

Guards, and now 3d Royal Surrey Militia, who is a member of the Royal Geographical Society, and has been decorated with the Order of the Medjidie by the Sultan for voluntary services rendered to Turkey in 1853, and was appointed, Jan'y, 1882, Deputy Lieutenant for the Tower Hamlets. He is the only son of Robert Stephen Rintoul, who was born in the north of Scotland, and edited, from 1809 to 1825, the "Dundee Advertiser," and then removed to London, establishing there and conducting until his death, thirty years later, the "Spectator." The father is described as a "strong Liberal but no slave to party;" as "holding, though courted by both sides, an entirely independent course and position," and as enjoying the lifelong friendship of such men as Jeremy Bentham, Sir John Bowring, Lord Brougham, George Grote, Sir William Molesworth, Edward Gibbon Wakefield, the Duke of Newcastle, J. S. Mill, Sir Rowland Hill and W. M. Thackeray. The "North British Mail" speaks thus of him in March, 1883: "His rise in life was a romance, and well worth describing as an example for imitation. As a purveyor of condensed information there never has been a man to match him on the British press."

Besides an only son, Col. Rintoul, Robert Stephen Rintoul left a daughter, still living in the south of France, and his sister Jessie was married to one Crawford, came to America in 1851, and died at the age of seventy in 1883, at Pittston, Pennsylvania. She had "strong literary tastes," which she seems to have imparted to her son Hugh Rintoul Crawford of New York City, and was also "an accomplished musician."

From correspondence with Col. Rintoul, who writes from "Kinross House, Carlyle Square, London," I learn that he is the great-grandson of Robert Rintoul of Burnside, Dupplin, Perthshire, that there are but few of the name anywhere, that he is "a bit of an antiquary," and