

References:

RH = Register House, Edinburgh

LPG = Library of the Royal Faculty of Procurators, Glasgow

OPR Old Parish Register

SRA = Strathclyde Regional Archive in the Mitchell Library, Glasgow — now Glasgow City Archive.

WRH = West Register House, Edinburgh

- 1) Date from OPRs - Gorbals 644/2 volume 1, from gravestone in Glasgow Necropolis and from University registers.
- 2) Much of the information in this section is taken from “The Picture of Glasgow” - 3rd and enlarged edition - Glasgow 1820.
- 3) John Bell Senior’s birth date comes from the gravestone in the Glasgow Necropolis; marriage of John Bell Snr. and Jean Perston in OPR City 644/28, p.19; John’s grandfather’s name comes from G338 64MER in the Glasgow Room of the Mitchell Library, a list of subscriptions of the matriculated members of the Merchant’s House, Glasgow 11768-1833.
- 4) Date from OPRs - Gorbals 644/2 volume 1 and from entry to Merchant House.
- 5) POD 1820.
- 6) Scottish Record Society “The Burgesses and Guild Brethren of Glasgow 1751-1846” p.249.
- 7) POD 1836.
- 8) Glasgow University Archive - class catalogue 1794-1838; years 1820-1, 1821-1822-3, 1823-4, 1824-5. Graduated 1825.
- 9) Information fro Librarian of the Royal Faculty of Procurators, Glasgow.
- 10) POD 1825
- 11) POD 1831
- 12) Information from the Librarian of the Royal Faculty of Procurators..
- 13) POD 1826.
- 14) Abridgement of Sasines for the Barony of Glasgow June 10, 1826, No. 3668 Second Series - full sasine RS54/439/243.
- 15) POD 1826
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- 17) Scottish Record Society “The Burgesses and Guild Brethren of Glasgow 1751-1846”, p.401
- 18) University of Strathclyde Archive - Attendance book of the Andersonian University’s Popular Evening Classes B21/1 1835-40
- 19) “Curiosities of Glasgow Citizenship” by George Stewart - Glasgow 1881, p.233.
- 20) 1841 Census, Vol. 622 - Parish of Barony of Glasgow, p.6.
- 21) POD 1841
- 22) For Clough in Woodside Pottery see article by G. Quail in Scottish Pottery Society Glasgow Branch Newsletter 14 (1982) - his career at Anderston Pottery can be followed in PODs 1833-40 and from a snuffbox presented to him by workers at Anderston now in private collection - his origin as son of a Yorkshire weaver comes from his death certificate.
- 23) PODs 1820-25.
- 24) LPG Hill Collection Maps Vol. 2 No.12
- 25) RH RS54/1026/3 for the feuing of the Pottery - subsequent feus include RS54/1243/6, RS54/1243/9, RS54/1434/61, RS54/1434/65 and RS54/1434/68.

- 26) LPG Hill collection Maps Vol.1 No. 38 shows the estate before feuing.
- 27) LPG Hill collection Maps Vol. 2 No.12.
- 28) Abridgements of Sasines for Barony of Glasgow January 8, 1842 - No.952
- 29) Glasgow News 5 January 1877 - a cutting is preserved in the Hill collection in LPG - M Vol. 25 part 1
- 30) "Scottish Sponge-Printed Pottery" BY Henry E. Kelly - 1993 and "Spongeware 1835-1935" by Kelly and Kowalski Atglen USA 2001.
- 31) Mentioned in the sasine of 1844 - RS545/1026/3.
- 32) Cases decided in the Court of Session etc. Dunlop vol.X 2nd series pp. 332-5 for the outcome of the case and its conduct. For the Condescendences in the case, see WRH CS 311-1511. A fuller treatment of the episode will be found in Scottish Pottery Historical Review 14 pp. 6-8.
- 33) WRH CS280/39/33 gives the history of this firm. See also "The Beginning of the Pottery Industry in Greenock" by Henry E. Kelly in Scottish Industrial History - vol.17 (1994).
- 34) Clough's death is recorded in Glasgow (Central) 644/1 298 1855
- 35) The Official Catalogue of the Great Exhibition gives 60 entries under porcelain etc. A fuller description of Bells' entry is available from the Official Descriptive and Illustrated Catalogue of the Great Exhibition in 4 volumes, vol. 2 pp.724-5. The illustrations come from the Art Journal's Illustrated Catalogue, p.236.
- 36) "The Ceramic Art of Great Britain" by Llewellyn Jewitt - 2nd edition - London 1877, pp. 617-620.
- 37) The Minton dessert service is extensively illustrated and described in the Art Journal's Catalogue (see 35), pp.114-5.
- 38) Art Journal for 1851.
- 39) "Scottish Pottery by J. Arnold Fleming (Glasgow 1923), p.135
- 40) Talks given to the Glasgow and other branches of the Scottish Pottery Society by Rodger McAslan, then President of the Society.
- 41) Scottish Pottery Society's Archive News No. 2 (1977) - George Gibb "Transfer Printed Patterns and Their Sources".
- 42) For a fuller treatment of the parian jugs of the Glasgow Pottery see the author's paper in Scottish Pottery Historical Review 13 (SPHR), pp.13-29.
- 43) For a fuller treatment of the earthenware jugs of the Glasgow Pottery see the author's paper in SPHR 13 1988-9 pp.78-108.
- 44) see note 74.
- 45) For the Milner family see the entry in the 1851 Census for Grove House: Bilton with Harrogate. For the double wedding see the Harrogate Advertiser for Saturday, 16 June 1855, p.3 and the marriage certificate preserved in the County and Archdeanery Archive Office in Beverley, Humberside.
- 46) Emma's death certificate (see No.44) shows her address as 2, Queen's Terrace which is now part of West Princes St., Glasgow. The previous occupier is shown in the 1851 Census 622- 52 p.13 and 1861 644/7- 33 p.10.
- 47) LPG Hill collection - maps vol.1 No.74.
- 48) Emma's death is recorded in Glasgow (Blythswood) 644/6 727 1855
- 49) Jane's death is recorded in Glasgow (Blythswood) 644/6 242 1858
- 50) RH RS54/1384/47 and RS54/1384/53
- 51) RH RS54/1243/6 and RS54/1243/9
- 52) Edinburgh Gazette May 15 1857 No.6701 and June 9 1857 No.6708
- 53) RH RS54/1490/151
- 54) 1861 Census for Blythswood Parish - 471 No.1 p.1
- 55) 1861 Census 644/6 No.25

- 56) 1861 Census 644/1 112 p.15
- 57) 1861 Census 644/7 38 p.6 for James Murdoch. Peter Graham is 1871 Census 644/ 89 p.2 when James Murdoch appears at 646/3 19 (cont.) p.2.
- 58) RH RS54/1490/151
- 59) RH RS54/1434/68.
- 60) The history of Charles Arthur can be traced through Post Office directories for the period from 1850 onwards.
- 61) POD 1864. Charles Arthur's address is given as 46 Buccleuch St, Glasgow, which would make a long journey to Pollokshaws daily but was fairly close to the Glasgow Pottery for a traveller who wanted a middle class address.
- 62) British Sessional Papers - House of Commons - 1863 - Vols. I-XXV pp.120ff.
- 63) Abridgement of Sasines for the Barony of Glasgow 7 July 1864 No.5891.
- 64) Abridgement of Sasines for the Barony of Glasgow 25 March 1865 No.355. For the full Sasine - RH RS54/1756/111
- 65) SRA - TD 49/108 and 49/1.
- 66) Glasgow News for Monday, 6 April 1885, p.11.
- 67) SRA TD 49/122 contains some interesting letter from Donaldson Brothers to John Bell on the subject of buying shares in ships. It should be noted, however, that the last of these which is very sensational, was not destined for our John Bell, who was already dead. It would be interesting to know who the recipient was and the subject.
- 68) Register 4 folios 303 & 304 - official No. 15485 - Port No. 85/1857 from Register 3 folio 211.
- 69) For Robert Cochran's ownership of part of at least one ship, see ledger 4 folio 180 which states that he bought 16/64ths of the sailing ship "John Phillips" on 25 March 1863. The ship had been built in Hylton, Co. Durham in 1850 - see also SRA T - MS/54/1.
- 70) In the same entry as 63 Robert Cochran's share in the "John Phillips" is divided between the Trustees on the Trust he had set up for his wife and children - SRAT-MS/54/1/
- 71) The University of Glasgow Business Record Centre preserves Denny's Journals in a series starting with UGD 3/1/1.
- 72) "The Industries of Scotland" by David Bremner (1869) - reprint by David & Charles (1969) pp.391-403.
- 73) See note 47.
- 74) RH RD5/1375 folio 327.
- 75) Glasgow Daily Herald for 21 February 1870 - details of death from Matthew Perston Bell's death certificate in Larbert's Register Office. Matthew's stays at Bridge of Allan are recorded in the Bridge of Allan Reporter, first on 25.12.69, the last entry being in the edition for 19.2.79. The Reids are both mentioned in this. They were all staying at the Royal Hotel.
- 76) For the funeral see Wylie & Lochhead's General Order Book, folio 36 in HF93/1/34, preserved in the University of Glasgow's Business Record Centre.
- 77) as No.73.
- 78) Minute Book of the Andersonian University in the University of Strathclyde Archive - B/1/5, p.133.
- 79) *ibid* p.175.
- 80) *ibid* pp.176,179,180.
- 81) Glasgow Museums and Art Galleries - registration number 96-65 ELZ.
- 82) Proceedings of the Natural History Society of Glasgow Vol.1.i pt.1 p.79 - 1868
- 83) For David Corse Glen; "David Corse Glen (1824-1892)" by J.A.C.M. Gifford 1976 (Copy in Glasgow's Kelvingrove Museum).
- 84) SRA - copy of the original Feuing Plan of North Park by David Smith - 10 October 1868.

- 85) Abridgements of Sasines for the Barony of Glasgow for 25 August 1869 - No.1741.
- 86) "Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest, Combined Statutory and Descriptive List - City of Glasgow District" - ward 17 SDD, Historic Buildings and Monuments Directorate gives the names of the Architects.
- 87) *ibid.* gives a complete description of the exterior and interior of the building.
- 88) sra - H-Hil 14.3 No.25 - Burgh of Hillhead Dean of Guild Court Book, also H-Hil 14/1 & H-Hil14/4 and "Kelvinside, illustrated by a series of drawings and photographs" - Glasgow 1894 - McLure, Macdonald & Co. - SRA LK 5/37 from Glasgow City Archives.
- 89) Abridgement of Sasines for the Barony of Glasgow 21 May 1872 No.4993.
- 90) "The History of North Park House" by Margaret W. Menzies Campbell.
- 91) "The Lost Gardens of Glasgow University" by A. D. Boney - London 1988 p.271
- 92) Abridgements of Sasines for the Barony of Glasgow 9753 4 December 1884 - for the full sasine RH RS54/1272/33.
- 93) Catalogues of all the sales of the collection except the Edinburgh and London sales are in the Glasgow Room of the Mitchell Library in Glasgow D 53458 708.9; the London catalogue is in the Victoria & Albert Museum in London. These give the prices paid, in ink. The proceeds from the Edinburgh sale in total can be found in the Sederunt Book Vo.III p.87 - see note 100.
- 94) Evening Citizen for Tuesday, 30 March 1880.- copy on the Mitchell Library in Glasgow.
- 95) See Sederunt Book of John Bell's Estates - WRH CS 318/33/16.
- 96) Abridgement of Sasines for the Barony of Glasgow 14 January 1874 No.11,330 - for full sasine RH RS54/281/139.
- 97) Abridgement of Sasines for the Barony of Glasgow 30 May 1873 No.9089.
- 98) *ibid.* 14 January 1874 No.11,330
- 99) *Ibid.* 15 January 1875 No.16,368.
- 100) WRH - CS246/1281 - the full story of the partnerships is given in this which is the Closed Record of Alexander Moore against Carslaw & Henderson. II Condescendence for Pursuer Cond.ii, iii, iv and V
- 101) see note 42.
- 102) Scottish Pottery Historical Review 11 - cover and contents page.
- 103) see note 30.
- 104) Edinburgh Gazette 8 April 1869 - No.8989 p.352 and 18 April 1879 - No.8992 p.403.
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- 108) WRH CS318/33/16 Vol.I p.128. This is the Sederunt Book for John Bell's sequestration. It consists of three very large bound volumes and contains an immense amount of information about all aspects of John Bell's businesses and life.
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- 110) Glasgow Herald Wednesday, 1 July 1931
- 111) WRH CS 318/33/16 Vol.I p.144.
- 112) Edinburgh Gazette 6 April 1880 No.9093: 1 October 1880 No.9144.
- 113) *ibid* 12 October 1880 No.9147.
- 114) WRH CS 246/1281
- 115) WRH CS318/33/16 Vol.I p.147.
- 116) WRH CS318/33/16 Vol.II pp.247-9
- 117) Cases Decided in the Court of Session, etc. 4th series, Vol.XL No.45 - A. & J. Stewart and

- Robert Briggs, appellants - Alexander Moore respondent.
- 118) Edinburgh Gazette 20 April 1888, No.9935 and WRH CS 318/33/16 Vol.III p.225. Cases Decided in Court of Session etc. 4th series - Vol.XXIII No.122 - William Bell and others (James Bell's Trustees) v. J. Copeland & Co.
- 119) Cases Decided in the Court of Session &c., 4th series Vol.XII No.23.
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- 121) SRA T-KF3/D69 - reproduced in SPHR 14, p.9
- 122) WRH RHP 17797 - reproduced in SPHR 16 pp.36-7
- 123) "Glasgow of Today - The Metropolis of the North" - London 1888, p.118, J. & M. P. Bell & Co. Ltd., Earthenware Manufacturers."
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- 125) 59-60 Vict. Cap. cix p.7 - also reported in the Edinburgh Gazette for 1895 pp.1505-1510.
- 126) WRH BR/CAL//23/29 - entry for 24 August 1904 for price paid for Pottery - RHP 17797 for plan of the Pottery and railway encroachment - the latter is reproduced in SPHR 16 pp.36-37.
- 127) For more detailed information on sponge-printed wares see the present author's book "Spongeware 1835-1935" published by Schiffer USA or "Scottish Sponge-Printed Pottery" Glasgow 1993. The Huntley House charger is reproduced on the cover of the latter; the former has over 1000 illustrations in colour.
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- 129) For all of the Malaysian material in this chapter I am indebted to Ms Joan McLean of Johor Bahru, Malaysia.
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- 131) "Scottish Spongeware" by Graeme Cruickshank Edinburgh n.d.
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- 135) WRH BT2/1013 - report of 10 February 1881. Murdoch is credited with 1500 shares but in the report of February 1882 he is down to 100 and the other 1400 are bracketed with the names of seven other shareholders. The shares are never again recorded under Murdoch's name. Also Abridgements of Sasines for Barony of Glasgow 16 May 1907, 1395 (No.113) and 12 November 1907, 3977 (No.116).
- 136) Edinburgh Gazette 22 March 1910 No.12,231 pp.317-8.
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- 138) Paisley & Renfrewshire Gazette for 22 June 1912 p.3 col.5.
- 139) For Turner's will - RH SC58/45/p/703; for the inventory of his goods - RHSC58/42/112.
- 140) Edinburgh Gazette 1923 No.13,929 p.909 and WRH - BT 2/1013 - final page.
- 141) Conversation with Randolph Williams, son of the last owner of Fife Pottery, reported by Mr. Robert Rankine, remembered with gratitude.
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- 144) For John Weir's will - RH SC36/51/320; for the inventory of his goods RHSC36/48/683 folio 751.