

# STIRLING

## OF GLORAT

**WILLIAM STIRLING, 1<sup>ST</sup> OF GLORAT**, second son of John Stirling of Craighernard, was included in the remainder of the charter for the lands of Craighernard in favour of his father and brother George on 18 March 1502, and on 24 May 1506, he had a gift from the King of the lands of Strabrock which had fallen into the King's hands by the forfeiture of Keith of Innerugie.<sup>1</sup> He had a charter from Matthew, Earl of Lennox, for the lands of Glorat on 10 October 1508, which had been resigned by his brother John Stirling of Craighernard, and on 3 August 1523, he had a charter from John, Earl of Lennox, for the lands of easter and Wester Glorat and the superiority of Easter Ballindoran. He was from time to time keeper of Dumbarton castle and was embroiled in the political strife which wrought the country at the time. He was murdered on Good Friday 1534, by Humphrey Galbraith and his accomplices.

He is said to have *m.* first to a daughter of Malcolm, Lord Fleming, although there is no evidence for this. On 20 April 1517, his wife was Marion Brisbane and it is probable that by her, he was father of,

1. George Stirling, 2<sup>nd</sup> of Glorat, (*see below*).

He *m.* again, before 1527, to Margaret Houston and by her he was father of,

2. Andrew Stirling, 1<sup>st</sup> of Law, infeft in the lands of Law on 29 November 1571, and is then styled as son of the late William Stirling of Glorat and Margaret Houston. He *m.* Elizabeth, daughter of Gabriel Cunningham of Craigends, *d.* prior to October of 1581 and was father of,

2a) William Stirling, 2<sup>nd</sup> of Law, infeft in the lands of Law as heir to his deceased father in March of 1582, and *m.* Margaret, daughter of Hugh Crawford of Clobarhill. He *d.* in December of 1623 and was father of,

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<sup>1</sup> RPS Vol. I. No. 1264.

2b) Andrew Stirling, 3<sup>rd</sup> of Law, had a charter from his father of the half lands of Law to himself and Jean, daughter of Mr. Patrick Walkinshaw, Sub-Dean of Glasgow, on 20 October 1610. He *d.* in December 1646, and was father of,

2c) William Stirling, 4<sup>th</sup> of Law, was retoured heir to his father on 13 October 1647, and executed an entail of the lands of Law on 20 May 1691. He *m.* Margaret Maxwell, (*c/m* 2 December 1641), and *d.* by 1703. He was father of,

2d) Margaret Stirling, *m.* James Buchanan of Ross, and had issue.

2d) Mary Stirling, *m.* William Colquhoun of Craigton, and had issue.

2d) Agnes Stirling, *m.* first, John Campbell of Succoth, and had issue which succeeded to the lands of Law ; and secondly, James Hamilton of Hutchison.

2b) Hugh Stirling,

2b) Walter Stirling, an executor to his father in 1623.

2b) Robert Stirling,

2b) William Stirling,

2b) Elizabeth Stirling, *m.* Hew Crawford of Jordanhill.

2b) Jean Stirling, a natural daughter.

2a) James Stirling, witnessed his brother William's infeftment in Law on 2 April 1582.

2a) John Stirling, apprenticed to John Johnston, Saddler in Edinburgh, on 29 June 1583.

2a) Walter Stirling,

2a) Robert Stirling, witnessed a Sasine in favour of his brother William Stirling of Law on 26 February 1584.

3. James Stirling, styled as brother to Andrew Stirling of Law on 27 January 1561.

4. John Stirling,

5. Walter Stirling, who was murdered in 1546, by the Sempills of Foulwood.

**GEORGE STIRLING, 2<sup>ND</sup> OF GLORAT**, was served heir to his father in the lands of Glorat and Baldoran on 15 January 1537, and had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Glorat, Baldoran, Portnellan and others on 15 July 1546. Like his father, he was appointed keeper of Dumbarton castle, he having commission from the King for this on 27 January 1543, and also like his father, this office brought him into the heart of the political wars raging in the country. He would not deliver the castle to the Earl of Lennox nor to his rival Arran who placed it under siege until he was able to secure terms with the Regent on 1 April 1545, and he afterwards was reconfirmed as Captain and had all law

suits raised against him by those whose lands he had wasted in his defence of the castle declared void by Parliament.

He *m.* by 6 August 1544, Margaret, daughter of Buchanan of that Ilk, (she was widow of Cunningham of Robertland), when a liferent was reserved to her, was *k.* at the battle of Pinkie in September of 1547, and was father of,

**JOHN STIRLING, 3<sup>RD</sup> OF GLORAT**, succeeded his father and had Sasine for the lands of Glorat, with the turret, fortalice, gardens, orchards etc., on 11 October 1552, which had been in the King's hands for the space of five years.<sup>1</sup> He *m.* Annabella, daughter Sir William Edmonstone of Duntreath, *d.* about 1563 and was father of,

1. John Stirling, 4<sup>th</sup> of Glorat, (*see below*).
2. Stirling of Bankell,

**JOHN STIRLING, 4<sup>TH</sup> OF GLORAT**, succeeded his father and *m.* Catherine, daughter of Hamilton of Grange. He *d.* prior to 18 May 1613, and was father of,

1. John Stirling, 5<sup>th</sup> of Glorat, (*see below*).
2. James Stirling, was father of,
  - 2a) James Stirling, apprenticed to George Sinclair, Wright in Edinburgh, on 11 December 1616.
3. William Stirling,
4. George Stirling, to whom his father conveyed the lands of Easter Ballindoran on 5 March 1593. He *dsp vita patris* prior to 24 May 1608, when his father was confirmed as his executor.
5. Mary Stirling, *m.* Robert Stirling of Lettir, (*c/m* 26 October 1586).
6. Elizabeth Stirling,

**JOHN STIRLING, 5<sup>TH</sup> OF GLORAT**, infest in the lands of Glorat as heir to his deceased father on 13 October 1613, and *m.* firstly, in 1594, to Jane, daughter of Robert Dalyell of that Ilk, (she *d.* by 1604). He *m.* secondly, by 28 September 1604, to Annabell Graham, *d.* prior to July of 1642 and was father of,

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<sup>1</sup> Ex. Rolls. Vol. XVIII. P. 544.

1. Sir Mungo Stirling of Glorat, (*see below*).
2. John Stirling, styled as brother to Mungo Stirling o Glorat when witness to a charter by James Graham, Earl of Montrose, granting to Magdalen Carnegie, his spouse, the lands of Auldmontrose on 22 August 1632.<sup>1</sup> He *m.* Lilius Graham.
3. Archibald Stirling,
4. James Stirling,
5. George Stirling,
6. Henry Stirling, *m.* Elizabeth Jameson, (she *m.* secondly, Mr. William Fairfoull).
7. William Stirling, appointed Minister at Baldernock.
8. George Stirling,
9. A daughter, *m.* John Livingston of Baldorran.
10. Margaret Stirling, *m.* William Dalzell of Chissim.

**SIR MUNGO STIRLING, 6<sup>TH</sup> OF GLORAT**, had a precept of sasine as heir to his father in July of 1642, and was a steady supporter of the Royal cause during the civil war. He *m.* first, Margaret, third daughter of Alexander Hamilton of Kinglas, (*c/m* 11 August 1614), secondly, prior to 1631, to Marion, daughter of Wauchope of Niddrie, and thirdly, Margaret Livingston, (*c/m* 2 October 1641). He was father of,

1. Sir George Stirling, 1<sup>st</sup> Baronet, (*see below*).
2. William Stirling,
3. Jean Stirling, *m.* in 1649, George Ross of Galston.
4. Margaret Stirling, *m.* in 1649, Thomas Kennedy of Baltersan.
5. Mary Stirling, *m.* John Stirling of Craighernard, (*c/m* 31 October and 4 November 1656).

**SIR GEORGE STIRLING, 1<sup>ST</sup> BARONET OF GLORAT**, who, in recognition of his father's and his own services to the Crown, was created a Baronet on 24 April 1666, with remainder to the heirs-male of his own body. He *m.* first, Mary, daughter of Sir George Seton of Hailes, (*c/m* 11 July 1657. She *d.* in August of 1659), by whom he was father of :

1. Mary Stirling, *m.* James Stirling, brother of Stirling of Keir.

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<sup>1</sup> RMS 1620-1633. No. 2078.

He *m.* secondly, on 13 February 1666, Marjory, eldest daughter of Sir William Purves of Woodhouselees, (*c/m* 16 February 1661), and by her he was father of :

1. Mungo Stirling, 2<sup>nd</sup> Baronet, (*see below*).
2. Robert Stirling, was apprenticed to William Cross, Merchant in Glasgow, on 15 April 1691, and *dsp.*
3. John Stirling, 4<sup>th</sup> Baronet of Glorat, (*see below*).
4. George Stirling, *b.* on 14 June 1671.
5. Marjory Stirling, *m.* Mungo Stirling of Craighernard, and had issue.
6. Helen Stirling,
7. Ann Stirling,
8. Margaret Stirling, *c.* at Edinburgh on 9 December 1666, and *m.* William Cross, Merchant in Glasgow, (*c/m* 5 February 1691).
9. Jean Stirling, *m.* Jame Scott, Writer.

**SIR MUNGO STIRLING, 2<sup>ND</sup> BARONET OF CRAIGBERNARD**, succeeded his father and *m.* Barbara, daughter of Hugh Corbet of Hardgray, (she was widow of John Douglas of Mains). He *d.* on 21 April 1712, and was father of :

1. **SIR JAMES STIRLING, 3<sup>RD</sup> BARONET OF CRAIGBERNARD**, succeeded his father and was served heir to his grandfather, Sir George Stirling, on 8 August 1712, being then only six years old. He *m.* first, in May of 1728, Martha Luke, and secondly, on 28 January 1751, to Jean, only daughter of John Stirling of Herbertshire, “a young Lady of great merit and fine accomplishment,<sup>1</sup>” (she survived him and *m.* secondly, to James Erskine, Lord Alva). He *dsp* at Glorat on Tuesday 30 April 1771.<sup>2</sup>
2. William Stirling,
3. Hugh Stirling,

**JOHN STIRLING OF GLORAT**, was apprenticed to William Stirling, Writer to the Signet, on 1 March 1699, served as Tutor to his nephew, Sir James Stirling, and purchased the lands of Glorat in 1720, when they were exposed for public sale. He *m.* Elizabeth, only daughter of Alexander Home of Renton, (*c/m* February 1701), and was father of :

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<sup>1</sup> Caledonian Mercury. 29<sup>th</sup> January 1751, edition.

<sup>2</sup> Caledonian Mercury. 1<sup>st</sup> May 1771, edition.

1. Sir Alexander Stirling, 4<sup>th</sup> Baronet of Glorat, (*see below*).
2. Margaret Stirling,

**SIR ALEXANDER STIRLING, 4<sup>TH</sup> BARONET OF GLORAT**, *b.* in September 1715, and succeeded his cousin Sir James Stirling as Baronet in 1771. He had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Glorat on 6 August 1771, and inherited the estate of Renton, in Berwickshire, in January of 1788, following the death of his cousin Sir John Home. He *m.* Mary Willis, (she *d.* on 20 December 1774), and *d.* at Edinburgh on 22 February 1791,<sup>1</sup> being father of,

1. Sir John Stirling, 5<sup>th</sup> Baronet of Glorat, (*see below*).
2. Mary Stirling, *b.* on 21 June 1762, *d.* on 20 December 1774, and was buried in the Greyfriars, Edinburgh.<sup>2</sup>

**SIR JOHN STIRLING, 5<sup>TH</sup> BARONET OF GLORAT**, served heir to his father on 21 March 1791, and *m.* in 1771, Gloriana, daughter of Samuel Folsome, *d.* at Edinburgh on 16 March 1818,<sup>3</sup> and was father of,

1. Alexander Home Stirling, *b.* on 8 October 1775, and joined the North York Militia in 1793. He was appointed Lieutenant in the 7<sup>th</sup> Royal Fusiliers and joined them at Halifax, Nova Scotia. He returned home to recruit and in 1797, he was raised to Captain but setting sail from Plymouth on 20 October 1799, to return to rejoin his regiment in Halifax, the transport he was aboard was wrecked at Table Island on 22 December following and he was drowned.
2. John Home Stirling, *b.* on 16 May 1778, and *d.* on 19 August 1789.
3. James Stirling, *b.* on 7 August 1781, and entered the Royal Navy as a Mid-shipman. He was *ksp* onboard the H.M.S. Mermaid when it engaged the French Frigate "La Loire" on 17 October 1798.<sup>4</sup>
4. Samuel Stirling, 6<sup>th</sup> Baronet of Glorat, (*see below*).

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<sup>1</sup> Caledonian Mercury. 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1791, edition.

<sup>2</sup> Greyfriars Burial Register.

<sup>3</sup> Scots Magazine. 1<sup>st</sup> April 1818, edition.

<sup>4</sup> Oxford Journal. 24<sup>th</sup> November 1798, edition.

5. George Stirling, *b.* on 22 February 1786, entered the army and served as Captain in the 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment. He *m.* firstly on 25 December 1820, to Anne Henrietta, daughter of William Gray of Oxgang,<sup>1</sup> by whom he had issue. He *m.* secondly, at Rothesay, on 23 December 1835, to Margaret, youngest daughter of Thomas Kibble of Whiteford, (she *d.* in 1857), by whom he had no issue, and *d.* at Portobello on 21 February 1852,<sup>2</sup> being father of,

5a) George Stirling, *d.* in infancy at Glorat on 3 October 1825.<sup>3</sup>

5a) John Stirling, *b.* on 30 April 1826, and *d.* aged six years.

5a) William Henry Stirling, *b.* on 30 July 1827, entered the 60<sup>th</sup> Rifles and *d.* unmarried.

5a) **SIR SAMUEL HOME STIRLING, 7<sup>TH</sup> BARONET OF GLORAT**, *b.* on 28 January 1830, *m.* on 8 October 1854, Mary, daughter of Major Thomas Stirling Begbie, and *d.* on 19 September 1861.<sup>4</sup> He was father of,

5b) Mary Eleanor Stirling, *b.* on 31 August 1855, and succeeded as heir of entail to the lands of Renton. She *m.* in 1885, to Charles Lisle Cookson. They had issue.

5b) Edith Home Stirling, *b.* on 5 November 1859.

5a) **SIR CHARLES ELPHINSTONE FLEMING STIRLING, 8<sup>TH</sup> BARONET OF GLORAT**, *b.* on 31 July 1831, and settled in Australia. He succeeded his brother in the lands of Glorat, *m.* on 24 April 1867, Anne Georgina, daughter of James Murray of Ancoats Hall, and *d.* on 10 September of 1910. He was father of,

5b) **SIR GEORGE MURRAY HOME STIRLING, 9<sup>TH</sup> BARONET OF GLORAT**, *b.* on 4 September 1869, and succeeded his father on his death in 1910. He *m.* at the Episcopal Church, St. Andrews, on 15 November 1904, to Mabel Elizabeth, daughter of Colonel Alexander Sprot, Stravithie, *d.* on 1 May 1949, and was father of,

5c) Charles Alexander Sprot Home Stirling, who disappeared when out sailing with his cousin George Sprot, off the coast of Northumberland on 19 June 1938. His mother and sisters petitioned the Court of Session on 29 March 1950, to have him considered dead.<sup>5</sup>

5c) George Archibald Mungo Stirling, who *dsp* at Cairo on 14 December 1941, of wounds received at Tobruk.

5c) Elizabeth Corinna Stirling, *b.* in 1906.

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<sup>1</sup> Morning Post. 5<sup>th</sup> January 1821, edition.

<sup>2</sup> The Scotsman, 25<sup>th</sup> February 1852, edition.

<sup>3</sup> Caledonian Mercury. 1<sup>st</sup> March 1825, edition.

<sup>4</sup> Statutory record. See also Morning Post. 26<sup>th</sup> September 1861, edition.

<sup>5</sup> Dundee Courier. 30<sup>th</sup> March 1950, edition. See also Court of Sessin records.

- 5c) Jean Margaret Stirling, *b.* on 28 August 1908.
- 5b) Blanche Margaret Anne Stirling, *b.* in 1871.
- 5b) Eliza Caroline Stirling, *b.* in 1873.
- 5a) Jean Adam Stirling, *b.* on 21 December 1821, and *d.* at Glorat on 25 January 1828.<sup>1</sup>
- 5a) Gloriana Ann Stirling, *b.* on 3 March 1823, and *d.* at Glorat on 12 April 1827.<sup>2</sup>
- 5a) Anne Henrietta Stirling, *b.* on 22 November 1828, and *m.* at Abergavenny on 25 July 1854, to, Rev. William Louis Buckley.<sup>3</sup>
- 5a) Jane Gloriana Stirling, *b.* on 13 April 1833.
6. John Stirling, *bap.* on 27 February 1791, entered the Royal Navy and *d.* unmarried at his sister Ann's home in Tobago on 13 August 1837.<sup>4</sup>
7. William Bromley Cadogan Stirling, *b.* on 3 July 1791, entered the HEICS as an artillery cadet in 1809. He *dsp* onboard the Henry Addington East Indian-man on 18 May 1811, from wounds received when ashore with a party at the Cape of Good Hope.<sup>5</sup>
8. Robert Stirling, *bap.* on 19 October 1792, and settled firstly in Canada and then at Newport, Campbell County, Kentucky, America, by 28 August 1850.<sup>6</sup> He was father of,
- 8a) Robert Dundas Stirling, *b.* at Bytown, Canada, on 26 February 1832, and is named with his father in the 1850 census return for Newport, Kentucky. He became a Painter and *m.* at Shelby, Indiana, on 3 May 1858, to Martha Elizabeth Thatcher, (she *d.* on 17 November 1897). He *d.* at Shelby on 9 September 1906,<sup>7</sup> and was father of,
- 8b) Francis A. Stirling, *b.* on 10 September 1859, and *d.* on 18 July 1860.
- 8b) Charles H. Stirling, *b.* on 16 April 1866, and is named with parents in the 1880 census return for Perry, Marion County. He was a school teacher Fountaintown and Morristown, *m.* on 11 December 1889, to Margaret, daughter of William Wilson, undertaker in Acton, and *d.* on 4 July 1925.<sup>8</sup> He was father of,
- 8c) Robert Wilson Stirling, *b.* on 21 March 1890, and became an undertaker. Following the death of his two sons, Sir George Home Murray Stirling, 9<sup>th</sup> Baronet of Glorat, made contact with him as he believed him to be his heir

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<sup>1</sup> Caledonian Mercury. 4<sup>th</sup> February 1828, edition.

<sup>2</sup> Perthshire Courier. 26<sup>th</sup> April 1827, edition.

<sup>3</sup> Cambridge Chronicle. 5<sup>th</sup> August 1854, edition.

<sup>4</sup> Perthshire Courier. 2<sup>nd</sup> November 1837, edition.

<sup>5</sup> Perthshire Courier. 6<sup>th</sup> February 1812, edition.

<sup>6</sup> Statutory record.

<sup>7</sup> London Cemetery Inscriptions.

<sup>8</sup> Acton Cemetery, Marin County, Indiana.



male and after Sir George's death in May of 1949, he was requested to travel to Scotland to make up his claim although he responded stating that he was an American citizen, was happy with that, his occupation and life in his town and was not prepared to give any of it up. He *m.* at Indianapolis on 7 March 1920, to Hazel Marie, daughter of John J. Heidenrich, *d.* in July of 1970, and was father of,

8d) John Charles Stirling, *b.* in 1922, and is named with his father in a number of articles relating to their position as heirs male to the Glorat Baronetcy in 1949. He *m.* in July of 1944, to Evelyn Alberta, daughter of Shirl Essig, *d.* in 1982, and was father of,

8e) John Charles Stirling, *b.* in 1948, and *m.* firstly to Valborg Elaine Nelson., by whom he had issue and from whom he was divorced. He *m.* secondly, on 17 July 1980, to Wilma Yoder Breedlove. He was father of,

8f) Jeffrey Dundas Stirling, *b.* on 3 November 1969.

8f) April Cheryl Stirling, *b.* on 4 April 1967.

8e) Sherry Lynn Stirling, *b.* in April of 1951, and *m.* on 27 May 1984, to John Symon.

8c) Amy D. Stirling, *b.* in 1894 and *m.* Curtis Smith. She *d.* in 1978.

8b) Mary Stirling, *b.* in 1872.

8b) Margaret Stirling, *b.* on 29 February 1862, and *d.* on 6 February 1880.

8b) Bertha Stirling, *b.* on 29 February 1876, and *d.* on 14 December 1879.

8b) Gertrude Stirling, *m.* on 30 December 1897, to Alfred J. Smock.

8b) Ada Stirling,

9. Joseph Stirling, *b.* on 14 January 1794, and *d.* unmarried in 1878.

10. Thomas Dundas Stirling, *b.* at Glorat on 25 May and was *bap.* on 8 June following. He *m.* at Glasgow on 24 June 1821, to Christina Cameron,<sup>1</sup> *d.* at Lasswade on 19 July 1825,<sup>2</sup> and was father of,

10a) John Stirling, *bap.* on 27 June 1821, and *d.* unmarried on his way to the West Indies.

11. Mary Stirling, *b.* in Connecticut on 10 December 1771, and *m.* John Aitchison. She *d.* in 1838.

12. Jean-Maria Stirling, *b.* on 29 January 1773, and *m.* at Edinburgh on 16 March 1796, John MacKenzie, Merchant in Glasgow.<sup>3</sup> She *d.* on 30 October 1797, with issue.

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<sup>1</sup> OPR – Glasgow.

<sup>2</sup> Scots Magazine, 1<sup>st</sup> July 1825, edition.

<sup>3</sup> Scots Magazine, 1<sup>st</sup> March 1796, edition.

13. Elizabeth-Ann Stirling, *b.* on 27 November 1774, and *m.* on 10 September 1792, to Mr. James Lapsie, Minister of Campsie.<sup>1</sup> She *d.* at the Manse of Campsie on 2 February 1825.<sup>2</sup>
14. Barbara Black Stirling, *b.* on 8 May 1777, and *m.* on Tuesday 22 October 1793, to Mr. Robert Rennie, Minister of Kilsyth.<sup>3</sup>
15. Margaret Stirling, *b.* on 14 February 1780, and *m.* at Glasgow in December of 1804, to Robert Watt, younger of Glentore.<sup>4</sup>
16. Ann Stirling, *bap.* on 3 April 1790, and *m.* at Edinburgh on 24 December 1812, to Archibald Napier, Isle of Tobago.<sup>5</sup> They had issue.
17. Sarah Stirling, *b.* on 14 January 1794, and *m.* firstly to Major James Davidson, by whom she had issue. She *m.* secondly, on April of 1828, to John Graham of Ballagan, Advocate,<sup>6</sup> and had issue.

**SAMUEL STIRLING, 6<sup>TH</sup> BARONET OF GLORAT**, *b.* on 28 July 1783, and *m.* at London on 14 September 1842, to Mary Anne, only daughter of Major Robert Berrie of Torphin,<sup>7</sup> (*c/m* 13 September 1842. She *dsp* at Wirtemberg on 8 October 1856<sup>8</sup>). He *dsp* at the Hotel de Windsor, Paris, on 3 May 1858.<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> OPR. See also Scots Magazine 1<sup>st</sup> September 1792, edition.

<sup>2</sup> Perthshire Courier. 18<sup>th</sup> February 1825, edition.

<sup>3</sup> OPR. See also Caledonian Mercury. 24<sup>th</sup> October 1793, edition.

<sup>4</sup> Oxford Journal. 15<sup>th</sup> December 1804, edition.

<sup>5</sup> Perthshire Courier. 31<sup>st</sup> December 1812, edition.

<sup>6</sup> Oxford Herald. 19<sup>th</sup> April 1828, edition.

<sup>7</sup> Perthshire Courier. 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1842, edition.

<sup>8</sup> Greenock Advertiser. 17<sup>th</sup> October 1856, edition.

<sup>9</sup> The Scotsman, 15<sup>th</sup> May 1858, edition.