

W. S., of Edinburgh, and had children : John, Captain of the 59th Regiment, William Sinclair, Captain of the 48th Regiment, Francis, Captain in the Royal Navy, *Otho Herman*, admitted an advocate in 1785. Robina<sup>4</sup> died in 1794.

The heir of James Hamilton<sup>3</sup> was his second son Thomas<sup>4</sup>, born probably in 1715, Major of the 8th Royal Irish Dragoons.\* Before entering the army he went out as Lieutenant of Marines on board the *Wager*, man-of-war, in Lord Anson's expedition to the South Seas, and was wrecked with Lord Byron and Captain Cheape in the course of Lord Anson's celebrated voyage in 1746, the party suffering great hardships and being given up for lost. He married his first cousin Elizabeth Urquhart, daughter of Colonel Alexander Urquhart of Newhall, and sister of Grizel, wife of Sir Robert Dalzell, sixth Earl of Carnwath. (Grizel who was Earl's second wife, was a great-grand-daughter of John Hamilton of Muirhouse and Olivestob. The Earl's third wife, as we have seen, was Margaret, daughter of John Hamilton of Bangour, grand-daughter of John Hamilton<sup>2</sup>). Major Thomas Hamilton<sup>4</sup> died in 1773. He had at least seven children,—five sons, all of whom are said to have been in the army, and to have died unmarried, and two daughters, Jean<sup>5</sup>, who was married to Major Gibson, and a daughter who died unmarried. The very few living descendants of Major Thomas Hamilton can give little information about this family save in the case of the daughter Jean<sup>5</sup>. Mr. J. G. H. Starke, who is a grandson of Jean and her husband Major Gibson, writes that the last surviving son was John<sup>5</sup>, a captain in the 73d Regiment, who left everything at his death to his sister Jean, but he does not know the names of his other great uncles. Captain John's will, Mr. Starke says, is in his possession, and is dated January 17, 1785. Major Gibson and his wife Jean Hamilton<sup>5</sup> had two daughters: Jean<sup>6</sup> who was married to James Starke, Esq., of Troqueer Holm, and Sarah,<sup>6</sup> who died unmarried in 1857. Major Gibson had his arms impaled with those of Hamilton of Olivestob. The only descendants of Major Thomas Hamilton<sup>4</sup> now living are the two sons of Mr. James Starke :

\*King George once said of Major Thomas Hamilton<sup>4</sup> at a review at Portobello :  
 "Put Hamilton on horseback and Elphinstone on foot, and show me two men in the Kingdom like them."