

Stirling Family siblings and in-laws

Children of William Stirling and Janet Ker

Merchant in Dunblane

John, *Merchant in Dunblane*, born 25 December 1731, died May 1783; married Isabella, daughter of Robert Whyte and Isabella Ferguson

Their children

Janet, born 5 August 1757; married 20 December 1791, William Hutchison, *Schoolteacher*

They had

Patrick, born 3 February 1793

Isabella, born 8 May 1796

Mary, born 7 August 1800

Isabella

William, *Procurator Fiscal*, born 1761, died 7 October 1832; married Margaret Thompson, died 3 September 1845 at Abbotsford Place, Glasgow.

Robert, *Minister, Dunblane Cathedral*



He was born 13 November 1763, died 17 October 1817 as the result of a carriage accident while on his way to Alloa to meet his family; married 29 November 1796 Mary Graham, 1767-1846, daughter of Dr Robert Graham and Mary Pickering

They had

Mary Anne, born 29 October 1798; married 1st 24 October 1818, John Ferguson, MD; married 2nd 26 October 1830 James Bruce

Isabella born 18 November 1801 – 1817

John born 8 April 1804

Julia born 1 July 1805 - 1808

Robert born 22 June 1807, died 1829

Patrick James, born 13 July 1809, died 22 March 1891. He passed as a *Notary* in 1830 and published several books. He received the degree of L.L.D. from St Andrews university in 1857. Patrick did a lot of legal work for John Stirling of Fairburn. Married 1st 12 January 1836 Katharine Murray, married 2nd 19 September 1848 Henrietta Gray

John, born 15 October 1765, died unmarried

David, *Accountant to the Royal Bank of Scotland, Glasgow*, born 19 March 1769, died 1821

Anne, born 11 June 1771

Mary, born 14 April 1774, died in 1849

Isabel, born 25 January 1734, died in infancy

James, *Builder and Architect*, born 18 September 1737 married ?

Their children

William, *Architect*, born 15 October 1772

Janet, born 24 November 1774

John, *Minister of Craigie*, born 21 April 1776

Robert, born 20 January 1779

Jane, born about 1781

Robert, *Minister, Port of Menteith*, born 28 October 1739, died 23 July 1801; married 11 October 1770 Susanna Davidson who died 14 December 1801



Their child

William MacGregor, 16 October 1771, Port of Menteith – 23 January 1833, Stockbridge, Edinburgh

Educated at the University of Glasgow. Ordained 15 August 1799 but departed on his own confession of immorality in 1823. He devoted his time to historical and antiquarian pursuits and a love of fine arts.

married 1st 20 April 1801 to Susan Allan, daughter of John Allan, *Minister of Row*

They had Robert, born 9 May 1802 (went to Jamaica)

married 2nd 7 April 1823 to Christian Campbell McTavish, died 14 June 1869

They had John Evan, born 28 July 1823-1900
Susan MacGregor, born 26 March 1825-1907
Jane Elizabeth, born 28 August 1826-1829
Anne Mary, born 25 March 1828
William, born 30 November 1829

Henry, born 31 May 1742

Patrick, apprenticed in 1762 to James Russell, Commissary Clerk of Dunblane; *Writer in Dunblane* born 24 November 1743, died 1797; married Ann White

Their children

Mary, born 4 January 1775, died 3 October 1843 at 9 Broadford, Aberdeen

Janet, born 23 December 1775, died 3 December 1825 at Manse of Peterculter

Robert, *Writer in Inverary*, born 1783

Patrick, born 13 December 1783, died 19 April 1823

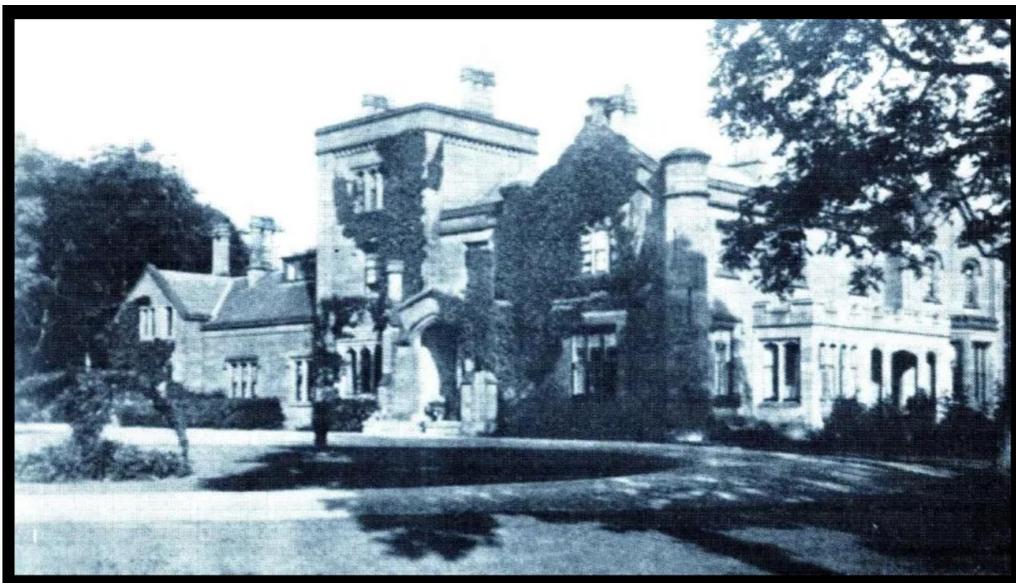
John, *Minister*, born 21 December 1785, died at Peterculter 4 October 1839

Children of James Stirling and ?

James started out as a builder, becoming an architect towards the end of his career

William Stirling, *Architect*, who built and lived at Holme Hill, Dunblane, born 15 October 1772, died 1838; married 4 December 1803 at Kirkintilloch, Dunbartonshire, Jane/Jean, 1777-1862, daughter of David Erskine WS (of Dundas & Wilson) who died in Naples, Italy 1791 and his first wife, Jean Melvin who died in 1780.

www.scottisharchitects.org.uk for more information about William Stirling



Holme Hill

Their child



Christina



James

James, *Landed Proprietor* born 27 May 1816, died 31 August 1866; married 23 January 1844 Christina, daughter of David Erskine, *Indigo Planter* of Bheerboom, Bengal, India and Langside, Peebles and Angelica Ebrack

In 1835 his address is 14 Great King St, Edinburgh. By 1859 he is living at Holme Hill, Dunblane.

Janet, b.24 November 1774, unmarried

John Stirling, *Minister of Craigie*, born 21 April 1776, died 13 January 1846; married 21 April 1806, Mary, daughter of Rev William McQuhae of St Quivox, Ayrshire and Mary Laurie



Craigie Manse

Or House of Craigie dates from 1746



William Campbell Esq of Craigie presented John to the church in Craigie in December 1805. John received a Degree of Doctor of Theology from Glasgow University in 1812. Thanks to financial help from his brother, William, he was able to buy the small estates of Foulton (1815), Slatehole and Blackhouse (1819). He was Moderator of the Church of Scotland in 1833.

Their children

James, born 1807, died 1823

Mary Laurie, born 1808, died 28 March 1867

Isabella, born 1809, died 2 February 1826

Jane Erskine, born 8 February 1811, died 22 May 1892

Elizabeth, born 18 December 1812, died 28 September 1840

Lydia Ainsworth, born 18 December 1814, died 26 June 1829

William, born 12 August 1816, died 15 February 1852

Rose Sophie, born 27 August 1818, died 21 February 1848

John, born 26 June 1820, died 19 August 1907

Laura Margaret, born 1 October 1822, died 18 April 1846

Annabella Fullarton, born 7 June 1824, died 9 May 1906

James, born 8 October 1827, died 11 April 1946

Robert, born 20 January 1779, died 27 January 1832; unmarried, visited Jamaica

Jane, b.1781, unmarried

(the only record for Jane is in the 1841 England census living with Thomas and Mary Ainsworth at The Flish, Cleator, Cumberland)

Children of Rev Dr John Stirling of Craigie, D.D. and Mary McQuhae

James Stirling 1807-23, unmarried

24th May 1836 at Craigie Manse, Ayrshire



Miss Mary Laurie Stirling married Thomas, *Flax Spinner, Mine Owner, Iron Master*, son of David Ainsworth of Preston, Lancashire and Alice Hatton

Marriage conducted by the Rev Stair McQuhae, uncle of the bride

The couple first lived at Summer Hill, near Greenodd, on the Leven, not far from Backbarrow, Lancashire.



Around 1837 Thomas Ainsworth bought Flax Mills in Cleator and a property called The Floss where he and Mary moved to around 1840.



Mary and Thomas lived latterly at The Flosh, Cleator

From A Memorial of the late William M. Ainsworth

Mrs Ainsworth almost entirely conducted the early education of their children, teaching them reading, and grounding them in Latin, French and music. "She was not only a most gentle, charming and cultivated woman, but very well-read and of excellent general information". Being a daughter of a Scotch manse, she had an excellent acquaintance with the Bible...

Their children



David, born 1842, married 1874, Margaret, daughter of Henry McConnell of Cressbrook, Derbyshire

John Stirling, b. January 1844, married 1879, Margaret Catherine, daughter of Robert Reid Mcredie and Janet Turnbull

Their children



Jean Barbara, born 3 December 1883, married 16 February 1905, Algernon William John Clotworthy Skeffington, Viscount Massereene

Thomas, born 8 February 1886 married 1st 9 February 1911, Lady Edina Dorothy Hope Conyngham, 2nd Marie Eleanor (May), formerly wife of Evelyn Wentworth Hope-Johnstone

Margaret Louise, born 18 June 1887 married 1st Arthur George Murray-Smith, 2nd November 1924 John Pollock of Mountainstown, Navan, County Meath

John Stirling, born 9 November 1889, unmarried

William McQuhae, *a Unitarian Minister*, b. 20 December 1848, died the night of 26-27 May 1891, lost in the sea between Beirut and Constantinople; unmarried

Mary Alice, b. 28 August 1850, married 7 August 1877 to Thomas Sutton, son of William Townsend of Clifton on Dunsmore, Warwickshire and Jane Sutton

Their children

Mary Frances, born 7 March 1884, married 6 April 1904 Edward Gawne Rosco

Thomas Ainsworth, born April 1886, died 24 March 1918

Isabella Stirling 1809-26, unmarried

Jane Erskine Stirling 1811- 1892, unmarried



In 1851 Jane is recorded as living with her mother and her aunt, Elizabeth MacQuhae at 2 Windsor Crescent, St Helier Jersey. After this she is recorded in 1871 visiting her brother-in-law, William Erskine at 33 Craven Hill Gardens, Paddington; in 1881 visiting her aunt, Louisa Georgina Mackenzie, who married the Rev Stair McQuhae, and her first cousins, Caroline, Mary and Louisa who lived at St Evox, Rowhams. Jane would otherwise spend half the year at Holme Hill and the other half in a flat in Rome. She was an accomplished artist. Jane died in Tonbridge Wells, Kent.

5th June 1838 at Craigie Manse, Ayrshire

Miss Elizabeth Stirling married William, *a surgeon*, son of David Erskine, *Indigo Planter* of Bheerboom, Bengal, India and Langside, Peebles and Angelica Ebrack

Elizabeth died 28 September 1840 and is buried at Sattara, Bombay, India. Her husband was working as a Surgeon in India.

Lydia Ainsworth Stirling, 1814-29, unmarried

Lydia died at Craigie Manse, Ayrshire

William Stirling, 1816-52, unmarried

In 1851 there is a record of a William Stirling, an East India Merchant, living at 67 Canning St, Liverpool. William died in St Helier, Jersey

Rose Sophia Stirling 1818-48, unmarried

Rose died in Madeira

14 September 1852 at Moresby Church, Cumberland



Marian



John

John married Marian, daughter of John Hartley of Moresby House, Cumberland and Margaret Fisher

Marriage conducted by the Rev C.H. Wybergh, vicar of Isell

Their children

Margaret Violet, b.29 February 1856, died 20 February 1946

John Erskine, b.6 August 1857

William, born 12 February 1859, died 10 November 1914

John Hartley, born 23 November 1860, died October 1884 San Francisco, USA

James, born 7 January 1862, died 22 March 1933

Marian Isabel, born 31 December 1863, died 25 January 1950

Alexander, born 24 May 1865, died 19 February 1946

Mary Laurie, born 1 February 1867, died 15 January 1950

Arthur Patrick, born 31 March 1869, died 9 October 1869, Barcaldine, Argyll

Charles, born 10 November 1870, died 20 September 1903

Laura Margaret Stirling, 1 October 1822 – 18 April 1846, unmarried

Laura died at Craigie Manse, Ayrshire

28 July 1850 at St Quivox Manse, Ayrshire

Miss Annabella Fullerton Stirling married Lt John Francis Campbell Mackenzie, R.N., son of John Mackenzie and Caroline Marie Barbier Deshayeux

Marriage conducted by Rev Dr McQuhae, Minister of St Quivox



Annabella



John

Their children

Annie, b.18 July 1856, Swanage, Dorset, died 27 December 1906 Canterbury, Kent; married 1878 Reverend Edward Moore, Principal of St Edmund's Hall, Oxford and rector of Gatcombe, Isle of White

Edmund Lyons, born 25 January 1858, Wareham, Dorset, died 19 September 1945, Orlando, Florida, USA; married 1888 Julia Striker, daughter of Peyton Skipwith Coles, Albemarle Country, Virginia, USA and Julia Isaetta Coles

Kenneth Lester, *Landscape Painter & Keen Sportsman*, born 7 October 1862, Romsey, Hampshire, died 27 May 1899, Burgie, Forres, Scotland; married 7 November 1892 Grace Stuart, daughter of the late Peter Hall of Torisdale and Mrs Hall, 6 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh

Louise, born 20 October 1864, died 1944; married 1899, Charles Dennis Mason-Cox, vicar of North Nibley, son of Rev J. Mason Cox, Prebendary of Exeter Cathedral

Laura Maynard, born 2 September 1866, died 2 January 1950, London; married 1896 William Reginald, eldest son of Rev W.H. Karlake, Kingsland House, Eastbourne

In 1901 Annie was living at Ramsden Vicarage in Oxfordshire.

James Stirling 1828-46, unmarried

James died in Madeira

The McQuhae Family

Rev William McQuhae, *Minister, St Quivox*, born 1 May 1737, Wigton, died 1 March 1823, South Ayrshire



St Quivox Manse built in 1825

He declined to become Moderator of the General Assembly when proposed in 1806. He was well known for his business acumen and his conversation. Author of *Difficulties which Attend the Practice of Religion No Just Argument Against It*. He was a prominent member of the New Licht faction and Father of the Synod

In 'The Twa Herds', Robert Burns humorously calls him, 'That curs'd rascal ca'd M'Quhae', and mentioned also 'M'Quhae's pathetic manly sense'.

Married 1st 1 November 1765 at St Quivox

Betty/Elizabeth Park, died 1780

Their children

Richard, born 21 December 1766, St Quivox, died 9 March 1804 Ludford Hall, St Elizabeth, Jamaica

Sarah, born 30 January 1769, died 29 November 1778

Margaret, born 31 December 1770, died 20 May 1836

David, born, 21 January 1773, died 3 April 1775

Elizabeth, born 22 September 1774, died 23 March 1778

Glencairn, born 15 September 1776, died 16 July 1802

Charles (*a daughter*), born 28 July 1778, died 20 January 1855

Married Alexander McDowell who owned Two Mile Wood, Jamaica

his children from his 1st marriage to Bonnella Mary Gairdner

William, born 1813 Clarendon, Jamaica, died 1838

Ann Elletson, born 29 January 1824, Ayr

Mary, born 31 March 1825, Ayr

Bonnella, 29 August 1826, Maybole, Ayrshire

Married 2nd 3 June 1782

Mary Laurie, daughter of Patrick Laurie and M. Melvie

Their children

Mary, born 26 August 1783

Elizabeth, born 22 August 1784, died 5 August 1865, Craigie

Lydia Wells, born 22 September 1785, died 13 January 1834, Preston, Lancashire

Married Thomas Ainsworth, *Cotton Spinner and Manufacturer*, lived at 11 Winckley Square, Preston

Their children

Mary Laurie, born 31 October 1805, Preston, died October 1845 Preston

Married 5 September 1836 Henry Hilton, Over Darwen, Lancashire

Thomas, born 7 October 1806

Married 21 July 1851 Mary McDowell (*see above*)

William, born 1808, Blackburn

Elizabeth, born 16 March 1812

Lydia, 26 June 1814, died 1 January 1824

James McQuhae, born 30 September 1816

Alice born 23 May 1819, died 29 July 1870

Married 12 July 1838 Charles Edmonstone of Cardross

David, *Barrister*, born 21 August 1823

William, born 25 June 1787, died 23 October 1824

Major, Bengal Artillery

Married 8 October 1812, Meerut, Bengal, India, Rose Smith, died 1851

Their children

Charlotte Eliza, born 1813 India, died January 1846, Marylebone, London

Rose Cordelia, born 1814, India, died April 1885, Fulham, London

Married 13 October 1834, Calcutta, India, James Tobin Bush

Mary Georgiana, born 27 November 1815, died about 1838

Married 16 March 1835, Calcutta, India, Captain Peter Arnold Torkler

Louise Georgina, born 1820, India

William, born 19 October 1821

James Henry, born 29 May 1824

Peter, born 6 September 1788, died 9 June 1853, Port Royal, Kingston, Jamaica

He joined the Navy in 1803. 1809 became a Lieutenant; 1814, promoted to Commander; 1831-35 Commander of Fly in the West Indies. Promoted to Captain in 1835. From October 1844 he was Captain of HMS Daedalus in the East Indies. The 1082-ton, 46-gun frigate became famous in 1848 when Captain Peter McQuhae, his officers and his men spotted a six-foot serpent creature off the Cape of Good Hope.

“[The creature] passed rapidly, but so close under our lee quarter that had it been a man of my acquaintance I should have easily have recognised his features with the naked eye,” the captain said. According to seven members of the crew it remained in view for around 20 minutes.

It was widely reported and debated in the papers of the day

*In 1851 he was Commodore of the receiving ship *Imaum* in Jamaica.*

Married 1st 1813 Sarah King, died 1828, Mount Pleasant, Ireland

Their child

Ellen King, born 1814, Kings County, Ireland, died 19 April 1903, Grange over Sands, Lancashire

Married 2nd 19 October 1831 Caroline Margaret Legh, widow of Samuel Bloss Copping

Their child

Caroline Lavinia, born 1843, died 12 July 1872, Bombay, India

Married 1st Captain William Gair, *Carbineers*



Their children

Ada Florence, born 15 March 1863, Aldershot

William Francis, born 30 May 1865, died 9 September 1866, India

Married 2nd Richard William Hare, *Surgeon Major*

Patrick, born 6 September 1788, died 1853

Stair, born 1795, died 8 March 1872

Minister, St Quivox, Ayrshire

Married 1st 15 February 1835 Margaret Logan Mackenzie, born 1802, died 8 January 1841, daughter of Captain Lewis Mackenzie, (son of Colonel George Mackenzie of Scatwell) and Jean Logan

Their children

Susan Jane, born 5 October 1836, died about 1840

William, born 22 April 1838, died 26 October 1930, Southampton

Married 2nd 23 April 1843 Louisa Georgina, born 2 March 1815, Gibraltar, died 12 January 1894, Romsey, Hampshire; daughter of John Campbell Mackenzie and Caroline Marie Barbier Deshayeux (Her brother John married Annabella Stirling)

Their children

Caroline, born 6 June 1844, died 3 April 1937

Mary Laurie, born 15 November 1845, died 26 December 1936

John Mackenzie, *Captain, Royal Navy, CB*, born 8 June 1847, died 16 July 1900

Louisa Georgina, born 27 December 1848, died 31 October 1930

Laurie Macrae, born 22 July 1798, died 9 September 1802?

Children of John Stirling and Marion Hartley

7 April 1880 at All Saints Church, Knightsbridge, London



Miss Margaret Violet Stirling married Hector Munro, Younger of Foulis, *Landed Proprietor*, eldest son of Sir Charles Munro 10th Bt of Foulis and Mary Anne, daughter of John Nicholson, Camberwell, Surrey



The marriage service was performed by the Rev. Walter Brooksbank, assisted by the Rev. John Bloomefield, vicar. The bridal party assembled at the church at 11.30; The bride, accompanied her father, arrived soon after, and was received by her six bridesmaids. The bride's dress was white satin, trimmed with old Venetian point. She wore a diamond and pearl necklace and pendant, the gift of her father, and a diamond bracelet, the gift of the Fairburn tenants. Her Honiton lace veil was fastened by a diamond and pearl spray, a present from her brothers. The bridesmaids wore dresses of cream-coloured Madras muslin and 'eau-de-nil' satin hats to match, with bunches of marguerites and violets, and crystal locket set in pearls, with the monogram H. V., the gift of the bridegroom. Club Moss—the badge of the Munro—was worn by the bridal party. After the ceremony the relatives and friends assembled to breakfast at 17 Ennismore Gardens, and the newly married pair left early in the afternoon for the Continent.

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Bridesmaids: Marion Isabel Stirling, Mary Laurie Stirling, her sisters, Amelia Munro and Maud Mary Munro of Fowlis, her sisters-in-law, Elizabeth Margaret Rose of Kilravock, Helen Johnson of Castlesteads

Best Men: Mr George Munro, 42nd Highlanders brother of the groom and Mr Kenneth Matheson of Ardross

Their children

Eva Marion, b.28 April 1881, married 1904, Cecil Claud Hugh Orby Gasgoine



The wedding took place in St James 'Church, Dingwall, at 2 o'clock p.m. The contracting parties were Miss Eva Marion Munro, daughter of Sir Hector and Lady Munro, and Mr Cecil Gascoigne, 2nd Seaforth Highlanders, son of the late Colonel Gascoigne, Grenadier Guards. St James Church lends itself readily to artistic decoration. It is in itself pretty, handsomely appointed building, and yesterday, as a result of magnificent floral embellishment, carried out personally by Mrs Hay Wilson, whose exquisite taste is only equalled by her love of the work, it was prettier than ever. White flowers, chiefly lilies, chrysanthemums and stocks, were used with the most delightful effect, making pleasing pictures and rendering the atmosphere fragrant with a delicate and delicious odour. Stately palms and plants adorned the space in front of the altar, which itself was beautified by graceful flowers and silver. A floral archway, specially erected, led into the Church, the greenery of which was relieved with white flowers, while the path was covered with crimson carpeting. This archway and the aisle of the Church were lined with guard of honour from the 2nd Seaforths, under command of Lieutenant Duncan. It was a veritable old guard, composed of veterans of the distinguished regiment, men of much service, some of them with as many five medals on their breast.

The space of the Church was taxed to its uttermost, and the stewards, being office-bearers of the Church, or neighbouring gentry, had a difficult task in finding accommodation for the congregation. During the assembling of the marriage party—which was witnessed by large crowds—Mr Newman, organist, played a number of voluntaries, including the Bridal March in "Lohengrin," the Bridal Chorus in Cowan's Bosc Maiden" the Gavotte Regal and Marche Romaine. The bridegroom arrived promptly in the fall uniform of the Seaforths, attended by his groomsmen, Captain Baillie (of Lochloy), 2nd Seaforths, also in uniform.

At the appointed hour, the ceremony began, the officiating clergymen being Rev. Canon Hay Wilson, M.A., rector of St James', assisted by the Rev. R. Peel Ross, Inverness. When the bride arrived, accompanied by her father, Sir. Hector Munro, wearing the tartans of the Clan, and attended by Miss Isobel Munro, principal bridesmaid, six young bridesmaids, and two neat little pages in Highland dress, the congregation sang as processional hymn, "O God our help" (selected by the bride). Thereafter the wedding proceeded according to the appointed office of the Church, the marriage proper being carried through by Canon Hay Wilson. The responses were audible and distinct. The Psalm having been chanted, Canon Hay Wilson delivered short address appropriate to the occasion, in which gave wise and homely counsel to the young couple. The hymn "Fight the Good Fight" was song, and thereafter the register was signed and witnessed. Mr John Stirling of Fairburn, grandfather of the bride, was among the witnesses, and his presence was the occasion of much gratification all. The bridal party left the church to the strains of Mendelsshon's wedding march, passing through an archway formed by the rifles and bayonets of the guard. A regimental piper greeted the bridal party with a lively march. The service throughout was closely followed by the congregation and was carried out with much beauty and devotion.

The bride wore a dress of white satin, with plain skirt and full train. The bodice was trimmed with rare Brussels lace, the gift of her mother, and she carried, instead of a bouquet, an ivory bound prayer book, the gift of Canon Hay Wilson. Miss Isobel Munro (sister), as stated, was principal bridesmaid, and there were six children: Misses Violet and Olivo Munro (sisters), Misses Sylvia and Eva Laurie, and Miss Marion Stirling (cousins), and Miss Constance Fowler of Braemore. They wore white muslin and lace picture dresses with pale blue sashes white hats trimmed with pale blue ribbon. The pearl and crystal lockets worn were the gifts of the bridegroom, while instead of bouquets they carried white prayer books, the gift of the bride. Master James Stirling, and Master Willy Stirling, (cousins), made smart little pages in full Highland costume, with silver and cairngorm skean dubhs, the gift of the bride.

On arriving the Castle, Lieutenant and Mrs Gascoigne were greeted with much cheering. A reception was held by Sir Hector and Lady Munro. Later in the day the young couple left by motor for the west coast, where the honeymoon will be spent. The bride wore a white home-spun tweed dress with brown velvet collar, and brown beaver hat.

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Isobel Euphane, b.23 April 1883, married 1915 Capt Malcolm Bedford Duncan

Robert Ian, b. March 1887 – 12 May 1891

Violet Florence, b.10 September 1889, unmarried

Aline Margaret, b.22 October 1892, married 1915 Rear Admiral Lionel Victor Wells, R.N., D.S.O.

Hector Charles Seymour, b. 30 March 1895 – 23 October 1918

7 August 1889 at the Cathedral, Inverness



Charlotte



William

William married Charlotte Eva, second daughter of Aeneas Mackintosh of Daviot and Louisa Fanny Sybella, daughter of Major Alex Macleod

The marriage was attended with more than the usual happy pageantry and demonstrations of popular good will incident to such occasions The weather in the afternoon was delightful, the sun shining out brilliantly, and the turnout of friends was large and fashionable. The large building crowded to excess long before the appointed hour, and still larger crowds assembled in the predicts outside, thus testifying to the happy relations subsisting between the bride and bride groom and their friends.

The decorations within the cathedral were suitable to the occasion, the altar rails being chastely decorated with a profusion of leaves and white flowers. Shortly before half past two, the Bridegroom, accompanied by his brother, entered the building and for a few minutes, only a few, calmly awaited the arrival of his bride. At half past two prompt, Miss Mackintosh, leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr Duncan H. Mackintosh, walked slowly up the aisle, to the side of the bridegroom, the organ (presided over by Mr Money) and choir rendering the familiar hymn "The voice that breathed o'er Eden," The bride looked charming. Her dress consisted of poulte de soie trimmed with sole de chine, with ribbons of real orange blossom. Her ornaments consisted of pearls and diamonds, and she carried magnificent bouquet. The Bridesmaids dresses were of muslin trimmed with lace, and each wore brooch of moonstone and diamonds presented by the bridegroom. Their bouquets consisted of pink heather, which looked lovely and well befitted a Highland wedding. The ceremony by performed Bishop Kelly, Bishop of Moray and Ross, assisted by Canon Llewellyn, and was conducted according to the beautiful form of the Church of England. The bridegroom gave the responses in clear manly voice, and the replies of the bride, although made in lower tone, could be distinctly heard over considerable part of the building. The 128th psalm was sung, and the concluding hymn, How welcome was the call," and thereafter the marriage party retired to the vestry to sign the register, the procession again leaving the church to the music Mendelssohn's Wedding March." In the afternoon the young couple drove on to Monar, a distance of forty miles from Inverness, and which belongs to Mr Stirling of Fairborn. There they will stay for a month to spend their honeymoon.

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Bridesmaids: Marian Isabel Stirling, Mary Laurie Stirling, his sisters; Miss E. Whyte, Miss M. Mackintosh of Raigmore, Miss F. Cameron of Inverailot and Miss Adam, cousins of the bride

Best Man: Captain James Stirling, brother of the Groom

Their children

Marion Louisa, born 26th June 1890

Charlotte Isabel, born 16th May 1892

John, born 16th September 1893

William Aeneas, born 26th September 1896

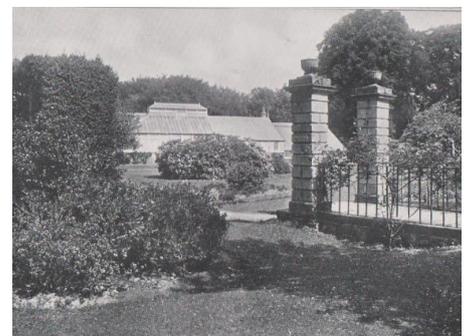
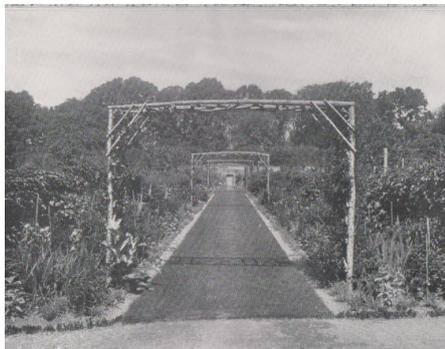
James Erskine, born 27 April 1898

Duncan Alexander, born 6 October 1899

Robert Mackintosh, born 23 October 1903



In 1915 Charlotte moved to Culloden House, near Inverness where she lived until 1935.





James Stirling married Mary Anne, only daughter of the late Mr John Harris of Greysouthern, Cumberland and Ann Jefferson

Yesterday afternoon a large and fashionable congregation assembled in Carlisle Cathedral. The guests numbered over 150, and included the Speaker of the House of Commons, the Chairman of Committees, the Bishop of Carlisle, Sir W. Lawson, Bart., M. P., and others. The bride was given away, by her brother, Mr Joseph Harris of Calthwaite Hall, Carlisle, the High Sheriff. The Rev. S. W. Watson, Bootle, and the Rev. G. Hales, of Ardleigh, Essex, (the high sheriff's chaplain), performed the ceremony, and the service was fully choral. Marriages have rarely taken place in Carlisle Cathedral, so that the ceremony attracted much attention. Inside the sacred pile the scene was most impressive. Only ticket-holders were admitted.

Liverpool Mercury

Bridesmaids: Miss Hales, Rickington Rectory, Suffolk, Miss Mildred Stanley, Ponsonby Hall, Miss Monkhouse, Hastings and Miss Laura Mackenzie, Wadley Lodge, Berkshire, his niece

Best Man: Captain Alexander Stirling, Seaforth Highlanders, brother of the Groom



James and MaryAnne lived at Laurieston Hall, Kirkcudbright

2nd June 1980 at All Saints Church, Ennismore Gardens, Knightsbridge, London



Marion (left)

Wilfrid

Marion Isabel, second daughter of John Stirling of Fairburn and Marian Hartley married Mr Wilfrid Emilius, second son of the Rev Sir (John Robert Laurie) Emilius Laurie, 3rd Bt and Marianne Sophia, daughter of Edward Royd Rice, M.P.

The service, which was fully choral, was conducted Rev. David Anderson, M.A., Vicar of Holy Trinity, Twickenham, brother-in-law of the bridegroom. The bride, who arrived in good time, was given away by her father, Mr John Stirling of Fairburn; the bridegroom having as his attendant, his eldest brother, who acted as "best man." The accomplished bride looked exceedingly well in a magnificent dress of white sole de Parcel, elaborately trimmed with Brussels point lace and mousseline de soie. Her veil was of the finest tulle, fastened with superb diamond stars, the gifts of Mr James Stirling and Miss M. L. Stirling, her brother and sister. Her other were a pair of much-valued diamond bangles, the present of the Fairburn tenantry and employees, and a bouquet of white orchids, roses, and lilies of the valley, tied with streamers to match, the gift of the bridegroom. There was only one bridesmaid who was effectively costumed in pale pink and ecru embroidery, most tastefully arranged, with straw hat to match, neatly trimmed with ostrich feathers and ecru and pink. The bridegroom's presents were an opal and diamond ring and bouquet of pale pink orchids and roses, artistically made up, tied with pink streamers en suite. Owing to the illness of the bride's mother, only the immediate friends and acquaintances of both families were present. After receiving the congratulations of those present, Mr and Mrs Wilfrid Emilius Laurie left en route for one of Lord Cromartie's Lodges on the west coast of Ross-shire, where their honeymoon will be spent. The bride's travelling dress was of electric blue velvet and cloth braided in silver and blue, with brown straw hat, trimmed feathers to match.

Northern Chronicle and General Advertiser for the North of Scotland

Bridesmaids: Miss Mary Laurie Stirling, her sister

Best Man: Mr Claud Laurie, brother of the Groom

Their children

Sylvia Marian, born 1891, unmarried

John Emilius, born 12 August 1892, married 1922 Evelyn Clare, daughter of Lt Col Lionel James Richardson-Gardner

Evelyn Mary, born 1894, married 1923, Colonel Noel Edward Baxter

Jean Wilfrid, born 1895, married 1948 Ronald Schofield

Wilfrid Walter, born 18 October 1897 – 19 May 1917

Eila Isabel, born 1901, married 1928 Rear Adm James Uchtred Farie, C.M.G.

Latterly Marian lived at Craig an Ron, Fortrose where she died in 1950

13 October 1896 at the Parish Church, Dingwall

Alexander (Aleck) Stirling married Helen Katharine (Katie), third daughter of Sherriff Crawford Hill and Catherine R. Howden, Hill House, Dingwall



Aleck and Katie in 1909

The weather, the character of which is supposed to be somewhat prophetic on such occasions, was specially fine, the atmosphere being dry and bracing, and the sun shining brightly while the ceremony and functions connected with it were being carried through.

The church was Very Prettily Decorated for the occasion, with profusion of cut flowers which were arranged in several beautiful designs around the pulpit—a number of handsome palms, and several ivy and holly festoons which were suspended from the galleries. The lobbies and passages were laid with crimson carpet, and everything appeared tasteful and appropriate to the occasion. The gathering of guests was a large and fashionable one, the area of the church being taxed accommodate them comfortably, while the gallery was crowded with interested spectators from town and country. Outside the Building the scene was one of unusual activity. The entrances to the church wore crowded with those who were unable gain admittance and were anxious to get a glimpse of the bride and bridegroom.

Added to this was the movements of A Guard of Honour, supplied by the staff of the 3rd Battalion Seaforth Highlanders, who travelled from Fort-George to be present, and the members of the Dingwall Company of the 1st V.B. Seaforth Highlanders. The staff officers present lined the lobbies of the church, and the Volunteers, under the command of Captain Mackenzie, formed up

between the gate of the churchyard and the door of the church. These arrangements were all completed, and the guests were all in their places, when, about 2.25, the bridegroom arrived and entered the church in the company of his father, his sister — Lady Munro of Foulis—and other friends.

The bride arrived few minutes later, and was led to the altar by her father, the "Bridal march" being meanwhile played on the organ. When the marriage party took up their places, "The voice that breathed o'er Eden" was sung by the choir, and Rev. Mr Mac Alister proceeded thereafter with the nuptial ceremony, being assisted by Rev. Mr Macfarlane, Urray. The hymn, "Oh, perfect love," was sung at the close of the ceremony, music specially composed for the occasion by Mr Hill, and, after they had signed the register, Captain and Mrs Stirling left the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding Much."

The bride, who looked exceedingly pretty, and was much admired, wore a beautiful dress of white satin duchesse, trimmed with silver and pearl embroidery, and orange blossom on the bodice and skirt. She wore a tulle veil, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses, lily of the valley, and white heather, the gift of the bridegroom. Her ornaments were pearl necklace and diamond pendant, from Mr and Mrs Stirling, and a diamond and pearl bracelet from the bridegroom. She was attended by four bridesmaids who wore dresses of white satin, long white chiffon fichus, with black velvet hats, trimmed with black feathers and rosettes of regimental colours. They carried bouquets of pink carnations, gifts of the bridegroom. The bridegroom's presents to the bridesmaids were pendants of diamonds, turquoises and pearls, with gold chains. The bridegroom was married in Regimental Uniform as Captain the Seaforth Highlanders, and his best man was similarly attired. The Dingwall brass band, which, under Conductor Hugh Macrae, led the guard of honour to the church with the quick march, "Under the Double Eagle" (Wagner), played "Haste to the Wedding" as the bride and bridegroom arrived at the church, Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" during the ceremony, and "Woo'd and Married and a" as the happy couple left the church. As the guests and spectators left the church there was a considerable crush at the gate, and it was fully ten minutes before people were able move about with ease, the greatest interest being manifested by the public in everything connected with the happy event, which had just passed off so successfully. It may be mentioned that Miss Macgregor, Strathpeffer, very tastefully presided at the organ. While the choir was efficiently conducted R. Malcolm. The arrangement of the church was carried out by Messrs J. Mackenzie A Sons, cabinetmakers, and the decorations by the Fairburn gardeners.

Ross shire Journal

Bridesmaids: Miss Maud Hill & Miss Ethel Hill, sisters of the bride; Miss Muriel Cochrane, cousin; Miss Eva Munro of Foulis, niece of the groom

Best Man: Captain Baillie, 1st Bn Seaforth Highlanders



Katie

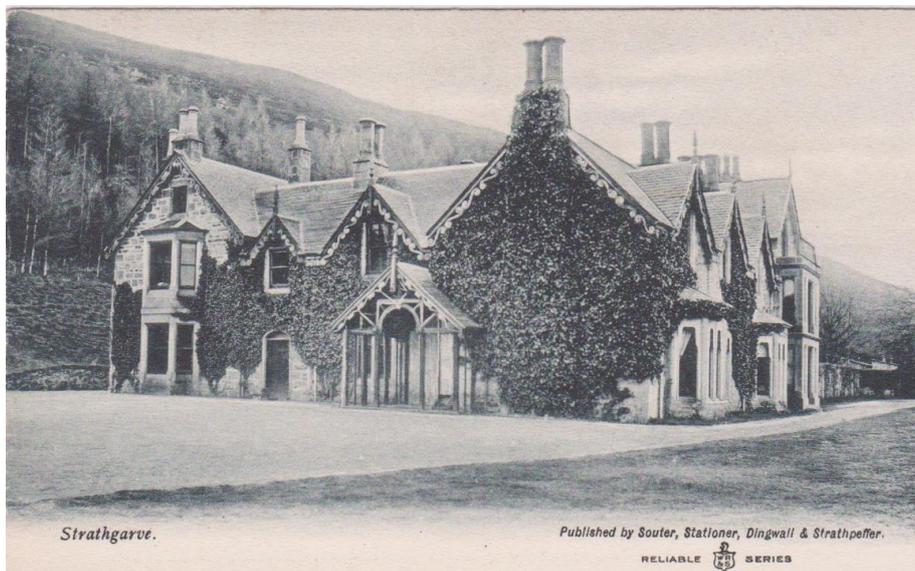


Katie Hill and her sister at Corriehallie



Aleck

Aleck received his first commission in 1885. He served as a Lieutenant with the 1st Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders and received the India Medal of 1854 with the Hazara 1888 clasp and the 1891 clasp. In 1899 he was acting as Adjutant for the Fourth Volunteer Battalion, Seaforths and volunteered to serve in the war in South Africa. He retired as a Captain in 1903. In 1914 he was promoted to Major and second in Command of the 7th Battalion Seaforth Highlanders, wounded in 1915 he was sent home.



Alexander and Katharine lived at Strathgarve, by Garve, Ross shire which he bought in 1904

12 June 1895 at St Anne's Church, Strathpeffer

Miss Mary Laurie Stirling married Gilfrid William, son of Mr Gilfrid William Hartley of Moresby, Cumberland and Margaret Randleson



Mary Laurie (Aunt Maimie) with her 20 bore



Naturally, from the popularity of the parties concerned, the joyous event attracted no little interest among all classes of society in the North, and no better proof of this could be manifested than the extraordinarily large number of gift, many of them rare and costly, presented to the young couple, as well the numerous body of friends and well-wishers. who were eager to be present in the church to witness the ceremony. Than Mr Stirling, there is to no more popular or generally disposed proprietor in the Highlands, and in all his good deeds and kind acts his daughter cordially and heartily joined. Such actions have brought their natural result and we know that we express the universal feeling of the entire community within a wide radius of Fairburn House, when we state that they wish her all manner of prosperity in her new home.

St Anne's Church being a comparatively small building, it was necessary to regulate admission by means of tickets, but not withstanding this restriction the edifice was crowded to its utmost limits, by a brilliant assembly of ladies. and gentlemen.

Shortly before noon, the hour fixed for the ceremony the bridegroom, accompanied by his groomsman and occupied the interval that elapsed before the arrival of the bride in chatting with friends in the front pews. Punctually at 12 o'clock the bride walked up the aisle, leaning on the arm of her father, to the strains of the familiar hymn, sung by the choir, "The King of Love my Shepherd is"; at the conclusion of which she took up her position before the altar, overshadowed by a majestic palm, brought we believe from the Fairburn Conservatory. This exotic we understand is a great favourite of Miss Stirling who always declared that when she got married it would be beneath its widespread leaves. It is rather interesting to think that this little piece of floral sentiment has been gratified.

The marriage ceremony, in the beautiful but familiar ritual of the Episcopal Church, was very impressively conducted by the Rev Hay Wilson, incumbent of St Anne's, Strathpeffer. The service was a full choral one and under the direction of Mr Money, organist of the Inverness Cathedral, who with his choir was present from the Highland Capital specially to take part in the joyous event. As the young couple retired to sign the register the wedding march from Lohengrin was played, and they afterwards left the church to the strains of Mendelsohn's wedding march.

The church was beautifully and most artistically adorned with flowers and exotic plants, which combined with the elegant dresses of the ladies, conveyed a most pleasing effect to the eyes of the spectators. Outside the edifice a triple floral arch spanned the gateway and the path between it and the church was lined with crimson carpet and strewn with flowers.

The bride it should be added looked charming, dressed in satin duchess with train, petticoat with silver brocade, trimmed with pointe de gaze lace, the gift of her mother, tulle veil and diamond tiara the gift of her father. Diamond and emerald bracelet the gift of the employees at Fairburn and Monar.

The bridesmaids were dressed in ecru mousseline de soil, over cream satin with pale blue sashes and hats with blue tips.

Early in the afternoon the young couple amid the hearty congratulations of all and the cheers of those on the estate, left for their honeymoon. The going away dress was a fawn crepon skirt with cream satin bodice with turquoise velvet passementerie; fawn cape lined with pale blue shot silk, hat of brown straw, trimmed with pale blue ostrich tips and Malmaison carnations.

North Star and Farmers Chronicle

Bridesmaids: Miss Laura Mackenzie and Miss Lilian Hartley, cousins of the bride; Miss Eva Munro, Miss Isabel Munro, Miss Marian Stirling and Miss Sylvia Laurie, nieces of the bride.

Best Man: Captain Alexander Stirling, Seaforth Highlanders, brother of the Bride

G.W. Hartley was the author of Wild Sport with Gun, Rifle and Salmon Rod. They lived at Moresby, North Berwick.

8 January 1903 at St Conan's Church, Lochawe



Marion Alston, Charles Stirling and Gilfrid Hartley

Charles married Marion, eldest daughter of Mr Charles Henry Alston of Letterawe and Sara Fullarton Brown

The ceremony was performed in St Conan's Church, a picturesque edifice, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Flags, flowers, and evergreens were festooned round the walls and windows, and a magnificent arch of red roses was erected above the altar, and underneath which the bride and bridegroom knelt during the ceremony. Besides the relatives and friends of the bride and bridegroom, a large number of people from the surrounding districts, gathered in the church to witness the ceremony. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. J. M. Lester, vicar of St John's Church, Woolwich, assisted by the Rev. Farquhar Macrae, Glenorchy. The ceremony took place at 11. 15 a.m., and while the invited guests were taking their places the organist, Miss Haddow, discoursed appropriate music. On the arrival of the bride's carriage, the horses were promptly unloosed at the gate, and the vehicle drawn by willing hands to the church door. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a gown of white chiffon trimmed with silver embroidery. She wore a lace veil and a wreath of orange blossom and carried a bouquet of lily of the valley and orange blossom. Her ornaments were a blue enamel and black pearl brooch, the gift of her father, and a diamond necklace presented by Mr and Mrs Stirling of Fairburn. The bridesmaids wore dresses of cream silk and point d'esprit, with pale blue chiffon sashes, black velvet picture hats, and carried shower bouquets of roses and violets. They wore blue enamel pearl brooches, the gifts of the bridegroom who was in full Highland costume. A reception was afterwards held by Mr and Mrs Alston at the Lochawe Hotel, and the bride and bridegroom left in the afternoon en route for London and the Continent.

Inverness Courier

Bridesmaids: Miss Cicely Alston and Miss Dorothy Alston, sisters of the bride; Miss Monti Brown, cousin of the bride; Miss Eva Munro of Foulis, niece of the groom; Miss Charlotte Stirling and Miss Marian Stirling nieces of the bridegroom

Best Man: Capt A.W. Macdonald, D.S.O., Lovat Scouts

Charles joined the Lovat Scouts in 1900.



Charles, seated 3rd from the left

He served in the ranks before being promoted to Lieutenant. He was presented with a Mauser pistol and prismatic binocular by the Fairburn Curling Club. He served in the 2nd Boer War, South Africa, 1899-1902, www.angloboerwar.com. He returned home in November 1901 and was presented with a massive, elaborately chased silver cup, supported on three silver telescopes on an ivory stand, inscribed "Presented to Lt Charles Stirling, in appreciation of his patriotism, on his return from service with the first Lovat Scouts in The South African Campaign 1900-1901 by residents in Fairburn, Muir of Ord and Beaully districts August 1901" by Lady Lovat.

The following men were presented with a gold medallion by Lady Lovat:

Lt Charles Stirling of Fairburn	Private Simon Fraser, Beaully
Sergeant J. Dewar, Kiltarlity	Private Frank Gold, Erchless
Finlay Mackinnon, Milton, died in service	Private A. Henderson, Beaully
Corporal J. Paterson, Balblair	Private Brodie Macdonald, Beaully
Corporal J. Ritchie, Teawig	Private James A. Macdonald, Strathconon
	Private John Macdonald, Strathconon
	Private Donald Mciver, Strathconon
	Private J. Mackenzie, Muir of Ord
	Private A. Mackillop, Beaully
	Private A. Maclean, Oldtown
	Private D. Maclean, Teafrish
	Private High Maclellan, Tore
	Private Donald Matheson, Tore
	Private J. Morrison, Beaufort

In August 1902 he sailed from South Africa on the Tintagel Castle returning with 219 men and 10 Officers.

Capt D.G. Mackintosh	Capt H.B. Galloway
Lt The Hon Alastair Fraser of Lovat	Lt. E.B. Mackenzie
The Master of Sempil	Lt. C.N. Macdonald
Lt C.W. Chalmers	Lt. G. Thurston
Lt C. Lamb	
Lt C. Burn Murdoch	

The Companies entrained to Aldershot and then Inverness. Charles was given a great reception on his return to Fairburn.

The same year Charles and Mouli sailed back to South Africa to settle in Allival North where he contracted influenza and died.

Mouli never remarried. In 1939 her address was Ascerton House, Sidmouth, Devon where she lived with Charles Henry Thomas, Beatrix Elphinstone. and Margaret Stirling Alston, her brother and sisters. She died there in 13 February 1952.

The Hartley Family

John Hartley of Moresby House, *Merchant*, born 1 December 1800, died 17 November 1845



Married

Margaret Fisher, born 1800, died 16 August 1889, Weston Super Mare, daughter of Henry Fisher, Greenbank



Their Children

Mary Ellen, born 1827, died 1827

Milham, *J.P.*, *Landowner*, born 17 June 1828, died 27 January 1900, Chepstow, Monmouthshire

Married 2 September 1866, St Martin in the Fields, Westminster

Agnes Lockyer, previously married to John Cowx

Her children

Mary, born 1851 Carlisle

Agnes, born 1854 Carlisle

Their children

Henry, born 1869 Pembrokeshire

Margaret, born 1874 Pembrokeshire

Mary Ann, born 4 October 1829

Henry, born 15 May 1831, died 25 June 1906, Middlesex

Married 10 October 1861, Dirleton, East Lothian

Jessie Baird Scott, born 1836 Scotland, died 17 May 1937 Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, daughter of James Scott and Walter Baird Reed

James, born 8 January 1833, died 27 October 1880, Somerset

Margaret, *Aunt Pie*, born 11 December 1834, died 26 November 1908, Cumberland



Married

Reverend Henry Fox, born 22 November 1831, died 13 January 1914, St Bees, Cumberland, son of William and Mary Fox

Their child

Ann, born about 1879

Ellen, born 16 October 1837, died 1927



Married 20 December 1862, Cape Town, South Africa

William Buxton Robertson, *1863 Captain in the Cape Mounted Rifles, South Africa*, born 2 June 1835, Logie, Perth, died 1 April 1907, Bournemouth, Dorset, son of Rev William Robertson and Georgina Tuckett Cossens

William, born 1839, died 4 August 1855, Bombay, Maharashtra, India

Alfred, *Commission Merchant* born August 1840

Married

Grace Anne Palgrave Fleming, born June 1843 Liverpool, died 17 December 1906, Cumberland, daughter of Quintin Fleming and Jane Anne Palgrave



Grace

Their children

Lilian Jane, born June 1868, Liverpool

Grace, born June 1870

Marian, born 1878, Wallasey, Cheshire

Maud Mary, born 1881, Wallasey, Cheshire

Children of William Stirling and Charlotte Eva Mackintosh

4th January 1911 at St Anne's Church, Strathpeffer

Miss Marion Louisa Stirling married 1st Captain Ewen James Brodie of Lethen, second son of the late James C. Brodie of Lethen and Fanny, daughter of Edward Wood of Henley Hall



Ewen Brodie and Marian Stirling



Marian

The church, which "was beautifully decorated with palms, white lilies, and chrysanthemums, was filled to overflowing with gathering representative of the leading families Ross shire, Nairnshire, and Inverness-shire. Detachments of Lovat Scouts and Cameron 1 Highlanders, in both of which bodies they had served, lined the centre aisle, of the church. The Rev. Dr Mac Lean, Bishop Moray and Ross, officiated, assisted by Canon Hay Wilson, of Dingwall and Strathpeffer, and the service was conducted the revised version of the Scottish Episcopal Church. The bride, who was given away .by her father, Major Stirling of Fairburn, wore a dress of ivory satin, veiled in old Brussels needlepoint lace, with court train of silver brocade. The bridesmaids were and all were dressed in cream shaded and satin trimmed with fur and large velvet hats and muffs the same shade trimmed with chrysanthemums, and with large stoles match. , Captain Brodie and his groomsman (Captain H. T. Lumsden, of the Cameron Highlanders) were both dressed in the full Highland costume the Cameron Highlanders. After the service, which was fully choral, a distinguished company witnessed the signing of the marriage certificate. To the accompaniment of Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" the bridal couple passed through the church, from porch of which to their carriage they were played by two pipers.

The Dundee Courier

Bridesmaids: Chattie Stirling, her sister; Dorothy Graham Campbell and Monica Grant-Peterkin, cousins of the bride, Nora Collinswood, cousin of the bridegroom and Maud Arbuthnott

Pages: Robert Mackintosh Stirling, her brother and Donald Ross, son of Colonel Ross of Cromarty

Best Man: Capt H.T. Lumsden, Cameron Highlanders

Their Children



David James, born 27 October 1911 married 1936, Diana, daughter of Sir John Davidson, Inverness shire

Helen (Hendy) Charlotte, born 22 June 1913, unmarried

Peter Ewen, born 6 May 1914 married 1940, Betty Eve Middlebrook Horsfall, younger daughter of Mr T.M. Horsfall, Northumberland



Lethen, Auldern, Nairn

16th July 1928 in Paddington, London

Marion Lousia Brodie married 2nd Ian Malcolm Campbell, D.S.O. 5th son of Frederic Archibald Vaughan, 3rd Earl of Cawdor and Edith Georgiana, eldest daughter of Christopher Turnor, Stoke Rochford



The marriage of Mr I. M. Campbell and Mrs Brodie took place very quietly in London.

The Scotsman

1st June 1915 at St Anne's, Strathpeffer



John married Marjory Kythe, daughter of Sir Kenneth John Mackenzie, 7th Bt of Gairloch and Lady Marjory Louisa Murray, eldest daughter of William David, 4th Earl of Mansfield and 9th Viscount Stormont

In normal times the marriage would have been a most important social function, but owing to the war and deep mourning in both families, the ceremony was private, the guests being limited to near relatives and a few local friends. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion with white lilac and narcissus, and the officiating clergymen were the Bishop of the Diocese, who was assisted by the Dean of Moray, Ross, and Caithness. The bride, who was given away her father, wore her travelling costume of fine white serge, with white rose-trimmed hat and floating lace veil, and her ornaments included a pearl necklace, the gift of the bridegroom. Miss Mackenzie had no bridesmaids, but Mr Stirling was attended by his brother, Mr Wm. Stirling, of the 3d Seaforth Highlanders, best man. There was no reception. After the ceremony the bride and bridegroom journeyed to Monar Lodge, where the honeymoon is to be spent. Later they will travel to Great Massingham, Norfolk.

Dundee Courier

Best Man: Lt William Aeneas Stirling, brother of the groom

Their children



Marjorie, Roderick, Iona, Marion, John



Moll, Iona, Marj

Roderick

Marjory Charlotte, born 1920

Marion Olive, born 1922

John Michael, 26 March 1925-18 March 1940



Jock was injured on the sports field at Harrow and developed osteomyelitis of the tibia and septicaemia. Antibiotics were unavailable at the time and he was unable to recover.

From The Harrovian

"Jock" came to Elmfield in September 1938. After a term's absence in 1939 he rejoined us in January, 1940. His happy temperament was only known to us for a short time, but it was such that we had come to look for it in him. One who knew him for two terms writes: "What a grand, cheerful boy he was, he will leave a gap in the House where his smiling face will be missed." This is very true, for in his attitude to life at Harrow, his clearness of purpose and easy directness was reassuring and comfortable to those who knew him. On the football fields a small and rather grim, red face beneath a shock of dark hair were the outward evidence of an inward and steady determination to advance and to stem any counter-attack. While his eagerness to show to a visitor his home and the river with the salmon in its pools, gave as great delight to stranger as to guide.

He was always a ready vitality that gave unmissable promise of success. We offer our great sympathy to his family and friends in their sorrow.

Iona Margaret, born 1928

Roderick William Kenneth, born 1936

26th August 1915 at St Mary's Church, Great Massingham, Norfolk

Charlotte Isabel Stirling Lt Hon Ian Leslie Melville, 4th son of Ronald Ruthven, 11th Earl of Leven and 10th Earl of Melville and Emma Selina, daughter of William, 2nd Viscount Portman

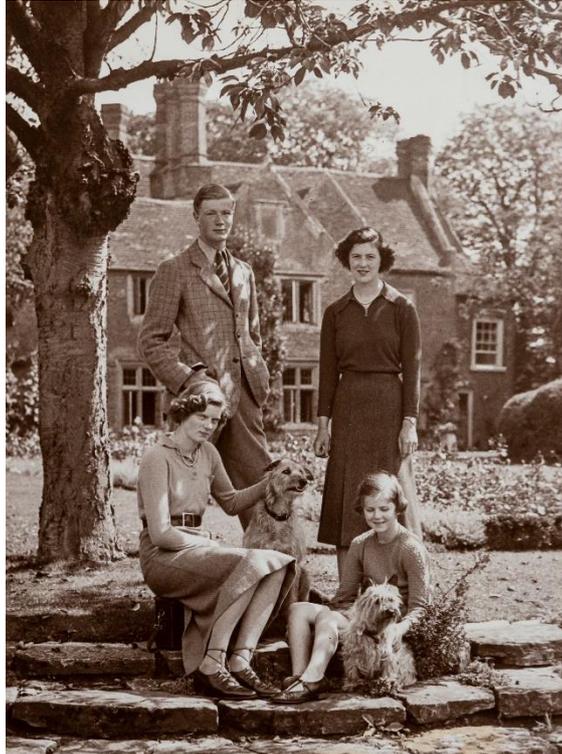
Like both his brothers, the Earl of Leven and Melville (severely wounded some months ago) and Mr. David Leslie-Melville, Ian is a soldier he is, moreover, only twenty-one. But instead of being content with a long engagement and a wedding after the war," things have been specially speeded up. The alliance is all Scotch, the lady being Miss Chattie Stirling, of Ross-shire. Is it another case of what is called Lovat first sight Lord Leven and Melville belongs to the Scots Greys, and has been too much preoccupied with soldiering to marry but his younger brothers, both of Lovat's Scouts, have each taken a wife upon coming of age.

The Sketch

The marriage of Lieutenant the Hon. Ian Leslie Melville, Lovat's Scouts, and Miss Chattie Stirling, of Fairburn, took place quietly at St. Mary's Church, Great Massingham, Norfolk, on Thursday. Major Duncan Billie, a brother officer, acted as best man, and the bridegroom's troop of Lovat's Scouts lined the aisle. Among the congregation were Mrs. Stirling, mother of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. John Stirling, of Fairburn, Colonel and the Hon. Mrs. Stirling, of Keir, the Countess of Leven and Melville, Lieutenant the Hon. David and Mrs. Leslie Melville, and several of his brother officers.

Clifton Society

Their children



Judith Betty, born 26 October 1916 married 1939, 2nd Baron Dulverton

Michael Ian, born 12 August 1918 married 1943, Cynthia, daughter of Sir Charles Jocelyn Hambro

Helen Selina, born 6 March 1921 married 1941, Capt John Hugh Gilbert Wylde

Elisabeth Marion, born 9 April 1928 married 1952, the 4th Baron Joicey

14th July 1924 at St Peter's, Eaton Square, London



James Erskine Stirling married Miss Evelyn Alice Beatrix Cavendish, daughter of Capt Henry Frederick Compton Cavendish, R.N. and the late Lady Harriet Castalia Godolphin, daughter of the 9th Duke of Leeds

The bride, who was given away her father, wore gown of cream velour Tanagra, draped in long classical lines, the drapery held a silver and orange blossom clasp. The train was of old family lace, and lace veil was held with simple wreath orange blossom. The train was carried by Master Maurice Macmillan, who, together with the other two pages, the Earl of Burlington and Lord Andrew Cavendish, was dressed in Kate Greenaway style in peach-silk shot with white, with ruffles georgette at the neck and sleeves. The bride's retinue also included six little bridesmaids, whose Kate Greenaway frocks were worn with little georgette caps, trimmed with silk ribbon and sprays of peach blossom. The Rev. A. T. Humphreys officiated. Among the guests at the church were the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, the Marchioness of Hartington, Lady Blanche Cobbold, and Lady Dorothy Macmillan.

The Derbyshire Times and Chesterfield Herald

Lady Mary Morrison has lent her house in Halkin Street, London, for the reception following the marriage on Monday

Bridesmaids: Lady Anne Cavendish, Miss Marjorie Morrison, Miss Judith Leslie-Melville, his niece; Miss Helen Brodie, his niece; Miss Arbell Mackintosh, his cousin; Miss Pamela Cobbold and Miss Marjorie Stirling, his niece

Pages: The Earl of Burlington, Michael Leslie Melville, his nephew; Granville Leveson-Gower

Best Man: Duncan Stirling, brother of the Groom

Their children



Bridget Mary, born 20 June 1925, married 1948, Capt Hon David Ian Rollo, M.B.E., M.C.

William Henry, born 8 December 1926, married 1st 1959, Mariota, daughter of Lt Col Ronald Steuart Menzies of Menzies; married 2nd 1968, Primrose, daughter of Major William Francis Butler

Anne Evelyn, born 5 July 1929, married 1951, Colonel Claude Glen Kelway Bamber, M.B.E.

Sarah Caroline, born 30 June 1933, married 1963, Captain Patrick Robert Doyne



They lived at Holme Rose, Croy, Inverness shire

27 January 1926 at St Margaret's, Westminster



The marriage took place last week at St. Margaret's, Westminster, of Alexander Stirling, son of the late Major W. Stirling, of Fairlorn, Ross-shire, and Mrs. Stirling of Culloiden, Inverness-shire, and Lady Marjorie Murray, elder daughter of the Earl of Dunmore, V.C., and the Countess of Dunmore. The bride was attended by four child attendants: the Hon. José Evans-Freke, Miss Marjorie Stirling, Lady Elizabeth Murray, Miss Judy Leslie-Melville; and Master Michael Leslie-Melville and Lady Jean Leslie-Melville carried the bride's train. There were also five grown-up bridesmaids, Lady Janet Campbell, Lady Jean Dalrymple, the Hon. Lettice Harbord, Miss Olive Campbell, and Miss Anne Drummond-Murray. The picture shown above was taken at the reception.

Duncan Alexander Stirling married Lady Marjorie Hilda, eldest daughter of John Alexander Murray, 9th Earl of Dunmore and Anne Augusta, daughter of Thomas Clouston Wallace, Orkney

The bride and bridesmaids were in white, the bridal gown being of white panne velvet, fur bordered, with a long veil and train of heavy Brussels lace. The bridesmaids were in white georgette. The children wore satin picture frocks, which were embroidered with pearls. Among those present at the ceremony were the Earl and Countess of Dunmore. Mrs Stirling, the Duke of Atholl (whose pipers played the Atholl March), Mrs Jane Stirling, Countess Cawdor. Lord and Lady Leven and Melville, the Dowager Countess of Dunmore, Viscountess Masserene

Dundee Evening Telegraph

Adult Bridesmaids: Lady Janet Campbell, Lady Jean Dalrymple, the Hon Lettice Harbord, Miss Olivia Campbell and Miss Anne Drummond-Murray

Bridesmaids: The Hon José Evans-Freke, Miss Marjorie Stirling, his niece; Lady Elisabeth Murray and Miss Judy Leslie-Melville, his niece

Train Bearers: Michael Leslie-Melville, his nephew and Lady Jean Leslie-Melville

Best Man: Mr Cuthbert Fitzherbert

Robert, known as Robin never married. He lived at Merlewood House, Inverness

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Left to right

? – Marian Stirling, Alex Stevenson – Marjorie Stevenson – Roderick Stirling – Iona Stirling - ? – Robert Stirling

The Macintosh of Daviot Family

Aeneas, born 12 June 1811, Canada, son of The Hon Angus Mackintosh, 25th Chief of Mackintosh and Mary Archange Baudry St Martin, daughter of Jacques St Martin and Marie-Anne Navarre

Married 1st 7 November 1843, Dyke, Moray

Mary Macleod, died 1848, daughter of Alexander Macleod of Dalvey

Married 2nd 11 March 1851, St James, Paddington

Louisa Fanny Sybella Macleod, born December 1822, Bengal India, daughter of Alexander Macleod, *Major in the 12th Regiment Bengal Light Infantry, commanded the Cuttac Legion and was present at capture of Java* and Louisa Brown, daughter of Henry Browne, *Indian Civil Service*

They lived at Daviot House, Inverness shire

Their children

Alexander/Ali, born 1852, Daviot

Married 24 April 1878, Mozufferpore, India

Annie Lavinia Jane Berkeley, born 11 May 1856, India, daughter of Henry Nicholas Lionel Berkeley and Eliza Harriet Wilkinson

Their children

Aeneas Lionel Acton, *Merchant Navy Officer*, born 1 July 1879, Mozufferpore, India, died 8 May 1916, Antarctica



Antarctic Guide.com

He joined Ernest Shackleton's Nimrod expedition in 1907 and was later recruited to join the Imperial Trans-Antartica Expedition in 1914.

George Alistair Rule, born 6 November 1880, India, died 15 December 1927, Siam

Isabel Annie, born 2 April 1882, Bengal, India, died 29 June 1962, Lewes, Sussex

Duncan Alexander Elliott, born 1 December 1883, died 29 May 1966

Charles Berkeley, born 25 July 1888, died 6 December 1918, Masvingo, Zimbabwe

Eric Vincent, born 26 June 1890, Dulwich, Surrey, died September 1970, Cheltenham

Miss Mackintosh, born 1853

Mary Marion, born 1854, Daviot, died 9 January 1929, Hertfordshire

Married 1886 Inverness

Charles Granville Kekewich, born 1860 Marylebone, London, son of Rt Hon Sir Arthur Kekewich, P.C. and Marian Freshfield. He was grandson of Samuel Trehawke Kekewich, M.P. of Peamore, Devon

Their children

Arthur St John Mackintosh, born 24 June 1887, died 25 September 1915, Loos, France

Piers Keene, born 1889 Elstree, Hertfordshire *Royal Navy*



Aeneas Henry, born 1855, died 1873, unmarried

Lewis Charles, born 2 July 1856, died 21 January 1857, unmarried

Louisa Caroline Campbell, 18 January 1858, died 1872, unmarried

Duncan Houston, *Bank Manager*, 3 February 1860, died 10 November 1944

Married

Louisa Mary Kekewich, born 1870 Park Square, London, daughter of Rt Hon Sir Arthur Kekewich, P.C. and Marian Freshfield, daughter of James William Freshfield

Their children

Lachlan Donald, born 11 November 1896, Tietsen, China

Evelyn Mary, 1896, Tietsen China, died 28 February 1918

Duncan Robert, born 4 October 1902, Tietsen, China

Louisa Constance, born 1904, Tietsen, China

Charlotte Eva, born 9 January 1862

Alexandra Graham, born 8 October 1863, Huntly St, Inverness, died 4 April 1957 Argyll

Married

Robert Charles Graham Campbell, *Landed Proprietor*, born 28 January 1862, Glassery, Argyll, son of John Graham Campbell and Jessie Saunders

Their children

John, born 12 February 1888, 42 India St, Edinburgh

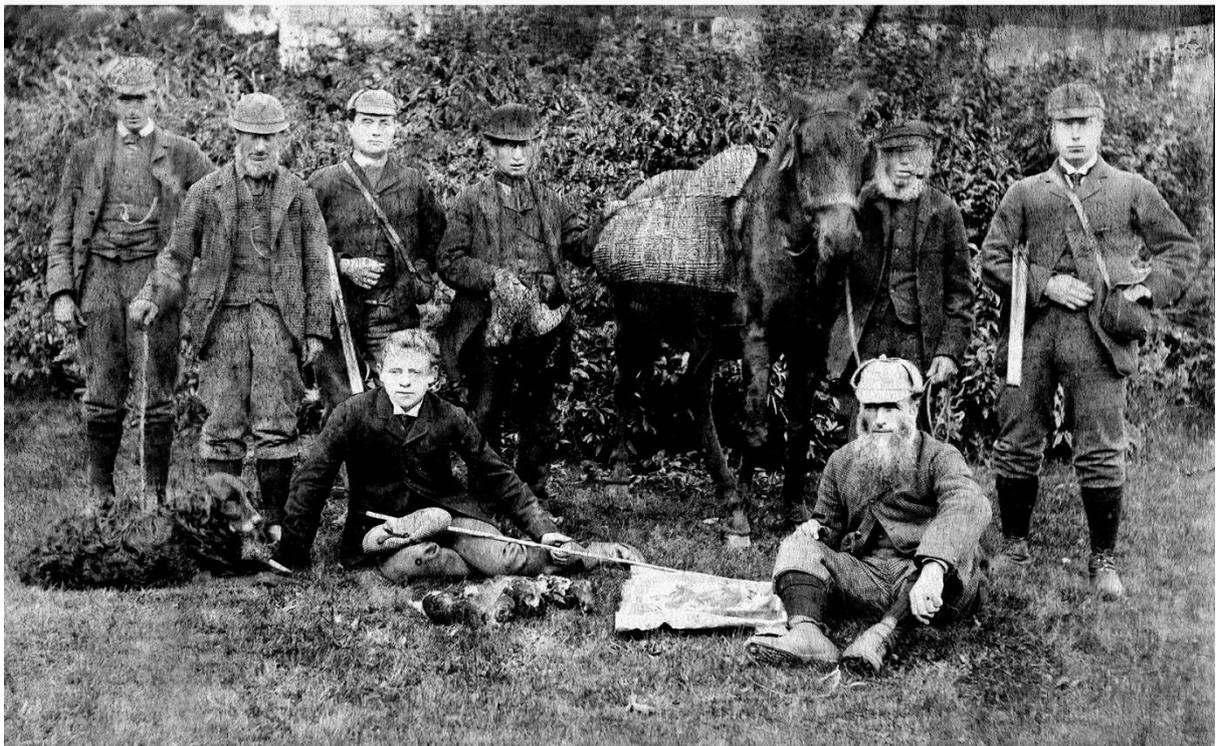
Jessie Dorothy, born 3 March 1890, Castleton, Glassery, Argyll

Katherine Louise, born 17 May 1892, Knapdale, Argyll

Miss Mackintosh, 13 May 1867



Daviot House, August 1887 - Unfortunately, I have no names for the people in either of these photographs



Children of Sir John Stirling of Fairburn, K.T. M.B.E. (mil) and Marjory Kythe Mackenzie

29th January 1941 at St Anne's Church, Strathpeffer



Miss Marjory Charlotte Stirling married Major William Alexander Stevenson, The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, eldest son of the late Major-General Alexander Gavin Stevenson, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., The Red Cottage, Camberley Surrey and Elsie Nicoll, daughter of William Jobson, Surgeon-Major, Army Medical Service

The church was decorated with lilies and rhododendrons. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a full-skirted cream and gold brocade gown with a heart-shaped neckline, and her veil Brussels lace, last worn by her great-grandmother, was held in place by a wreath of orange blossom and myrtle. Her only ornament was a necklace of pearls, the gift of her father. Her brother wore Highland dress. The three bridesmaids wore high-necked, full-skirted dresses of red velvet.

Aberdeen Weekly Journal

Bridesmaids: Iona and Marian Stirling, her sisters and Sally Stirling of Holme Rose, a cousin

Page: Roderick Stirling, her brother

Best Man: Squadron Leader William Tailyour, Royal Airforce

In 1958, on the death of Sir Hector David Mackenzie, 8th Bt of Gairloch, the baronial estate of Gairloch, held from 1476, devolved on his niece, Marjory Charlotte Stirling, Mrs Stevenson, as Mrs Mackenzie 15th of Gairloch, while the baronetcy passed to the heir male as Sir Maxwell Inglis of Glencorse, 9th Bt.

Debrett's Illustrated Barontage, 1971

31st July 1946 at St Anne's Church, Strathpeffer



Miss Marian Olive Stirling married Keith Irvine Geddes, the Scottish Rugby Internationalist, youngest son of Mr Irvine Campbell Geddes of New House, Airlie Gardens, London and Ardtaraig, Argyll and Dorothy Jefford Fowler, daughter of daughter Sir George Fowler of Weybridge

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of heavy cream satin cut on classical lines .- She wore a veil of old family lace and long white gloves , and carried a bouquet of red carnations .

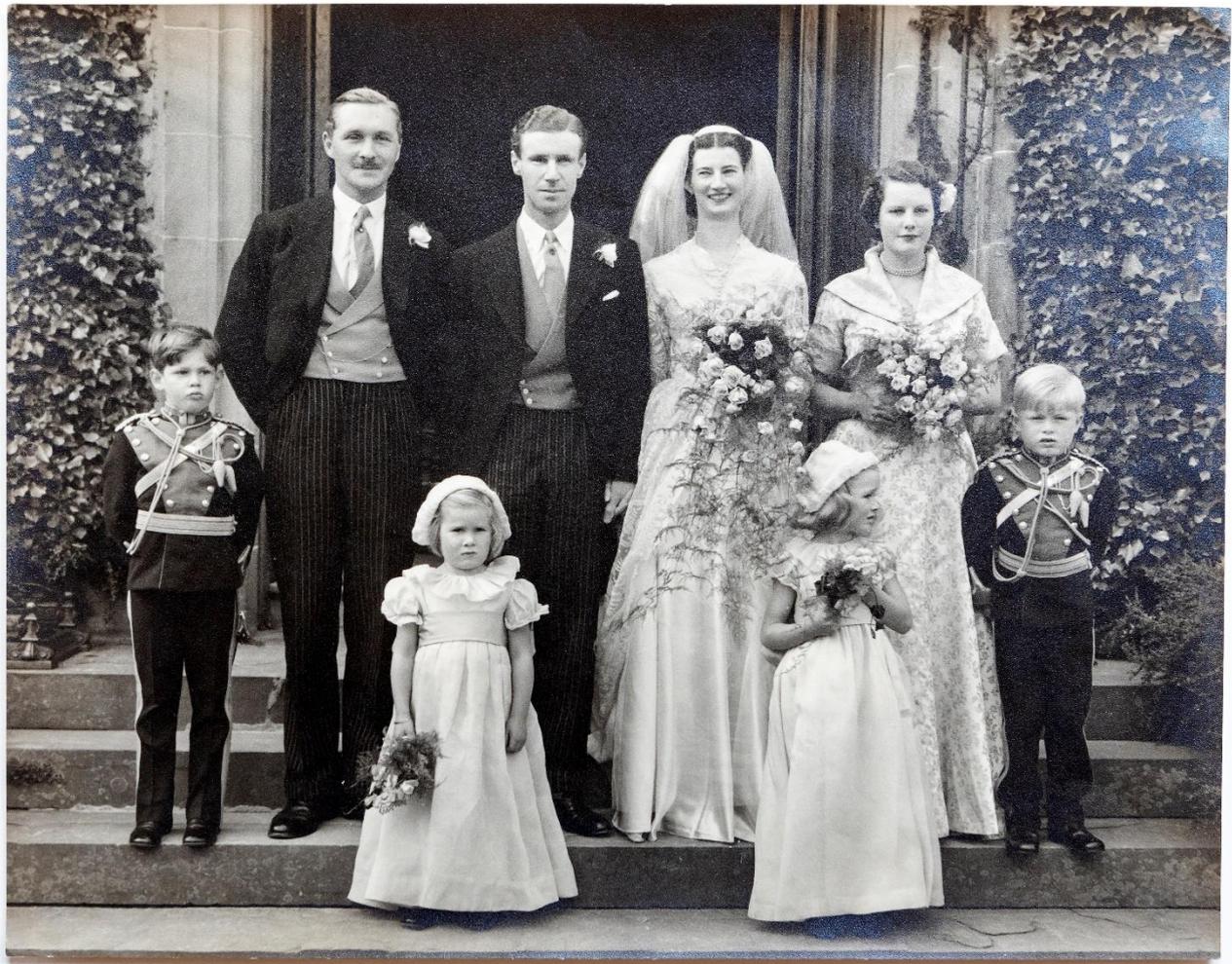
The Scotsman

Bridesmaids: Iona Stirling, her sister and Alexandra Stevenson, her niece

Page: Nigel Campbell.

Best Man: Mr Ford Geddes, brother of the groom

5th September 1950 at St Anne's Church, Strathpeffer



Miss Iona Margaret Stirling married Sutton Martin Abraham, 12th Royal Lancers, only son of Capt Edgar Gaston Furtado Abraham, C.B. and Ruth E. Davies of Mangerton House, nr Bridport, Dorset

Bridesmaids: Anne Kelway-Bamber, nee Stirling of Holme Rose, her cousin; Sara Stevenson, her niece and Janet Matheson of Brahan

Pages: ? and John Stevenson, her nephew

Best Man: Ben Hervey-Bathurst

26th October 1963 at Easington Church, Country Durham



Mr Roderick William Kenneth Stirling, youngest son of Sir John and Lady Stirling of Fairburn married Miss Penelope Jane Wright, eldest daughter of Mr Charles H. Wright, Tuthill, Haswell, County Durham and Eleanor (Tommy) Selby Dalglish, daughter of Robert Stanley Dalglish



LORD MAYOR'S DAUGHTER WEDS.—An informal picture of Miss Eleanor S. Dalglish, daughter of the Lord Mayor of Newcastle (Councillor R. S. Dalglish), with her bridesmaids, prior to leaving her Jesmond home for Holy Trinity Church, Newcastle, for her wedding, yesterday, with Mr. Charles H. Wright, of Sunderland. The Lord Mayor is seen in the background.



Charles Wright



Tuthill House, Haswell, County Durham

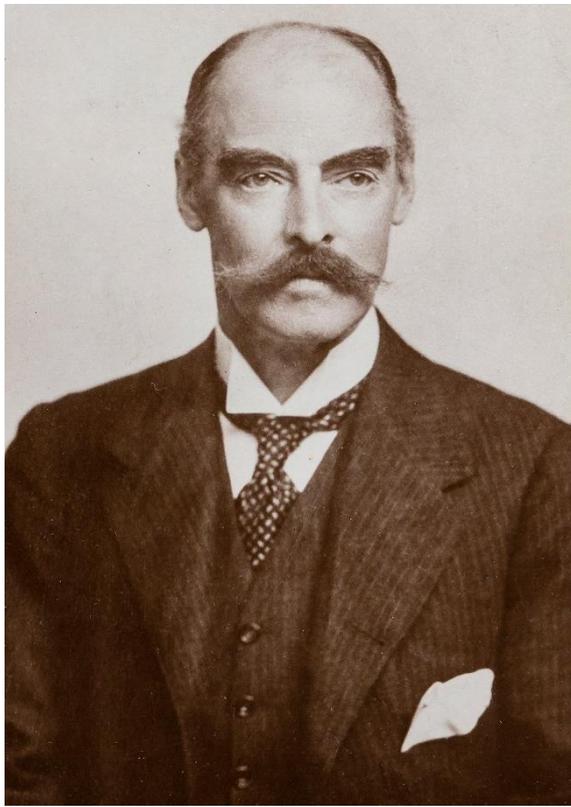
Bridesmaids: Kirsty Abraham, his niece and Lucinda Bower

Pages: Richard Fenwick, David Troidahl, Hugh Wright, James Mackenzie, his nephew

Best Man: Mr Colin Murray

The Mackenzie of Gairloch Family

Sir Kenneth John Mackenzie, *Kings Rembrancer, Edinburgh*, 7th Bt of Gairloch, born 6 October 1861, 8 Forres St, Edinburgh, son of Sir Kenneth Smith Mackenzie, 6th Bt of Gairloch and Eila Frederica Campbell, 2nd daughter of Walter Frederick Campbell of Islay



Kenneth

married

Lady Marjory Louisa Murray, eldest daughter of William David, 4th Earl of Mansfield and 9th Viscount Stormont and Louisa, daughter of Cuthbert Ellison of Hebburn Hall, Country Durham



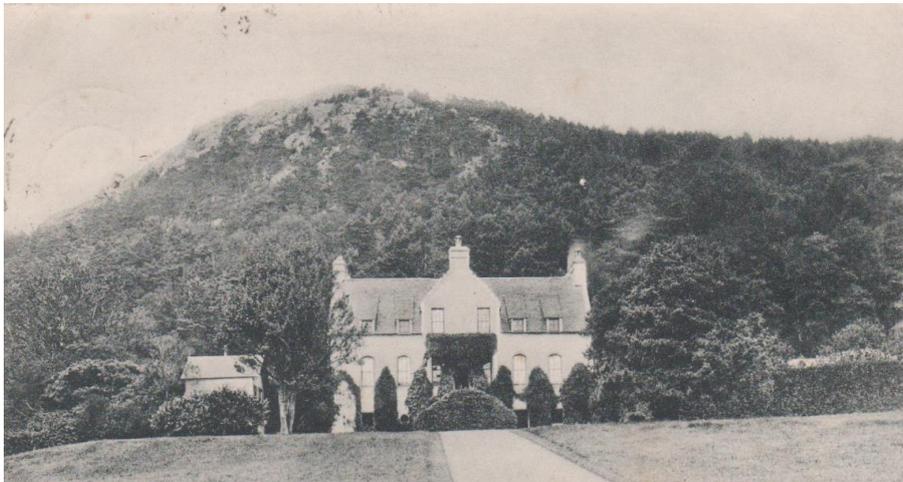
Marjory

The Mackenzies had a house on the east coast of Ross shire



Conan House

And one on the west coast



Flowerdale House, Gairloch

And No. 10 Moray Place, Edinburgh

Their children

Marjorie Kythe

Hector David, born 6 June 1893, died 10 May 1958, unmarried

Roderick Ian, born 27 May 1895, died 11 April 1915, France