

OLIPHANT

OF ROSSIE

THOMAS OLIPHANT, 1ST OF ROSSIE, was second son of Laurence Oliphant, 1st of Condie, and had a Disposition from his father for the lands of Rossie-Ochill on 11 September, 1634. He *m.* Isabel, daughter of William Moncreiff, portioner of Kintullo, *d.* in 1704, and was father of,

1. Thomas Oliphant, younger of Rossie, (*see below*).
2. Laurence Oliphant, styled as son to Thomas Oliphant of Rossie when he entered into a Bond with Sir William Bruce of Kinross, on 31st May 1683.¹
3. Alexander Oliphant,
4. Margaret Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 10 January, 1661, *m.* James Dewar, son of John Dewar of Muirtonhill, (*c/m* 1 and 9 December, 1682), and had issue.
5. Helen Oliphant,

THOMAS OLIPHANT, YOUNGER OF ROSSIE, *b.* in around 1650 and *m.* Beatrix, daughter of William Colville, brother of Robert, 1st Lord Colville, (*c/m* 8, 9 and 17 June, 1681²). He *d. vita patris* in 1701 and was father of,

1. Robert Oliphant, 2nd of Rossie, (*see below*).
2. Katherine Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 8 July, 1672, and *d.* young.
3. Isabel Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 1 May, 1683, and *m.* on 16 May, 1707, William Graham, 5th of Orchill,³ (*c/m* 2 and 4 June, 1707. He *d.* in 1712) and had issue.
4. Jean Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 2 April, 1685, and *m.* on 24 September, 1709, George Drummond, 2nd of Belliclone,⁴ (*c/m* 17 October, 1709⁵), and had issue.

¹ GD29/1537

² RS48/8/f.168v

³ OPR – Forgandenny.

⁴ OPR – Forgandenny.

⁵ GD1/139/35

ROBERT OLIPHANT, 2ND OF ROSSIE, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 19 December, 1689, was retoured heir to his father on 20 June, 1704, and *m.* on 10 August, 1719, Jean, only surviving child and heiress of Robert Colville of Blair, (*c/m* 8 and 13 August, 1719. She *d.* in October of 1734). He *d.* in 1738 and had issue,

1. Robert Oliphant, 3rd of Rossie, (*see below*).
2. Thomas Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 13 April, 1730, *dsp* and was buried at Greyfriars, Edinburgh, on 12 March, 1773.¹
3. Beatrix Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 14 August, 1724.
4. Jean Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 20 June, 1726, and *m.* at Balgowan on 30 October, 1762, John Hope, 2nd Earl of Hopeton,² (he was *b.* on 7 September, 1704, and was widow of Anne, daughter of James Ogilvy, 5th Earl of Findlater and Seafield, by whom he had issue. He *d.* at Hopeton House on 12 February, 1781). She *d.* at Glasgow on 16 March, 1767, and had issue.
5. Anna Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 9 March 1728.
6. Katherine Oliphant, *m.* on 24 January 1754, to Colin Drummond, 11th of Megginch,³ (he *d.* in May of 1776), and had issue.

ROBERT OLIPHANT, 3RD OF ROSSIE, *b.* in 1718 and was appointed to the office of Postmaster General by James Stewart, Earl of Bute. He was retoured heir to his grandmother, Beatrix, sister of Robert Colville, Writer in Edinburgh, on 21 May, 1740, *m.* in 1765, Mary, daughter of Neil Buchannan of Hillington, (she was *b.* in 1742 and *d.* at her house in Charlotte Square, Edinburgh, on 12 February 1826⁴) and *d.* at Edinburgh on 18 June 1795.⁵ He was father of,

1. James Stewart Oliphant, 4th of Rossie, (*see below*).
2. John Hope Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 7 November 1771, and became a Civil Servant in the East India Company and first in Council at Prince of Wales's Island. He *m.* at Penang on 30 November 1805, Jean, daughter of Sir John Wedderburn of Ballindean,⁶ (she *d.* at Edinburgh on

¹ Greyfriars Burial Register.

² OPR – Forgandenny. See also: Scots Magazine, 4th October 1762, edition.

³ OPR – Forgandenny.

⁴ The Scotsman, 22nd February 1826, edition.

⁵ Scots Magazine, 1st June 1795, edition.

⁶ Penang records.

24 January 1861¹), and *d.* in Penang, Prince of Wales's Island, on 21 March 1807.² He was father of,

- 2a) Jean Oliphant, *m.* at Atholl Crescent, Edinburgh, on Saturday 3 February 1828, to Sir James Ramsay of Bamff,³ and *d.* in 1842.
3. Anna Oliphant, *bap.* at Forgandenny on 19 April 1765, *m.* at Edinburgh on Friday 27 February, 1796, Francis Grant of Kilgraston,⁴ (he *d.* in 1819) and *d.* in 1853. They had issue.
4. Marion Oliphant, *c.* at Edinburgh on 3 August 1770, and *m.* Captain Veitch, H.E.I.C.S. She *d.* in 1853.

JAMES STEWART OLIPHANT, 4TH OF ROSSIE, *b.* on 19 July, 1767, and was retoured heir to his father in the lands of Rossie-Ochill on 22 October, 1795. He *m.* at London on 3 March 1809, Anne, only child of William Truman Read, Captain of the Royal Horse Guards,⁵ (she was *b.* in 1786 and *d.* in 1857), and *d.* at Rossie House on 9 April 1847.⁶ He was father of,

1. Robert Oliphant, 5th of Rossie, (*see below*).
2. William Henry Oliphant, *b.* on 25th January and *c.* at Forgandenny on 24 February 1814. He *m.* at Edinburgh on 9 October 1849, to Charlotte, fourth daughter of Alexander Murray, 8th Lord Elibank,⁷ (she *d.* at Brighton on 5 November 1883⁸), and *d.* without apparent issue at Uppoer Norwood, on 3 August 1871.⁹
3. John Hope Oliphant, *b.* on 8th June and *c.* at Forgandenny on 13 July 1815, and *dsp* at St. Andrews on 14 April 1831.¹⁰
4. James Stewart Oliphant, *b.* on 1 December 1819, and *c.* at Forgandenny on 25 January 1820. He *dsp* in 1841.

¹ Statutory record. See also Morning Post. 29th January 1861, edition.

² Scots Magazine, 1st December 1807, edition.

³ OPR – Saint Cuthbert's, Edinburgh. See also: Edinburgh Evening Courant, 14th February 1828, edition.

⁴ Caledonian Mercury, 14th March 1796, edition.

⁵ Scots Magazine. 1st March 1809, edition.

⁶ Dundee Courier. 27th April 1847, edition.

⁷ Morning Post, 13th October 1849, edition.

⁸ Morning Post, 8th November 1883, edition.

⁹ Morning Advertiser, 14th August 1871, edition.

¹⁰ Perthshire Courier. 21st April 1831, edition.

5. Henry Richard Oliphant, *b.* on 30th July and *c.* at Forgandenny on 31 August 1825. He *m.* on 1 September 1881, to Annie Allardice, and *d.* on 5 January 1890. He was father of,
 - 5a) Ronald Oliphant, *b.* on 4 October 1884, and *d.* at Long Beach, California, in June of 1968.
6. Anne Oliphant, *b.* on 5th and *c.* at Forgandenny on 21 November, 1811, and *dsp* in 1834.
7. Marianne Oliphant, *b.* on 17th March and *c.* at Forgandenny on 21 April, 1817. She *m.* at Rossie House on 18 August, 1841, Laurence Oliphant, 8th of Condie,¹ (he was widow of Eliza, daughter of Hercules Ross of Rossie Castle, whom he had *m.* in 1814, and also of Margaret, widow of Samuel Barret. He *d.* on 29 May, 1862). She *d.* on 24 February, 1895.
8. Frances Isabella Oliphant, *c.* at Forgandenny on 2 April, 1818. She *m.* on 21 November, 1843, Rev. Maxwell Nicholson,² and *d.* in 1892.
9. Louisa Ann Oliphant, *b.* on 30 November, 1821, and *c.* at Forgandenny on 17 January, 1822. She *d.* unmarried in March of 1884.

ROBERT OLIPHANT, 5TH OF ROSSIE, *b.* on 23rd February and *c.* at Forgandenny on 1 March 1810. He was retoured heir to his father on 6 December 1847, was admitted a member of the Society of Writers to the Signet and although managing to expand his estate with the purchase of adjoining lands, he was sequestrated in 1856. He *m.* on 24 March 1836, Susan Mary Elizabeth, only child of Thomas Tod, Advocate and Judge of the Commissary Court of Scotland, (she was *b.* on 5 June 1815, and *d.* at St. Andrews on 6 June 1878³), *d.* at Stanley Place, Chester, on 14 November 1872,⁴ and was father of,

1. James Stuart Oliphant, *b.* on 4 March, 1838, and attained the rank of Lieutenant in the Bengal Army. He *dsp* while on board the Simla on 24 December 1864, from a wound received at Umbyela Pass during the Punjab frontier campaign.⁵
2. Thomas Truman Oliphant, 6th of Rossie, (*see below*).
3. Robert Lindsay Oliphant, *b.* on 5 March 1841, was accountant in Edinburgh and *dsp* at Barnefield Rossett, Denbighshire, on 13 January 1866.⁶
4. Susan Helena Oliphant, *b.* on 26 January, 1843, and *m.* on 23 April, 1867, George Auldjo Jamieson. She *d.* at Melrose on 21 February 1904,¹ having had issue.

¹ OPR – Forgandenny. See also: Morning Post, 26th August 1841, edition.

² OPR – Forgandenny.

³ Statutory record. See also Dundee Courier. 11th June 1878, edition.

⁴ Aberdeen Journal. 20th November 1872, edition.

⁵ Greenock Advertiser. 17th December 1864, edition.

⁶ Greenock Advertiser. 18th January 1866, edition.

5. Anna Louis Oliphant, *b.* on 24 April 1846, and *m.* on 11 February 1878, James Louyisa Alexander Hope, second son of James Hope Wallace of Featherstone Castle. She *d.* at Montpelier Square, London, on 15 April 1873.²
6. Marianna Amelia Oliphant, *b.* on 8th March and *d.* at Rossie House on 18 April 1856.³

THOMAS TRUMAN OLIPHANT, 6TH OF ROSSIE, *b.* on 2 July 1839, and although originally intending following in his father's footsteps as a Writer to the Signet, circumstances didn't allow for this and instead he went out to India and served in the 1st Punjab Rifles, seeing action including that during which his elder brother James received his mortal gunshot wound. He *m.* at the British Legation, Dresden, on 23 February, 1870, Georgina Elizabeth, third daughter of Rev. Joseph Mansfield, Rector of Blandford, St. Mary's, Dorsetshire,⁴ *d.* when in Italy on 31 March 1902,⁵ and was father of,

1. **STUART OLIPHANT, 7TH OF ROSSIE**, *b.* at North Devon, on 12 June 1872, and *m.* on 3 June 1914, Yvonne Marie Mansfield. He *d.* on 18 September 1919, and was father of,
 - 1a) Esther Mary Oliphant, *b.* on 26 April 1915, and *d.* unmarried on 23 November 1981.
 - 1a) Nancy Elizabeth Oliphant, *b.* on 5 August 1918, and *m.* on 27 June 1942, Frank Russell Grover.
2. Nigel Oliphant, *b.* at St. Andrews on 19 December 1874, and trained as a Physician. He was appointed resident doctor at Moji, Japan, where he *d.* unmarried on 27 August 1905.⁶
3. David Oliphant, *b.* at St. Andrews on 10 July 1876, and was *ksp* at Peking, China, while serving as one of H.M. Consular Staff on 5 July 1900.
4. **JOHN NINIAN OLIPHANT, 8TH OF ROSSIE**, *b.* at St. Andrews on 7 May 1887, and succeeded his brother in the lands of Rossie. He *m.* in 1913, Amina Robert and had issue,
 - 4a) **LOLETTE OLIPHANT, 9TH OF ROSSIE**, succeeded her father in the lands of Rossie and had issue.
5. Margaret Emily Oliphant, *b.* at Rossett, Wrexham, on 21 January, 1871.
6. Honora Beatrix Oliphant, *b.* at St. Andrews on 3 August, 1879.

¹ Statutory record. See also: Southern Reporter, 25th February 1904, edition.

² Dundee Courier. 17th April 1873, edition.

³ Statutory record. See also Caledonian Mercury. 23rd April 1856.

⁴ Perthshire Advertiser. 3rd March 1870, edition.

⁵ Dundee Courier, 1st April 1902, edition.

⁶ Dundee Courier. 2nd September 1905, edition.

7. Esther Helen Oliphant, *b.* at St. Andrews on 18 April 1883, and *d.* unmarried at Modling, near Vienna, on 5 August 1905.¹
8. Ruth Mary Oliphant, *b.* at St. Andrews on 17 September 1885, and *d.* there on 1 January 1886.

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¹ Dundee Evening Telegraph. 8th August 1905, edition.