

FORRESTER

OF TORWOOD

The Forresters of Torwood are generally accepted to have shared common ancestry with Forrester of Corstorphine and although this is unsubstantiated by extant evidence, it is alluded to in the similarities in heraldry used by them which are emblazoned thus; Forrester of Garden: Argent, three hunting horns sable, garnished gules, and Forrester of Corstorphine: A shield couché, charged with three hunting horns, stringed.

MALCOLM FORRESTER, 1ST OF PITTENTOSCAL, of uncertain parentage, is the first confirmed ancestor and it is probable that he was a son of Robert Forrester who was a prominent customar of Stirling in the last years of the 14th and early part of the 15th centuries. He submitted the accounts for that burgh to the Royal exchequer for the period 9 May 1409 to 17 July 1410 and had died between the next accounting period, being that from 17 July 1410 to 7 June 1412.¹

Malcolm Forrester is first found in record on 29 June 1448 when he witnessed a charter by Janet de Fenton, one of the heirs of Walter de Fenton of Baky, and relict of Robert Stewart, son of the deceased Sir David Stewart of Rosyth, granting the quarter-part of the lands of Baky to William Halket.² He is then named in two charters expedite under the Great Seal on 5 July 1450 in favour of his grandson and heir, Robert Forrester, the first of these being for his half lands of Pittentoscal and the second for those of Little Kettleston belonging to his wife, Elizabeth Noble, and in which liferents are reserved to both Malcolm and

¹ Ex. Rolls. Vol. \$. PP. 118 & 137.

² C2/5/12. Printed Vol. 1424-1513. No. 618.

Elizabeth. He *m.* Elizabeth, daughter and heiress of Noble of Littlekettlestoun, and was father of :

ALEXANDER FORRESTER, FIAR OF PITTENTOSCAL, the eldest son who is said to have *m.* a daughter of Bruce of Clackmannan. He *d. vita patris* and was father of :

ROBERT FORRESTER OF PITTENTOSCAL AND 1ST OF TORWOOD, had a charter under the Great Seal for the middle-part of the lands of Pittentoscail as heir to his grandfather, Malcolm Forrester of Pittentoscail, on 5 July 1450 and had a second charter of that date for the lands of Little Kettleston, in the sheriffdom of Linlithgow, as heir to his grandmother, Elizabeth Noble.¹ He was *apud le Torwood* by 1457 when he had a payment from the exchequer for thirty-three merks Scots from the customs of Bute² and had acquired rights to the lands of Torwood by 1458 when under the designation *Robert Forestare de Torwod* he received another payment from the customs of Bute.³ He received a further payment from those customs in 1460⁴ and *d.* after then and prior to 12 February 1463. He *m.* Margaret Livingston whom, as his relict, had instruments on 7 April 1478, relating to the request of Robert Forrester, her late husband's cousin, to be infeft in the lands of Mungwell,⁵ and was father of :

1. **MALCOLM FORRESTER, 3RD OF TORWOOD**, had succeeded his father in the lands of Torwood by 1464 when he had his fee as forester of Torwood remitted to him by the the King.⁶ He had a further payment from the exchequer in that same year from the customs of Bute⁷ and had a charter from Richard Porteous

¹ RMS 1424-1513. No. 267 & 366

² Ex. Rolls. Vol. VI. P. 329.

³ Ex. Rolls. Vol. VI. P. 420.

⁴ Ex. Rolls. Vol. VII. P. 13.

⁵ Stirling Burgh Protocol Book.

⁶ Ex. Rolls. Vol. VII. P. 246.

⁷ Ex. Rolls. Vol. VII. P. 274.

for his 2 merk lands lying on the east side of the town of Dunipace on 21 August 1475.¹ He had a charter for the lands of Carbrock and Gartincaber from his brother, Alexander, on 11 May 1477, in which they are styled as sons of the deceased Robert Forrester of Torwood,² and acquired a further two oxgates of lands at Dunipace from Sir Oliver Sinclair of Roslyn by Instruments dated 30 November 1482.³ He *m.* Margaret Harrower whom he infeft in his lands of Smithsquarter, in the sheriffdom of Stirling, on 4 March 1472/3,⁴ and was living on 26 November 1488 when a liferent of the lands of Torwood was reserved to him in a charter for those lands in favour of Duncan Forrester of Gunnarschaw.⁵ He was father of,

1a} **DAVID FORRESTER, YOUNGER OF TORWOOD**, in whose favour his father resigned the office of forester of Torwood which was confirmed under the Great Seal on 22 July 1476, and in which he is styled the eldest son and heir.⁶ He *m.* by 2 June 1476, to Margaret Somerville when they had a charter for the 6 merks lands of Dunipace from his father⁷ and *dvp* prior to 4 February 1483.

1a} **HENRY FORRESTER, YOUNGER OF TORWOOD AND OF PITTENTOSKAN**, who became heir to his father on his elder brother, David's death in about 1483. He is said to have suffered some form of forfeiture of his lands for his support of King James III. at the battle of Sauchieburn fought on 11 June 1488 and, although there does not appear to be evidence to prove this, there may be a degree of fact in the statement as the lands of Torwood were conveyed by King James IV. to Duncan

¹ GD1/529/3.

² RMS 1424-1513. No. 2388

³ GD1/529/5.

⁴ Stirling Burgh Protocol Book.

⁵ C2/12/53. Printed Vol. 1424-1513. No. 1802.

⁶ RMS 1424-1513. No. 1249

⁷ GD17/13.

Forrester of Gunnarschaw by charter of 26 November 1488,¹ in which Henry is styled as eldest son and heir to Malcolm Forrester. He retained the lands of Pittintoscall, Littlekettleston, Carbrock, Gartincaber and Buthhill for which he had Sasine in 1496.² He *m.* by 12 November 1497, to Agnes Forrest when they had a charter of confirmation for Littlekettleston, on his own resignation.³ She survived him and is styled as his relict on 22 June 1540, when on that date she granted a Tack of the third of the lands of Easter Pentoskan to Alexander Livingston and Alexander Johnson.⁴ He had a confirmation of a tenement in the burgh of Linlithgow on 20 October 1503⁵ and disposed his two oxgates of the lands of Dunipace to Oliver Sinclair of Herbertshire on 28 June 1510.⁶ He *dsp* by 28 August 1529 when John Forrester, Tutor of Strathhenry, had the gift of the lands of Tulchill which had fallen to the crown on account of Henry's death,⁷ and on 16 May 1541 James Morton; Andrew Wilson, Canon of the Monastery of St. Columba; Walter Graham of Gartur; Robert Dunbar of Durris and Robert Leiche were infeft in his tenement in Linlithgow as his great-nephews and heirs.⁸

1a) Alexander Forrester, *m.* Janet, daughter of Sir William Menteith of Wester Kerse, (she survived him and *m.* secondly, by March of 1502, to Robert de Preston), and *d.* without apparent issue by March of 1502 when his relict raised an action against his brother, Henry, for payment of her liferent from her deceased husband's lands.⁹

¹ C2/12/53. Printed Vol. 1424-1513. No. 1802.

² Ex. Rolls. Vol. X. P. 772.

³ C2/13/313.

⁴ SRS Protocol Book of Sir Thomas Johnsoun. No. 218

⁵ B48/17/18.

⁶ GD1/529/17.

⁷ RPS Vol. II. No. 291.

⁸ SRS Protocol Book of Sir Thomas Johnsoun. Nos. 264-269

⁹ Acta Dom Conc. Printed Vol. III. PP. 124-125

- 1a} Thomas Forrester, who had the rental of the crown lands of Larbertschiels and Stanelech with his father in 1480.¹
2. Matthew Forrester, (*see below*).
3. Alexander Forrester, 1st of Culmoir, (*see Forrester of Polder*).
4. William Forrester,
5. Janet Forrester, *m.* by 26 December 1437, to Sir Alexander Bruce, 3rd of Airth, and had issue.

MATTHEW FORRESTER, was a Bailie and Sheriff of Stirling of considerable importance and note and for whom there is a substantial body of evidence but all of which is entirely silent on the matter of his parentage. He is generally accepted to have been a younger son of Robert Forrester, 1st of Torwood, and although that is very likely correct, it remains unproven. He is first named in 1458 in relation to a loan he made to the King when in Flanders² and was witness to a charter by Agnes de Airth granting part of the lands of Carnock to Alexander Forrester and Agnes Livingston, his wife, dated 12 February 1463.³ On 10 November 1471 Thomas Somerville of Batlaw gave warning to him of his intention to redeem the lands of Airthbeg and Lawquarter which were under reversion.⁴ He renounced the wadset of the lands of Pittendreich in favour of Henry Elphinstone of Pittendreich on 3 May 1472, which had been wadset to him on payment of 40 merks redemption money and is styled a sheriff of Stirling at a session of that court on 12 July 1473.⁵ He was infeft in ten merks worth of land near the church of Kippen on 16 August 1473, resigned his lands of Dargraw, in Perthshire, to John Drummond of Cargill on 21 March 1473/4 and bound himself to observe the points of his daughter, Isabella's marriage contract with Sir John Lundy of that

¹ Ex. Rolls. Vol. IX. P. 633.

² Ex. Rolls. Vol. VI. P. 388.

³ C2/8/13. Printed Vol. 1424-1513. No. 978.

⁴ Stirling Burgh Protocol Book.

⁵ Stirling Burgh Protocol Book.

Ilk on 24 April 1474. He granted a resignation of the lands of Strowy, in Perthshire, to William Stirling of Keir on 18 October 1477, and had Sasine of the £5 lands of Alva on 13 July 1478. He granted redemption of the lands of Salchy to Humphrey Colquhoun of Luss on 25 August 1482,¹ is named with his son, Duncan, in an action brought against them by William James on 12 December of that year and regularly represented Stirling Burgh in Parliament. He appears to have died soon after August 1482 and was father of,

1. **SIR DUNCAN FORRESTER OF SKIPINCH AND TORWOOD**, (*see below*).
2. Isabel Forrester, *m.* firstly, to James Hoppringall of Galascheils, and secondly, to John Lundy of that Ilk, (*c/m* 24 April 1474²).
3. Janet Forrester, *m.* firstly, by 28 November 1481, to John Schaw, 1st of Knockhill, younger son of Sir James Schaw of Sauchie, (he *d.* in 1491), when their parents took instruments recording the circumstances of their marriage,³ and secondly in late 1491, John Murray, eldest son and heir of Patrick Murray of Fallowhill.

SIR DUNCAN FORRESTER OF SKIPINCH AND TORWOOD, who, like his father, was a person of importance and prominence in and around Stirling. He was granted a pension by James III. in 1480 for his service as custodian of Stirling castle⁴ and in 1482 he and James Dawson, as joint-custodians, had a payments to themselves for those duties.⁵ He is styled son of Matthew Forrester in an action raised against them by William James on 12 December 1482 for having taken oxen from the lands of Cambusbarron⁶ and was Provost of Stirling on 31 December 1483 when

¹ Stirling Burgh Protocol Book.

² Stirling Burgh Protocol Book. P. 116

³ Stirling Burgh Protocol Book.

⁴ Ex. Rolls. Vol. IX. P. 3.

⁵ Ex. Rolls. Vol. IX. P. 169.

⁶ NAS PA2/3/f. 26r.

he bound himself to Adam Corsour to repair his ailse in St. Mary's church.¹ On the forfeiture of his cousin, Henry Forrester, fiar of Torwood, for having been in arms against James IV. at Sauchieburn, the King conveyed the lands of Torwood to him for which he had a charter under the Great Seal on 16 November 1488.² He also acquired the lands of Skipinch with the castle, and is found variously styled "of Skipynch," "of Torwood," "of Gunnerschaw" and "of Garden" from 1488 onwards. He *m.* firstly, to Margaret Forsyth, and secondly, by 1503, to Margaret Bothwell and on 6 November 1523, with the consent of Sir Walter, his eldest son, he granted an annualrent of twenty shillings Scots from his lands in the burgh of Stirling to Mr. James Wilson, chaplain, for a yearly mass for Margaret Forsyth, his late wife, and after his own death, for them both and then for Margaret Bothwell, his present wife, dated 6 November 1523.³ He *d.* soon afterwards having had issue by both wives :

1. Sir Walter Forrester of Torwood, (*see below*).
2. Thomas Forrester of Gibliston and Strathenry, obtained the lands of Strathhenry and Giblistoun on his marriage to Mariote, daughter and heiress of Michael de Strathendry of Giblistoun, for which he a charter on 1 June 1496.⁴ He had issue. (*see Forrester of Strathenry*).
3. Alexander Forrester, 1st of Calzemuk, *m.* Katherine Greig and had issue :
 - 3a} Robert Forrester of Calzemuk & Boquhan, is styled as son and heir to Alexander Forrester of Calzemuk when he and Christian Ross, his spouse, granted letters of Reversion for the lands of Cambusbarron to John, Lord Erskine, on 22 April 1541.⁵ He acquired the lands of Boquhan

¹ Stirling Burgh Protocol Book.

² C2/12/53. Printed Vol. 1424-1513. No. 1802.

³ B66/25/79.

⁴ RMS 1424-1513. No. 2314

⁵ GD124/1/578

in which he was infeft on 17 April 1545,¹ but leaving no legitimate issue Duncan Forrester, son of the deceased Alexander Forrester of Garden, was served heir to him on 26 March 1602. He was father of :

3b) Robert Forrester, was a natural son and had letters of legitimation under the Great Seal on 18 November 1584.²

3a) Robert Forrester, secundus, who was included in the remainder of a charter in favour of his brother and namesake, Robert Forrester, for the lands of Ardmir dated 16 October 1553.³ He became a Bailie and Burgess of Stirling.

4. Robert Forrester, was appointed Abbot of Balmerino and had natural issue;

4a) John Forrester, in favour of whom a Precept for legitimation passed the Privy Seal 28 August 1536.⁴

5. James Forrester, was appointed Archdean of Caithness.

6. Margaret Forrester, *m.* Sir Alexander Forrester of Corstorphine, and had issue.

7. Thomas Forrester of Arngibbon, (*secundus*) had a Gift of the lands of Arngibbon which had previously belonged to the deceased Angus Campbell of Ardoch, on 22 April 1530, and had *m.* by then to Margaret Somerville,⁵ (she had a liferent of the lands of Arngibbon reserved to her on 8 May 1562⁶). He is styled as son of Margaret Bothwell when he and his mother's liferent from the lands of Kyntochill, in the barony of Arngask, is alluded to in a charter by Sir David Murray of Balvaird, dated 9 December 1534.⁷ He *d.* by May of 1562 and was father of :

¹ GD38/1/19

² RMS 1580-1593. No. 2361.

³ RMS 1546-1580. No. 866.

⁴ RPS Vol. II. No. 2157.

⁵ RPS Vol. II. No. 654

⁶ Ex. Rolls. Vol. XIX. P. 495.

⁷ C2/26/357. Printed Vol. 1514-1547. No. 1997.

- 7a) John Forrester of Easter Burn, is styled as son to the deceased Thomas Forrester of Arngibbon in a Discharge to William Graham of Panholes dated 12 February 1601.
8. John Forrester of Logy, became a Burgess of Stirling and obtained the lands of Logy. He *m.* Elizabeth Nichol, (she had the gift of a pension as a result of her lodgings in Stirling having been burnt and sacked and the Regent Lennox murdered therein in 1571¹ and *m.* secondly, Thomas Livingston of Haining, who was then widow of Agnes, daughter and co-heir of William Crawford of Haining), *d.* by May of 1564 when his widow granted a Precept of Clare Constat to William Huchin for a tenement in the town of Alloa² and had issue;
- 8a) David Forrester of Logy, was a Bailie and Burgess of Stirling and was murdered by certain Bruces there in 1595. He *m.* in around 1584, to Janet, daughter of Alexander Alexander of Menstrie, and was father of :
- 8b) James Forrester of Logie, succeeded his father and was served heir to him on 16 March 1605.
- 8a) James Forrester,
- 8a) David Forrester, secundus, who is named in Royal letters following his brother David's murder.
9. Walter Forrester,
10. Agnes Forrester, *m.* firstly, David Balfour of Burleigh, and secondly, James Hoppringall of Tynneis.
11. Marion Forrester, *m.* William Livingston of Kilsyth.
12. A daughter, who is said to have *m.* Cunningham of Kilmaurs.

SIR WALTER FORRESTER OF TORWOOD, is styled heir apparent to Duncan Forrester of Torwood when both were witnesses to a charter by Michael Strathhenry of Gibbliston granting the lands of Gibbliston to his daughter,

¹ RPS VI. No. 2166

² GD124/1/606

Mariote, on 24 September 1493¹ and as *filio et heredi apparenti* to Duncan Forrester of Skipynch he a charter under the Great Seal on his father's resignation for the lands and barony of Garden with the turret, fortalice and manor, the lands of Torwood and Torwoodhead with the office of forester of Torwood, and also the lands and barony of Skipinch, with the castle, in the lordship of Knapdale, dated 26 November 1497.² He was witness to a charter by John Kinross of Kippenross granting the lands of Auchlochy to Sir John Stirling of Keir and Margaret Forrester, his wife, dated 10 April 1516,³ and to another charter by Sir John Stirling of Keir granting the lands of Inverallan to George Schaw of Knockhill on 13 June 1527.⁴ He appears to have *d.* in 1528, when his eldest son, Sir James, had a precept from the chancery for his infetment in the lands of Garden-Forrester, having *m.* firstly on about 2 October 1488, Janet, daughter of William Graham, 1st Earl of Montrose, when his father granted a Discharge for 20 merks Scots payable by terms of the contract of marriage to Sir James Ogilvy of Airlie,⁵ by whom he was father of :

1. Sir James Forrester of Torwood and Garden, (*see below*).
2. Edward Forrester of Arnvicker,
3. Alexander Forrester,
4. Marion Forrester, *m.* firstly, Sir Henry Schaw, 1st of Cambusmore, from whom she had a liferent of his lands of Coschambe and others, on 6 June 1509⁶ and by whom she had issue. She *m.* secondly, to James Campbell, 2nd of Lawers, (he survived her and *m.* secondly, by 28 September 1530, to Janet, daughter of Andrew, 2nd Lord Gray, who was then widow of John Charteris of Cuthilgurdy,

¹ C2/13/81. Printed Vol. 1424-1513. No. 2176.

² C2/14/11. Printed Vol. 1424-1513. No. 2384. See also: RH1/2/926

³ C2/20/63. Printed Vol. 1514-1546. No. 69.

⁴ C2/25/109. Printed Vol. 1514-1546. No. 1340.

⁵ GD16/44/2

⁶ RMS 1424-1513. No. 3350.

and of Sir David Wemyss of that Ilk), and *d.* at Fordew, in Strathearn, on 31 October 1527.¹

5. Margaret Forrester, *m.* Sir John Stirling, 3rd of Keir, and had issue.
6. Agnes Forrester, *m.* Thomas Bellenden, Lord Justice Clerk.
7. Janet Forrester, *m.* by 9 September 1523, to Robert Bruce of Airth, (he survived her and *m.* secondly, to Marion, daughter of Sir David Bruce of Clackmannan, for which a Dispensation was obtained and dated 23 March 1529), and had issue.

He *m.* secondly, to Janet, daughter of Alexander Napier of Merchiston, and by her he had further issue :

8. Duncan Forrester, who granted letters of reversion for the half lands of Gartness to Archibald Napier of Merchiston on 25 February 1551, in which he is styled as son of the deceased Sir Walter Forrester of Garden.² He *m.* Isabella Nicol.

He was also father of a natural son;

9. John Forrester, who is styled *filius carnalis* of the deceased Sir Walter Forrester of Torwood when his lands and gardens in the burgh of Stirling are alluded to in a charter of 3 February 1531.³

SIR JAMES FORRESTER OF TORWOOD AND GARDEN, who is styled as heir apparent to his father when he was a witness to the marriage contract of Catherine, daughter of John, Lord Erskine, and John Murray of Touchadam dated 25 June 1518. He had Sasine for the lands of Garden Forrester with the turret, fortalice and mill thereof, and others, with the custody of the forest of Torwood

¹ Chronicle of Fortingal.

² GD430/127

³ C2/25/120.

on 15 May 1528¹ and *d.* by 1 February 1541/42. He *m.* firstly, to Elizabeth, daughter of Robert, 4th Lord Erskine, by whom he was father of :

1. Sir David Forrester of Garden, (*see below*).
2. James Forrester of Myathill, was witness with his brother, David Forrester of Garden, to a Sasine in favour of Robert Douglas of Lochleven for the lands of Hill of Dundaff dated 18 March 1544.² He acquired the lands of Myathill and *m.* Agnes Sandilands.
3. Margaret Forrester, *m.* firstly, Sir James Colville of East Wemyss, (*c/m* 21 May 1536. He was widow of Alison, daughter of Sir David Bruce of Clackmannan), and secondly, to Henry Livingstone of Falkirk.

He *m.* secondly by 1 September 1532, Agnes, daughter of John Cockburn of Ormiston, (she was widow of William Murray of Touchadam, by whom she had issue), but had no apparent issue.

SIR DAVID FORRESTER OF GARDEN, who is styled *filio et herede apparente* to Sir James Forrester of Garden in a charter to him under the Great for the lands and barony of Garden-Forrester with the turret and fortalice, and also the lands of Torwoodhead with the office and custody of the forest and fishings there, dated 9 September 1528.³ He *m.* Elizabeth, daughter of James Sandilands of Cruvie, with whom he had a charter under the Great Seal on 1 February 1541/42,⁴ and was *k.* at the battle of Pinkie in September of 1547.⁵ He was father of :

1. Alexander Forrester of Garden, (*see below*).

¹ Ex. Rolls. Vol. XV. P. 663.

² GD150/1554

³ C2/23/229. Printed Vol. 1514-1546. No. 680.

⁴ RPS Vol. II. No. 4481 & RMS 1514-1546. No. 2591.

⁵ RPS Vol. V. No. 786

2. Thomas Forrester, was infeft in an annualrent of 50 merks and 16 bolls of oatmeal from the lands of Hude of Cambuskenneth on 9 July 1567, and is then styled as brother to Alexander Forrester of Garden.¹ He *m.* Jean, daughter of Alexander Durham, (*c/m* 3 September 1569²).
3. John Forrester, to whom George Buchanan of that ilk granted an annualrent of 40 merks from the barony of Buchanan on 22 August 1582, in which he is styled brother to Alexander Forrester of Garden.³

ALEXANDER FORRESTER OF GARDEN, who was under age at his father's death and had Sasine for the lands of Torwood as his heir on 9 May 1549,⁴ with Sir John Bellenden of Auchenoule and James Sandilands of Cruvy being appointed his Tutors during his minority. He was served heir to his father in the barony of Garden on 31 May 1575⁵ and *m.* Jean, daughter of John Erskine of Dun. He *d.* by April of 1602 and was father of :

1. Sir James Forrester of Garden, (*see below*).
2. John Forrester of Little Denovan, to whom his parents resigned 10 acres of land in the Burghmuir of Stirling on 3 May 1590, and is then styled as their second son.⁶ He obtained the lands of Little Denovan and *m.* by 15 March 1606, Elizabeth, daughter and coheiress of Duncan Forrester of Arngibbon, when they had a charter for part of the lands of Arngibbon upon a resignation in their favour by Janet Forrester, relict of James Gardner, Burgess of Stirling.⁷ He *d.* in 1608/09 and had issue :

¹ GD124/1/985

² RD1/10/145

³ GD220/1/D/6/5/1

⁴ Ex. Rolls. Vol. XVIII. P. 468.

⁵ C22/1/113.

⁶ GD124/1/654

⁷ RMS 1594-1608. No. 1723

2a} David Forrester of Little Denovan, who had the lands of Arngibbon apprised from him by Duncan Forrester of Kilhorn who thereafter had a confirmation under the Great Seal dated 18 June 1631.¹ He *m.* firstly, Margaret, natural daughter of James Erskine of Balgounie, by whom he had issue ; secondly, to Janet, daughter of Mr. James Forrester of Logie, by whom he had no apparent issue, and thirdly, Margaret Marshall, (she was widow of Robert Burne, Merchant in Stirling). By his first wife he was father of,

2b} Thomas Forrester of Little Denovan, was admitted Minister of Alva but refusing to accept the Revolution Settlement in 1688, he settled in Holland where he remained for several years. After his return he was appointed Principal of the New College of St. Andrews and *d.* there on Saturday 2 November 1706. He *m.* Anne, eldest daughter of Mr. John Govan, Minister of Muckhart, had *d.* by 7 August 1730 when she is styled his relict in her service as heir to her brother, Mr. John Govan, Minister at Campsie, and was father of,

2c} David Forrester of Denovan, succeeded his grandfather in the lands of Little Denovan, and *m.* Jean, daughter of Alexander Cunningham of Boquhan, (she is styled as spouse to David Forrester of Denovan on 25 March 1720, when she was served heir general to her brother, Adam Cunningham, son of Cunningham of Boquhan), and was father of :

2d} Thomas Forrester of Denovan, was served heir to his grandmother, Anne Govan, on 21 March 1733 and was infest as one of her heirs in the lands of Bogside, in the parish of St. Ninians, in 1743.² He had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Denovan on 22 June 1733, *m.*

¹ RMS 1620-1633. No. 1792.

² GD38/1/54.

on 14 July 1736, Anne, daughter of John Haldane, 2nd of Lanrick,¹ (she survived him and *d.* at Murrayshall on 31 December 1783²), and *d.* at Denovan on 23 September 1771.³ He was father of :

2e} David Forrester of Denovan, succeeded his father on his death in 1771 and was served heir to him on 8 January 1772. With his mother's consent, he sold the lands of Denovan to John Johnstone of Haningshaw on 1 June 1773.

2d} Alexander Forrester,

2d} Adam Forrester, *bap.* at Dunipace on 9 October 1709 and was apprenticed to Colin Alieson, Wright in Edinburgh, on 21 June 1727.⁴

2d} David Forrester, *bap.* at Dunipace on 3 July 1712.

2d} Anne Forrester,

2c} Thomas Forrester, *d.* at St. Andrews on 18 January 1707.

2c} Archibald Forrester, *d.* in 1699.

2c} John Forrester, *d.* young.

2c} John Forrester,

2c} Charles Forrester, *d.* young.

2c} Margaret Forrester, *m.* Mr. James Haddow, Principal of the New College, St. Andrews.

2c} Mary Forrester, *m.* on 7 September 1698, to Mr. George Park, Minister of Killearn.⁵

¹ OPR – Dunipace.

² Scots Magazine, 1st January 1784 edition.

³ Caledonian Mercury, 25th September 1771 edition.

⁴ SRS Register of Edinburgh Apprentices.

⁵ OPR – Killearn.

- 2c} Helen Forrester, *m.* on 19 October 1704, to Mr. James Henry, Minister of Creich.¹
- 2c} Barbara Forrester, *m.* on 16 August 1705, to Mr. John Craigie, Minister of Saint Monans.²
- 2c} Marie Forrester,
- 2c} Anne Forrester,
- 2c} Jean Forrester,
- 2b} David Forrester, became a Merchant in Stirling and *d.* prior to 22 February 1672. He was father of :
- 2c} Margaret Forrester, to whom Mr. Thomas Forrester, Minister at Alva, was appointed Tutor-at-law on 22 February 1672.³
- 2b} Margaret Forrester, whom Charles II. is said to have fallen in love with when in Stirling. She *m.* firstly, to Napier of Boquhapple, and secondly, to Gavin Norrie of Norrieston.
- 2b} Mary Forrester, *m.* Robert Stevenson, Provost of Stirling.
- 2b} Jean Forrester, who *dsp.*
- 2a} Margaret Forrester,
- 2a} Jean Forrester,
3. Alexander Forrester, was appointed Tutor to his nephew David Forrester of Little Denovan, on 15 February 1609.⁴
4. Duncan Forrester, was a substitute heir to Robert Forrester of Boquhan in the lands of Easter Row on 26 December 1599 and, as heir of whom, he had Sasine for lands in and around the Burgh of Stirling on 5 April 1602.⁵

¹ OPR – Creich.

² OPR – St. Andrews.

³ Inq. Tut. No. 972.

⁴ Inq. Tut. No. 142.

⁵ B66/25/166

5. Archibald Forrester, who is named with his brother John Forrester of Little Denovan in their resignation of their 8 acres of the lands of Auld Muir in favour of their brother Mr. Duncan, on 9 May 1608.¹
6. Thomas Forrester, renounced a yard in the burgh of Stirling to his brother Mr Duncan Forrester for which he took instruments on 11 October 1609, and is then styled as brother german to Sir James Forrester of Garden.² He was appointed Commendator of Holyrood on 11 June 1617.³
7. Barbara Forrester, *m.* David Livingstone, younger of Dunipace.⁴
8. Elizabeth Forrester, *m.* Alexander Menzies of Weem, (*c/m* 23 March 1598.⁵ He was widow of Margaret, daughter of Sir Duncan Campbell, 7th of Glenorchy, whom he had *m.* by *c/m* 10 December 1588, and after Elizabeth Forrester's death, he *m.* thirdly, to Marjory, daughter of Alexander Campbell, Bishop of Brechin, by *c/m* 20 March 1604).

SIR JAMES FORRESTER OF GARDEN, had a charter for the lands of Torwood and Torwoodhead on his father's resignation which was confirmed under the Great Seal on 29 July 1588. He was served heir to his great-great-grandfather, Sir Walter Forrester, in the barony of Garden on 26 October 1603,⁶ and succeeding his father on his death, he was served heir to him in Little Denovan on 31 August 1622.⁷ He *m.* Margaret, sister of John Fleming, 1st Earl of Wigton, (*c/m* 13 & 19

¹ GD124/1/674

² B66/25/177

³ RMS 1620-1633. 1638

⁴ RMS 1609-1620. No. 354. In which she is styled as sister to Sir James Forrester.

⁵ RD1/85

⁶ C22/3/44.

⁷ C22/8/71.

April 1588¹), and had the lands of Garden appraised by James Edmonstone of Newton in 1610.² He was father of :

1. Alexander Forrester, is named in numerous appraisings and resignations relating to his father's estate.³ He *m.* Margaret, sister of David Forrester of Denovan, and was father of :

1a} James Forrester, who was served heir to his aunt Margaret Forrester, Lady Ross, 30 October 1635.⁴

2. Margaret Forrester, *m.* William, 10th Lord Ross, and to whom her father assigned the lands of Torwood and Torwoodhead for which they had a confirmation on 8 August 1635.⁵ She *d.* by October following, her nephew, James Forrester, being served heir general to her on 30 of that month.

¹ RD1/35/69

² RMS 1609-1620. No. 354.

³ C2/48/247.

⁴ C22/15/87.

⁵ RMS 1634-1651. No. 394