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## **Inventory**

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Extent: 0.65m

*Presented, 2003, by Mr Graham Somervell and Miss Henrietta Somervell, with some additional material being donated by Miss Somervell in 2005 and 2006.*

These papers, covering mainly the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, are additional to the material already at MSS.10801-10969. See also Acc.12531 for related photographic material.

Box 1: Letters, mainly of members of the Graham of Airth, (Graham) Stirling of Ardoch and Strowan, and Stirling of Kippendavie families, and their relations; eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. (A copy of relevant sections of Burke's Landed Gentry, 1841 and 1900, is included in the box to help identify individuals and their relationships.)

Folder 1:

James Bruce of Kinnaird ("Abyssinian Bruce"). 3 letters. 1761-1773.

J.M. Bruce (1) 1795.

Ann S Dundas (nee Graham) (2) 1820 and n.d.

C. Dundas (2) 1820 and n.d.

James Dundas of Auchtertyre (2) 1796-1806.

Jane Wilhelmina Dundas (1) 1820.

Anne Erskine (1785-1836), wife of David Erskine of Linlathen (1) n.d.

Archibald Erskine (2) 1799.

David Erskine of Linlathen (2) 1820-21.

Thomas Erskine of Linlathen (8) 1834-45, n.d.

Folder 2:

James Finlay (1) 1795.

Ann Graham, wife of Thomas Graham (1730-1790) (2) 1812-16.

Carolus I.H. Graham (1) 1821.

Henry Graham (1) 1786.

James Graham (8) 1780-1803.

Seton Graham (2) 1790.

William Graham (1730-1790) (1) 1788.

William Graham (b.1808) (4) 1819-24, n.d.

Christian Graham (1) 1841.

Thomas Graham, later Graham Stirling, his wife Caroline Home, and his mother in law M. Home (26) 1807-18, n.d.

T. Graham Stirling (1) 1872.

Mary Hamilton (1) n.d.

Eliza Hunter (1) 1830.

Hugh Hunter (1) 1848.

Jane Hunter (1) 1829.

Folder 3:

Hay Macdowall (1) 1802.

Williamina McDowall (nee Graham) and Day Hort McDowall, her husband (2) 1793 and n.d.

Charles Moray (2) 1778 and n.d.

Christian Moray (1) n.d.

Margaret Pulteney (nee Stirling) (1) 1804.

Margaret Sandilands (1) 1821.

A. Stirling, Strowan (1) 1847.

Anne C. Stirling, Glenbervie (1) 1835?

Anne Moray Stirling (1) 1812.

C. Stirling (2) 1843-66.

Charles Stirling (1) 1790.

Charles Stirling of Gargunnock (1) n.d.

Christian Stirling (6) 1757-63, n.d.

Henry Stirling (4) 1735-47.

Jane Williamina Stirling (1) 1822 (see also folder 5)

John Stirling, Kippenross (1) n.d.

John Stirling (1) 1886.

O. Stirling (1) n.d.

Patrick Stirling (3) 1796-1809.

S.D. Stirling, Glenbervie (3) 1843.

Sir Thomas Stirling of Ardoch and Strowan (5) 1776-1807.

Thomas Stirling (6) 1829-32.

Sir William Stirling of Ardoch (3) 1778-84.

William Stirling (2) 1809-11.

William Stirling (Stirling-Maxwell) of Keir (1) 1865.

Anne Stirling Maxwell (1) n.d.

#### Folder 4:

Letters by or to John Stirling (1813-1894), resident in Sydney, Australia, in the 1840s and 1850s, his wife, Jessie (Rebecca Ann Crotty) and their sons, Francis Gordon and John Henry Stirling. John was son of William Stirling of Content, Jamaica, and Kenmure (who himself was second son of John Stirling of Kippendavie (1742-1816)).

Correspondents include William Stirling-Maxwell of Keir. 1833-96, n.d.

#### Folder 5:

Letters by or relating to Jean Wilhelmina/Jane Williamina Stirling, patroness of Chopin, with ancillary material on Chopin.

Letters relating to her sisters and their mother. These include 19 letters, in French, undated, signed "V. de Stael": 9 are addressed "Chère Madame", one "Ma chère Mrs Stirling", 8 "(Ma) chère Elizabeth", and one "Ma chère enfant".

#### Folder 6:

Miscellaneous letters, including items from: Thomas Pennant (enclosed in a letter of William Henry); James, Marshal Keith; and Lady Anne Lindsay (2).

Scraps and notes.

#### Folder 7:

Memoranda of James Graham (1761-1805) of Airth. Taken down in 1803 from letters he had received while in India, 1781-1803.

View of the sums received from the estates of Ardoch Penn, Jamaica. 1824.

Box 2:

Folder 1:

Letters to Anna (Nannie) Stirling from her half-sister Henrietta Jane Russell, later Somervell, n.d. They were daughters of William Stirling of Content and Kenmure.

Letters to Louie Stirling from her sister Henrietta Russell/Somervell, n.d.

3 letters to Anna Stirling from her mother Alicia S. Stirling, n.d.

1 letter to Anna Stirling from her sister Emma Stirling, n.d.

2 letters to Anna Stirling from Eliza Grimes, 1881 and n.d.

2 letters to Anna Stirling from Thomas James Stirling Graham of Strowan, her brother-in-law, 1891 and 1893.

1 letter to Anna Stirling from her sister Williamina Mary Stirling, n.d.

1 letters to Anna Stirling from her sister Elizabeth Stirling, n.d.

1 letter to Anna Stirling from D. Paterson, n.d.

Photograph of George Houston of Johnstone.

Envelopes for several of the above letters.

Folder 2:

Book of bound letters from the elder children of Sir William Stirling KCB, younger of Muiravonside, and his second wife Anna Stirling (see folder 1 directly above), and from their half-sister Dora (daughter of William Stirling by his first wife, Anne Douglas Stirling) when their parents were in India, 1876-1879.

Folder 3:

Commission to William Stirling (later of Content and Kenmure) as a Lieutenant in the First Regiment of Glasgow Volunteer Infantry, 20 May 1808

Commission to Charles William Stirling (grandson of William Stirling of Content and Kenmure) as a Justice of the Peace in the Parish of St James in Jamaica, 13 September 1878.

Folder 4:

Printed ephemera relating to the Grahams and related families, eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

Framed drawing of Rebecca Ann Stirling, 1840 (nee Crotty, Mrs John Stirling: see box 1 folder 4)

Box 3: Notebooks and memoranda:

Genealogical and historical material relating to the Graham, Stirling and related families, including some pictorial material, eighteenth to twentieth centuries.

Lists of objects at Airth, eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

Box 4

Material relating to nineteenth century law cases.

One Campbell of Monzie document: a liferent sasine, 14 February 1761.

Four Veitch of Elliock documents, 1793-1921.

- Box 5: Legal and financial documents, mainly concerned with family settlements, and land, feus, roads, taxes, etc. Most estate material relates to Strowan, eighteenth to twentieth centuries, but there is also some Ardoch material. (Thomas Graham of Airth (1768-1836) inherited Strowan from his childless maternal uncle Sir Thomas Stirling Bt (1733-1808). His own second son, who took the additional name of Stirling, inherited the property. Sir Thomas Stirling Bt (1733-1808) who purchased the estate of Strowan (see *DNB*) was second son of Sir Henry Stirling (1688-1753) of Ardoch. Sir Henry's daughter Ann was the mother of Thomas Graham of Airth (1768-1836).)
- 6 Family Bible of the Grahams of Airth, printed by Pearson and Rollason, Birmingham, 1788, containing records of births and deaths of various Grahams of Airth, 1666-1849.