

by Lord Cantire. In reply to a specific charge by Lord Lorn, that if he got possession he would be representing, nourishing and maintaining the ancient papists, and troublesome Macdonald Islanders, who had been happily suppressed, Lord Antrim stated that he and his predecessors had welcomed and given shelter to Scottish people on his Irish Estates, not enquiring as to their religion; and as regarded Kintyre and the Macdonalds that there had been such wholesale evictions and clearances, since the Campbells acquired possession, that only two three Macdonalds, in very humble circumstances remained. But all was of no avail, Lord Lorn now Earl afterwards Marquis of Argyle, worthy son of him regarding whom it was said

“Now Earl of Guile, and Lord For Lorn thou goes
Leaving thy Native Prince to serve his foes;
No faith in plaids, no truth in tartan trews,
Chameleon like, they change a thousand hues.”

was up till 1660 all powerful, and the dismemberer of the great County of Inverness, easily defeated Lord Antrim. By the time of the restoration, it was too late to recover Kintyre. The first Earl of Antrim died at Dunluce, 10th September, 1636, leaving two sons and six daughters, and by the kindness of the present Earl of Antrim, I am enabled to give the portrait of the second Earl and first Marquis of Antrim, preserved at Glenarm Castle, to whom reference will be made later on. This great man, born in 1609, was in use to relate himself, that he wore neither hat, cap, shoe, nor stocking till seven or eight years old, being bred “in the old Highland way.”

THE LATE GEORGE MUNRO, BOLTON.

THIS notable Sutherlander was born at Evelix, in the Parish of Dornoch, in 1832, and was educated at Rosehall School, his parents having removed to the farm of Invernauld in that district. At the age of nineteen, when still undecided as to his future career, his uncle, Mr. James Hall, who had made a considerable fortune in the Sugar Plantations of Jamaica, returned home to Sutherland, and through his intervention Mr. Munro obtained his first situation with Messrs. Findlater and Mackie of Manchester, and soon raised himself to a position of trust by his ability and application.

In 1860 he started business on his own account, and so successful did the venture soon become that in five years he was able to

purchase the property in which his place of business was situated. At this time he was ably assisted by his schoolfellow and friend Mr. Alexander Ross, now of Leicester, who after leaving Mr. Munro has had a very successful career. No keener sportsman than Alec Ross is known on the moors and rivers of his native county, and his friend Mr. William Black, the celebrated novelist, has instanced him in several of his works as the model of a true sportsman.

In 1864, in partnership with his cousin Mr. John Forsyth, a branch of the business was successfully established in Blackburn, and a further extension was made two years later, when the present large and important concern in Hanley was commenced. In this latter enterprise he was fortunate to secure as partner a fellow clansman, Mr. John Munro, a native of Clashmore, Dornoch, who now, as surviving partner, possesses the Staffordshire portion of the business.

In politics Mr. Munro was an ardent Liberal, and for three years, 1886-9, represented the Exchange Ward in the Bolton Council Chamber, and was the respected Chairman of the Ward Liberal Association. He was also a member and generous supporter of the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. Mr. Munro always cherished a strong attachment to his native county, and was a life member of the Edinburgh Sutherland Association, to whose Jubilee (Victoria) Bursary Fund he contributed a very handsome donation.

In 1863 Mr. Munro married Miss Isabella Waugh of Lochmaben, Dumfriesshire, and had three sons and four daughters, who survive him. In this lady Mr. Munro found in the highest sense a helpmeet; who by her gentle consideration, and readiness to help and comfort all with whom she came in contact, endeared herself to a large circle of friends.

On the Sunday following Mr. Munro's funeral, the Rev. T. B. Johnstone of St. Andrews Church, in addressing his mourning congregation said—“after a long and painful illness our dear friend Mr. George Munro, who has been so honourably connected with this congregation for over thirty four years, during the greater part of which time he was member of the Deacons' Court and Treasurer of the Church, has been removed by death, and a heavy blow thereby falls on all who knew him, and were associated with him.”

Frank and open in all his dealings, simple minded, generous, and sincere, Mr. George Munro has left behind a name for amiability and goodness of heart that will not readily be effaced from the minds of the inhabitants of the Town of Bolton.

Hanley.

JOHN MUNRO.