the Harbour of Slains, no doubt part of his grandfather's patrimony. The sasine is in the *Register* in Edinburgh under date 1634.

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was as ancient as their own. True to the Whig tradition of the Forbes house, Duncan did what in him lay to contribute to the expulsion of King James II. and the establishment on the throne of William and Mary. In consequence, his properties of Culloden and Ferintosh were ravaged by Generals Buchan and Cannon, who followed Dundee in command of the Highlanders, damage being done to the extent of £4500. The Scottish Parliament compensated Culloden by granting him the perpetual right to distill the grain off his own estate into whisky, paying a small contribution in kind in lieu of excise duty. The distillery was carried on by his sons, who drew from it their chief source of income, and this explains the fierce diatribes of the Lord President against the growing use of tea as a beverage. He even wished it prohibited by Act of Parliament. Those were the days of heavy drinking, and the story is well known of the funeral of the widow of this Duncan, 3rd of Culloden, on which occasion her two sons, John the Laird, and his more famous brother, the future Lord President, were so drunk that they allowed the funeral procession to start, leaving corpse and coffin behind!

IV. John Forbes of Culloden, M.P., married in 1699 Jean, daughter of Sir Robert Gordon of Gordonstown, and granddaughter of Lord Forbes. (See p. 211.) He died in 1734 without issue, and was succeeded by his brother.

V. Duncan Forbes of Culloden, born November 10th, 1685, Lord President of the Court of Session, to whose labours more than to those of any man was it due that the Jacobite Rising of 1745-46 was a failure.

Duncan married Mary, daughter of Hugh Rose of Kilravock, and had one son, John, who succeeded him. He died December 10th, 1747, having been very badly treated by the Hanoverian Government, for whom he had done so much, which refused even to refund the money he had expended in its defence, though his son afterwards received a pension.

An interesting and hitherto unknown document is among the *Cumberland Papers*, at Windsor, showing that the Prince was aware of how the Lord President was working against him.

“ Charles Prince of Wales and Regent of Scotland, England, France and Ireland and the Dominions thereunto belonging—To our trusty and Well-beloved the Lord Lewis Gordon

“ Whereas we are informed that Duncan Forbes of Culloden<sup>1</sup> has for some time

<sup>1</sup> Another prominent magnate of the north, and a Whig, was also sought for, but, like Duncan Forbes, evaded capture.

“ CHARLES PRINCE OF WALES REGENT ETC. TO JOHN GORDON OF GLENBUCKET,  
MAJOR GEN. OF HIS MAJESTY'S FORCES IN SCOTLAND.

“ Whereas we are informed that William Duff of Braco is a person that lays himself out to impede and obstruct the success of his Majesty's arms by treasonable practices we hereby authorize you to seize and secure his person and detain him in safe custody till further orders from us.

“ Given at our Camp at Dalwhinny this 30th August 1745.

“ Charles. P.R.

“ by his Highness Command J. Murray.”

(*Cumberland Papers*, as above.)

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past and still continues to be concerned in Rebellious practices against the King our royal Father (by seducing or endeavouring to seduce his subjects from their alledgiance and to take up arms against him), and others to be set forth against him. We therefore require and command you to search for, seize and apprehend the person of the said Duncan Forbes whom you are to bring prisoner to our Camp.

“ Given at our Palace of Holyrood house the 17 Oct. 1745.

“ By his Highness's Command.

“ J. Murray.”

That others also expected the Jacobite leaders to capture the Lord President is shown by the following.

John Hamilton of Gibston, one of the prisoners taken at Carlisle, where he was Governor for Prince Charles, writes from his prison to—

“ John Murray of Broughton.

“ London, Newgate,

“ 22nd March 1746.

“ Honorable Sir,

“ Suspecting the Lord President may be prisoner, I lately made bold to write you, which will I hope reach you, most earnestly entreating you would use your interest and Influence to have His Lop perfectly well-used, and in case my other letter should miss you, shall by this Repeat my most earnest Intreaty in his Lop's favours to whom and his friends, I have been brought under the strongest obligationes in Gratitude and friendship, which with you, will, I'm perswaded, have the proper Influence and effectuate what I do very earnestly wish for, which in my present situation will afford me great comfort and with greatest esteem and Respect, please believe me

“ Honorable Sir, Your most obliged and most

“ obedient Humble Servt.

“ John Hamilton.”

(*Cumberland Papers.*)

A covering letter is addressed to—

“ THE HONORABLE HUGH FORBES ONE OF THE PRINCIPLE CLERKS FOR THE COURT OF SESSION, ATT EDINBURGH.

“ Dear Sir,

“ In my present situation as a prisoner you'll pardon my addressing you from this place ” (repeats the gist of the other letter, and adds) “ As this and the enclosed are not Intended for a Prejudice to mankind, I'm inclined to think it will reach you by post, preferable to any by-way and Intreats the enclosed after reading and sealling may be forwarded.” (*Ibid.*) It appears this was not done, in any case the “ enclosed was not sealed.”

President Duncan Forbes, however, remained at liberty in spite of an attempt by Lovat to kidnap him, and poor John Hamilton was hanged on Kennington Common on November 15th, 1746. He had been concerned in both Jacobite risings, 1715 and 1745, on the latter occasion having been appointed Governor of Carlisle in the Prince's interest.

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The Lord President's son, who had fought on the Hanoverian side at Culloden, succeeded his father.

VI. John, married (1) Jane, daughter of Sir Arthur Forbes of Craigievar, by whom he had two sons; Duncan, died young, and Arthur, his heir.

He married, secondly, Henrietta, daughter of Captain John Forbes of Newe (who afterwards married Robert Grant of Druminnor).

John Forbes died September 22nd, 1772, and was succeeded by his second son:

VII. Arthur Forbes of Culloden, born 1760, married (1) Sarah, daughter and heiress of Edward Stratton of Kent, and had Duncan, his heir, and Sarah Louisa, married Hugh Robert Duff of Muirton. He married (2) Mary, daughter of Sir John Cumming, by whom he had no issue, and died in 1803.

VIII. Duncan, born 1781, married Sarah, daughter of the Rev. Joseph Walker of Lanchester, and had Arthur of Culloden, his heir; Duncan, of Culloden, who succeeded in 1879; and Joseph William, married and had issue—whence the present family. He died in 1840.

IX. Arthur, born 1810, married Sarah Louisa Georgina, daughter of Alexander Warrand, M.D., H.E.I.C.S., and granddaughter of Hugh Robert Duff of Muirtown, and had Duncan, born 1851, died 1873, and Emily Mary Jane, died 1878.

He died in 1879, and was succeeded by his brother.

X. Duncan Forbes of Culloden, born 1821, died unmarried 1897, and was succeeded by his nephew.

XI. Duncan George Forbes of Culloden, born 1851 (son of Joseph William), died unmarried 1903, and was succeeded by his brother.

XII. Joseph Harding, died 1907, married Isabella Goodeve and had four sons, the eldest, Hector, born 1883.

XIII. Hector Forbes, married Beatrice Bearup and has two daughters.

NEWHALL.

I. Sir David Forbes, Knight, Advocate, second son of John Forbes of Culloden and uncle of the Lord President, acquired the estate of Newhall, Midlothian, in 1703.

He married Catherine, daughter of John Clerk of Penicuik, by whom he had John, his heir, and Agnes, married Sir David Rae. He died in 1714.

II. John Forbes of Newhall, advocate, married Annabella, daughter of James Bruce of Powfowlis, and had a daughter, Catherine, married in 1743 Donald Crawford, W.S., of Restalrig.

PITTENCRIEFF.

I. John, sixth son of John Forbes, 2nd of Culloden, bought the estate of Pittencrieff, near Dunfermline, in 1701, for £40,402 Scots.

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He was Lieut.-Colonel and Brigadier, Maitland's Regiment. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Baillie Graham of Edinburgh, and had three sons: (1) Arthur, his heir. (2) Hugh, one of the Principal Clerks of Session. He married Margaret, daughter of William Aikman, painter in Edinburgh, and had a son and four daughters, whence the family of Forbes-Aikman of the Ross. (3) John, General in the Army. He took Fort du Quesne from the French.

Lieut.-Colonel John Forbes died in May, 1701.

II. Arthur Forbes, his second son, became a Colonel in the Dutch Service. He married his cousin, Agnes, daughter of James Graham of Airth. In 1750 he bought an estate adjoining Pittencrieff called the Tower Hill, but he sold the whole in 1763 to Captain Alex. Grant, and died at Springfield, near Leith, in 1770.

## FOVERAN.

Patrick Forbes, Baillie of Inverurie, called "Black Patrick," third son of John Forbes of Bandley, married Barbara, daughter of Walter Barclay of Drumdelgie, and had one son, Alexander, ancestor of Foveran, and several daughters who were "honestly bestowed."

I. Alexander, purchased before 1658 the lands of Ardo, and afterwards the lands and barony of Foveran, of which he had a charter in 1681. He married (1) Margaret, daughter of Samuel Hunter, apothecary in Edinburgh, by whom he had Samuel, his heir, born 1653, Alexander and James, died young, and John of Knappernay (see p. 413), and three daughters:

Rachel, married Dr. Patrick Chalmers of Lentush, Rayne, Aberdeenshire, a Jacobite of 1715; they had ten children. Margaret, married James Elphinstone of Glack; and Isobel, married in 1701 Patrick Strachan of Glenkindy, afterwards knighted. She died March 25th, 1666, "about 14 days after she was bro. to bed. A good woman." *John Rowe's Diary*.

Alexander Forbes married, secondly, the widow of Baillie Skene, and thirdly, on June 11th, 1667, Katherine Gordon, widow of Keith of Clackriach, who after his death married Thomas Burnett of Kirkhill<sup>1</sup>—he had no further family, and dying in 1695 was succeeded by his eldest son.

II. Samuel, born 1653, was created a baronet of Nova Scotia in 1700. He married Anne Udny of Udny, by whom he had five sons and two daughters:

John and Alexander, born 1681, twins—died young. Alexander, born 1683, succeeded. John, and Patrick, Anna and Margaret.

Sir Samuel Forbes was one of the M.P.s for Aberdeenshire in two Parliaments, 1693 and 1700. He also took a not very creditable part in the complicated financial affairs of the young Lord Pitsligo. He added to his

<sup>1</sup> *Rowe's Diary*, which also notes "Mr. Al. Forbes of Ardo married the goodwife of Clachriach, he haveing 6 bairns, and she 4." She was still alive in 1696.

estate by purchasing part of Balquholly. He died in January, 1717, and was succeeded by his eldest surviving son.

III. Sir Alexander was served heir general to his father and grandfather in 1718, and in 1725 was served heir to his father in the lands and barony of Pitsligo. As seen under Lord Pitsligo, Sir Samuel had by some sharp practices succeeded in having some of the titles of the Pitsligo estates conveyed into his own name, but matters were righted by arrangements between his son and the 4th Lord Pitsligo.

Sir Alexander married Jean, daughter of Major George Skene of Caralstone (Careston), and had two sons and four daughters :

George, an officer in the Dutch Service, died unmarried in September, 1751. He it was who was present at the deathbed of young John Forbes of Waterton in Holland. (See p. 421.) Alexander died unmarried 1752. Isabel, married 1749 Captain Robert Sutton of the 14th Regiment.

Jean, married 1754 Captain James Macfarlane of Beauclerk's Regiment. Elizabeth, married 1755 Archibald Hamilton, M.D., of Edinburgh. Katherine, died unmarried.

Sir Alexander died August 10th, 1755, and was succeeded in the title by his cousin, John Forbes, son of Knappernay, as 3rd Baronet. This John was grandson of the John Forbes, son of Alexander, 1st of Foveran, and Margaret Hunter, who bought the estate from James, second son of William Forbes, 7th of Tolquhon. He and his wife, Janet Seton, had sasine in 1658. John seemingly had some trouble about the purchase, for there is a Crown Charter, of date July 27th, 1666—"To Mr. Wm. Moir of the lands of Knaperna, belonging to George Dalgarno and disposed by him *without* the Crown's consent to William Johnston and John Forbes."

John's son was Samuel, served heir to his father in Knappernay, May 24th, 1714. He married Margaret, daughter of Hew Crawford, W.S., and had besides John, who succeeded to the baronetcy, a daughter, Mary, married William Hay, W.S. He sold Knappernay before his death, which took place in 1755.

The last Samuel Forbes of Foveran had, like the first, an unenviable notoriety.

In a letter written from Air (in the north of France), September 11th, 1727, George Lockhart of Carnwath warns Sir John Graeme, then at Avignon with James Stuart, against SAMUEL FORBES OF FOVERAN, whom he credited with a design to assassinate the Stuart prince—"There has been here for some months a countrieman and near kinsman of mine Samuel Forbes of Knapernay one of the most execrable villains nature ever framed. There is no size or kind of wickedness he is not capable of, and I lately discovered is actually in the pay of the English government. If he happens to come where you are at any time for God's sake secure him. 'Tis probable some of your company may know him—if not, all the description I can give of him



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is that he is a well-set middle-aged genteel man of a rudy complexion, broad-faced and about 30 years old—speaks French currently and wears good cloaths. . . . I dread him more than anybody, as I'm sure he'll stand at nothing."

Forbes, however, was not arrested but came home, sold Knappernay, and bought from his cousin, Sir Alexander Forbes of Foveran, the lands of Aberdour. His son John succeeded to his cousin's baronetcy in 1755.

PITNACADDEL (OR PITNACALDER).

I. John Forbes of Pitnacaddel, second son of William, 7th Laird of Tolquhon, married a daughter of Hay of Burnthill, by whom he had four sons and several daughters :

(1) John, his heir. (2) Alexander of Pitblae (or Pitblaen), who married and had issue : Jean, married Alex. Crawford of Rathen ; Magdalen, married William Ogston in Auchinachie ; and Elizabeth. On December 7th, 1688, these three daughters were served heirs to their uncle, William of Tombeg, in an annual rent of £200 out of the lands of Aberdour. (3) William in Tombeg (see p. 411), and (4) George, Lieut.-Colonel, *o.s.p.*

Colonel George Forbes, son to Pitnacaddel, is the only man of that name at the period with that rank in the army. It is obvious therefore that the following letter, now in the Town House, Aberdeen, refers to him. He married Jean, daughter of James Forbes of Tolmads, natural son of John, 8th Lord Forbes, by whom it is believed he had a son, John Forbes of Auchath.

On July 25th, 1662, John Forbes was served heir to his father, Colonel George Forbes, and on September 16th, 1699, Sophia and Mary Forbeses, daughters of John Forbes in Auchath, were served heirs portioners to their grandfather, Colonel George Forbes, in Old Aberdeen.

" The Earl Marischal to Lt. Col. G. Forbes.

" 25 May, 1640. Donotter.

" To my worthie fryend Lt. Col. George Forbes.

" Worthy and loving fryend, General Maior Monro beith with me this night, and immediatie thereafter we will march towards you ; in the meane tyme if ye think that the gordons intends towards Aberdeen (as I believe they doe not) be keiping ane strong watche and befoir verie fewe dayes I hope ye shall heir uther newes. I am to be in the towne within this two dayes at which tyme I shall be cairfull to see yrself and all the rest of my officcers paid, until then reste

" yr verie loving Fryend

" Marisshall. (*William, 7th Earl.*)

" I have wrettin to the Towne to have these three companies in readines against I come to the towne, which ye must sie done. Tak up ye names of ye men that must along wt me presentlie, that I may have no more to do bot beatt Drumes an they be readie. Begin to do this presentlie."

(*From the Town House, Aberdeen.*)

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There is another letter from Robert Munro on the same subject.

John Forbes, 1st of Pitnacaddel, died before June 1st, 1631.

II. John, 2nd of Pitnacaddel, married Christian, daughter of John Johnston of that Ilk, and had four sons and two daughters :

(1) John, his heir, who died without succession in 1678, as is commemorated by a stone built into the churchyard wall at Lonmay. (2) Alexander of Ballogie, married Jean Barnes, had a son, John, and a grandson, William, who bought Tilliesnaught and called it Ballogie. (See below.) (3) James in Bethlem. (See below.) (4) George, minister of Traquair in 1674. Deposed for drunkenness, October 7th, 1790. (5) William, "settled in Dublin where he married and had several prettie sons, one of whom, Alexander, was a goldsmith in London."

Margaret, married Alex. Reynolds, minister in Aberdour, and Christian, married William Forbes in Auchlin.

John, 2nd Laird, died before 1690, and was succeeded by his third son, James.

III. James of Bethlem and 3rd of Pitnacaddel, married Anna, daughter of Mr. Alexander Ross, minister of Monymusk, and had two sons and five daughters :

John, minister at Deer. Alexander, *o.s.p.*

Anna, married 1698 John Cumming of Auchry. Jean, married George Adamson in Nether Glaslaw, and secondly, Captain Wemyss, Fraserburgh. Margaret, married 1703 Mr. James Brown, minister at Aberdeen. Barbara and Katharine, unmarried.

James died before July 27th, 1710, and was succeeded by John.

IV. John, born 1689, the minister of Deer, married Margaret, daughter of George Hay of Thorniebank, Enzie, of the family of Rannes, but had no issue, and died 1769.

### BALLOGIE.

I. Alexander Forbes, second son of the 2nd Laird of Pitnacaddel, bought Ballogie, parish of Midmar, about 1650. He married Jean, daughter of Robert Forbes, Tutor of Monymusk, and had three sons and five daughters :

John, died young. Alexander, who succeeded. George of Kebbaty and Shiels.

(1) Margaret, born 1741, married Irvine of Kincausie. (2) ——— married Burnett of Lethenty. (3) ——— married Burnett in London. (4) Barbara, married Garioch of Kinstair. (5) Elizabeth, unmarried.

Alexander died after March 10th, 1698.

II. Alexander, 2nd of Ballogie, married Elizabeth Clerk of Penicuik, and had John, who succeeded, Alexander, and one daughter.

He died in January, 1720, and was succeeded by his eldest son :

III. John, sold Ballogie and died, leaving a son :

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IV. Thomas, who married in 1757 Christian Cumine of Pitullie—he bought Tilliesnaught in Birse and called it Ballogie. His only son, William, died aged 10, in 1778, and he had three daughters :

Christian, married 1783 Charles Gordon of Buthlaw. Mary, married 1784 General Alexander Leith-Hay of Leith Hall. Elizabeth, married 1794 Colonel Erskine Fraser of Woodhill.

KEBBATY AND SHIELS.

I. George Forbes of Shiels, third son of Alexander Forbes of Ballogie, married Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Napier of Fallsyde in the Mearns, and had two sons ; Alexander, died young, and Charles and a daughter.

II. Charles, served heir 1720, married 1725 Janet, daughter of Sir John Johnston, 4th Bart. of Caskieben, and died without issue in 1764. He was Sheriff-Substitute for Aberdeen. The daughter, Isabel, married John Thain, Advocate in Aberdeen.

TOMBEG.

I. William, third son of the first John of Pitnacaddel, settled at Tombeg in Monymusk about 1635.

“ In 1645 Leith of Harthill burnes the town and landis of Thombeg occupit be William Forbes, bot pertaining to the laird of Monymusk, because the said William Forbes had plunderit from his servand some monies with his baggage horse.” (*Spalding's Troubles.*)

In the year 1681 Sir John Forbes of Monymusk granted a fresh sasine to William Forbes of Tombeg in liferent “ all the days of his lifetime, and after his death to John Forbes, his son, of Tombeg, Todlachy and Auchrevie,” but on April 8th of the same year “ William Forbes of Tombeg, brother german to John Forbes of Pitnacaddell, in consideration of the sum of 1000 merks (which Sir John Forbes of Monymusk, eldest son of the deceased Sir Wm. Forbes has now paid), renounces his right to the town and lands of Tombeg and the pendicle of lands of Todlachie called Auchrevie.” William had, besides John, a son, Alexander, made a burges in 1667.<sup>1</sup>

On December 7th, 1688, Jean Forbes, wife of Alexander Crawford of Rathin, Magdalen Forbes, wife of William Ogstoun of Auchinlech and Auchmadie, and Elizabeth Forbes, all daughters of Alexander Forbes of Pitblea, his elder brother, were served “ heirs of conquest ” to William Forbes, Pitnacaddel's son (the phrase implying that they were older than he, or represented an older line). What they fell heir to was an “ arent ” or income derived from his moveables. The lease or wadset of Tombeg went to his son, John, in spite of the renunciation quoted above.

<sup>1</sup> Matthew Lumsden implied that John and Alexander, sons of William of Tombeg, were natural sons only (which greatly distressed the late Mr. Forbes Robertson, the art critic), and that William was a moneylender and made a great fortune. John, who succeeded, is only described in the Tack of the Lands in 1681 as “ son of William.” The precept of 1713 gives John's son, William, as “ lawful son.”

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II. In 1696 the "tenant of Tombeg was John Forbes, son of William, with Anna Lunan, his wife, and William, Alexander, Robert, and Jean Forbesses, his children."

After John's death the lands did eventually revert to Monymusk, as on June 1st, 1703, Sir William Forbes of Monymusk was infeft as nearest heir to the deceased John Forbes (presumably the above) in certain lands, including Tombeg.<sup>1</sup>

Witnesses—Arthur Forbes of Breda, Archibald Forbes of Puttachie, Mr. Alex. Ross of Lethenty, George Forbes of Shiels, etc.

The children of John Forbes and Anna Lunan were :

(1) William, born 1687. (2) John, born 1689, both died young. (3) Robert, born 1695. (4) John, born 1703, *o.s.p.* (5) Alexander, born 1693, school-master in Monymusk, married Mary Farquharson and had Harry and William. (6) James of Inverurie. (See below.)

(7) Jean. (8) Barbara, born 1698, married John Gillanders in Pittenkirie. (9) Margaret, born 1701, married in 1718 William Garioch in Elrick. (10) Anna, born 1704, married William Dounie in Kemnay. (11) Mary, born 1707, married Peter Bed.

John Forbes died February 4th, 1713, and was succeeded in the occupancy of Tombeg by his son :

III. William, who became factor or chamberlain to the Earl of Kintore, and thereafter resided at Kendal in the parish of Keithhall.

He married in 1718 Anna, daughter of the deceased Mr. Alexander Forbes, minister at Fintray, by Mrs. Jean Forbes of BADIEFURROW, which property he acquired from his mother-in-law in April, 1721. He had two children.

John, born 1720, sometime merchant in Aberdeen. In 1747 he went to America, where he was drowned in a river in Virginia, 1757; unmarried.

Jean, born 1722, married 1741 William Johnston, pewterer in Aberdeen, had one son, James, of Badiefurrow, which he sold to Colonel Fraser who again sold it to Mr. Hugh Gordon, watchmaker, Aberdeen, and the latter changed the name to *Manar*.

James Forbes, youngest son of John Forbes of Tombeg and Anna Lunan, was a merchant and Baillie of Inverurie, married (1) 1739 Jean, daughter of James Forbes in Mills of Drum, son of Mr. Alex. Forbes, minister at Fintray, and by her had :

<sup>1</sup> On May 11th, 1713, there was a Precept of *Clave Constat* for infesting William Forbes, eldest lawful son of deceased John Forbes of Tombeg, as lawful and nearest heir of his deceased father, in a house, locality not stated.

This William Forbes is found in the Borough Records of Aberdeen as trading as a merchant in 1712, and a few years later he went on a voyage as "Merchant and super-cargo."

Alexander Forbes, junior, probably some relation, is noted as owning one-sixteenth part of the good ship *Concord*, trading to Venice in 1710, and in 1740 Mr. Robert Forbes is described as late commander of the ship *Concord*, and Patrick Forbes as master of the good ship *Grace and Hope* in 1710.

In the same record is to be found Charles Forbes, merchant in Old Aberdeen.

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John, born 1740, died young; Alexander, born 1741; and William, born 1743, a merchant in London, whose son, William, was schoolmaster of Kirkwall.

James Forbes married, secondly, Margaret, daughter of Robert Baron in Whitelums. This marriage took place at Inverurie, December 19th, 1745, and the festivities were interrupted by the passage of Government troops under Munro of Culcairn, before their defeat by Lord Lewis Gordon.<sup>1</sup> By this second marriage there were three sons and six daughters:

John and James died young. Robert was Master of the Grammar School in Aberdeen, married Mary Langlands and had a son, Robert, minister of Woodside.

The daughters were: Helen, born 1746, died unmarried. Jean, born 1748, married Alex. Clarke. Anne, born 1751, married James Donald in Mill of Keithhall. Margaret, born 1753, unmarried. Mary, born and died 1757. Elizabeth, born and died 1759.

Alexander, the eldest surviving son of James Forbes, Baillie of Inverurie, was for many years Chief Magistrate of that town. He married (1) Mary Bairnsfather, who died 1796, (2) in 1798 Margaret Simpson, by whom he had four sons and three daughters:

(1) Robert, born 1804, went to Onehunga, Auckland, New Zealand. (2) Alexander, born 1806, unmarried, died 1819. (3) William, born 1808, married Margaret Stevenson and had among other issue, a son, Alexander, a doctor in Aberdeen, who died 1883, leaving a numerous family. (4) James, born 1810, married Jane Henderson and had a son in New Zealand.

(1) Margaret, born 1799, married John Robertson, merchant in Aberdeen, whose only son, John Forbes-Robertson, became an eminent art critic and journalist and was father of Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson, etc. (2) Ann, born 1801, died unmarried. (3) Janet, born 1803, married William Guthrie.

## KNAPPERNAY.

I. James Forbes of Knappernay, third son of William, 7th Laird of Tolquhon, married a Hay of Crimondmogate, by whom he had issue:

William, his heir.

Janet, married George Dalgarno in Pithill of Kinmuck. Margaret, married John Forbes of Ardmurdo. Elspet, married Mr. William Forbes of Mortlach. Isobel, married John Gordon of Avochie. He died before 1633.

II. William, 2nd of Knappernay, married Janet Turing of Foveran and Jean Johnston of Caskieben; he had two sons—John, his heir, Arthur, a schoolmaster in Inverurie, and one daughter married Alexander Forbes,

<sup>1</sup> The two little boys, Alexander and William, aged 4 and 2, were carried to Badie-furrow for safety, in creels on ponyback with white cockades in their bonnets.

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goldsmith in Edinburgh. Arthur became a minister in Ireland and Rector of Drumconrath, County Meath.

His son, Rev. Arthur Forbes, of Newstone, Co. Meath (1670-1737), married Anne Armitage and had 23 children, one of whom, William, was Lord Mayor of Dublin in 1771-1772. From John Forbes, a Dublin barrister, the eldest of the 23, were descended: Arthur Forbes of Newstone (1743-1788), Sheriff of Co. Meath; his brother John (1750-1797), Recorder and M.P. for Drogheda in Grattan's Parliament, and Governor of the Bahamas; Arthur Forbes, J.P. of Craigavad, Co. Down (1781-1847); Rev. Edward Forbes, D.D. (1816-1882) of Paris; (his sons) Rev. Edward Forbes (1842-1910) of Clevedon, Som., Arthur Forbes (1843-1919), I.C.S., C.S.I.; and other descendants include Dr. Litton Forbes (1845-1925), John W. F. Forbes (of Christ's Hospital), Barré R. M. Forbes (of Bristol), J. Graham Forbes, M.D., F.R.C.P., and Arthur G. Forbes.

III. John, 3rd of Knappernay, married Isobel, daughter of Seton of Mounie, and had two sons:

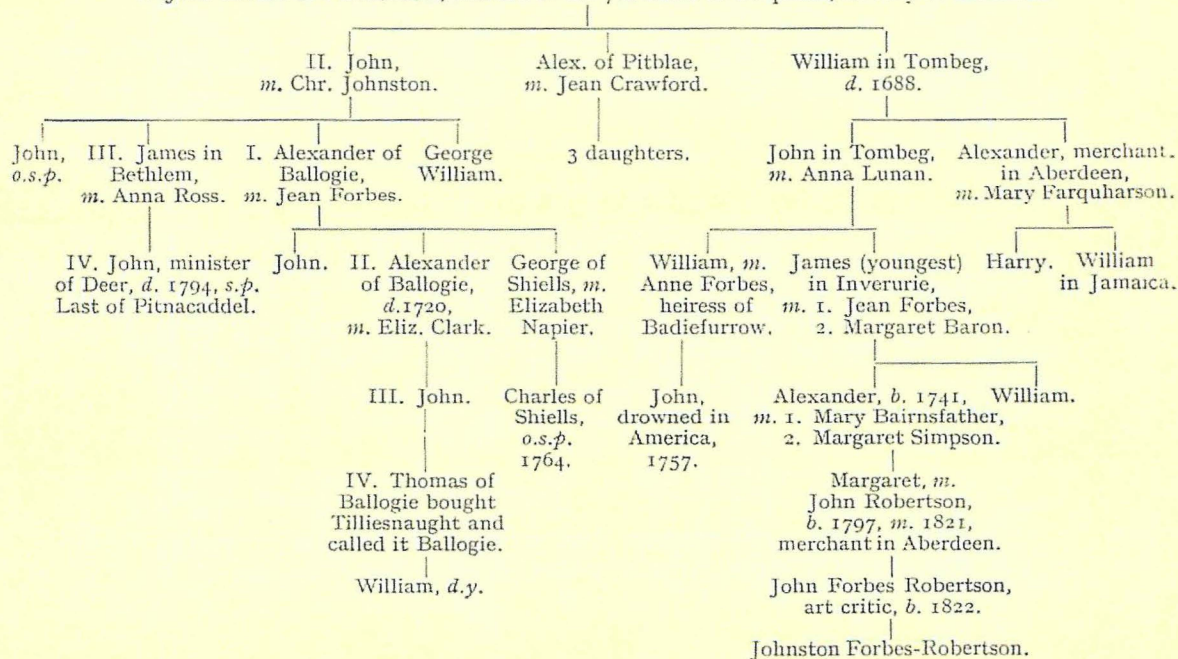
(1) William, litster in Aberdeen, married Bathia, daughter of Johnston of Balchers, and had a daughter, Catherine, married in 1720 to John Barber, a soldier of Kirk's Regiment. William Forbes died in 1720. (2) John, pewterer in Edinburgh, married a daughter of Baules, merchant there.

John, 3rd of Knappernay, sold his estate to Thomas of Waterton, who sold it in 1760 to John, second son of Alexander Forbes of Foveran.

IV. John, who purchased this estate, left it to his son, Samuel (See p. 409.)

PITNACADDEL (and Forbes-Robertson).

I. John Forbes of Pitnacaddel, 2nd son of the 7th Laird of Tolquhon, *m.* Hay of Burnthill.



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V. Samuel, married Margaret, daughter of Hew Crawford of Jordanhall, and had John, afterwards 3rd Baronet of Foveran, served heir 1765; and Mary, married William Hay, W.S., of the Rannes family.

AUCHREDIE.

I. Walter Forbes, *fourth* son of William, 7th Laird of Tolquhon, married a daughter of Meldrum of Auchinhove, by whom he had three sons:

Thomas, his heir. Peter and George, both died without heirs.

He died after 1633.

II. Thomas of Auchredie, whose wife was Marjory Gordon of Nethermuir, had sasine on June 25th, 1657, and in the same year granted it to his eldest lawful son, Alexander, and Alexander's wife, Christian Irvine of Drum. He had four daughters, Elizabeth, Isabel, Thomasina, and Jean, to whom he granted sasines, as well as to his wife, in 1659. Jean married Alexander Forbes, who bought Torhendry. (See p. 363.) He had also three younger sons.

(2) Patrick in Bedlan, who married Elizabeth Arbuthnot of Scotsmill.

(3) William in Rora, married a daughter of Martin of Clerkhill, and had Thomas, advocate, and Robert, in Mill of Ythsie. (4) George in Aquhanacy and Midmill of Cruden, who married Jean Smith of Smiddieburn, Fyvie, and had two sons, Thomas and Robert, and four daughters.

III. Alexander, 3rd of Auchredie, married Christian Irvine of Brucklay, by whom he had George, died without heirs, and two daughters, of whom Christian, the younger, married Mr. John Webster, minister of New Deer. Marjory, married Alex. Irvine of Drum in 1688. The marriage was considered irregular, but upheld by the Privy Council; the only child died, so the question of inheritance did not arise.

Patrick Forbes, burgher of Aberdeen, *fifth* son of William, 7th of Tolquhon, married a daughter of Provost Rutherford of Aberdeen, by whom he had two daughters, one of whom married Gilbert Skene, merchant in Aberdeen, and the other, John Ingram, burgher of that city. His son, Thomas, had a sasine of Mains of Cluny, September 5th, 1633, and another of Easter Fintray in February 23rd, 1634.

CRAIGIE.

I. George Forbes, third son of William, 8th of Tolquhon, acquired before 1622 the lands of Craigie, parish of Tarves, by marriage with Christian Cheyne, heiress of that estate, and had two sons and a daughter:

(1) William, his heir, who married Isobel Seton (and sold Craigie to the Earl of Aberdeen), having one son, George. (2) Alexander of Saach<sup>1</sup> married Anna, daughter of Robert Skene, merchant of Aberdeen. Isabella, married William Annand of Caterland.

<sup>1</sup> Saach or Savoeh passed to James, third son of Thomas, 1st of Waterton, before 1678.