

PRINGLE

OF WOODHOUSE & WHITEBANK

JAMES PRINGLE OF WOODHOUSE AND WHYTBANK, was a son of David Hoppringill of Smailhame by his second wife, Margaret Lundy. He had Sasine for the lands of Reidhead on 2 June 1557,¹ *m.* Margaret Ker, daughter of Ker of Linton, (she survived him and *m.* Home of Wedderburn), and *d.* in 1563. He was father of :

1. James Pringle of Woodhouse & Whitebank, (*see below*).
2. Robert Pringle, styled as brother to James Pringle of Woodhouse in a charter by this brother to Nichol Cornwall, fiar of Bonard, dated 1 March 1578.
3. George Pringle, witness to a discharge by his mother to Johann Hepburn, widow of George Home of Wedderburn, dated 21 May 1580.²
4. William Pringle, named in his sister-in-law Mariote Murray's Testament in 1585.
5. John Pringle,
6. David Pringle,
7. Alexander Pringle, who, with his brothers, George, Robert, John and David, subscribed a Bond of Caution in 1606, not to harm Sir Robert Stewart of Shillinglaw, and are then styled as brothers to the "Goodman of Quhytbank."³

JAMES PRINGLE OF WOODHOUSE AND WHITEBANK, succeeded his father and had Sasine for the lands of Reidhead on 27 January 1564,⁴ and the middle-part of the barony of Mennar on 8 March 1564,⁵ and was a provisional heir to the lands of Gallowsheills on 15 June 1568.⁶ He was alive on 12 February 1622, and *d.* by 25 September 1625, having *m.* first, Mariote, daughter of Andrew Murray of Blackbarony, (she *d.* in May of 1585⁷),

¹ Ex. Rolls Vol. XIX. P. 410.

² Wedderburn writs. No. 104.

³ Reg. Privy Council – 1606.

⁴ Ex. Rolls Vol. XIX. P. 519

⁵ Ex. Rolls. Vol. XIX. P. 520.

⁶ RMS 1580-1593. No. 916.

⁷ Edinburgh Tests

with whom he had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Dechmont, in the sheriffdom of Linlithgow, on 24 February 1567-68,¹ and by whom he was father of :

1. James Pringle, younger of Whitebank, (*see below*).
2. George Pringle, was witness to a charter by William Home of Swynewood, granting the lands of Mill of Eyemouth to Robert Home of Fairneyside and Mariote Ker, his spouse, dated 17 June 1607.²
3. John Pringle, named with his siblings Robert, Alexander, David, Margaret and Jane in their mother's Testament in 1585.
4. Robert Pringle,
5. Alexander Pringle, was witness to a charter by his father granting the middle-part of the barony of Maner, in the sheriffdom of Peebles, to William Burnet of Barns, on 22 May 1600.³
6. David Pringle,
7. Margaret Pringle,
8. Jane Pringle,

He *m.* secondly, in 1605, to Juliana, daughter of Sir David Home of Wedderburn, (she had previously been married to Sir John Kerr of Hirshel).

JAMES PRINGLE, YOUNGER OF WHITEBANK, succeeded his father and was served his heir in the lands of Reidhead on 10 February 1607.⁴ He *m.* firstly, to Christian, daughter of Mr. William Lundy of that ilk, (*c/m* 1592. She *d.* on 19 July 1602, and was buried in Melrose Abbey), and secondly, to Isobel, daughter of John Moffat, Burgess of Edinburgh, (*c/m* 10 October 1607.⁵ She was widow of James Stirling, Advocate, and surviving James Pringle, she *m.* thirdly, to James Douglas of Glaspen), and *d. vita patris* by 13 March 1616, when his eldest son James was served his heir. He was father of :

1. James Pringle of Whitebank, (*see below*).

¹ RMS 1580-1593. No. 1811.

² RMS 1594-1608. No. 1943.

³ RMS 1594-1608. No. 1239.

⁴ Retours. Selkirk. No. 17.

⁵ RMS 1594-1608. No. 1997.

2. George Pringle of Balmungo, styled as brother to James Pringle of Whitebank when witness to a charter by John Lundin, eldest son of the deceased John Lundin of that Ilk, granting the abrony of Lundin to his uncle Sir James Lundin, on 25 September 1625.¹ He had a charter under the Great Seal for the barony of Plean, in the sheriffdom of Stirling, on 28 July, 1632, which he had had appraised from James Somerville of Plean,² and *m.* Elizabeth, daughter and coheir of Sir Patrick Ruthven, Earl of Forth, (she was widow of William Lundy of that Ilk). He *d.* on 23 August 1655,³ and was father of :

2a) Mr. John Pringle, was admitted Minister at Fogo and *m.* on 5 February 1662, to Jean, daughter of Mr. John Schaw, Minister of Selkirk.⁴ He *d.* in February of 1682, and was father of :

2b) **JOHN PRINGLE OF WHITEBANK**, (*see below*).

2b) George Pringle, apprenticed to Thomas Dunlop, surgeon apothecary in Edinburgh, in 1695.

3. John Pringle, is styled as brother to James Pringle of Whitebank when bailie to a sasine following a charter by Mr. William Oliphant of Kirkhill granting the lands of Middleton to Sir Patrick Murray of Elibank, dated 26 November 1629.⁵

4. Thomas Pringle, was the only apparent child of his father's second marriage.

5. Katherine Pringle, *m.* Mr. William Penman, Minister of Crichton, (*c/m* 1634).

JAMES PRINGLE OF WHITEBANK, was reotured heir general to his father on 30 March 1616,⁶ and had a resignation from his grandfather, James Pringle of Whitebank, for the lands of Reidhead, including the lands of Whitebank, which was confirmed under the Great Seal on 17 April 1616.⁷ He *m.* Sophia, daughter of Dr. Martin Schoneir, Physician to Queen Anne of Denmark, to whom, as his future wife, he granted a charter for the lands of Readhead and Whitebank, to be held by themselves and their heirs, and

¹ RMS 1620-1633. No. 900.

² RMS 1620-1633. No. 2051.

³ Lamont's Diary.

⁴ OPR - Fogo

⁵ RMS 1620-1633. No. 1866.

⁶ Retours. Gen. No. 631.

⁷ RMS 1608-1620. No. 1425.

confirmed under the Great Seal on 12 February 1622,¹ and *d.* on 14 May 1667. He was father of :

1. Alexander Pringle of Whytbank, (*see below*).
2. Christian Pringle, *m.* William Mitchell, eldest son of William Mitchell, bailie and burghess of Selkirk, (*c/m* 1654).

ALEXANDER PRINGLE OF QUHYTBANK, succeeded his father and was retoured his heir in the lands of Reidhead and Whytebank on 11 July 1667.² He *m.* firstly, to Ann, eldest daughter of James Pringle of Torwoodlie, (*c/m* November 1646), and secondly, to *m.* Anna, sister of James Murray of Philiphaugh, (*c/m* 1682. She survived him and *m.* secondly, Robert Rutherford, younger of Edgerston), and *d.* without apparent issue on 25 April 1689, with his cousin John Pringle being served his heir on 16 August 1695.

JOHN PRINGLE OF WHITEBANK, succeeded his cousin Alexander in the lands of Reidhead and Whitebank and was retoured his heir on 16 August 1695.³ He *m.* Christian, eldest daughter of Patrick Scott of Ancrum, (*c/m* 1699. She *d.* at Edinburgh on 11 April 1770⁴), and *d.* in 1702, being father of :

1. Alexander Pringle of Whitebank, (*see below*).
2. Joanna Pringle, *c.* at Selkirk on 1 May 1702, and *d.* at Edinburgh on 1 August 1779.⁵

ALEXANDER PRINGLE OF WHYTBANK, *c.* at Selkirk on 10 February 1701, succeeded his father and *m.* on 30 November 1740, to Susanna, eldest daughter of Sir John

¹ RMS 1620-1633. No. 275.

² Retours. Selkirk. No. 80.

³ Retours. Selkirk. No. 107.

⁴ Scots Magazine, 1st April 1770, edition.

⁵ Caledonian Mercury, 4th August 1779, edition.

Rutherford of that Ilk,¹ (*c/m* 1740. She *d.* at Whitehouse on 17 April 1791²). He *d.* at Edinburgh on 26 February 1773,³ and was father of :

1. **JOHN PRINGLE OF WHYTBANK**, *b.* on 20 August 1744, and entered the army served in the America war. Dying there without issue, apparently, of military fatigue.
2. Alexander Pringle of Whitebank, (*see below*).
3. Patrick Pringle, *b.* on 16 January 1751, and became a Surgeon in the H.E.I.C.S. He *d.* at Arcot in November 1787.⁴
4. William Pringle, *b.* on 16 July 1752, and *d.* on his passage from India in June 1781.⁵
5. Elizabeth Pringle, *b.* on 28 May 1742.
6. Christina Pringle, *c.* at Selkirk on 8 June 1743, and *m.* at Edinburgh on 30 October 1766, to Robert Pasley of Craig.⁶
7. Eleanora Pringle, *b.* on 22 August 1745.
8. Joanna Pringle, *c.* at Selkirk on 22 August 1746, and *m.* at Edinburgh on 28 March 1773, to Alexander Hay of Mordington.⁷ She *d.* at Edinburgh on 30 March 1821.⁸
9. Susanna Pringle, *b.* on 3 June 1749.
10. Charlotte Pringle, *b.* on 1 September 1754, *m.* at Lisbon on 31 October 1776, to Thomas Mayne, merchant in Lisbon, and *d.* at there on 20 August 1781.⁹
11. Cairncross Mary Pringle, *b.* on 8 July 1756, and *d.* at Edinburgh on 28 December 1782.¹⁰
12. Betty Pringle, *b.* on 21 July 1758.

ALEXANDER PRINGLE OF WHYTBANK, *b.* on 10 November 1747, and succeeded his brother John on his death in 1774. He *m.* on 11 December 1789, to Mary, fourth daughter of Sir William Dick of Prestonfield,¹ *d.* at Yair on 15 February 1827,² and was father of :

¹ OPR – Edinburgh. See also: Scots Magazine, 7th November 1740, edition.

² Caledonian Mercury, 18th April 1791, edition.

³ Scots Magazine, 1st February 1773, edition.

⁴ Caledonian Mercury, 5th May 1788, edition.

⁵ Scots Magazine, 1st March 1782, edition.

⁶ Scots Magazine, 1st October 1766, edition.

⁷ OPR – Edinburgh.

⁸ Scots Magazine, 1st May 1821, edition.

⁹ Scots Magazine, 1st September 1781, edition.

¹⁰ Scots Magazine, 1st December 1782, edition.

1. Alexander Pringle of Whitebank, (*see below*).
2. John Alexander Pringle of Castledyke, *b.* on 17 April 1792, entered the service of the H.E.I.C.S., and *m.* at Mountannan on 10 September 1828, to Christina Anne, second daughter of Lieutenant-General Alexander Dirom.³ He *dsp* on 3 January 1839, with his brother Alexander being served his heir on 2 December following.⁴
3. William Alexander Pringle, *b.* on 11 April 1793, and entered the Bengal Civil Service as a Writer. He *m.* at Patna, Bengal, on 16 June 1817, to Ann Elizabeth, daughter of John Dawnay, Aylesbury, *d.* at Portobello, Edinburgh, on 12 December 1855,⁵ and was father of :
 - 3a) Alexander Pringle, *b.* at Bengal on 3 March 1828, served as an Ensign in the 27th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry, and *d.* at Windsor Cottage, Portobello, on 5 August 1854.
 - 3a) William John Pringle, *b.* at Bengal on 2 February 1831, and *d.* at Edinburgh in January 1883, being buried in the Pringle of Whytbank chapel in Melrose Abbey.⁶
 - 3a) Robert Pringle, *b.* at Bengal on 15 February 1832, trained as a Physician at Edinburgh where he took his degree in 1854 and entered the Bengal army, serving as Brigade-Surgeon. He *d.* at 11 Elliot Park, Blackheath, on 13 January 1899.⁷
 - 3a) David Pringle, *b.* at Bengal on 9 December 1839, and served as a Captain in the Bengal 58th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry, and *d.* at Portobello, Edinburgh, on 1 February 1874.⁸
 - 3a) George Stewart Pringle, served as Ensign in the 6th Bengal Infantry and was *k.* at Allahabad on 6 June 1857, being “one of the officers of that ill-fated regiment, who were shot down and treacherously murdered by their own men, after they had obtained for themselves an unusual amount of confidence by extraordinary professions of fidelity.”⁹

¹ OPR - Duddingston

² The Scotsman, 28th February 1827, edition.

³ The Scotsman, 17th September 1828, edition.

⁴ Chancery record.

⁵ Morning Advertiser, 17th December 1855, edition.

⁶ Southern Reporter, 11th January 1883, edition.

⁷ Morning Post, 16th January 1899, edition.

⁸ Statutory record. See also: Edinburgh Evening News, 2nd February 1874, edition.

⁹ Morning Post, 26th August 1857, & Illustrated Berwick Journal, 22nd August 1857.

- 3a) Mary Anne Pringle, *b.* at Bengal on 14 October 1819, and *m.* Archibald Spiers, third son of Peter Speirs of Culcreuch. She *d.* at Homburg, Germany, on 20 August 1864,¹ having had issue.
- 3a) Anna Charlotte Pringle, *b.* at Bengal on 26 September 1822, and *m.* at Dinapore, Bengal on 1 June 1840, to Edward Alexander Samuels, Bengal Civil Service. They had issue.
- 3a) Susanne Pringle, *b.* at Bengal on 20 August 1826.
- 3a) Elizabeth Lindsay Pringle, *b.* at Bengal on 17 August 1829, and *m.* at St. John's Episcopal Church, Edinburgh, on 16 January 1862, to William Maxwell Dirom, Bengal Civil Service.²
- 3a) Jane Hesther Pringle, *b.* at Bengal on 2 October 1836.
4. Robert Keith Pringle, *b.* on 13 March 1802, and joined the H.E.C.I.S. in 1820, holding a number of senior positions during his career including that of Chief Secretary of the Government of Bombay. He *m.* at Bombay on 15 April 1848, to Mary Jane, eldest daughter of Colonel George Moore, Military Auditor-General of Bombay,³ *d.* at his residence, Tweedside, Hampton Wick, on Tuesday 12 January 1897,⁴ and was father of :
- 4a) Alexander Pringle, *b.* at Kurrachee, India, on 27 October 1850.
- 4a) Robert Keith Pringle, *b.* on 22 April 1854, and was admitted a Writer to the Signet. He was appointed District Commissioner for the Gold Coast, West Africa, and *d.* there of malarial fever on 13 January 1898.⁵
- 4a) John Pringle, *b.* on 5 July 1861, and *d.* at Mundesley in May 1905.
- 4a) Charles Pringle, *b.* on 24 July 1865, and *d.* at Thorncilffe, Cheltenham, on 20 May 1879.⁶
- 4a) **WILLIAM PRINGLE OF WHYTBANK**, *b.* on 21 November 1868, and to whom his sister Mary, widow of Alexander Pringle of Whytbank, assigned the liferent of the lands of Whytbank. He *m.* at St. Philip's Church, Kensington, London, on 12 October 1910, to Gladys, eldest daughter of T. Baylis,⁷ *d.* in 1947, and was father of :
- 4b) **ALEXANDER PRINGLE OF WHYTBANK**, succeeded his father on his death.

¹ Greenock Advertiser, 25th August 1864, edition.

² Statutory record. See also: Illustrated London News, 25th January 1862, edition.

³ Perthshire Advertiser, 1st June 1848, edition.

⁴ Cheltenham Looker-on, 16th January 1897, edition.

⁵ Morning Post, 20th January 1898, edition.

⁶ Cheltenham Chronicle, 27th May 1879, edition.

⁷ The Scotsman, 15th October 1910, edition.

- 4b) Mary Pringle, *m.* at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on 17 November 1947, to Colonel Sir Harold Mitchell.¹
- 4a) Mary Arbuthnott Pringle, *b.* at Kurrachee, India, on 5 August 1849, *m.* on 29 March 1870, to Alexander Pringle of Whybank, (he *d.* on 14 September 1898), and *d.* at Edinburgh on 14 July 1908.
- 4a) Georgina Pringle, *b.* on 16 September 1852, and *m.* at St. Andrew's Church, Bath, on 21 December 1897, to William Ramsay of Bowland.²
- 4a) Fanny Pringle, *b.* on 15 April 1856.
- 4a) Charlotte Pringle, *b.* on 25 March 1859.
- 4a) Margaret Joanna Pringle, *b.* on 6 July 1863, and *d.* unmarried at London in 1938.
- 4a) Edith Pringle, *b.* on 24 April 1871, and *d.* on 9 November 1905.
5. David Pringle, *b.* on 14 June 1806, entered the Bengal Civil Service and *m.* firstly, at Calcutta on 15 January 1827, to Frances, daughter of Alexander Tod of Alderstoun, (she *d.* at Pau, France, on 24 February 1856³), by whom he had issue. He *m.* secondly, at St. Thomas's Chapel, Edinburgh, on 2 June 1858, to Mary, only child of James Anderson of Wilton Lodge,⁴ (she *d.* at Portobello, Edinburgh, on 26 October 1884⁵), by right of whom he succeeded to that property, and *d.* there on 22 December 1889.⁶ He was father of :
- 5a) Alexander St. David Francis Pringle, *b.* at Bhagulpoor, Bengal, on 1 March 1828, and was appointed Vicar of Blakeney. He *m.* at Saint James, Paddington, London, on 25 March 1856, to Mary Louisa, daughter of Charles MacKenzie, and was father of :
- 5b) Fanny Christina Pringle, *b.* on 1 March 1857.
- 5b) Amy Cecilia Pringle, *b.* on 9 December 1866.
- 5b) Jessie Pringle, *b.* on 16 August 1868.
- 5b) Louisa Florence Pringle, *b.* on 25 March 1870.
- 5b) Katherine Helen Pringle, *b.* on 7 May 1871.
- 5a) Mary Charlotte Pringle, *b.* at Calcutta on 18 January 1830.
- 5a) Charlotte Christiana Helen Pringle, *b.* at Calcutta on 30 September 1831.
- 5a) Elizabeth Amy Pringle, *b.* at Calcutta on 30 December 1833.

¹ The Scotsman, 18th November 1947, edition.

² London Evening Standard, 25th December 1897, edition.

³ Edinburgh Evening Courant, 8th March 1856, edition.

⁴ Statutory record. See also: Morning Chronicle, 5th June 1858, edition.

⁵ Statutory record.

⁶ Statutory record.

- 5a) Frances Jane Pringle, *m.* firstly, at St. Paul's Episcopal Chapel, Edinburgh, on 3 August 1858, to James Christie, eldest son and heir of Charles Maitland Christie of Durie,¹ (he *d.* at St. Moritz, Switzerland, on 20 July 1863²), and had issue ; and secondly, at St. George's, Hanover Square, London, on 20 December 1871, to Captain Theobald Wilhelm Anton Fischer.³
6. Mary Agnes Pringle, *b.* on 3 July 1794.
7. Susanna Pringle, *b.* on 4 October 1795, and *m.* at Yair on 6 January 1820, to Robert Scott Moncrieff, younger of Newhalls, Advocate.⁴
8. Jane Pringle, *b.* on 27 December 1796.
9. Elizabeth Pringle, *b.* on 15 February 1798, and *m.* at Charlotte Square, Edinburgh, on 19 April 1830, to Charles Maitland Christie of Durie.⁵ They had issue.
10. Charlotte Pringle, *b.* on 19 September 1799.
11. Margaret Janet Pringle, *b.* on 12 February 1801, and *m.* at Yair on 14 September 1842, to William Elmseley, Lincoln's-inn.⁶

ALEXANDER PRINGLE OF WHITEBANK AND YAIR, *b.* on 30 January 1791, and was served general heir to his father on 1 March 1830, and to his brother John Alexander Pringle of Castledyke on 2 December 1839. He *m.* on 12 January 1830, to Agnes Johanna, second surviving daughter of Sir William Dick of Prestonfield, (*c/m* 1830. She *d.* at Yair House on 3 April 1878⁷), *d.* at Yair on 2 September 1857,⁸ and was father of :

ALEXANDER PRINGLE OF WHITEBANK AND YAIR, *b.* on 13 March 1837, succeeded his father and was served his heir on 16 February 1859, and to his grandfather, Alexander Pringle of Whitebank, in parts of the barony of Newton on 18 April 1859. He *dsp* at Yair on 14 September 1898,⁹ having *m.* at Darley Church on 29 March 1870, to his cousin,

¹ Statutory record. See also: Edinburgh Evening Courant, 5th August 1858, edition.

² Illustrated London News, 8th August 1863, edition.

³ Greenock Advertiser, 26th December 1871, edition.

⁴ Carlisle Patriot, 15th January 1820, edition.

⁵ The Scotsman, 24th April 1830, edition.

⁶ London Evening Standard, 17th September 1842, edition.

⁷ SC63/34/14

⁸ Statutory record. See also: Illustrated London News, 12th September 1857, edition.

⁹ Statutory record. See also: Edinburgh Evening News, 14th September 1898, edition.

Mary Arbuthnott, eldest daughter of Robert Keith Pringle, (she *d.* at Edinburgh on 14 July 1908¹).

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¹ Statutory record. See also: *The Scotsman*, 16th July 1908, edition.