

BLACKWOOD

OF PITREAVIE

SIR ROBERT BLACKWOOD OF PITREAVIE, was a successful Merchant and Provost of Edinburgh. He acquired the lands and barony of Pitreavie, near Dunfermline, from Archibald, Earl of Roseberry, by Disposition dated 7 December 1711,¹ and in which he and his eldest son, Robert, were infeft on 14 January 1712,² with confirmation under the Great Seal being granted on 26 July following. He *m.* Janet, sister of John Glass of Sauchie,³ *d.* in 1727 and was father of :

1. **ROBERT BLACKWOOD OF PITREAVIE**, *b.* at Edinburgh on 20 May 1695, became an Advocate and succeeded his father, being served his heir on 1 August 1727. He *m.* on 16 December 1724, to Anne, daughter of Charles Stewart, 2nd of Dunearn,⁴ (she *d.* at Edinburgh on 12 April 1783⁵), *dsp* at Pitreavie House on Friday 6 February 1767,⁶ and was succeeded by his nephew, John Blackwood.

2. John Blackwood, *b.* at Edinburgh on 2 October 1696, became a merchant in London and was admitted Burgess of Edinburgh by right of his father on 22 July 1719.⁷ He *m.* in 1726, to Anne, daughter and heiress of Sir Cloudesley Shovel of May Place, (she *d.* in 1741⁸), *d.* at Moor Park, while visiting his friend, Sir Laurence Dundas, on 16 November 1777, aged about 82 years.⁹ and was father of :

2a) **JOHN BLACKWOOD OF PITREAVIE**, succeeded his uncle Robert in the lands of Pitreavie and was served his heir of taillie on 24 June 1767. He *dsp* in September 1780.

2a) **SHOVEL BLACKWOOD OF MAYPLACE AND PITREAVIE**, *b.* at London on 27 February 1728, succeeded his brother, John, and was served his heir on 16 November 1784. He *m.*

¹ GD91/96

² RH8/142.

³ GD1/254/19

⁴ OPR – Aberdour.

⁵ Caledonian Mercury, 14th April 1783, edition.

⁶ Caledonian Mercury, 9th February 1767, edition.

⁷ SRS Edinburgh Burgess Roll.

⁸ Scots Magazine, 2nd October 1741, edition.

⁹ Hampshire Chronicle, 17th November 1777, edition.

in 1767, to Sarah Rooke, (she *d.* at Peckham on 15 April 1819¹), *d.* at his house in Camberwell on Saturday 12 May 1810,² and was succeeded by his sister, Janet Blackwood, wife of John Strachan, Bookseller in London. He was father of :

2b) **ANN SARAH BLACKWOOD OF PITREAVIE**, (*see below*).

2b) Catherine Mary Blackwood, *m.* firstly, in 1791, to Richard Mason and secondly, at Camberwell in May of 1818, to Henry Harvey Monro. She *d.* at Camberwell on 25 October 1825, in her 53 year³

2a) **JANET BLACKWOOD OF PITREAVIE**, *m.* at London on 21 April 1781, to John Strachan, Bookseller in London,⁴ (he *d.* at Edinburgh on 22 March 1833, aged 88 years⁵), and succeeded her brother Shovel Blackwood of Pitreavie in the barony of Pitreavie, being served his heir on 23 June 1810. She *d.* on 25 May 1818, and was succeeded by her niece Ann Sarah Blackwood, wife of Erasmus Madox, Camberwell.

3. Alexander Blackwood, *b.* at Edinburgh on 8 February 1698, became a Merchant and was admitted Burgess of Edinburgh by right of his father, on 25 September 1723.⁶ He *m.* Mary, only daughter of Francis Bailie of Kilwinning,⁷ (she *d.* at their house near Edinburgh, on 12 June 1759⁸), and was father of :

3a) Robert Blackwood, *b.* at Edinburgh on 7 January 1731.

3a) Alexander Blackwood, *b.* at Edinburgh on 18 April 1744.

3a) Margaret Blackwood, *b.* at Edinburgh on 6 September 1736.

4. George Blackwood, *b.* at Edinburgh on 25 April 1700.

5. Marion Blackwood, *b.* at Edinburgh on 3 June 1694.

6. Sophia Blackwood, *b.* at Edinburgh on 16 February 1699.

ANN SARAH BLACKWOOD OF PITREAVIE, succeeded her cousin Janet Blackwood in the lands of Pitreavie on her death in 1818, and was served her heir on 19 January 1819. She *m.* at Greenwich on Thursday 19 August 1790, to Erasmus Madox, barrister of the Inner

¹ Morning Post, 16th April 1819, edition.

² Chancery record. See also: Morning Post, 15th May 1810, edition.

³ Evening Mail, 28th October 1825.

⁴ OPR – Saint Martins in the Field.

⁵ Perthshire Courier, 4th April 1833, edition.

⁶ SRS. Edinburgh Burgess Roll.

⁷ GD21/88.

⁸ Scots Magazine, 1st June 1759, edition.

Temple,¹ (he *d.* at Grove Lane, Camberwell, on 5 November 1845²), and *d.* at Camberwell on 1 November 1853, in her 86th year.³ She had, with other issue:

WILLIAM ERASMUS MADOX BLACKWOOD OF PITREAVIE, *b.* on 11 December 1794, succeeded his mother in the lands and barony of Pitreavie and was served her heir on 5 April 1854. He *m.* Maria Eleanor, (she *d.* at Queen's Villas, Windsor, on 21 August 1882, in her 92nd year⁴), *d.* at Windsor on 13 August 1863, aged 69 years,⁵ and was father of:

1. **CAROLINE AUGUSTA MADOX BLACKWOOD OF PITREAVIE**, succeeded her father in the lands of Pitreavie which she afterwards disposed. She *d.* at Ascot Priory on 16 May 1893.⁶
2. Sarah Jane Blackwood, *m.* at All Saints', Windsor, on 17 April 1866, to Rev. Erasmus Valetine Mason, curate of Shenton, Leicestershire

¹ Kentish Gazette, 24th August 1790, edition.

² Bell's Weekly Messenger, 10th January 1846, edition.

³ Greenock Advertiser, 11th November 1853, edition.

⁴ Manchester Times, 26th August 1882, edition.

⁵ Dunfermline Press, 19th August 1863, edition.

⁶ Reading Mercury, 10th June 1893, edition.