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# THE GORDONS IN FORFARSHIRE

WITH THE LAIRDS OF  
ASHLUDIE, DONAVOURD  
TARVIE, THREAVE, AND  
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**T**HE Gordons have had the "gvidin' o't" in a great many places, but they have never managed to find a very firm footing in Forfarshire. It is very significant that scarcely one of them figures in the invaluable "Services of Heirs" between 1545 and 1800, with the exception of the family of Kincaldrum, descendants of the notorious Gordons of Gight. Another good test is to be found in the Commissariat of Brechin. Down to 1800, it contains only 18 Gordons, of whom five unquestionably came from the North. Indeed, it may be stated as a fair generalisation that nearly all the Gordons in Forfarshire have hailed from the North. The only family which has gained territorial importance, namely the well-known spinners of Montrose and Arbroath, descend from an Aberdeen skipper, though they spread themselves out in the lands of Ashludie in Forfarshire, Tarvie and Donavourd in Perthshire, and Threave in Kirkcudbright.

The following notes do not pretend to be a complete inventory of the Gordons in Forfarshire. They are simply a rough and ready hand-list of those who appear in printed sources of information, plus a few transcribed from Parish Registers by the late Mr D. S. R. Gordon, of Edinburgh, who claimed a descent from the family in Ardmeanach, in Glenmuick, Aberdeenshire, and in the parish of Lethnot, Forfarshire.

- ADAM GORDON, parish of Stracathro, married Christian Chapman in Edzell, June 5, 1784.
- ALEXANDER GORDON, Arbroath, married Ann Tweedie, parish of Cleish, May 26, 1804.
- ALEXANDER GORDON, Clova, and his sister, Effie (died?) in the house of John Gordon, March 19, 1769.
- ALEXANDER GORDON, in Galla, Clova, had a child, August 25, 1687.
- ALEXANDER GORDON, of Kincaldrum, Newbigging, and Buchtiehillock, Forfar, was a son of the fourth laird of Gight, Aberdeenshire, Byron's ancestor. On February 11, 1656, Alexander and his son George resigned Kincaldrum in favour of Alexander's wife, Lilius Menteith, in life-rent and of George in fee. Alexander also had a daughter, Anna, who was second heir to her brother, George, on January 16, 1662. Alexander's widow married secondly (contract April 6, 1657) Alexander Bower, parish of Kinreich, and one of the bailies of Dundee. The estate passed from the Bowers to the Grahams, and then to the Baxter family, who still own it.
- ALEXANDER GORDON, parish of Lochlee, married Margaret Gordon, Glenmuick, October 24, 1779, and had
- John, born August 10, 1780 ;
  - Charles, born April 11, 1784 ;
  - James, born in Damhead, July 1, 1789 ;
  - Elspet, born May 16, 1782 ;
  - Margaret, born November 27, 1791.
- ALEXANDER GORDON and Ann Moir, parish of Logie-Pert, were married January 30, 1779.
- ALEXANDER GORDON, in Over Cotton, Menmuir, had
- James, born September 11, 1715 ;
  - David, born May 11, 1718 ;
  - Alexander, born June 19, 1723.
- CHARLES GORDON was a Bailie in Brechin, 1735.
- CHARLES GORDON, in Brechin, married Jean Webster in Menmuir, May 8, 1761.
- CHARLES GORDON, by Gills Ogilvie, Kirriemuir, had a son, David, born November 5, 1775.
- CHARLES GORDON, parish of Kirriemuir, married

Giles Ogilvie in Kingoldrum, February 14, 1804.  
They had

David, born March 15, 1816 ;

John, born July 5, 1817.

DAVID GORDON, in Wardend, had a son, John,  
born June 9, 1726.

DAVID GORDON, ironmonger, Kirriemuir, was one  
of the trustees of Barbara Grant, dressmaker  
there, 1887. (Services of Heirs.)

DAVID GORDON, 41 Reform Street, Dundee, took  
out a patent for improvement in locking  
appliances for ships, hotels, &c., in 1901.  
(Specification No. 2650.)

DAVID GORDON, Dundee is the son of John Gordon  
(1807-76) and his wife, Jeannie Bissett, who  
went to Utah. He has a brother, John Bissett  
Gordon, attorney in Toozle City, Utah.

DAVID GORDON, in Navar, married Mary Christison,  
Lochlee, July 2, 1763.

DAVID GORDON and Janet Laurie, both in Men-  
muir, were married on March 26, 1730.

DAVID GORDON, in Over Cotton, Menmuir, had  
Thomas, born May 1, 1712 ;  
Alexander, born December 17, 1714 ;  
Janet, born December 13, 1716 ;  
Isabel, born October 23, 1720.

DAVID GORDON and Margaret Ker, in Storryfold,  
Stracathro, had

Peter, born February 16, 1776.

DAVID LANGLANDS GORDON, in Broughty Ferry,  
was served heir general and heir special (in  
part of a field in the village of Broughty Ferry),  
to his father, William Leslie Gordon, surgeon  
there, May 3, 1870. William Leslie was the  
son of the Rev. Adam Gordon, Bervie, and took  
his M.D. at Glasgow in 1862.

ELIZABETH GORDON, parish of Cortachy, married  
Robert Gold, Navar, May 30, 1708.

GEORGE GORDON, Arbroath, was served heir of  
line and conquest general to his brother, John  
Gordon, seaman in the Royal Navy, October 14,  
1850, and to his brother, Robert Gordon,  
Calcutta, October 14, 1850.

GEORGE GORDON, at Cortachy Castle, was served

- heir general to his cousin, Charles Gordon, in Dumfries, December 24, 1806.
- GEORGE ALEXANDER GORDON, Dundee, was served heir to his father, George Gordon, merchant, Montrose, December 12, 1856.
- REV. GILBERT GORDON, was minister of Monyfieth, 1569. On July 21 of that year he complained to the Privy Council about Lovel of Ballumby occupying his manse and glebe.
- HELEN GORDON, near Dundee. Her sister, Jean, the wife of J. Farquharson, grocer, Arbroath, was served her heir general, September 7, 1842.
- HENRY GORDON (died 1815) is buried in Monifieth Churchyard, where an inscribed stone commemorates him. (Roger's "Scottish Monuments and Tombstones," vol. ii.)
- ISABEL GORDON (Mrs Webster). There is a stone in Brechin, inscribed :—" In Memory of John Webster, Farmer, Dubton, who died February 7, 1855, aged 88 ; also of Isabel Gordon, his wife, who died June 27, 1819, aged 42 ; also their son, William, who died at Westbank, February 7, 1875, aged 77 ; also of Jane Gordon, his wife, who died there May 6, 1875, aged 44 ; their daughter, Agnes, who died at Trusta, September 7, 1893, aged 94."
- ISABEL GORDON, parish of Navar (now comprised in Lethnot), and James Thow, in Lochlee, were married November 8, 1747.
- JAMES GORDON and Elizabeth Young, Brechin, had a son,  
James, born June 1, 1714.
- JAMES GORDON, in Cromally, Clova, had a son,  
Robert, born January 22, 1704.
- JAMES GORDON, taylor in Deakhead, Clova, married Margaret Straton, July 1679. They had in Clova,  
James, born March 27, 1680 ;  
Thomas, born April 21, 1681 ;  
Margaret, born May 19, 1683 ;  
Katrine, born May 20, 1687 ;  
Clara, born July 28, 1689.
- JAMES GORDON, in Forth, Clova, had a daughter,  
Elizabeth, born October 17, 1721.

JAMES GORDON, a native of the North of Scotland, died on January 29, 1806, in the parish of Cortachy. He lived by begging for a number of years, yet £18 in silver and £1 in coppers were found wrapped up in old stockings and hid in holes in the walls of his house. (Gentlemen's Magazine.)

JAMES GORDON, in Auchlochie, Fearn, and Jean Mustard had

David, born April 20, 1782 ;

Ann, born July 1, 1781.

JAMES GORDON, in ye ground of Kinaldie, Clova, had a son, Charles, born in March 23, 1712.

JAMES GORDON, button maker, Dundee ; will confirmed November 22, 1633. (Brechin Commissariat.)

JAMES GORDON, labourer, Hawkhill, Dundee, was served heir to his grandfather, William Gordon, tailor there, once in Abernethy, who died about 1808. He was served heir special in ground and in house in Perth Road, near Dundee, March 18, 1848. James Gordon died September 30, 1886. His son, James Wilson Gordon, tramway conductor, Lochee, was served heir to him in subjects at Hawkhill, November 6, 1886.

JAMES GORDON, Blackness Foundry, Dundee, took out patents in 1899-1900 for yarn winding machines.

JAMES GORDON, corn merchant, Dundee, was served heir special in a house at Springfield, Dundee, August 24, 1881, to his uncle, Joseph Gordon, there, who died March 15, 1881. James Gordon, corn merchant, Dundee, was admitted a burges of the town, December 10, 1852, in right of John Gordon, burges, his father. (MS. Burgess Roll in Lockit Book of Dundee.)

JAMES GORDON, mason, was admitted a burges of Dundee, paying £10, which shows that he was an incomer.

JAMES GORDOUNE, in ye parish of Kingoldrum, married Catherin Ffanton, daughter of Thomas Ffanton, in Maynes of Cortachy, September 2, 1699.

- JAMES GORDON, in Kirriemuir, had a son, John, born October 4, 1771.
- JAMES GORDON, farmer, Leightnie, Lethnot, had an (eldest) daughter, Jean, who married John Stewart, farmer, Pitmudie, in July 1829. (Aberdeen Journal, July 29, 1829.) This James was the son of Thomas Gordon, farmer, Leightnie, who claimed descent from Gordon of Knock, on Deeside.
- JAMES GORDON, in Haugh, parish of Lochlee, and Marjory Rey, in Crathie, had  
Jean, born November 21, 1790.
- JAMES GORDON, Inchgrundle, paid 18s for the use of a mortcloth to his wife, January 21, 1751.
- JAMES GORDON, parish of Lochlee, married Jean Forbes, daughter to William Forbes, of Buchaam, June 23, 1754.
- JAMES GORDON married Helen Christison, Leightorie, November 30, 1794, and had  
Thomas, born September 17, 1799 ;  
David, born November 20, 1800 ;  
John, born July 28, 1802 ;  
William, born December 28, 1805 ;  
Alexander, born May 23, 1810 ;  
Robert, born September 13, 1812 ;  
Charles, born February 24th, 1814 ;  
Jean, born April 12, 1808 ;  
Helen, born July 12, 1816.
- JAMES GORDON, husband to Elizabeth Livie, had John, born October 13, 1695. Witnesses, John Livie, elder and younger, and John Carnegie, Brechin.
- JAMES GORDON, born in Menmuir about 1822, went to Aberdeenshire as a tailor in 1842, moving into the city of Aberdeen about 1877. He was long an elder in Greyfriars U.F. Church, and a keen Sunday School worker. He died Novr. 24, 1902, leaving a large family, including Dr John Gordon, Liverpool, who took his M.B. at Aberdeen University in 1883.
- JAMES GORDON, Tigerton, Menmuir (died?) 1768.
- JAMES GORDON, Episcopal minister of Montrose, will confirmed June 30, 1732, and February 22, 1734 (Brechin Commissariat). He was the son

of the James Gordon, parson of Banchory, who died 1714, the father of Dr William Gordon, Montrose (died 1738), and the grandfather of Dr John Gordon, of Ardo, who died in 1755.

JAMES GORDON, minister, Montrose (probably the former.) His grandchildren, Robert, Ann, Catherine, and Margaret Dickson, daughter of David Dickson, merchant, Montrose, and Mary, daughter of Alexander Thomson, M.D., Montrose, were served his co-heirs of provision general, October 18, 1754.

JAMES GORDON, stonehewer, Montrose, married Violet Watson, who was served heir of line general to her brother, David Watson, sometime there, August 31, 1809.

JAMES GORDON, weaver, Montrose, married Agnes Jolly, who was served co-heir of provision general to Jane Jolly, Chapelshade, Dundee, January 13, 1854.

JAMES GORDON, Montrose. His sister, Janet was served his heir general, Oct. 29, 1846.

JAMES G. GORDON, Forfar. The father of James was tenant in Leightnie, Lethnot; his grandfather, Thomas Gordon, was also tenant there; his great-grandfather also tenanted Leightnie; his great-great-grandfather tenanted Elie, in the parish of Clova, and is said to have been the son of the proprietor of Knock, on Deeside.

JANET GORDON, spouse to Alexander Arbuthnot, builder, Dundee; will confirmed May 3, 1686. (Brechin Commissariat.)

JANET THREIPLAND GORDON, youngest daughter of John Gordon, surgeon, Errol, married at Arbroath John Couper of Douglasmuir. (Aberdeen Journal, February 12, 1817.) She was served co-heir of provision general to Elizabeth Gordon, Arbroath, November 12, 1863.

JEAN GORDON, Clova, married John Farquharson, parish of Stradon, Aberdeenshire, November 23, 1751.

JOHN GORDON, teacher, Arbroath, married Isobel Raitt, who was served heir of provision general to her grandfather, James Leslie, farmer there, March 13, 1810.



- JOHN GORDON, in Northbank, Brechin (died?)  
July 22, 1794.
- JOHN GORDON, sometime in Brallenmuir; will  
confirmed July 31, 1728. (Brechin Commis-  
sariat.)
- JOHN GORDON, mason in Nether Tents, Brechin.  
married Mary Baillie, South Port, December 24,  
1824.
- JOHN GORDON, born October 3, 1807; died in  
Utah, January 5, 1876. He married Jessie  
Bissett, and had a son, John B. Gordon, county  
attorney, Tootle County, Utah.
- JOHN GORDON, in Brechin, married Martha  
Kinnear, Navar, June 1, 1787. A stone in  
Brechin bears the inscription:—"To the Memory  
of John Gordon, died April 1823, aged 71, and  
his wife, Martha Kinnear, who died June 10,  
1823, aged 67 years. Their son, Robert Gordon,  
who died in Airlie Street, Brechin, October 6,  
1885, aged 95. In Memory of William Gordon,  
Brechin, died May 26, 1823, aged 67 years."
- JOHN GORDON, parish of Caraldston, married  
Margaret Dakers, parish of Brechin, May 25,  
1722, and had James, born March 3, 1726.
- JOHN GORDON, merchant, was admitted a burghess  
of Dundee, November 6, 1822, paying £10,  
which shows that he was an incomer. (MS.  
Burghess Roll in Lockit Book of Dundee.)
- JOHN GORDON, corn merchant, was admitted a  
burghess of Dundee in right of John Gordon,  
burghess, his father, December 28, 1854. He  
seems to have been the brother of James,  
admitted June 10, 1852. (*ibid.*)
- JOHN GORDON, inventor. It is not astonishing  
that a commercial city like Dundee should have  
brought out in its Gordon inhabitants some of  
the more imaginative qualities of commerce in  
the shape of mechanical inventions. This skill  
has been conspicuously dowered on Mr John  
Gordon, London, who has over a hundred  
patents standing in his name. His grandfather,  
also John, was a native of Fifeshire, and a  
sergeant in the army. His father, John, was a  
grocer in Dundee, and married Elizabeth

Dempster (died 1903, aged nearly 90.) The inventor himself was born at Dundee in 1843. Trained as a mechanical engineer, he went to London about 30 years ago, and is now associated with Kent, the well-known engineers in High Holborn. Mr Gordon's record goes back to 1870, when he invented some yarn machinery. In 1882 he began his historic experiments on the effects of oil in calming a stormy sea. He has produced anemometers, glazed tiles, valves, and a great many other patents. One of his most recent efforts is a governor for marine engines, patented in connection with Charles Andrews and Thomas Jackson. His portrait appeared in the "British Journal of Commerce," March 17, 1888. Mr Gordon married Jean Loudon, and has four sons and four daughters:—

John Gordon, stockbroker, London; is married;

David Gordon, inventor, at Kent's;

Charles William Gordon, stockbroker, London;

Frederick Joseph Gordon, electrical engineer, He is interested in the Watson Street Mission, Plaistow;

Grace Gordon, married;

Elizabeth Gordon, married;

Agnes Gordon;

Alice Mary Gordon.

JOHN GORDON, Clova, married Jean Mill, parish of Lochlee, August 2, 1748, and had in Mulzie, Clova,

Alexander, born April 9, 1751;

Peter, born April 27, 1755;

James, born May 6, 1759;

Charles, born August 26, 1764;

Christian, born August 17, 1761.

JOHN GORDON, in Mulie, Clova, had

John, born July 18, 1725;

Alexander, born August 15, 1728.

JOHN GORDON, merchant burgess of Dundee, married Elspeth Halyburton; will proved December 21, 1664. (Brechin Commissariat.)

JOHN GORDON, harbour weigher, Dundee, died

October 13, 1870. His son, John Gordon, mill overseer, Delaware, Ohio, was served his heir general, October 11, 1870.

JOHN GORDON, in parish of Edzel, married Elizabeth Edgar, parish of Stracathro, July 17, 1766.

JOHN GORDON, jun., barber and wig maker, Forfar, carried arms for the Jacobites as a volunteer in Lord Ogilvie's Regiment, and was killed 1745.

JOHN GORDON married Jonet Reid, November 2, 1750, and had at Galla,  
James, born May 7, 1753;  
Jean, born February 13, 1751.

JOHN GORDON, of Midstrath, in Invermark, Lochlee, and James Gordon, in Inchgrundle, were admitted Elders, 1734.

JOHN GORDON, Chance Inn, Menmuir (died?) 1768.

JOHN GORDON, feuar, Kirriemuir, died June 15, 1858. His grandson, John Gordon, Leeds, was served his heir general, January 20, 1876.

JOHN GORDON, surgeon apprentice, Montrose, carried arms with the Jacobite rebels in 1745, both in England and at Falkirk. He was apparently the son of Dr William Gordon, Montrose (died 1732), the grandfather of Rev. James Gordon, Parson of Banchory-Devenick (died 1714.) He died 1755; will confirmed February 26, 1756. (Brechin Commissariat.)

JOHN GORDON, aged 70, was married "lately" at Montrose, to Mary Anderson, Aberdeen, aged 30. "This is the fifth time he has led to the altar of Hymen." ("Aberdeen Journal," March 23, 1808.)

JOHN TAYLOR GORDON, brewer, Leeds, was served heir portioner (January 27, 1879) to his aunt, Jane Taylor, Kirriemuir, who died October 14, 1898, and his mother, Annie Gordon, was served heir to her (her sister) on the same date. A John Taylor Gordon, born 1871, of 6 De Gay Terrace, Leeds, was at the Yorkshire College, and he left in 1887. (Rossall Register, 1886, p. 264.)

JOSEPH GORDON was (according to Halkett and Laing) the author of "Poetical Trifles by an

obscure and nameless bard on the Braes of Angus," published at Forfar, 1825, duodecimo, pp. 108.

LOUDON GORDON FAMILY. Its ancestry runs thus:—  
John Gordon, farmer, Dubton, married Janet Speid, and had a son

William Gordon, Torat, Coul, who married Agnes Scott, Hilton. They had

William Gordon, Brechin, who married Jean Loudon, parish of St Andrews, November 13, 1819. He was a solicitor and procurator-fiscal, Brechin, and died December 27, 1855. He had

James Loudon Gordon, banker and solicitor, Brechin; served heir to his father in 1819. He married Barbara, youngest daughter of William Laws of Prudhoe Castle, Northumberland, and had

William Montgomerie Gordon, born October 4, 1855. He was educated at the Edinburgh Academy, and entered Government service as clerk to the Consul General of the Western Pacific in 1879. In the intervening thirty years he has served in Fiji, Rotumah, Ceylon, Leeward Islands, and Montserrat, and is now assistant Colonial Secretary in Trinidad. He married Constance Lucretia, youngest daughter of Sir Oliver Nugent, Antigua, and has:—

James William Nugent Gordon, born October 1, 1894; educated at Aldenham School.

Oliver Loudon Gordon, born January 26, 1896; passed as a Naval Cadet, December 1908.

Hugh Percy Gordon, Brechin.  
 William Loudon Gordon, M.D.,  
 Edinburgh, 1846. He entered  
 the Navy, and became Inspector-  
 General of Hospitals and Fleets.  
 He married, and had with other  
 issue :—

Loudon Pasley Gordon, member  
 of the Royal College of  
 Surgeons, England, 1896, and  
 licentiate of the Royal Col-  
 lege of Physicians, London,  
 1896 ; he started practice in  
 Southsea.

William Fanshawe Loudon  
 Gordon, born May 23, 1872.  
 He entered the Norfolk  
 Regiment as 2nd lieutenant,  
 July 19, 1893, and is now a  
 captain. He married, May  
 1900, Nellie, daughter of the  
 late Alfred Corbyn Brett,  
 Indian Civil Service.

Miss Gordon married Colonel  
 John Duke.

Agnes Gordon, married William  
 Laws of Barrasford, Northumber-  
 land.

Eliza Gordon, married George  
 Bowes, Darlington, and is dead.

Georgina Gordon, died unmarried.

MARJORY GORDON married Alexander Kennedy,  
 vintner, Montrose. Her will as his widow was  
 confirmed November 19, 1767. (Brechin Com-  
 missariat.)

Mrs MARGARET GORDON, in Invermark, Lochlee,  
 bought a mortelette to Belladrum, her father,  
 November 29, 1760.

MARY GORDON was served heir special (October  
 21, 1895) to her mother, Ann Valentine (widow  
 of James Laurence, weaver, Brechin), who died  
 April 28, 1853.

PETER GORDON married Jean Will, Lochlee, May  
 7, 1792, and had in Turnagob—

John, born February 1, 1795 ;  
 Alexander, born May 18, 1801 ;  
 Jean, born May 7, 1793 ;  
 Ann, born May 14, 1797 ;  
 Elizabeth, born April 12, 1799 ;  
 Margaret, born March 27, 1803 ;  
 Christian, born February 15, 1805.

RACHEL GORDON and David Jack, both in Lochlee, were married June 30, 1771.

ROBERT GORDON married Janet Allen, Brechin, April 17, 1750.

ROBERT GORDON married Ann Webster, Brechin, August 14, 1787.

ROBERT GORDON, in Ellie, married Katherine Edward, Clova, July 18, 1860, and had in Clova—  
 John, born December 31, 1682 ;  
 Thomas, born May 26, 1688 ;  
 Margaret, born October 20, 1681 ;  
 Elizabeth, born October, 1685.

ROBERT GORDON, sailor, Dundee. His sister, Mrs Isabella Forrester, was served his heir portioner general, August 28, 1833. Another sister, Mrs Janet Bruce, was served his heir on the same date.

ROBERT GORDON, plumber and gasfitter, Dundee, was served heir of provision general (April 26, 1878) to his grandfather, Thomas Reoch, grocer there, who died November 21, 1847.

ROBERT GORDON, Kirriemuir, had a son, Robert, born November 6, 1775.

ROBERT GORDON, in Lochtie, Menmuir, had  
 John, born March 15, 1730 ;  
 Ann, born March 29, 1732.

ROBERT GORDON and Janet Hepburn, in Crieff, married January 8, 1680, and had Janet, born November 7, 1680.

ROBERT LOUSON GORDON, engineer, Newcastle, was served heir special in subjects in Colville Place, Arbroath, 8th April 1894, to his brother, James Gordon, flaxdresser there, who died 31st May 1894.

THOMAS GORDON married Janet Black in Ely, Clova, May 19, 1719, and had Robert, born November 19, 1720.

- THOMAS GORDON, in Callase, Clova, had  
 Thomas, born October 3, 1703 ;  
 John, born January 6, 1706 ;  
 Elizabeth, born March 21, 1708 ;  
 Margaret, born August 26, 1711.
- THOMAS GORDON married Isabel Chrichton, Clova,  
 June 27, 1674, and had at Braeside,  
 Margaret, born May 19, 1678 ;  
 Katherine, born September 5, 1680.
- THOMAS GORDON and Margaret Pressock, Braehead  
 of Balfour, parish of Kingoldrum, had Isobel,  
 born 1722.
- THOMAS GORDON, in Kirriemuir, had Elizabeth,  
 born December 23, 1769.
- THOMAS GORDON and Jean Fettis, daughter to  
 James Fettis, in Lachmore, by Christian  
 Mitchell, first wife, were married December 7,  
 1758, and had  
 James, born January 25, 1761 ;  
 Robert, born May 20, 1764 ;  
 John, born September 6, 1772 ;  
 Christian, born September 29, 1759 ;  
 Elizabeth, born December 19, 1762 ;  
 Jean, born August 12, 1770 ;  
 Joice, born January 1, 1775.
- THOMAS GORDON, Lethnot, and Elspet Millar, had  
 Thomas, born May 11, 1730 ; died January  
 24, 1761 ;  
 Robert, born April 9, 1732 ;  
 William, born February 9, 1735 ; died May  
 14, 1787.
- THOMAS GORDON, of Leightnie, Lethnot, married  
 Janet Gold, Edzel, 1725, and had Charles, born  
 November 13, 1728. This Thomas Gordon  
 claimed descent from — Gordon, laird of  
 Knock, on Deeside.
- THOMAS GORDON, native of Brechin, migrated in  
 early life to Aberdeen, where he was a cab  
 proprietor for many years. He long ran the  
 coach between Aberdeen and Tarland before the  
 Deeside Railway was opened. He retired from  
 business about 1882. He joined the Free North  
 Church at the Disruption. He died at 147  
 Hutcheon Street, Aberdeen, on February 15,

1900. Two of his brothers died within the previous three months.

**THOMAS GORDON**, Leightnie (died 1886), and Betty Ramsay (born 1813), Newbigging (sister of Mary Ramsay, who married Samuel Gordon, Upper Aucholzie), married November 19, 1836, and had

James, born April 1, 1839 ;

Alexander, born August 7, 1842 ;

John, born August 6, 1846 ;

William, born May 15, 1852 ; farmed Leightnie ;

Helen, born September 21, 1837 ,

Agnes, born December 11, 1840 ;

Mary Ann, born October 16, 1848 ;

Isabel, born October 5, 1850 ;

Jane, born May 6, 1854.

**WILLIAM GORDON** married Jean Bell, Brechin, August 30, 1782.

**WILLIAM GORDON**, solicitor, Brechin. He had a brother, George, who was trained in the drapery business of his father, and went to Port Elizabeth as a lad. He became a leading citizen in the town. As Colonel-commanding of Prince Alfred Volunteer Guard, he led his regiment in the campaign of 1877, and took part in the battle of Umstittand. While lying wounded after the Basuto struggle he received a letter from Chinese Gordon. (Reid's "Royal Burgh of Forfar," p. 354.)

**WILLIAM GORDON**, in ye ground of Kinaldie, Clova, had Jean, born November 20, 1684.

**WILLIAM GORDON**, merchant in Dundee : will confirmed June 15, 1739 ; January 6, 1753 (Brechin Commissariat.)

**WILLIAM GORDON**, Dundee Arms Inn, advertised in the "Aberdeen Journal," of February 21, 1780.

**WILLIAM GORDON**, vintner, Dundee, bought the estate of Blelack, Aberdeenshire in 1794. He was the nephew of Donald Gordon, of Ballynevan, who died January 11, 1776, aged 98.

**WILLIAM GORDON**, vintner, Dundee, died there July 1, 1811. (Scots Magazine.)

**WILLIAM GORDON**, innkeeper, Dundee, married



Helen Mitchell, whose sister, Mary Mitchell, was served heir to her, March 20, 1823.

WILLIAM GORDON, merchant, was admitted a burgess of Dundee, August 18, 1821, paying £10, which proves that he was an incomer to the burgh.

WILLIAM GORDON, fireman, Dundee, married Clementina Reid, daughter of Alexander Reid, tinplate worker, Arbroath, who died June 16, 1876. She was served her father's heir portioner in subjects at Ponderlawfield, Arbroath, 6th March 1896.

WILLIAM GORDON, stationer, Forfar, was the son of Ebenezer Gordon, weaver, Perth, to whom he was served heir, May 15, 1799. He married Jean, daughter of the late John Ure, Sheriff-Clerk of Forfarshire, March 5, 1802. (Scots Magazine.)

Dr WILLIAM GORDON, physician, Montrose; will confirmed Jan. 15, 1739; January 6, 1753. (Breachin Commissariat.) Son of Rev. James Gordon, Montrose (q.v.)

WILLIAM GORDON, writer's apprentice, Montrose, accompanied the Jacobite rebels to England in 1745. In 1746 he was lurking.

WILLIAM GORDON, in Coltown, had  
 William, born April 28, 1766;  
 John, born September 30, 1768;  
 Isobel, born February 18, 1759;  
 Agnes, born December 10, 1763.

## The Gordons of Ashludie, Donavoured Tarvie, and Threave

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ONLY one set of the Forfarshire Gordons (that of the flaxspinners of Montrose and Arbroath) can be said to have established a family on the old landed lines, which almost alone give the clues for tracing descent. The origins of this family are very difficult to trace, but its descent can be followed for more than a century and a half. It is said by some to have hailed from Aberdeen, and to have migrated into Kincardineshire, and thence into Forfarshire. It was certainly in the latter county that it got its first firm footing by setting up flax spinning in Montrose. From that it established itself as landed proprietors in three counties—at Ashludie, in Forfarshire; at Donavoured and Tarvie, in Perthshire; and at Threave, in Kirkcubrightshire. The family has also contributed to the professions as well as to the squirearchy, for five have entered the church, Presbyterian and Anglican alike; and other five have become military officers. Moreover, brains run in both sexes, for four of the women descendants have been educated at the women's colleges in Oxford and Cambridge. One more point. The family has been peculiarly prolific, for George Gordon, the second of the line, had nine children; his son, William, of Montrose, had 16; and his grandson, George, of Donavoured, had 18. As frequently happens in the cases of many-childreaned families, the head of the house is at this moment represented only by one child, and that a daughter.

In the construction of this account of the family I am much indebted to the researches of the late Mr D. S. R. Gordon, and to the Rev. C. J. Gordon, Great Salkeld, Penrith, who has made a special study of his family history.

## I. ALEXANDER GORDON.

The founder of the family was Alexander Gordon, who is said to have been a shipmaster at Aberdeen. He married Elspet Warren, who, to judge from her name, was not of local origin. They had at least one son and one daughter—

1. George Gordon, Auchinblae.
2. Mary Gordon.

## II. GEORGE GORDON, AUCHINBLAE.

He was born in 1755. Jervise ("Epitaphs") says he was originally a stonemason, and became postmaster and merchant. He was last baron baillie of Auchinblae. He married, on August 12, 1780, Isobel Ker. Her father, Robert Ker, was one of four brothers of the Kers of Kersland, Ayrshire, who fought on the losing side at the battle of Bothwell Brig, and flying north, settled near Auchinblae. Both George Gordon and his wife are described in the marriage register as "in Fordoun." Gordon died October 12, 1830, aged 75, and his wife on November 9, 1830, aged 79. They were both buried in Fordoun, at the east end of St Palladius' Church. (Jervise's "Epitaphs," i. 357.) They had—

1. Alexander Gordon, born July 2, 1781; died November 27, 1838.
2. Robert Gordon, born October 1782-1853. He had issue—George, Elizabeth, and Isobel.
3. William Gordon, Montrose, 1784-1838, who carried on the line (III.)
4. David Gordon, born September 9, 1787.
5. James Gordon, baptised December 29, 1790; witnesses—John Ker, in Springing, Mains of Monboddo and Greens, and James Walker, both brothers-in-law.
6. George Gordon, born 1795. The witnesses at his baptism were James Walker, and B. Smith at Mossend of Monboddo. He was a member of the firm of Aberdeen & Gordon, Montrose, and of Jacobs & Gordon, flax merchants, Riga. He married Jane Paton, daughter of John Paton (1776-1847) and Hope Brown

(died 1876), and grand-daughter of the Rev. James Paton, D.D., of Craig (died 1811). They had—

- (1) George Gordon.
- (2) William Gordon.
- (3) Edward Gordon.
- (4) Rev. David Gordon. He entered Edinburgh University, 1860, M.A. He was a licentiate of the Free Church. He died suddenly at Bridge of Allan on May 26, 1902, aged 57.
- (5) Hope Gordon. She was born January 12, 1837, and married Alexander Macdonald of Kepplestone (1837-84), granite merchant, Aberdeen. He was keenly interested in art, and made an Uffizi gallery in miniature, a hundred artists painting their own portrait for him. This collection and the sum of £15,000 he left to the Aberdeen Art Gallery. His widow died at Kepplestone, Aberdeen, on June 3, 1900. They had one son, Alexander Roderick Gordon Macdonald, born April 26, 1862; died January 4, 1878. Mrs Macdonald and her husband are buried at Old Machar Cathedral, where a striking red granite monument marks their graves.
- (6) Isobel Gordon.
- (7) Jane Gordon. The last two now reside at South Lodge, Montrose.
7. Elizabeth Gordon, born December 13, 1785; died June 15, 1866. (Jervise's "Epitaphs," i, 357).
8. Mary Gordon, born May 20, 1789. She married James Thomsou, Dumfries, and had issue.
9. Margaret Gordon, born August 29, 1782 (1792?); witnesses—John Ker, in Springing, Mains of Monboddo, Greens, and James Walker. She died February 11, 1860, and is commemorated on a stone at Fordoun.



### III. WILLIAM GORDON, MONTROSE (1784-1838).

He was the third son of George Gordon and Isabel Ker. He became a partner in the firm of Aberdein & Gordon, spinners, Montrose and Arbroath, and died on April 28, 1838. He married at Montrose, July 4, 1814, Jane Mackay, daughter of George Mackay, merchant there ("Aberdeen Journal") and had—

1. George Gordon (1816-1887) of Donavoured, who carried on the line (IV.)
2. William Gordon, of Threave, born 1818, was a partner in the firm of M'Kay, Miller & Co., Liverpool and Brazil, and afterwards joined forces with Andrew Steele, Dundee. He spent some years in Rio. He bought the estate of Threave, Castle Douglas, and built Threave House. The Gordons in Threave Mains and Threave Grange in Balmaghie parish, are of Galloway stock, and in no way related to William Gordon. These Galloway Gordons are treated in M'Kerlie's "Lands and Owners in Galloway" (iii. 165, 367; iv. 118, 127, 481, 482.) William Gordon married (1) in 1847 Mary Dorothy Miller (1823-60), daughter of Joseph Miller of Liverpool, who had married one of Andrew Steele's daughters: (2) in 1864, Margaret, daughter of William Steel, Liverpool. He was appointed D.L. for Kirkcudbright, June 23, 1874. He once occupied a residence called Beausejour, at Ryde. He died in 1899. He had—

(1) Colonel William Gordon of Threave, born March 10, 1849. He was at Rugby, 1862-5 ("Rugby School Register" ii. 224) and at Sandhurst. He entered the 21st Foot in 1868; became captain Durham Light Infantry, 1876, and major, 1883. He was adjutant to the Ayrshire Volunteers, 1880-5; commanded the Durham Light Infantry, 1892-6, and the 1st Royal Scots Regimental District, 1898-1901. He married in 1882 Catherine Anne Watson,

daughter of William Neish of Tannadyce and Clepperton, Forfar. He has—

- i. Colin Lindsay Gordon, born April 12, 1883. He entered the 3rd (Militia) Battalion of the Royal Scots, November 2, 1901; became 2nd lieutenant Coldstream Guards, May 6, 1905, and lieutenant, March 23, 1907.
  - ii. Alan Francis Gordon, 1892.
- (2) Alexander Gordon (1850-88). He was educated at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, became an assistant master at Cheam School, Surrey, and was called to the bar of Lincoln's Inn, November 2, 1872. ("Lincoln's Inn Admission Register," ii. 356). He married in 1877 Harriet Emily Tabor, and had—
- i. Mary Dorothy Gordon, born 1878; educated at Girton College, Cambridge; 1st Class History Honours, 1899.
  - ii. Isobel Gordon, born 1880; miniaturist; and exhibited in the Royal Academy, 1908.
  - iii. Katherine Gordon, born 1883.
- (3) Frederick Gordon, died 1851, in infancy.
- (4) Edward Gordon (born 1852), of Dunjop, Kirkcudbrightshire. He married, in 1896, Edith Beatrice Southey, and had—
- i. William Edward Gordon, born 1897.
  - ii. Vyner Reginald Gordon, born 1904.
- (5) Rev. Charles James Gordon (born 1853), M.A. (1875) Pembroke College, Cambridge (3rd class Moral Science Tripos.) He was curate at Peterborough, 1877-9, and at Langport, Somerset, 1879-82. He was vicar of St Mary, Northampton, 1882-8; of Nassington with Yarwell, Northants., 1888-91. He was rector of Rushden, Northants., 1891-5; vicar of Abthorpe, Northants., 1895-9. He was licensed to preach in the diocese of Glasgow, 1899; in the diocese of Winchester, 1900. He was vicar of Crosby

Ravensworth, Shap, Westmoreland, 1901-4; and has been rector of Great Salkeld, Cumberland, since 1904. He wrote "The Parish and Manor of Nassington cum Yarwell," 1899. In 1879 he married Selina Margaret Cornish, and has—

- i. William Gordon, born July 15, 1883; entered (from the Militia) the Royal Garrison Artillery as 2nd lieutenant, December 24, 1902; and became lieutenant, December 24, 1905.
  - ii. Stephen Gordon (born 1884), B.A., Pembroke College, Cambridge, 1906; now a medical student at the London Hospital.
  - iii. Michael Gordon, born 1894.
  - iv. Ruth Gordon (born 1880), B.A., Trinity College, Dublin, 1907; Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford—honours in History, 1905.
  - v. Grace Gordon, born 1881.
  - vi. Mary Gordon, born 1887; married August 1, 1908, at St Cuthberts, Great Salkeld, by her uncle, Rev. Stephen Cornish, Rector of Upton, Newcastle, to Ian Mackinnon Jefferiss, M.R.C.S., second son of Dr Walter R. S. Jefferiss, Chatham.
  - vii. Bertha Gordon, born 1890.
- (6) John Arthur Gordon, by second marriage; born 1866.
- (7) Mary Jane Gordon, born 1855.
- (8) Helen Gordon, born 1856; married in 1876 Morris Charles Smith, and has—
- i. Helen Mary Smith, born 1877; educated at Somerville College, Oxford, taking First Class Lit. Humaniores, 1902. She married in 1903 Herman Francis Lucas, M.A., Trinity College, Cambridge, and now a clerk in the India Office. They have two daughters.
  - ii. Isabel Hipsley Smith, born 1879.

- (9) Isabel Gordon, born 1857.
- (10) Margaret Gordon, born 1858.
- (11) Elizabeth Gordon, born 1860.
- (12) Edith Catherine Gordon, born 1865, by second marriage.
- (13) Flora Alexina Gordon, born 1867, by second marriage ; married in 1897 James Bushe Young, and has two daughters.
- (14) Frances Alice Gordon, by second marriage, born 1869 ; married Andre Cluysenaar, of Brussels, and has twin sons and a daughter.
- (15) Ada Gordon, by second marriage, born 1871. She was married on May 2, 1906, at St John's Church, Naini Tal, India, to Captain Kenneth Crause Wright (born 1867), 1st Battalion Bedfordshire Regiment.
3. Robert Gordon, born 1820, died unmarried at Riga, January 3, 1852.
4. Alexander Gordon, born 1823. He bought Ashludie, Forfarshire, in 1864 from Sir George Ramsay, of Bamff, and erected a handsome mansion on the estate, while the grounds surrounding it were finely laid out. The estate was afterwards sold to Sir James Henry Ramsay of Bamff (Warden's "Forfarshire," iv. 391.) Alexander Gordon was made D.L. for Forfarshire, November 27, 1905, and was Vice-Convener of the County. He married (1) in 1848 Mary (died 1886), daughter of John Lindsay ; (2) in 1887 Amy Grey, daughter of Rev. W. F. Irvine. He had—
- (1) William Alexander Gordon (born September 13, 1849), manufacturer, Burnside Works, Arbroath. He was a member of the Arbroath Town Council, 1893-6. He joined the Angus Rifles as an ensign, April 15, 1867, and succeeded Colonel Frank Bowes Lyon in the command of the battalion in May 1892. He held the V.D. decoration. He died, unmarried, after a long and distressing illness, at North Tarry, November 22,



- and was buried November 26, 1904, in the Abbey burial ground, Arbroath. He was a member of St Vigeans Church, which his mother did much to beautify. ("Arbroath Herald," December 1, 1904.)
- (2) John Lindsay Gordon, born July 24, 1853; now in Australia.
- (3) Rev. Arthur Gordon, born December 30, 1858. He entered Harrow, September 1873; was Extra Monitor, 1876-7; Football XI., 1876-7; captain, 1877; left December 1877. He took his B.A. at Trinity College, Cambridge, 1883; his M.A., 1886; and he was an exhibitioner in Theology, in which he took a second. He was deacon, 1883; priest, 1884; curate of St Matthew, Denmark Hill, London, 1883-5; St Mary, Putney, 1885-9; vicar of Holy Trinity, Hammersmith, and head of the Harrow School Mission, January 15, 1890—September 20, 1892, resigning on account of ill-health. He was curate of Hartfield, Tunbridge Wells, 1893-7; and rector from 1897 of Middle and vicar of East Claydon, Bucks. He married June 30, 1885. Alice Maud Nield, sister of Jonathan Nield, author of the very successful "Guide to the Best Historical Novels and Tales." He has an only daughter—  
 Mary Lindsay Gordon, born July 24, 1886. She wrote and illustrated a charming little book, "The Cinderella Owl Book," published by H. R. Allenson, 1905. She was educated at St Hugh's Hall, Oxford, and took a second class, Classical Moderations, 1909.
- (4) Alexander James Gordon, born September 25, 1860; entered Harrow September 1874, and left at midsummer, 1878. He lives in London.
- (5) Ronald Grey Gordon, the only child by the second marriage.

- (6) Margaret Jane Gordon, born May 28, 1851. She married, October 9, 1872, Montague Haslam Stow, and resides in London. She has four sons.
- (7) Mary Alexina Gordon, born November 4, 1855. She married, April 20, 1881, Richard Sale.
5. James Gordon (1824-56). In 1853 he married Mary Hoile (died 1899), and had—
- i. James Gordon, born 1856; married, 1896, Elizabeth Grant Imlach.
  - ii. Edith Mary Gordon, born 1853.
  - iii. Henrietta Gordon, born 1855; married, 1881, Archibald F. Imlach, who died 1901, and had one daughter, who died 1898.
6. John Gordon (1826-78). spinner, Dundee. He married Harriett Anne Hoile, and died February 28, 1878. He had—
- (1) Henry Hoile Gordon (1854-1903), merchant, Dundee. He was served heir to his father, November 5, 1878, to properties in Logie, the Laigh Park of Dudhope, the Pleasaunce of Dundee, and at Barnhill, Monifieth. He married, in 1890, Mary Elizabeth Douglas, and had—
    - i. John Henry Gordon, born 1891.
    - ii. Andrew Douglas Gordon, born 1893.
    - iii. Clement James Gordon, born 1894.
  - (2) William John Gordon, born 1857.
  - (3) Philip James Gordon, born 1859; married (1899) Edith Caterall, and has a daughter, i. Phyllis Gordon, born 1901.
  - (4) John Edmund Gordon, born 1864; married, 1903, Jeanne Gellibrand, and has a son, i. William Edward Gordon, born 1905.
  - (5) Harriet Gordon, born 1851; married, 1876, George Ogilvie, and has six sons and a daughter.
  - (6) Isobel Gordon, born 1852; married, 1880, Charles Edward Todd, and has a son and two daughters.
  - (7) Madeline Jane Gordon, 1855-59.
  - (8) Margaret Ogilvie Gordon, born 1861;

- married, 1887, W. H. Aitken, and has two daughters.
- (9) Fanny Gordon, born 1862; married, 1891, Charles G. Gourlay.
- (10) Caroline Gordon, born 1873; married, 1897, Henry Valentine Masefield, and has two sons and two daughters.
7. Charles Gordon, born and died 1829.
8. David Gordon (1830-1.)
9. Jane Gordon, born 1815; married Captain John Small.
10. Isobel Gordon (1822-96), married Edward Dickson Guttentburg, and had six sons and seven daughters.
11. Helen Gordon (1827-1887), unmarried.
12. Elizabeth Gordon, born 1831.
13. Margaret Gordon, born 1833; married Rev. Andrew Donald, and had a son and two daughters.
14. Mary Gordon (twin of Margaret), married Rev. Peter Barclay, and had one son and two daughters. Their son, Theodore Barclay, has a son and three daughters.
15. Christina Gordon (1835-1907), unmarried.
16. Alexina Gordon, born 1837; unmarried.

#### IV. GEORGE GORDON OF DONAVOURD, PERTHSHIRE (1815-87).

The eldest son of William Gordon, Montrose, by his wife, Jane Mackay. He was born on April 13, 1815 ("Scots Magazine"), and was served heir to his father, October 1, 1840.

Under his control, his father's firm, Aberdein & Gordon, became G. & A. Gordon. He retired from the business, and bought the estate of Donavourd, near Pitlochry, and also Tarvie. He died in 1887.

He married (1) Ann Grace Aberdein (daughter of John Aberdein of Keithock, Forfar), who died April 22, 1858, at the Priory, St Andrews, aged 33. ("Gentleman's Magazine," N.S. vol. 4, p. 683); (2) Frances Elizabeth Gumprecht. He had no fewer than 18 children—

1. William Gordon, born 1845, carried on the line (V.)

2. John Aberdein Gordon (1847-1903.)
3. George Gordon, born 1850.
4. Rev. Francis Gordon, born at Monifieth, 1852.  
He was educated at St Andrews University, taking his M.A., 1873; matriculated at New College, Oxford, January 25, 1873; and afterwards went to Bonn University. He was licensed by the Free Church Presbytery of Dunkeld, 1878; ordained at Balmaghie, 1878; translated to Ratho, 1880, and to Vienna, 1886. He wrote a letter to the "Times," June 18, 1888, about Presbyterian and Non-conformist congregations on the Continent. He now resides at Dundee. He married April 26, 1882, Ethel Beatrice Wathen, daughter of William Hulbert Wathen. ("F.C. Fasti.") She died October 21, 1895. He married, secondly, on January 29, 1907, Annie Elizabeth Macaulay. He has—
  - (1) Kenneth Wathen Gordon, born December 14, 1888.
  - (2) Francis Cadogan Gordon, born October 9, 1890.
  - (3) Lawrence Ayscough Gordon, born June 14, 1894.
  - (4) Katherine Marsh Gordon, born November 20, 1883.
  - (5) Annie Grace Gordon, born August 29, 1885; died September 18, 1886.
  - (6) Ethel Aberdein Gordon, born June 10, 1887.
5. Henry Gordon, born 1853; married, 1881, Georgina J. C. Anderson, and has a son and a daughter.
6. Rev. Julius Gordon, by second wife; born 1863. He was educated at Edinburgh University, M.A. (1886), and was ordained in 1891. He was curate of Queenstown, and chaplain of Tennyson settlement, Cape Colony, 1889-92; curate of King William's Town, 1892-4; rector of Queenstown from 1894-1906; rector of Parktown, Johannesburg, 1906. He married Mary Noel, daughter of the Hon. Sir J. D. Barry.
7. Alfred Gordon, by second wife, born 1868.

8. Herbert Gordon, by second wife, born June 30, 1869. He entered the Leicestershire Regiment as 2nd lieutenant, September 21, 1889, and became—lieutenant, April 1, 1891; captain, January 1, 1898; major, 1907.
9. Hugh Gordon, by second wife, born 1871.
10. Lewis Gordon, by second wife, 1874.
11. Jane Gordon (1848-71), married Alexander Brown, merchant, Liverpool; son of Rev. Charles Brown, D.D., and his wife, Jane Bannatyne Wright, and grandson of Alexander Brown (1766-1848), and his wife, Catherine Chalmers (1770-1850). Jane Gordon (Mrs Brown) died in childbirth June 16, 1871. She was deeply religious, and is the subject of a little book by her stepmother, entitled "Memorial Sketch of a Beloved Daughter," printed for private circulation. (London: James Nisbet & Co. 1872; 8vo, pp. 51). There is a copy in the British Museum. Mr Brown married (2) Isabella Watt.
12. Annie Aberdeen Gordon, born 1855.
13. Emily Gordon (1856-90) married, 1890, John Ferrier.
14. Grace Gordon, born 1858.
15. Frances Dora Gordon, by second wife, born 1864.
16. Elizabeth Gordon, by second wife, born 1865; married Rev. A. Kennedy.
17. Margaret Mary Gordon, by second wife, born 1866; married Rev. Dr Stewart.
18. Alice Gordon, by second wife, born 1873.

#### V. WILLIAM GORDON, 1845.

The eldest of the eighteen children of George Gordon of Donavour and Tarvie, he was born in 1845. He is a Commissioner of Supply for Perth. He married in 1886 Kate Thornton, daughter of D. W. Bowman, C.E., and widow of G. W. Gremond. She died at 60 South Street, St Andrews, her husband's residence, of appendicitis, March 5, 1905. ("Times.") He has one daughter—  
Grizel Ouchterlony Gordon, born 1887. (VI.)

## THE MORE-GORDONS OF CHARLETON.

The estate of Charleton, which is about a mile and a half from the centre of the town of Montrose, is the property of the family of More-Gordon, which on the Gordon side is of Banffshire origin.

The family is descended from a branch of the Beldorney Gordons, who established themselves in Laggan, Glenlivet. John Gordon (II.) in Laggan (died in 1795), had a son, Harry Gordon. This Harry took his M.A. at King's College, Aberdeen, in 1805. He became an ensign in the Aberdeenshire Militia in 1809, and a lieutenant in 1813. He afterwards became a tobacco manufacturer in Liverpool. He married, and had at least one son and three daughters.

1. John Gordon got the estate of Charleton. He died without issue.
2. Janet Gordon inherited Charleton. She married, on August 10, 1848, George More, W.S. (born 1814), son of John Schank More, advocate. He took the additional name of Gordon. He had—
  - (1) Rev. John Schank More-Gordon, born 1849. He was educated at Rugby and Oxford, where he had a distinguished career in Theology. He has been vicar of Redhill, Surrey, since 1882.
  - (2) Henry More-Gordon, lives at 4 Panmure Terrace, Montrose.
  - (3) Mr More-Gordon, lives at Charleton.
  - (4) Miss More-Gordon, at Charleton.
  - (5) Miss More-Gordon, at Charleton.
3. Mary Ann Gordon married, in 1852, Æneas Maclean, W.S.
4. Agnes Gordon married, in 1858, Thomas Balfour Kinnear, W.S.