

REGISTER OF THE SCOTS COLLEGE  
IN SPAIN

## MADRID PERIOD 1627-1767

## ADMINISTRATORS/RECTORS

1. HUGH SEMPLE  
(or HUGO SEMPILIO)  
(1627):1633  
to 13th September 1654.  
born 1589, the son of Robert Semple of Craighait, Renfrewshire, and Grizel Montgomery or Cunningham; nephew of Colonel William Semple; joined Society of Jesus, Province of Toledo, 1615; died in Colegio Imperial, Madrid, 13th September 1654.
2. ANDREW YOUNGSON  
(or YOUNG or JUNIO)  
September 1654 to April 1655.  
see Madrid Students' List, no. 13.
3. ADAM LAURENCE GORDON  
April 1655 to February 1656.  
born in Auchmathy, Buchan (or in Cults, Strathbogie), c. 1616, the son of George Gordon and Isabel Leesk; entered Scots College, Douai, 7th December 1627 (in Poetry); in Scotland, April to November 1631; returned to Douai, 1631 (for Philosophy); soldier in France, in Lord James Douglas' Scottish regiment, perhaps between 1631 and 1635; to Scots College, Rome, October 1635 (for Philosophy); entered Society of Jesus, 1636; brought students to Madrid, 1647; rector of Scots College, Rome, 27th May 1652 to August 1655; rector at Madrid, as above; missionary in Scotland, 1657 to 1665; rector of Scots College, Douai, March 1666 to 8th April 1668; died at Douai, 8th April 1668.
4. FREDERICK MAXWELL  
(or ESCOTO)  
18th February 1656  
to December 1659.  
see Madrid Students' List, no. 2.
5. WILLIAM GRANT  
1659 to 1665.  
native of Strathspey? to Scots College, Douai, 28th July 1620 (?); joined Society of Jesus in Tournai or in Spain, c. 1626; missionary in northern Scotland in 1641 and in 1646 (and perhaps from 1635 to 1658); rector at Madrid, as above; died in Scotland, 8th October 1689 (?).
6. JAMES ANDERSON  
1665 to 1692.  
born in Strathbogie, c. 1611; entered Scots College, Douai, July 1632 (for Poetry); joined Society of Jesus in Tournai, 1636; master, procurator and rector of the seminary (Douai ?); rector of the Scots College, Douai, 8th May 1653 to 8th May 1656; missionary in Scotland for many years (1656 to 1665 ?); rector at Madrid, as above.

**SPANISH ADMINISTRATORS  
(and, from 1692, Rectors)**

- (6 a). LUIS DE LA FUENTE  
c. 1659-60
- (6 b). JOSEPH ALTAMIRANO  
April 1682  
(rector of English College, Madrid,  
April 1682 to 1692).
- (6 c). FRANCISCO MARTIN  
DE LOAYSA  
December 1682
- (6 d). JERONIMO GUERRERO  
1682 to 1684 (or 1685)
- (6 e). MANUEL DE MUNICHICHA  
1685 to December 1687
7. ANTONIO DE RADA  
January 1688 to June 1702
8. JOSEF DE AGUIRRE  
July 1702 to March 1704
9. MANUEL NAVARRO  
April 1704 to September 1704
10. PAULO FRANCISCO SUAREZ  
October 1704 to June 1711
11. FERNANDO CORTS  
July 1711 to 15th July 1714  
(rector of English College, Madrid,  
1714 to 1717).
12. THOMAS FIFE  
15th July 1714  
to 22nd November 1717.  
born at Aberdeen, 17th March  
1674, the son of William Fyff and  
Helen Gordon; at Scots College,  
Douai, 10th December 1691 to  
25th September 1693; joined  
Society of Jesus, Province of Na-  
ples, 29th January 1694; taught,  
and completed studies, at Naples;  
taught Humanities at Benevento  
and was sub-minister in College of  
Nobles, Naples; rector of Scots  
College, Rome, 11th November  
1708 to 15th October 1712; rector  
at Madrid, as above; rector of  
Scots College, Douai, 1718 to  
1721 and 1736 to 1739; procura-  
tor of Scottish mission at Paris,  
1730 to 1733 (or 1736); was in  
Scotland (probably Galloway),  
August 1741; died in Luxembourg,  
15th November 1746.
13. KENNETH (or FRANCIS XA-  
VIER) STRACHAN  
22nd November 1717  
to September 1721  
son of Sir James Strachan, bar-  
onet of Thornton in The Mearns  
(a Protestant), and Catherine Ross  
of Pittendrieh (Midlothian); to  
Scots College, Douai, 4th July  
1700; joined Society of Jesus in  
Bavaria (or in Tournai, 17th Sep-  
tember 1703 ?); taught Philosophy;  
from Douai to Madrid, 13th June  
1717; rector in Madrid, as above;  
a master in the college and confes-  
sor to Countess of Castelblanco in  
Madrid until 23rd December 1724;  
returned to Douai from Madrid,  
1725, to be procurator and minis-  
ter; rector of Scots College, Douai,  
1731 to 1736; procurator of Scot-  
tish mission at Paris, 1736.  
(Cf. Foley, ed., *Records of the  
English Province of the Society of  
Jesus*, VIII, p. 743).
14. WILLIAM CLERK  
October 1721 to September 1726  
born in Edinburgh, c. 1669, the  
son of William Clerk (an advocate)  
and Jean Cars; to Scots College,  
Douai, 18th September 1688; join-  
ed Society of Jesus, 1689, and  
professed at Loreto, 2nd February  
1706; rector of Scots College,  
Rome, 24th November 1712 to  
16th June 1721; rector at Madrid,  
as above; confessor to Philip V,  
from March (or September) 1726  
until his (Clerk's) death, in San  
Ildefonso de la Granja, 19th  
August 1743; buried in Jesuit Col-  
lege, Segovia.
15. WILLIAM MacGILL  
September 1726  
to 11th October 1734  
arrived in Madrid from Lyons, c.  
November 1717; rector at Madrid,  
as above; probably remained in  
College until end of October 1734;  
probably in Madrid in the sum-  
mers of 1735, 1736 and 1737; be-  
tween July 1742 and March 1745,  
returned to Madrid and, a month  
after his arrival, died there.

**SPANISH  
RECTORS-ADMINISTRATORS**

16. GABRIEL BOUSEMART  
November 1734  
to October 1741  
(Provincial of Toledo, 1744-45).
17. AGUSTIN VARONA  
November 1741  
to October 1743

18. ANTONIO ESPINOSA  
November 1743  
to February 1746
19. FABIAN DE LA VEGA  
March 1746 to June 1763
20. COSMO LEON DE SELVA  
July 1763 to July 1766  
or 1st April 1767  
P. de Selva was perhaps succeeded  
by another rector (name unknown)  
in August 1766, but this is less  
likely.

OTHER PRIESTS ETC. IN THE COLLEGE,  
1627-1767

1. JOHN SETON  
1632 to 1637 and 25th  
September 1652 to 10th  
April 1654  
the son of Chamberlain of Fyvie;  
studied and taught Philosophy in  
La Flèche, France; sent to Scots  
College, Douai, 1st August 1625;  
entered Society of Jesus novitiate  
at Tournai, 1625; left Madrid for  
Scotland, 17th February 1637;  
prefect of studies (?) at Douai, c.  
1644-49; short secret visits to  
Scotland to enlist support for Mon-  
trose, 1649-50; died in Colegio  
Imperial, Madrid, 10th April 1654.
2. JOHN HAY  
c. 1645-48  
see Madrid Students' List, no. 5.
3. GEORGE IGNATIUS BLACK-  
HALL ("BRACAL")  
1655 to 1656  
brother of Charles Blackhall, mis-  
sionary in Scotland; had been a  
merchant in Spain before entering  
Society of Jesus as a lay brother;  
came from Soria as assistant to  
Adam Gordon, rector-administrator  
of the College, July 1655; to Jesuit  
house at Arévalo, near Avila, 1656.
4. ROBERT GRANT  
1656 (or earlier) to 1657  
born in Yorkshire, 1594; entered  
Society of Jesus novitiate, 1618;  
prefect of studies at St-Omer; in  
Alcalá de Henares, 1656.
- (Cf. Sommervogel, op. cit., III, col.  
1680 - same person?)
5. JAMES SEMPLÉ  
c. 1660-70  
see Madrid Students' List, no. 24.
6. ALEXANDER SINCLAIR  
(or SCOTT)  
1677 to 1679  
see Madrid Students' List, no. 20.
7. JOHN GORDON  
? to c. 1685  
born c. 1640 (1638 ?), the son of  
Adam Gordon of Artloch and Is-  
abel Leslie, the sister of Fr. George  
Leslie; to Scots College, Douai,  
25th April 1655; joined Society of  
Jesus at Tournai, 1660/62; taught  
Humanities/Philosophy in Douai,  
1672 (for fourteen years); was said,  
in 1707, to have been a missionary  
in Scotland for thirty years; died  
in Aberdeen, October 1720.  
(Cf. Foley, op. cit., VII, p. 309).
8. JAMES CUNNINGHAM  
1695
9. — BURNETT  
1717 to ?  
see Madrid Students' List, no. 40.
10. JOHN SETON  
1723  
see Madrid Students' List, no. 45.
11. JOHN RIDDOCH  
1723 to 1726  
born 11th (or 22nd) September

- 1700; to Scots College, Douai, July 1714; joined Society of Jesus at Nancy, 24th September 1718; taught Grammar, studied Philosophy (in Champagne ?); taught Humanities in College in Madrid (not yet ordained), c. December 1723 to mid-1726; taught in various places in France, 1726 to 1729; studied Theology at Rheims, 1729 to 1732, and taught Philosophy at Auxerre, 1732 to 1734; to Scottish mission, 8th March 1736; rector of Scots College, Douai, 27th August 1743 to January 1748 and 17th January 1757 to May 1766.
12. WILLIAM —  
in College as master, January 1724.
13. ALEXANDER GRANT  
1726 to 11th October 1734  
came from Douai to replace Fr. Francis Xavier Strachan.
14. KENNETH MCKENZIE  
September 1729 to 1732 (?)  
see Madrid Students' List, no. 58.
15. JAMES GORDON  
1730  
born 16th September 1702, the son  
of John Gordon of Auchleuchries and Elizabeth Grant of Crichy; to Scots College, Douai, 15th July 1717; entered Society of Jesus, Roman novitiate, August 1719; taught Humanities in the Roman province for four years; arrived in Madrid, 1730, and taught Humanities in the College for one year; studied Theology in Rome and, in 1735, returned to Douai; rector of Scots College, Douai, 31st August 1739 to August 1743 (?).
16. JOHN DUNBAR  
1730  
see Madrid Students' List, no. 50.
17. ALOYSIUS MCGUIRE  
left College, 10th August (?) 1733.
18. LUIS DE BEAUMONT  
1st October 1733  
to 10th October 1734  
a non-Jesuit teacher in the College.
19. FRANCISCO FER ("L'ABBE")  
1st October 1733  
to 10th October 1734  
a non-Jesuit teacher in the College.

## STUDENTS

**Hugh Semple, Administrator, 1633-54  
1632**

1. THOMAS BROWN (or BAILIE)  
son of John Brown of Lochhill in the parish of New Abbey, Galloway, and Jean Johnston of Newby; to Scots College, Douai, 7th December 1627 (Syntax); to Scots College, Madrid, November 1632; joined Society of Jesus, Seville, 1634; died in novitiate in great sanctity, 24th March 163....
2. FREDERICK MAXWELL  
(or ESCOTO)  
born c. 1615, the son of Baron Herries of Terregles; to Scots College, Douai, 28th July 1629 (Grammar) — one of the students maintained by Col. Semple; to Scots College, Madrid, November 1632; entered Society of Jesus, Villagarcía (near Valladolid), 1634; was in College, 1648 to 1649/50, then in Scotland (until perhaps 1655); rector of the College, 18th February 1656 until his death in Madrid, December 1659.  
(Cf. Sommervogel, op. cit., VII, col. 970; Foley, op. cit., VII, p. 496).
3. JOHN PATERSON  
from Kinharvie in the parish of New Abbey, Galloway; to Scots College, Douai, 7th December 1627 (Syntax); to Scots College, Madrid, November 1632 (after Philosophy); went to Alcalá de Henares to study; entered Society of Jesus but, soon after entering (?), died.

## 1633

4. ALEXANDER GORDON  
in College at start of 1633 but left, 1634.
5. JOHN HAY  
in College from start of 1633; also there as a priest, c. 1645-48.
6. JOHN IRVINE  
in College from start of 1633 but left, 1634.
7. ALEXANDER SCRIMGEOUR (or SKINNER or SCHEMERS ?)  
born in Edinburgh, 1621; arrived in College, 26th February 1633 (?), from San Sebastián; left for Scots College, Douai, 10th September 1636; sent to Scots College, Rome, 1640, and entered Society of Jesus there, 24th March (or May) 1641; worked as missionary in Scotland and England; at Loreto as penitentiary; died, either on 3rd September 1679 (at Loreto ?) or at Douai on 23rd September 1679, two months after fleeing from persecution in England.  
(Cf. Foley, op. cit., VIII, pp. 693 and 880).

## 1643

8. GEORGE ANDERSON  
born at Tulloch in Cromarty (or Ross ?), c. 1617, the son of George Anderson (chamberlain of the Marquis of Huntly) and Margaret Hall; to Scots College, Douai, 13th July 1641 (Humanities); to Scots College, Madrid, 1643, and, later, to Rome; joined Society of Jesus, but dismissed.
9. WILLIAM LAING  
born at Aberdeen, c. 1625, the son of William Laing and Elizabeth Anderson; to Scots College, Douai, 1638, but dismissed because of ill health; re-admitted (Grammar), 1st October 1642, but again dismissed, 1643, because of ineptitude at studies; perhaps a student in the Scots College, Madrid; drowned in "*comitatus*" of Marquis of Castel Rodrigo (Governor General of the Netherlands), 1649.

## 1647

10. THOMAS JOHNSTON  
born at Aberdeen, c. 1618, the son of Robert and Agnes Johnston; to Scots College, Madrid, 7th September 1647; ordained a priest and, on 22nd November 1649, left for Scotland; entered Scots Benedictine Monastery, Ratisbon, professed on 6th May 1655 ("Fr. Ninian"), and died there, 17th December 1663.
11. HUGH ROSS  
born in parish of Coul in the district of Mar, c. 1627, the son of Alexander Ross and Mary Bonner; regent at the University of Aberdeen; convert to Catholicism; to Scots College, Madrid, 7th September 1647, but left, 15th January 1648.
12. WILLIAM SEMPLE  
the son of John and Mary Semple; regent of philosophy in University of Glasgow for several years; convert from Calvinism; to Scots College, Madrid, 7th September 1647, and died, 13th December 1647.
13. ANDREW YOUNGSON (or YOUNG or JUNIO)  
born at Dores in the parish of Kettins, Angus, 13th July 1619, the son of Alexander Young and Elizabeth Reid; regent of philosophy in University of Aberdeen and Marischal College, Aberdeen, 1645-46; convert to Catholicism and left Scotland on pretext of studying medicine; to Scots College, Madrid, 7th September 1647; entered Society of Jesus, 20th November 1647, and was at novitiate in Badajoz in 1649; was administrator of College, September 1654 to April 1655; professor at University of Alcalá for seventeen years and taught Theology at Toledo, Villarreal, Murcia and Madrid; died in Madrid, 1st August 1679.  
(Cf. Sommervogel, op. cit., IV, col. 886).
14. ROBERT GORDON  
born at Elgin, c. 1623, the son of George Gordon and Margaret Bonneyman; arrived at Scots College, Madrid, 2nd November 1647, having completed Grammar, but

not accepted because ignorant of Latin and had a lead pellet in his head; became a captain in the army.

15. **ROBERT MAXWELL**  
born c. 1628, the son of James Maxwell and Alice Collins, and nephew of Lord Herries; to Scots College, Madrid, 2nd November 1647, but dismissed, 10th April 1648.
16. **JOHN REID (or READE)**  
born in London, c. 1629, the son of John Reid ("*Domini Tribuni militum*") of Aikenhead and Judith Wekman; to Scots College, Madrid, 2nd November 1647 (having completed Syntax), but dismissed, 22nd November 1649.
17. **EDWARD REID (or READE)**  
born in London, c. 1630, the younger brother of no. 16; to Scots College, Madrid, 2nd November 1647 (having completed Syntax), but dismissed, 22nd November 1649.
18. **ARTHUR FORBES**  
born c. 1631, the son of James Forbes of Blackton, Aberdeenshire, and Margaret (or Magdalene) Fraser of Philorth, daughter of Baron of Philorth; to Scots College, Douai, 10th September 1643 (Figures); to Scots College, Madrid, 10th November 1647 (having completed Syntax); intelligent but obstinate, insisted on enlisting in army, and left College, 10th April 1648; at Scots College, Rome, 12th February 1650 to 3rd February 1651; having returned to Scotland, married in 1671, and became Laird of Balvenie, Banffshire; died, 1695.
19. **JOHN MENZIES**  
born in Aberdeen (parish of St. Machar), c. 1627, the son of Thomas Menzies of Balgownie and Margaret Gordon of Grandholm; to Scots College, Douai, 16th November 1643 (Grammar); at Scots College, Paris, for two years, then dismissed for ineptitude; to Scots College, Madrid, 10th November 1647 (having completed Rhetoric), but left, 15th January 1648, because inept at studies; became a

Canon of St. Genevieve in Paris, 1649.

20. **ALEXANDER SINCLAIR (or SCOTT)**  
born in Aberdeen (parish of St. Machar), c. 1627 (15th September 1632 ?), the son of Walter Sinclair and Mariota (or Mariora) Douglas; converted to Catholicism; to Scots College, Douai, 17th January (or 19th February) 1645 (Poetry); to Scots College, Madrid, 10th November 1647 (having completed Rhetoric); left, 1649 or 30th May 1650 (being perhaps at Alcalá, 1649-50); at Scots College, Rome, November 1650 to 1654; returned to Spain for reasons of health, 1654; joined Society of Jesus, entered novitiate at Plasencia, 1656 (or 10th April 1655), transferred to Alcalá, February 1657; "sang Mass" in Scots College, Madrid, Easter 1659; professor of Rhetoric, Colegio Imperial, Madrid, for eight years; professor of Philosophy and Belles Lettres, Scots College, Madrid, c. 1677-79 (for five years ?); author of *Principum feminarum exemplar, id est, vita Sanctae Margaritae, Sctorum Reginae* (Madrid, 1679) and of verse-play on life of St. Hermenegild, martyr, performed by his pupils in Rhetoric, 18th October 1668; died in Madrid, 20th/22nd April 1679. (Cf. Sommervogel, op. cit., VII, col. 966).

#### 1648

21. **ROBERT BARCLAY**  
born at Irvine, the elder son of Hugh Barclay and Mary Maxwell, and a nephew of Fr. Hugh Semple; to Scots College, Madrid, 17th January 1648, and left, 22nd November 1649; to Scots College, Douai, 15th February 1650 (Syntax) and left, 16/26th August 1651; to Scots College, Rome (Logic), and left, 24th April 1652; joined Society of Jesus.
22. **JOHN FORBES**  
born at Aberdeen, 24th August 1626, the third son of Duncan Forbes of Camphill (or Campbell) and Elizabeth Forbes of Corse, (both Protestants); to Scots College,

Douai, 10th March 1644 (Syntax); to Scots College, Madrid, 17th January 1648, and left, 10th April 1648; in Scotland, married Jean Forbes, daughter of John Forbes, minister of Kincardine O'Neill, and gave up faith; in 1671 was a magistrate and showed friendship towards Jesuits and other Catholics.

23. **ROBERT FRANCIS IRVINE**  
(or IRWIN)

born at Aberdeen, 1629, the son of Alexander Irvine and Mary Menzies (who, when in Scotland, had given refuge to Jesuits in their house, but who had been in exile abroad for sixteen years); to Scots College, Douai, 17th December 1640, and left for Madrid, 12/17th September 1647; to Scots College, Madrid, 1648, and left for Rome, 22nd November 1649, where, at Scots College, studied Logic but left, 21st June 1650; (in Rome Register, called Alexander, the name of his younger brother; had also been at Scots College, Paris, but dismissed.)

(Cf. *The Innes Review*, vol. V (1954), p. 69).

Also mentioned in "Annals of the Scots College".

(23 a). **JOHN IRWIN**: arrived from San Sebastián; still in College, 1649;

(23 b). **N. FORBES**: in College, 1649;

(23 c). **N. FINTAN**: given a breviary, 1648; (Maestre Fontana given *viático*, 1649)

(23 d). **EDWARD RISLEO (RISLEY)**: left College, 22nd November (or December) 1649.

**Andrew Youngson, Administrator, 1654-55.**

**Adam Gordon, Administrator, 1655-56**

**Frederick Maxwell, Administrator, 1656-59**

**1656**

24. **JAMES SEMPLE**

born 1st May 1638, the son of

Lord Hugh Semple and Elizabeth Hay, daughter of Earl of Errol; a nephew of Colonel William Semple; to Scots College, Douai, 1649 (Figures); to Scots College, Madrid, 18th February 1656; joined Society of Jesus, 14th May 1656, and went to novitiate of Huete, near Cuenca; taught Rhetoric in College for eight years, c. 1660-70; was in Scotland for seventeen years; returned to Province of Toledo and died in Madrid (after 1693 ?).

25-26. Two students (names unknown) arrived from Paris, 12th December 1656; (not no. 28).

**1657**

27. **JOSEPH BELLO (BELL ?)**  
in Scots College, Madrid, 1657, and left for Paris, September 1657.

28. **JOHN MOORE (or MURO)**  
in Scots College, Madrid, 1657, and left for Jesús del Monte to study Arts (or for Paris), June 1657.

**1658**

A student arrived "again" in May 1658; two left for Paris; probably two students in College thereafter.

**William Grant, Administrator, 1659-65**

**1660**

29. **EDWARD BROWN**  
(or FOUNTAIN)  
born c. 1642, the son of — and Jean Brown; to Scots College, Douai, 20th October 1657 (Grammar); to Scots College, Madrid, 27th February 1660, but probably gone by end of 1663.

30. **ALEXANDER IRVINE**  
born c. 1640, the son of Alexander Irvine of Bely and Isabel Irvine; to Scots College, Douai, 18th October 1656 (Grammar); to Scots College, Madrid, 27th February 1660; at Scots College, Paris, c. 1662-67; thereafter to Scotland as a missionary; died, 7th September 1706, "at Traquair where he mostly resided". (*Scoticronicon*, p. 630).

31. MICHAEL MENZIES  
born c. 1641, the son of Thomas Menzies of Balgownie and Margaret Gordon of Abergeldie; to Scots College, Douai, 13th June 1655 (Figures); to Scots College, Madrid, 27th February 1660; went to Paris and became an Augustinian.

## 1664

32. CHARLES FOUNTAIN  
(FINTAN ? FONCANOT ?)  
(Charles Foncanot: born in Edinburgh c. 1615; to Scots College, Douai, 8th October 1632; returned to Scotland and, in 1640, was a teacher in England; became a priest in Spain)  
to Scots College, Madrid, 1st October 1664; ordained a priest and left for Scotland, 1665, but remained there only eight months; was in Paris by 1667 and died there, 6th October 1683.

33. GEORGE INNES (Sir)  
the son of Col. James Innes and — Maxwell; to Scots College, Douai, 27th June 1659; to Scots College, Madrid, at own request, 1st October 1664; ordained a priest in Madrid, 1673; returned to Scotland and worked there for twenty-five years (being once captured, but held only for a short time); became Baronet of Denoon and Balvenie; died, 26th February 1698.

34. THOMAS MAXWELL  
born in Nithsdale; to Scots College, Douai, 8th July 1662; to Scots College, Madrid, at his own request, 1st October 1664; joined army, 1671, and served in Ireland, France and Italy; fatally wounded, leading a cavalry brigade at the battle of Marsaglia, 1693.

35. JOHN STRACHAN  
the son of — Strachan and — Hay of Delgaty; to Scots College, Douai, 20th October 1662 (Grammar); to Scots College, Madrid, at his own request, 1st October 1664.

## 1665

- (35 a). ROBERT —, a student, left the College, 11th July 1665.

## James Anderson, Administrator/Rector, 1665-92

## 1669

36. JOHN FALCONER  
nephew of Fr. William Grant, former administrator of the College; from Douai to Madrid, 3rd October 1669, already a Jesuit novice.

37. GEORGE GORDON  
born c. 1654, the son of Adam Gordon of Artloch and Isabel Leslie, and a nephew of Fr. George Leslie of New Leslie; to Scots College, Douai, August / September 1669; to Scots College, Madrid, 3rd October 1669; returned to Douai, 23rd December 1673, and to Scotland, unordained, 20th June (?) 1674.  
(three brothers Jesuit priests: John, James, Peter).

38. JAMES SEMPLE  
born c. 1655, the son of Lord Semple; to Scots College, Douai, 29th April 1665 (Figures); to Scots College, Madrid, at his father's request, 3rd October 1669; died in Madrid.

## 1674

The three sons of the Danish Ambassador were at the College.

## 1677

- (38 a). JOHN REID  
though not a seminarian, sent by his father, John Reid of Barbados (and probably a cousin of Fr. Alexander Sinclair, student no. 20) to College; probably left in 1679.

## 1678

- (38 b). ALEXANDER BUCHAN  
probably not a student of College; born near Aberdeen, 1659; joined Society of Jesus at Madrid, 1678, and later was at Douai; as a priest, left Madrid for Scotland, 1694/95; a missionary in Scotland, c. 1698; died in Aberdeen, 15th August 1718.  
(Cf. Foley, *op. cit.*, VII, p. 100).



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39. GEORGE WOOD  
perhaps not a student of College; the son of George Wood; to Scots College, Douai, 10th December 1690; entered Society of Jesus, Madrid novitiate, and died therein.

**AFTER 1700**

40. ALEXANDER BURNETT  
perhaps not a student of College; born c. 1671, the son of the Protestant minister of Rayne; to Scots College, Douai, 1st October 1699, where completed Theology; entered Society of Jesus in Madrid. (A Fr. Burnett resided in the College, 1717-18).

**1710**

41. JAMES BELL  
perhaps not a student of College; born c. 1696; to Scots College, Douai, 6th November 1707; fled to Madrid, 6/8th February 1710; joined Augustinian Recollects in Madrid.
42. GEORGE SINCLAIR  
perhaps not a student of College; born c. 1697; to Scots College, Douai, 6th November 1707; fled to Madrid, 6/8th February 1710; joined Augustinian Recollects in Madrid.

**Thomas Fife, Rector, 1714-17****1715**

43. WILLIAM GORDON  
the son of Francis Gordon of Craig; to Scots College, Douai, May 1715; to Scots College, Madrid, 1715 (with nos. 44 and 45); joined Society of Jesus, Seville novitiate, c. October 1717.
44. JOHN IGNATIUS ODIE  
(or EDIE or ADE)  
born 1699; to Scots College, Douai, 13th May 1713; to Scots College, Madrid, 1715 (with nos. 43 and 45); joined Society of Jesus, Tarragona novitiate, c. October 1717;

studied Theology in Valencia and, by February 1726, ordained a priest; was in Aragón Province, 1732.

45. JOHN SETON  
born 9th November 1695, the son of Sir George Seton of Garleton and Jean Seton; to Scots College, Douai, 24th October 1708; to Scots College, Madrid, 1715 (with nos. 43 and 44); joined Society of Jesus, 20th September 1716; after simple vows, taught Humanities for three years at Villareal and studied Theology for four years at Alcalá; was a priest and resident in the College, 1723; went to Scotland as a missionary, July 1725; instructed and received into the Church George (later Bishop) Hay, 21st December 1748; died in Edinburgh, 16th July 1757.

46. ANDREW SETON  
born c. 1698, the younger brother of no. 45; to Scots College, Douai, July 1714; to Scots College, Madrid, 1715 (or 1718); joined army.

**1716**

47. JOHN (FRANCIS XAVIER) HUNTER (or CLARK)  
born in London, 1694; converted to Catholicism in Spain, c. 1716; a student in the College, 1st May 1716 until 25th April 1717; to English College, Madrid, then (11th May 1717) to Jesuit College, Ocaña, (where he caused a great deal of trouble) and finally (c. 20th October 1717) to English College, Valladolid, which he left, May 1718.  
(Cf. *The English College at Madrid*, pp. 162, 345-350; *Registers of the English College at Valladolid*, p. 182).

48. HUGH SEMPLE (or SEMPLI)  
born 1701, the son of Robert Semple of Glassford and Elizabeth Abercromby; to Scots College, Douai, December 1715; to Scots College, Madrid, between 1716 and 1718; joined Society of Jesus, at Villagarcía, autumn 1718; a priest of the English Province and minister of the English Province at

Watten (Flanders); left the Society of Jesus, 16th June 1730.  
(Cf. Foley, op. cit., VIII, p. 698).

49. **GEORGE SEMPLE** (or **SEMPIL**)  
brother of no. 48; to Scots College, Douai, December 1715; to Scots College, Madrid, between 1716 and 1718; joined Society of Jesus, at Madrid, 28th June 1718; left the Society, 1722.

**Kenneth (Francis Xavier) Strachan,  
Rector, 1717-21**

**1717**

50. **JOHN DUNBAR**  
a student in the Scots College, Madrid, November 1717 (or earlier) to December 1721 (or later); joined Society of Jesus, Madrid novitiate, 9th October 1722; was at Oropesa, 1726; was teaching in the College, 1730; went to Scotland (from Murcia), 1732, and perhaps missionary in Glengairn, 1732-34; was ill in Colegio Imperial, Madrid, c. 1750; probably still in Madrid, 1758.
51. **JOHN TROTTER**  
perhaps not a student of College; born in Edinburgh, 18th August 1701/04; joined Society of Jesus, Madrid, 19th September 1722; returned to Scotland, 29th May 1733, and was a priest at Aberdeen, 1740.  
(Is he to be identified with no. 50 ?).

**1718**

- (51 a). **JOHN KELLIE** (or **KELLEY**),  
son of Florence Kellie (or Kelley), was a fee-paying student of the College in 1718 and left, 7th September 1722.

**1720**

52. **JAMES MacDONALD**  
(or **MacDONEL**)  
to Scots College, Madrid, 19th June 1720; left, 5th April 1725, and went to Barcelona.

**1721**

53. **JOHN BAPTIST HIGGINS**  
(or **HEGGINS**)

son of John Higgins, an Irishman and Charles V's physician, and — , of Bayonne; to Scots College, Madrid, as fee-paying student, 23rd June 1721; left for Douai with Fr. Strachan (ex-rector), 23rd December 1724, and arrived at Scots College there, 16th March 1725; returned to Spain, c. 1728.

**William Clerk, Rector, 1721-26**

**1722**

54. **ROBERT BROWN**  
the son of Robert Brown of Millhead and Elizabeth Maxwell; to Scots College, Douai, 19th November 1721; to Scots College, Madrid, June 1722 (via Bilbao); returned to Scotland, unordained, 1724/25.
55. **JAMES COLGRAVE**  
the son of Sir George Colgrave; arrived at Scots College, Madrid, c. June 1722; left for La Flèche, France, 1st October 1727.
56. **WILLIAM LINDSAY**  
the son of Alexander Lindsay and — Herries; to Scots College, Douai, 19th November 1721; to Scots College, Madrid, June 1722; left for Cádiz, 1st October 1728, and returned to Scotland.
57. **ROBERT GRANT**  
the son of John Grant; to Scots College, Madrid, July 1722; although wanted to join Society of Jesus, left for Scotland in obedience to father's wishes, 6th April 1726.
58. **KENNETH McKENZIE**  
born 1714, the son of Hector and Jean McKenzie; to Scots College, Douai, 20th May 1722; left for Scots College, Madrid (via Bilbao), 21st July 1722; joined Society of Jesus, Madrid novitiate, 30th April 1724; from Murcia to Scots College, Madrid, as a brother, September 1729 and taught there; to Paris, 1732, where he was ordained a priest; to Scotland as a missionary, 1753, being in Strathglass, 1756-75, (and at Braemar, 1764); died at Aberdeen, 30th April 1775.

(Cf. Foley, op. cit., VII, p. 472: born 4th May 1704; to Edinburgh, 19th February 1737, then at Kirkconnel; died at Munches, 14th November 1744).

## 1723

- (58 a). JOHN O'BRYAN  
(or O'BRYEN)  
son of Da. Aleja Oconer (Alice O'Connor ?), a fee-paying student of the College; arrived, 18th October 1723, and left, 15th October 1724 (or later).

## 1724

59. LUDOVICUS DELVALL  
born c. 1708, the son of Ludovico Marchione; member of the Order of the Knights of Malta; to Scots College, Douai, 8th November 1722 (Rhetoric); to Scots College, Madrid, 1724; miraculously cured after prayer to St. Francis Xavier and so, in fulfilment of a vow, joined Society of Jesus; went to Paraguay.

60. ANDREW COLGRAVE  
born 1716/17, the younger brother of no. 55; arrived at Scots College, Madrid, 31st May 1724 (via San Sebastián and Valladolid); left, 10th August 1733.

## 1725

61. ROBERT HERRIES (or HARRIS)  
the son of John Herries of Auchencheen, near Moniaive in Galloway, and Elizabeth Gordon; to Scots College, Douai, 2nd October 1724; to Scots College, Madrid (via Cádiz), early 1725 (with no. 62); left, sometime after April 1725; practised medicine in Scotland.

62. ERNEST LESLIE  
born 5th February 1713, the son of Charles Leslie and Elizabeth Fordyce; to Scots College, Douai, 2nd October 1724; to Scots College, Madrid (via Cádiz), early 1725 (Humanities); left for Nancy, October 1728, and joined Society of Jesus, 28th November 1728; nominated rector of the Scots College, Madrid, 1734, but appointment cancelled; taught for many

years in France, author of poems in French and Fellow of Royal Academy of Sciences at Nancy (where he was living, 1767). (Cf. Foley, op. cit., VII, p. 453).

## 1726

63. JOSEPH DUGUID (DUGUD)  
born 6th January 1713, the son of Robert Duguid of Auchenhove and Teresa Leslie of Balquhain; to Scots College, Douai, 29th November 1723 (Grammar), one of four brothers there; to Scots College, Madrid, August 1726 (where completed Humanities); joined Society of Jesus in Rome, 1730/31 (or 20th January 1733), and studied Philosophy there; later, in Madrid again; returned to Douai, August 1735 or December 1736; arrived in Edinburgh, 20th June 1742, was professed there, 24th March 1747, and was working there, 1764; died in Edinburgh, 28th February 1775.

(Cf. Foley, op. cit., VII, p. 214; *The Innes Review*, vol. XV (1964), p. 141).

64. JAMES HAY  
to Scots College, Madrid, from Douai, August 1726 (with no. 63); joined Society of Jesus, c. September 1729; left Province of Toledo for Douai, December 1736.

During the rectorate of Fr. William Clerk, 1721-26, (and also later), several fee-paying Spanish boys were admitted to the College as students, including:

- (64 a). the two sons of the MARQUIS OF TRUJILLOS;
- (64 b). JUAN SEMINATI, son of Melchior Seminati;
- (64 c). JUAN ANTONIO ROMUALDO SARMIENTO, son of Josepha Sarmiento;
- (64 d). JAIME XAVIER ENCIARTE Y LOYOLA;
- (64 e). JOSEPH BARRENECHEA, son of Joachin Ignacio Barrenechea;
- (64 f). JOSEPH GABRIEL DE CHABARIA;

- (64 g). FRANCISCO IGNACIO DE ORANTIA Y CABRERA;
- (64 h). IGNACIO BUSTAMANTE;
- (64 i). JUAN LEANDRO DE ESCLAPES;
- (64 j). JOSEPH BRIZUELA;
- (64 k). BARTOLOME CORONA;
- (64 l). the two nephews of D. JUAN ITURALDI;
- (64 m). FERNANDO DE MADRID;
- (64 n). NICHOLAS QUERI;
- (64 o). LORENZO TABARES, son of the Marquis of Casatabares;
- (64 p). JUAN MENDEZ;
- (64 q). JUAN LEANDRO CARANZA;
- (64 r). JUAN FRANCISCO GARDI-COCHEA;
- (64 s). ANTONIO ARANA (who left after a week);
- (64 t). JOSEF GIRON, natural son of the Duke of Osuna;
- (64 u). ESTEVAN SALAVERI;
- (64 v). JOSEPH FLON;
- (64 w). PEDRO STUART, Marquis of San Leonardo and brother of the Duke of Berwick; whom John Geddes met in 1770.

**William MacGill, Rector, 1726-34**

**1727/28**

65. ALLAN MacDONALD ("Don Alano") perhaps not a student of College; born in Western Isles, c. 1696; at Scots College, Rome, 1715 to 1721; arrived in Madrid, 1727/28, and left for Douai, 1st July 1728; ordained a priest in Scotland between 1736 and 1743; accompanied Bonnie Prince Charlie while in Britain, 1745-46, as his confessor and as chaplain to Clanranald men; imprisoned on a ship in the Thames, then at Tilbury and in Southwark New Gaol, and later ban-

ished; was in Paris and, from 1747, in Rome; returned to Scotland, 1765/68, and worked in Traquair for a time; for last years of his life, lived in retirement in Edinburgh, where he died, 17th May 1781.

(Cf. *The Innes Review*, vol. XV (1964), p. 142; vol. XVII (1966), p. 140).

**c. 1730**

66. JAMES THOMSON  
born at Aberdeen, the son of Thomas Thomson and Lucy (or Louise) Shand; to Scots College, Douai, 10th September 1729; arrived at Scots College, Madrid, summer 1730; left Madrid, 11th October 1734; arrived at Scots College, Douai, 5th December 1734 (Poetry); after Philosophy, joined Society of Jesus and went to novitiate in Landberg (Bavaria ?), September 1738.
67. FLORENCE O'DONNOGHUE  
the son of Florence O'Donnoghue of Ireland and Anne Urquhart of Meldrum; arrived at Scots College, Madrid, c. November 1730; left Madrid, 11th October 1734; arrived at Scots College, Douai, 5th December 1734 (Poetry); after completing Logic, joined the army.
68. JAMES (EDWARD) DALZELL  
born c. 1717, the son of Colonel John Dalzell, brother of Lord Carnwath; to Scots College, Madrid (date of arrival unknown); left Madrid, 11th October 1734; arrived at Scots College, Douai, 5th December 1734 (Syntax); later, joined the army.
69. CHARLES FARQUHARSON  
born c. 1713, the son of Lewis Farquharson of Auchindryne, near Braemar, and Margaret Farquharson; a brother of Fr. John Farquharson, Jesuit; to Scots College, Madrid (date of arrival unknown); left Madrid, 11th October 1734; arrived at Scots College, Douai, 5th December 1734 (Poetry ?); after Philosophy, joined Society of Jesus and went to novitiate of Landberg (Bavaria ?), 23rd September 1738; went to Scotland as missionary,

1745, taken as prisoner to London, 1746, and banished to Holland; returned to Scotland, 1749, and was working in Glengairn, 1764; went to Braemar, 1781, and died there, at Arderg, 30th November 1799.

70. JOHN FRASER

the son of John Fraser of Strathglass and Margaret Fraser; to Scots College, Madrid (date of arrival unknown); left Madrid, 11th October 1734; arrived at Scots College, Douai, 5th December 1734 (Poetry); after Philosophy, joined Society of Jesus at Bordeaux, 1738; died at Parton (Galloway), 12th March 1797.

71. JOHN (JAMES ?) HERRIES (commonly GORDON)

born c. 1716, the son of John Herries of Auchenchreen, near Moniaive in Galloway, and Elizabeth Gordon; a brother of no. 61; to Scots College, Douai, 12th August 1731; to Scots College, Madrid (date of arrival unknown); after a short time, left Madrid, 11th October 1734; returned to Scots College, Douai, 5th December 1734 (Grammar); later, joined the army and became a lieutenant.

The foregoing Register (rectors, priests and students during the Madrid period) is based on the publication of the New Spalding Club, *Records of the Scots Colleges*, (Aberdeen, 1906) and especially on the Madrid and Douai sections.\*

\* In the administration book covering the period 1633-60 (College archives A/1), the

The many amendments and additions in the present Register, however, are derived mainly from the following sources:

- (a) Philip Flanagan, art. "List of Rectors or Administrators at Scots' College, Madrid", *The Innes Review*, IV (1953), pp. 117-118;
- (b) Appendix to *Scotchchronicon*, vol. III;
- (c) Sommervogel and Foley, *opera citata*;
- (d) *Annals of the Scots College from 1546 to 1697* (College archives 54/1; notes in Spanish in the writing of Alexander Cameron II, rector 1810-33);
- (e) scraps of information scattered through the various Account and Administration Books of the Madrid period and now forming part of the College archives.

Many of the biographical data are now unverifiable and their certainty cannot be guaranteed. This applies to some of the material in the foregoing Register, although statements that are improbable have been excluded or marked by signs of interrogation.

contents page (in Hugh Semple's hand) promises "Alumnorum nomina parentes et dies receptionis et studia: f. 241", but all of the folios after f. 194 are missing.

The data for the Madrid section of *Records of the Scots Colleges* were provided in 1905 by Rev. James Humble, then vice-rector of the college. He probably copied from the appendix to G. A. Griffin's manuscript *Historical Notice of the Scottish College at Madrid and Valladolid* (College archives 54/15, but at present in Columba House), the author of which may have had access to the missing folios, which are no doubt the original Madrid register, added to by Hugh Semple's successors.