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## EXTRACT

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and most Noble Family of the Brigantes,  
or Douglas, by Peter Hinedo.”*

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### CHAPTER XII.

Of King Solvathius, and the famous Snolto  
last of the Brigantines, and the first that  
the name of Douglas.

To Fergus succeeded Solvathius, son to  
Eugenius VIII. (767). During this King's  
reign, one Donald, a native of the Hebrides, not  
content with plundering all he met, usurped the  
title of the kingdom. Hollingshed and Boethius  
affirm that this Donald was Captain or Governor  
of the Isle of Tyre. Some do call him Bane  
Mac Donalu, but Buchanan calls him expressly  
Donaldus Banus. But let this be how it will,  
Donald gathered a great army against Solvathius,  
lawful King of Scotland, and very well worthy  
of the honour the nation had conferred on him.  
The King was no sooner apprised of this, but  
suddenly assembling his forces, he marched  
against the enemy. The two armies soon coming

in view, a bloody battle ensued, in which Donald's party so prevailed at first, that the King's army began to give ground, and incline to flight rather than to renew the charge, when Sholto, Chief of the Brigantes, with his son Hugh, and followers, came up very seasonably, and seeing what turn the battle took, hastily drew up his men, and made such a furious onset upon the rebel army as soon changed the face of affairs, the pursuers being routed and overthrown with so dreadful a slaughter, that none had time to retreat, and the General was slain with all his followers. The King, who had been nigh losing his life with his crown, amazed at what he saw, inquired of his Generals who was the warrior that had brought so seasonable relief? Answer was made him in the Hibernian tongue (which was then in use amongst the Scots), "SHOLTO DU GLASSE;" that is to say, "behold yonder grey-haired black man"—(pointing at him with the finger, without any further ceremony or addition of titles,)—"to him thou owest thy crown, and the whole kingdom its liberty." The Brigantes from that day, by Sholto's order, took the name of Douglas, which has continued to this day, and will, I hope, continue to the end of the world.

"Where are now the descendants of Cræsus, Darius, Scipio, Annibal, Alexander? They are buried in oblivion; whilst the Brigantes, or Douglas race, though of greater antiquity than any of the aforementioned, is still extant and flourishing, with an addition of former splendour."



## DOUGLASS OF TILWHILLY.

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JAMES DOUGLASS, the second Lord Dalkeith, intermarried with Agnes Keith, daughter to the Earl Marischall, and by her had issue three sons :

1st.—James, afterwards created Earl of Morton.

2nd.—Sir John, ancestor of this family.

3rd.—William of Lochleven.

All these three brothers were taken prisoners at the battle of Homildown, in England, in Anno 1402.—*Vide* “ Hume’s History of the House of Douglass,” vol. i. p. 219.

### I.

SIR JOHN DOUGLASS, second lawful son to James, the second Lord Dalkeith, and immediate younger brother of James, the first Earl of Morton, ancestor of this family, married the Heiress of Hawthornden, and by her had issue two sons :

1st—John, his Heir

2nd—David, who carried on the line of the family.

## II.

SIR JOHN DOUGLASS, eldest son of the above Sir John and the heiress of Hawthornden, succeeded his father. He married — Douglass, Heiress of Pittendriech, but he never had any male issue.

## II.

DAVID DOUGLASS, second lawful son (and Heir Male) of Sir John Douglass and the Heiress of Hawthornden, married in Anno 1479, Janet Ogstoun, second daughter and Heir Portioner of ~~Miller~~ Ogstoun, of Fettercairn, by whom he got the lands of TILWHILLY, in the County of Kincardine.

He quartered in the Ogstoun's arms with that of Douglass, and took the designation of Tilwhilly, as his posterity have done ever since.

The family afterwards acquired the lands and Barronies of STRICKATHRO, DRIMMIE SYDE, MILNDEN, NATHRO, BOGSIDE, and others in the County of Forfar.

The said David Douglass had issue by the said Janet Ogstoun an only son.

## III.

JAMES DOUGLASS, of Tilwhilly, who married ~~Christina~~ <sup>grand-</sup> Forbes, daughter of the Laird of Tolquhone, in Aberdeenshire, by whom he had issue an only son, Arthur Douglass.

## CARTA IN ARCHIVIS FAMILIÆ.

The Abbot and Convent of Aberbrothock, superiors of the lands of Tilwhilly, granted a Charter to Janet Ogstoun, relict of David Douglass, of Tilwhilly, and James Douglass, her son, in conjunct ffee and liferent, and to Arthur Douglass, son of the said James Douglass, in ffee of the said lands of Tilwhilly.

The Charter is dated the 29th day of August, 1526, and has the common seall of the Abbacy appended thereto; and on the Abbacy's precept the said Janet Ogstoun, James Douglass, her son, and Arthur Douglass, her grandson, were infest for their respective rights of liferent and ffee.

## SASINA IN ARCHIVIS FAMILIÆ.

Their sasine bears date 8th September, 1526. The said James Douglass was succeeded by his only son.

## IV.

ARTHUR DOUGLASS, of Tilwhilly, in favour of whom his grandmother, Janet Ogstoun, executed a renunciation of her lands of Tilwhilly extended on parchment in the form of a notarial instrument of the following tenor:—

## RENUNCIATO IN ARCHIVIS FAMILIÆ.

In Dei nomine, Amen, &c. In meii Notari publicii et Testium subscriptorum prudentia personaliter constituta mulier Janeta Ogstoun, Re-

licta quondam Davidis Douglass de Tilwhilly, non vivat, metu ducta nec errore lapsa sed sua mera et spontanea voluntate et ob favorum quem habuit in Arthurum Douglass filium quondam Jacobi Douglass de Tilwhilly, ut asseruit omnes et singulas terras, viz., Tilwhilly, Malamuck, &c., facend in parochio de Banchorie Ternan et Vicecomitatu de Kincardine, &c., in dictum Arthurum pure et simpliciter resignavit et deliveravit reservando dictæ Janetæ victum et vestitutum sufficientem quas eidem Janetæ fideliter promiset pro toto tempore vitæ suæ. Et in signum dictæ Resignationis Deliverationis et Reservationis ut promittitur idem Arthurus investivit dictam Janetam cum *Cathedra et Tabula in aula de Tilwhilly*. In signum suæ possessionis promittendo se hinc inde magno sacramento interveniente et per Unionem suarum manuum dextrarum stare firme et stabile in predimissis et quod nunquam deveneritit incontrariam super quibus omnibus et singulis, &c., acta erant hec supermoram de Tilwhilly et in aula ejusdam, &c., presentibus ibidem honorabilibus viris Archibaldo Douglass de Glenberry, Alexandro Burnett de Leys, Duncano Davidson de Haughenhamper, &c. &c. &c.

This Renunciation is dated 3rd July, 1535.

#### REMISSIONI ARCHIVIS FAMILIÆ.

The said Arthur Douglass, of Tilwhilly, ob-

tained a Remission from Queen Mary, with consent of the Duke of Chatlerault, Regent, for rebelliously absenting himself and his followers from the Queen's army at Gladismuir, when about to besiege Haddingtoun, then possessed by the English, in August, 1548, and for all other rebellions and crimes previous to the date of the remission, which is dated and sealed 12th Feb., 1551.

He married Janet Auchinleck, daughter to the Laird of Balmanno, by whom he had issue two sons :

1st—John, his Heir.

2nd—Archibald, who was Constable of the Castle of Edinburgh during the Earl of Morton's Regency.—*Vide* “Hume's History of the House of Douglass,” vol. ii. p. 256.

The said Arthur was succeeded by his eldest son.

## V.

JOHN DOUGLASS, of Tilwhilly, who obtained a Charter of Confirmation under the Great Seall from King James the Sixth during his minority, with consent of the Earl of Morton, Regent.

### CARTA IN PUBLICIS ARCHIVIS.

Dilecto nostro Joanni Douglass de Tilwhilly, suisque Hæredibus masculis de corpore suo legitime procreatis seu procreandis omnes et singulas

terras de *Tilwhilly*, *Malamuck*, &c. Quas olim Arthurus Douglass Pater dicti Joannis et sui tenentes occupabant facend in Barronia de Banchorie Regalitate de Aberbrothock et infra Vicecomitatum de Kincardine.

The Charter bears date at the Regent's House of Dalkeith, the last day of September, 1574, and eighth year of the King's reign, and is witnessed by the Bishop of Orkney, William, Earl of Marischall, John Lord Glamis, the Commendator of Dumfermling, George Buchanan, and others.

#### REMISSIO IN ARCHIVIS FAMILIÆ.

He likewise obtained a Remission under the Great Seall from King James, with the said Regent's consent, which also bears date at the Regent's House, at Dalkeith, on the 16th of said month of September, 1574, for being present with his followers at the battle of Corrichie, in October, 1562, on the side of the Earl of Huntley against the Queen and the Earl of Murray, then Regent.

By the above and several other deeds among the family writes it appears the said John Douglass was much befriended by Lord Morton, the Regent, who it is said in the days of his adversity lived some time incognito with him at Tilwhilly, passing by the name of James the Grieve.—*Vide* "Hume's History of the House of Douglass," vol. ii. p. 158.

The said John Douglass built the castle of Tilwhilly in anno 1576.

CONTRACTUS IN ASCHIVIS FAMILIÆ.

He married Gelis Erskine, daughter to Robert Erskine of Dun, as appears by their marriage contract dated in anno 1576, to which John Erskine, of Dun, elder Robert Erskine, ffiar of Dun, and John Erskine, son and apparent Heir to the said Robert ffiar of Dun are parties and subscribers.

By the said Gelis Erskine he had issue two sons and two daughters :

1st—John, who was his father's Heir.

2nd—Alexander.

1st daughter, married to Patrick Græme, younger of Morphie.

Discharge by Morphie to Tilwhilly in Archivis Familiæ.

2nd daughter, Elizabeth, married William Wood, of Balbegno.

Marriage Contract—William Wood with Elizabeth Douglass, in Archivis Familiæ.

He was succeeded by his eldest son.

VI.

JOHN DOUGLASS, of Tilwhilly, a minor, and to whom William Earl of Morton was named Cura-



tor, and accepted the office in anno 1591, and found Caution.

Lord Morton's acceptance is amongst the family writes. He married Mary Young, daughter to Sir Peter Young, of Seaton, Almoner to King James the Sixth, in anno 1594, and she being one of the Maids of Honour to the Queen had the honour to be married in the King's Palace of Holyrhood House.

CARTA IN PUBLICIS ARCHIVIS.

In anno 1594 he obtained upon his own resignation a Charter of *Novo Damus* from King James the Sixth under the Great Seal to him and Mary Young his spouse in conjunct ffee and liferent and to the heirs of the marriage in ffee on the lands of Strickathro and others in the connty of Forfar, as formerly possessed by Umquhile John Douglass, of Tilwhilly, his father and his predecessors, and on which Charter he and his said spouse were infest same year.

RETORNATUS ET SASINA IN ARCHIVIS FAMILIÆ.

He was retoured heir in speciall to his said father in the lands of Tilwhilly in anno 1598, and infest in these on the precept 14th February that year.

By the said Mary Young he had issue seven sons and three daughters :

1st son—John.



2nd—Archibald, afterwards Sir Archibald.

3rd—Robert, afterwards Sir Robert.

4th—James of Inchmarlo, who carried on the line of the family.

5th—Francis.

6th—William.

7th—Peter.

These three last died unmarried.

1st daughter—Mary, married to William Leask, of that ilk.

2nd—Ann, married to Gilbert Garden, of Tilfroskie.

3rd—Elisabeth, married to William Troop, of Balnacraig.

Sasine on her jointure 22nd August, 1619.

## VII.

JOHN DOUGLASS, younger of Tilwhilly, eldest son of the above John Douglass and Mary Young, in anno 1628 married Agnes Barclay, daughter to Sir John Barclay, of Mathers.

### CARTA IN ARCHIVIS FAMILIÆ.

He obtained a Charter of *Novo Damus* proceeding on his father's resignation on the lands of Tilwhilly to him and the said Agnes Barclay his spouse in conjunct Fee and liferent and to the heirs male of the marriage in Fee, which failing, to his six younger brothers above named successive in their order.

The Charter is dated 17th December, 1628, and he and his said spouse are infest thereon 3rd October, 1629.—*Vide* “ Sasina in Archivis Familiæ.”

He also obtained a Charter to him and his said spouse and the heirs above mentioned, that same year, on the lands of Milnden Nathro, and others in the county of Forfar.

He followed a military life, and was killed in battle about four years after his marriage, leaving issue two daughters :

1st—Ann, married to James Hogg, of Blerydryne.

2nd— ———, married to Major Sinclair.

Having no male issue, he was succeeded by his immediate younger brother.

## VII.

SIR ARCHIBALD DOUGLASS, younger, of Tilwhilly, who likewise followed a military life, and for his bravery had the honour of knighthood conferred on him by King Charles the First.

He never made up titles to his brother's lands, but acquired right to the Teinds of the estate in anno 1636, in the disposition whereof he is designed Sir Archibald Douglass, Knight, son and apparent Heir to John Douglass, of Tilwhilly.—*Vide* Disposition among the Family Writes.

He married Eleonora, daughter to the Lord

Audley, in England, by whom he got a considerable estate in that kingdom, but leaving no issue it returned to the lady's friends.

He was succeeded by his immediate younger brother.

## VII.

SIR ROBERT DOUGLASS, of Tilwhilly, who also followed a military life, and for his bravery had likewise the honour of knighthood conferred on him by King Charles the First.

### RETORNATUS IN ARCHIVIS FAMILIÆ.

He was likewise retoured Heir in special to his father in the lands of Strickathro and others in the county of Forfar, on the 20th of July, 1647.

He had considerable command in the Scotch army, and living in the troublesome times during the civil wars of King Charles the First and Second, a garrison was put into his Castle of Tilwhilly, and he suffered many other hardships during these perilous times, and adhering to the interest of his Prince, he spent a very considerable fortune in his service. Being forced to go abroad for several years, his creditors took advantage of his absence, and raised diligence against his estate, which obliged him to sell Strickathro and all his other lands in the county of Forfar; he likewise sold several lands in the county of Kin-

cardine, and was at last reduced to the necessity of making over his paternal inheritance of Tilwhilly to his creditors, but redeemable always by him and his heirs upon payment and satisfaction to his creditors of the debts he owed them.

He married first Margaret Udward, daughter to the Lord Provost of Edinburgh, and relict of William Forbes, of Craigievar, but by her he had no issue.

He married secondly Elisabeth Burnett, daughter to Sir Thomas Burnett, of Leys, by whom he had issue one son and one daughter :

Robert, his Heir.

Jean, married in 1665, to George Crighton, of Cluny.—*Vide* Cont : Matrimon :

He was succeeded by Robert, his said son.

## VIII.

ROBERT DOUGLASS, only son of Sir Robert Douglass, of Tilwhilly. He went abroad to the East Indies, where he married -- Innes, daughter of James Innes, son of Adam Innes, of Rudhills, in the county of Murray, who was son of Sir Robert Innes, of that ilk, by Lady Grizel Stewart, daughter of the Earl of Murray.

A sister of his wife's was married to Governor Pitt, proprietor of the famous diamond, by whose interest he was likewise appointed governor of a settlement in the East Indies, where he acquired

a very great fortune, which he brought home from the East Indies, and purchased therewith a considerable estate in the county of Surrey.

He was one of the directors of the Scottish Darien Company, and as such was impeached by the English House of Commons in anno 1696.

By his said spouse he had issue a son.

#### IX.

GILBERT DOUGLASS, who was bred to the law, and being very intimate with the Duke of Wharton was by his Grace's interest returned member to the British House of Commons for an English Burgh.

Being a very bad œconomist he spent the fortune his father left him, and at last acted as a solicitor in Parliament with pretty good success, being much patronised by Mr. Onslow, the Speaker.

He never married, and dying at London in anno 1757, in him ended that line, he being the only remaining male descendant of Sir Robert Douglass, third son of John Douglass, of Tilwhilly, and Mary Young, No. VI. of these Memoirs.

The Representation of the family therefore devolved upon James Douglass, of Inchmarlo, fourth son of the said John Douglass and Mary Young, to whom we now return.

#### VII.

JAMES DOUGLASS, of Inchmarlo, fourth son of John Douglass, of Tilwhilly, by Mary Young,

acquired with his patrimony in anno 1650, the lands of Inchmarlo and others in the county of Kincardine, of which lands he took the designation.

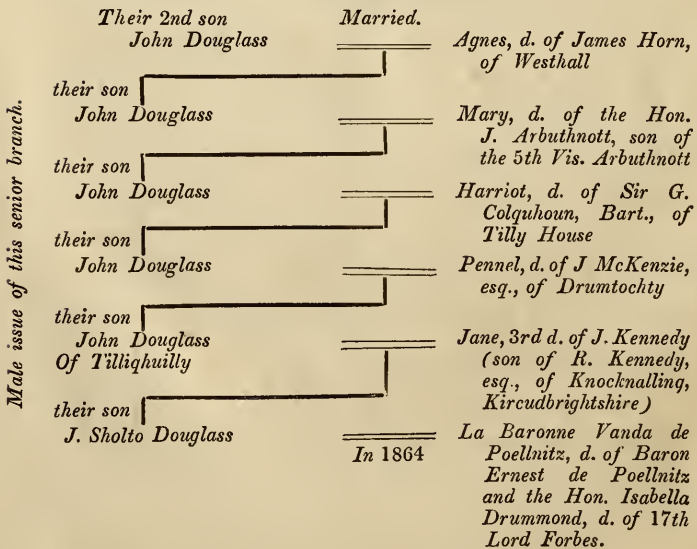
Disposition of these lands amongst the Family Writes.

CARTA IN PUBLICIS ARCHIVIS.

He obtained a Charter under the Great Seall on the lands of Inchmarlo in anno 1664, in which he is designed Frater germanus Roberti Douglass de Tilwhilly.

He married Isabell Ramsay, daughter to David Ramsay, of Balmain, by whom he had issue four sons and one daughter.

1st son—John, was his Father's heir, and in 1666, married Grizel Forbes, Sister German to Sir John Forbes, of Watterton, and had two sons, James and John ; James died unmarried.





2nd son—David, bred a writer, whose male issue is extinct.

3rd son—Archibald, who was bred to the Church.

4th son—Alexander, who was Professor of Hebrew in the College of Edinburgh, but died unmarried.

The daughter, Grizel Douglas, was married in anno 1684, to John Leslie, of Middletown (now Findrasie).

#### VIII.

The aforesaid Archibald, 3rd son of James Douglass, of Inchmarlo, was bred to the Church, and succeeded Bishop Burnett in the living of Salton, &c. He married Janet Carmichael, daughter of William Carmichael, parson of M'Kerston, of the Hyndford family, and had issue a son, Archibald, and two daughters, Helen and Janet.

#### IX.

Archibald, the only son of the aforesaid Archibald Douglass, was bred a Merchant, and was afterwards appointed Waggon Master General to the British Forces, with Captain's rank. He died at Frankfort, in Germany, during the campaign, 1743.

He had married Isabell Melvill, daughter of Robert Melvill, of Carsendor, who was represen-

tative of the Burgh of Cupar, in the Scottish Parliament, at the time of the Revolution, and by her had issue three sons and three daughters.

1st son—William, married Cecilia Kinneir, and by her had issue, an only daughter, Cecilia Douglass Kinneir, likewise heiress of Kinneir, County of Fife.\*

2nd son—John (afterwards Lord Bishop of Salisbury).

3rd son—Robert, bred in the R. N., under Lord Northesk, and died unmarried.

1st daughter—Helen, m. to R. Anderson, Esq.

2nd daughter—Isabella, died unmarried.

3rd daughter—Elizabeth, m. to W. Cleiland, Esq.

## X.

John Douglass, the second son of the aforesaid Archibald Douglas, was well known in the Republic of Letters, an eminent and learned Divine, who, by his own merit, raised himself to high Church preferment.

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\* *Cecilia Douglass Kinneir was married to John Macdonald, Esq., of Sanda, and had issue, five sons and four daughters.*

*1st son—John, afterwards Sir John, in the Military Service, Madras Establishment.*

*2nd—William, a Canon of Salisbury, and Archdeacon of Wilts.*

*3rd—Archibald, in the Royal Navy.*

*4th—David, in the Naval Service of the E.I.C.*

*5th—Alexander, in the Military Service, Bengal Establishment.*



He was early appointed one of His Majesty's Chaplains in Ordinary, a Canon of St. Paul's, and a Canon of Windsor. He was afterwards made Dean of Windsor, and Chancellor of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, &c.

His Majesty next presented him with the Bishopric of Carlisle, and he was afterwards translated to the more lucrative see of Salisbury.

He married first Dorothea Pershouse, daughter of William Pershouse, Esq., of Reynold's Hall, Staffordshire, but by her had no issue.

He married secondly Elizabeth Rooke, daughter of Brudenell Rice Rooke, Esq., and by her had issue, one son, William, and one daughter, Elizabeth, the latter of whom died unmarried.

## XI.

William Douglas, the only son of the Lord Bishop of Salisbury, was a Prebendary of Westminster, and a Canon of Salisbury, also, Precentor of the Cathedral, and Chancellor of the Diocese; Chaplain to H.R.H. the Duke of Cumberland, and Vicar of Gillingham, Dorset. He married La Baronne Ann de Brackel, daughter of the Baron and Baroness de Brackel,\* of Yverdun, Switzerland, and died in 1819, leaving two sons and three daughters.

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\* *Louisa, Baroness de Brackel, was a daughter of Sir James Kinloch, Bart., of Gilmerton, East Lothian.*



1st daughter, Elizabeth Harriett, married to the Rev. H. M. Wagner, Vicar of Brighton, and died in 1829, leaving one son, Arthur Douglas Wagner.

2nd daughter, Annie Catherine, married to the Hon. D'Arcy Godolphin Osborne, son of Viscount Godolphin, and died without issue in 1851.

3rd daughter, Louisa Helen, unmarried.

1st son, John, a Lieut. in H.M.'s 64th Regt., died unmarried.

2nd son—William.

## XII.

William Douglas, second son of the aforesaid Canon Douglas, was a Civil Servant on the E.I.C. Madras Establishment, and was married, first—to his Cousin, Selina Rooke, eldest daughter of Major-General Sir Henry Willoughby Rooke, K.C.H., late of the 3rd Guards, by whom he had one son, William Willoughby Nassau, who died unmarried in 1857.

Secondly—to Caroline Hare,\* daughter of Capt. Joseph Hare, late of H.M.'s 22nd Dragoons, and by her has issue four daughters and three sons.

1st daughter, Selina Mary, married in 1858 to Robt. Cotton Money, Esq., of the Bengal Army.

2nd daughter, Caroline Annie, married in 1863

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\* *For Genealogy of Caroline Hare, see Table Appended.*

to Charles Hinton Moore, Esq., of H.M.'s Royal Canadian Rifles.

3rd daughter—Annie Elizabeth.

4th daughter—Louisa.

1st son—John Charles, a Lieut. in H.M.'s 29th Regiment.

2nd son—Charles Whittingham Horsley.

3rd son—William.

To all and sundry Whom these Presents do or may concern.

We, Robert Auriol Drummond Hay, Earl of Kinnoul, Lord Lyon King-at-Arms for Scotland, do hereby Certify and Declare that the Ensigns Armorial pertaining and belonging to JOHN DOUGLASS, of Tilwhilly, Esq., are matriculated in the Public Registers of the Lyon office, and are blazoned as on the margin, thus :—viz., Quarterly first and fourth, argent, a man's heart, imperially crowned, proper, on a chief azure three stars of the field for Douglass. Second argent, three pyles issueing from a chief, gules, the last charged with two stars of the first for Douglass of Lochleven. Third, argent, three mascles, sable, on a chief of the last, as many Lyons passant quadrant of the first for Ogstoun.

Above the *Shield* is placed a *Helmet* befitting his degree, with a mantling, gules. The Doubling argent. On a wreath of his Liveries is set for *Crest* a Dexter hand issuing from a cloud and holding a sword erect, all proper. In an escroll above the crest this *Motto*, "GOD FOR US." And on a compartment below the shield are placed for *supporters* two savages, wreathed about the head and middle with oak leaves, each brandishing (in the exterior hand) a club resting on his shoulder, all proper.

Which *Armorial Ensigns* above blazoned, we do hereby Ratify, Confirm, and Assign to the said John Douglass, Esq., and the heirs male of his body, as the proper Arms, and bearing in all time coming.

In Testimony whereof these presents are subscribed by James Home, Esquire, our Deputy, and the Great Seal of our office appended hereunto at Edinburgh, the twenty-fifth day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred.

(Signed)

JAMES HOME.

25th February, 1800, this Patent  
duly recorded by

ROBT. RANKEN, S.A.C.







