

STORMONTH DARLING

of LEDNATHIE

1. **JAMES STORMONTH OF LEDNATHIE**, was a Writer in Edinburgh and being without heirs of his own body, he executed trust deeds and settlements firstly, on 17 October 1803, and then on 18 February 1805, by which he conveyed his estate to James Darling, writer in Kelso, and Margaret Stormonth, his niece; Robert Williamson, accountant in Edinburgh; Thomas Watson, farmer at Laurieston, and James Watson, writer in Edinburgh, his nephew, as trustees and then to his nephew, James Darling, who succeeded at his death, which occurred at Portobello, on 20 October 1817,¹ in his 86th year.
2. Peter Stormonth, was father of :
 - 2a} Margaret Stormonth, *m.* at Edinburgh, on 28 January 1792, to James Darling, writer in Kelso,² (he *d.* in July of 1829³), and *d.* at Kelso, on 7 January 1840,⁴ having had issue,
 - 2b} Robert Darling, *b.* at Kelso, on 10 April 1797.
 - 2b} **James Stormonth Darling of Lednathie**, (*see below*).
 - 2b} Patrick Darling, *b.* at Kelso, on 7 April 1801.
 - 2b} John Darling, *b.* at Kelso, on 19 February 1808 and *d.* in childhood.⁵
 - 2b} Janet Darling, *b.* at Kelso, on 25 February 1794 and *m.* at Kelso, on 5 July 1819, to Patrick Wilson, writer in Kelso.⁶ They had issue.
 - 2b} Katherine Darling, *b.* at Kelso, on 25 September 1795 and *m.* there, on 19 February 1828, to John Biss Ogden, only son of William Maude Ogden of Millfield.⁷ She *d.* on 19 October 1849.⁸
 - 2b} Margaret Darling, *b.* at Kelso, on 10 April 1803.

¹ Scots Magazine, 1st November 1817, edition.

² OPR – Edinburgh.

³ Kelso Monumental Inscriptions.

⁴ Kelso Monumental Inscriptions. See also: Perthshire Courier, 6th February 1840 edition.

⁵ Kelso Monumental inscriptions. Date of death not narrated only that he died in childhood.

⁶ OPR – Kelso.

⁷ London Evening Standard, 25th February 1828 edition.

⁸ Perthshire Courier, 6th February 1840 edition.

2b} Agnes Darling, *b.* at Kelso, on 10 April 1805 and *m.* there, on 13 November 1832, to Archibald Home, accountant in Edinburgh.⁹

2b} Elizabeth Darling, *b.* at Kelso, on 2 February 1807 and *d.* there, on 26 July, 1825.¹⁰

2b} Ellen Stormonth Darling, *b.* at Kelso, on 30 June 1818 and *m.* there, on Wednesday 9 March 1842, to William Matterson, eldest son of the Lord Mayor of York.¹¹

JAMES STORMONTH DARLING OF LEDNATHIE, *b.* at Kelso, on 9 February 1799 and was admitted to the Society of Writers to the Signet on 24 January 1822. He was named as his uncle, James Stormonth of Lednathie's heir by Trust Deed and entail dated in February of 1805, and succeeded on that person's death in October 1817, following which he assumed the additional surname of Stormonth.

He *m.* at Edinburgh, on 19 July 1825, to Elizabeth Moir, daughter of James Tod of Deanston,¹² (she survived him and *d.* at Kelso, on 26 February 1872¹³), and *d.* at Kelso, on Sunday 12 August 1866,¹⁴ having had issue,

1. **JAMES STORMONTH DARLING OF LEDNATHIE**, *b.* at Edinburgh, on 4 October 1830 and was admitted to the Society of Writers to the Signet on 29 November 1855. He succeeded to Lednathie on his father's death in 1866 and *d.* unmarried, at Edinburgh, on 8 January 1881,¹⁵ being succeeded by his eldest surviving brother, John.
2. Robert Darling, *b.* on 8 January 1835 and *d.* on 3 March 1836.
3. Robert Darling, *b.* on 30 August 1836, was educated for the church and was admitted Minister at Langton. He *dsp* at Lednathie, on Friday 5 July 1867.¹⁶
4. **JOHN FORREST DARLING OF LEDNATHIE**, *b.* at Edinburgh, on 6 April 1832 and succeeded his brother, James, in 1881. He *d.* unmarried, at Palmerston Place, Edinburgh, on 28 April 1896,¹⁷ and was succeeded by his brother, Patrick.

⁹ Fife Herald, 22nd November 1832 edition.

¹⁰ Caledonian Mercury, 6th August 1825 edition.

¹¹ York Herald, 19th March 1842 edition.

¹² OPR – Edinburgh. See also: Caledonian Mercury, 21st July 1825 edition.

¹³ Statutory record.

¹⁴ Statutory record. See also: Kelso Chronicle, 17th August 1866 edition.

¹⁵ Statutory record. See also: Edinburgh Evening News, 10th January 1881 edition.

¹⁶ Statutory record.

¹⁷ Statutory record. See also: The Scotsman, 29th April 1896 edition.

5. Andrew Tod Darling, *b.* at Edinburgh, on 16 December 1837 and *d.* on 19 December 1838.¹⁸
6. Patrick Stormonth Darling of Lednathie, (*see below*).
7. Moir Tod Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 3 November 1844 and was admitted a member of the Faculty of Advocates. He was appointed Solicitor-General in 1888 and a Queen's Counsel that same year, then in 1890, he was appointed to the judiciary under the title of Lord Stormonth Darling. He *m.* at St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, 5 April 1892, to Ethel, youngest daughter of Major William Baird Young of Ascreavie,¹⁹ and *dsp* at Great Stuart Street, Edinburgh, on 2 June 1912.²⁰
8. Elizabeth Anne Tod Stormonth Darling, *d.* at Edinburgh, on 16 September 1826.²¹
9. Elizabeth Moir Stormonth Darling, *b.* at Edinburgh, on 5 April 1829 and *m.* at Kelso, on 24 April 1849, to James Tait of Edenside, W.S. She *d.* at Edenside, Kelso, on 9 March 1863,²² having had issue.
10. Margaret Stormonth Darling, *b.* at Edinburgh, on 2 December 1827 and *d.* unmarried, at Palmerston Place, Edinburgh, on 26 January 1898.²³

PATRICK STORMONTH DARLING OF LEDNATHIE, *b.* at Edinburgh, on 5 February 1840 and was a writer and banker in Kelso prior to succeeding his brother, John, in his estate in 1896. He *m.* at Hatton, on 14 April 1875, to Katherine Scott, youngest daughter of John Collier,²⁴ Panlathy, and *d.* at Lednathie, on Saturday 19 August 1916.²⁵ He was father of :

1. **JAMES STORMONTH DARLING OF LEDNATHIE AND EDENBANK**, *b.* in 1876 and succeeded his father in 1916. He *d.* unmarried, on Saturday 15 September 1956.²⁶
2. John Collier Stormonth Darling, *b.* in 1878 and served as Major in command a battalion of the Highland Light Infantry. He was *k.* in action in France, in October 1916.

¹⁸ Buccleuch Cemetery, Edinburgh.

¹⁹ Statutory record. See also: Southern Reporter, 14th April 1892 edition.

²⁰ Statutory record. See also: The Scotsman, 3rd June 1912 edition.

²¹ The Scotsman, 23rd September 1823 edition.

²² Caledonian Mercury, 11th March 1863 edition.

²³ Statutory record. See also: Morning Post, 28th January 1898 edition.

²⁴ Statutory record. See also: Dundee Courier, 16th April 1875 edition.

²⁵ Statutory record.

²⁶ Berwickshire News, 18th September 1956 edition.

3. Robert Stormonth Darling, *b.* in 1880 and *m.* at Westfield, on 7 June 1911, to Beryl Madeline, daughter of Alfred Leighton Sayer, (she *d.* at the Cottage Hospital, Kelso, on 9 January 1955²⁷). He *d.* in 1956 and was father of,

3a} **MOIR PATRICK STORMONTH DARLING OF LEDNATHIE**, *b.* at Edinburgh on 8 February 1913 and led a remarkable military career, commanding one of the two Long Range Desert Group's two squadrons in the Aegean campaign of WWII. He *m.* in 1941, to Beth Evans, (she was widow of D. E. L. Lucking by whom she had issue), and *d.* on 6 April 2002, having had issue,

3b} **JAMES STORMONTH DARLING OF LEDNATHIE**, succeeded his father in 2002.

3b} Katherine Stormonth Darling,

3a} John Sayer Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 1 November 1914 and was accidentally *k.* when on active service at Montefalcone, Italy, on 1 August 1945.²⁸

3a} Sir James Carlisle Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 18 July 1918 and was appointed Director of the National Trust for Scotland. He *m.* at St. John's Episcopal Church, Edinburgh on Saturday 31 July 1948, to Mary Finnella, eldest daughter of Lieutenant-General Sir James Andrew Harcourt Gammell,²⁹ (she *d.* at Ayr Hospital, on Sunday 27 January 2013³⁰), and *d.* on 17 April 2000. He was father of :

3b} Angus John Stormonth Darling, *b.* in April 1956.

3b} Caroline Nancy Stormonth Darling, *m.* on 17 March 1973, to Captain Luke Malise Borwick, and has issue.

3b} Priscilla Stormonth Darling,

3a} Katherine Nancy Darling, *b.* in 1923 and *m.* Sir Derrick Thomas Louis Bailey, 3rd Baronet.

4. Patrick Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 2 September 1886 and *m.* firstly, at Brompton Oratory, on 24 July 1913, to Ethel, daughter of J. F. Murphy, Estancia Arenal, Uruguay,³¹ (she afterwards *m.* secondly, in July of 1929, to Captain C. T. I. Roark), from whom he was divorced. He *m.* secondly, at London, on 30 June 1925, to Edith, daughter of Richard Scott Lamb of West Denton, Northumberland,³² (she was widow of Second Lieutenant Cyril Cameron, Royal Horse Artillery, whom she had *m.* at the

²⁷ Statutory record.

²⁸ Southern Reporter, 16th August 1945 edition.

²⁹ Statutory record. See also: Dundee Courier, 2nd August 1948 edition.

³⁰ The Scotsman, 30th January 2013 edition.

³¹ Dundee Courier, 25th July 1913 edition.

³² Statutory record.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Westminster, on 16 February 1914³³), and *d.* on 19 March 1960. He was father of,

4a} Angus Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 7 February 1916 and *d.* in a London Nursing Home, on 26 September 1930, aged 14 years.³⁴

4a} Peter Stormonth Darling,

4a} Robin Andrew Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 1 October 1926 and *m.* firstly, on 3 October 1956, to Susan Marion, daughter of Raymond Clifford-Turner, (marriage dissolved by divorce. She afterwards *m.* to Colin Ingleby-Mackenzie), by whom he had issue. He *m.* secondly, in 1974, to Harriet Mary Sheila, daughter of Lieutenant-General Sir Archibald Edward Nyre, from whom he was also divorced, and thirdly, in 1981, to Carola Marion, daughter of Sir Robert Erskine-Hill. He *d.* on 17 October 2009³⁵ and was father of :

4b} Andrew Charles John Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 3 April 1959.

4b} Lorne Robin Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 21 July 1963 and *m.* in a Buddhist ceremony conducted in the Himalayas in 2005, to Honeysuckle Weeks, although when this was found to not be legally binding, they held another ceremony, this time at St. Mary's Church, Barlavington, West Sussex, on 14 July 2007. He has issue,

4c} Wade Stormonth Darling,

4b} Rory Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 2 March 1968.

4b} Rosanna Jane Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 18 December 1957.

4a} Angela Moira Jean Stormonth Darling, *b.* on 27 March 1928 and *m.* on 6 July 1955, to Major Murray Peter de Klee. She *d.* on 30 January 2003, having had issue.

5. Margaret Stormonth Darling, *m.* Kenneth Owen Hunter and *d.* on 17 May 1962.

³³ Yorkshire Post, 17th February 1914 edition.

³⁴ The Scotsman, 27th September 1930 edition.

³⁵ The Telegraph, 12th November 2009 edition.