

1st EARL OF LOVELACE.

WILLIAM KING-NOEL. (21-2-1805 - 29-12-1893)

Lord King from 1833-1838

Eldest son of Peter King, 7th Baron King and Lady Hester Fortescue.

Educated at Eton and Trinity College, Cambridge.

Entered diplomatic service and became secretary to Lord Nugent.

Succeeded to Barony in 1833 when father died.

In 1835 as Lord King married Augusta Ada Byron, daughter of Lord and Lady Byron.

Created Viscount Ockham and Earl of Lovelace in 1838.

Three children, Byron (b1836), Anne Isabella (b1837), Ralph Gordon (b1839)

Ada, Countess of Lovelace died in 1852.

2nd Wife - Jane Crawford Jenkins (widow)

Son = Lionel Fortescue (1865-1929)

On William's death in 1893 his three titles, Earl of Lovelace, Viscount Ockham and Baron King, passed to his second and eldest surviving son, Ralph (already 13th Baron Wentworth)

2nd EARL OF LOVELACE.

RALPH GORDON KING-MILBANKE. (2-7-1839 - 28-8-1906)

Second son of William King-Noel and Ada Lovelace.

During 1847/8 was a pupil at Wilhelm von Fellenberg's Pestalozzian School at Hofwyl near Bern.

Educated privately. Studied at University College, Oxford but did not graduate.

3rd Viscount Ockham (courtesy title of Earl Lovelace's heir apparent)

Assumed the surname of Milbanke by Royal Licence on 6-11-1861 (Lady Byron's maiden name)

Took little part in public life. Read widely. At age 22 spent a year in Iceland, a bold Alpine and Dolomite climber. Accomplished linguist. Interested in French, German and English literature combined with taste in music and painting.

Privately printed 'Astarte' to vindicate his grandmother, Lady Byron, from the aspersions made upon her regarding Lord Byron's relationship with his half-sister.

Married twice.

1st - Fanny (25-8-1869 - 1878) 3rd daughter of George Hurst, Vicar of St. Anne's Newcastle.

Daughter - Ada King-Milbanke - succeeded to her father's Barony of Wentworth.

2nd - Mary Caroline, eldest daughter of Rt. Hon James Stuart-Wortley.

No male issue.

Earldom of Lovelace devolved to his half-brother Lionel Fortescue King on his death.

3rd EARL OF LOVELACE.

LIONEL FORTESCUE (KING-NOEL) later KING, DSO. DL.

Born 16-11-1865. Died 5-10-1929 at Ben Damph House, Ross, Cromarty, Scotland.

Married on 29-4-1895 to Lady Edith Anson (d8-10-1932) 4th daughter of Thomas George Anson, 2nd Earl of Lichfield and Lady Harriett Georgiana Louisa Hamilton (1st daughter of James Hamilton 1st Duke of Abercorn)

In 1895, he received for himself only Royal Licence to use the additional surname and arms of Noel. Resumed by Royal Licence in 1908 the surname and arms of King only for himself and his children,

He served in the First World War as a Major in the Northumberland Fusiliers and as a staff-captain.

1 son and 3 daughters.

Hon, Peter Malcolm King inherited the title on his father's death.

4th EARL OF LOVELACE.

PETER MALCOLM KING. (30-3-1905 - 4-12-1964)

Married Doris Evison on 30-3-1939. Died 20-9-1940.

Baroness Lis Manon von Blixen-Finecke daughter of Axel Sigurd Transo of Copenhagen, Denmark. (Married 1950) Died 4-12-1964.

Mother of Hon. Peter Axel William Locke King.

Divided his time between Torridan and Africa from 1920. After World War II spent most of his time at Ben Damph House, Ross, Cromarty, Scotland.

5th EARL OF LOVELACE.

PETER AXEL WILLIAM LOCKE (KING). (26-11-1951 - 30-1-2018)

Married:-

1980 (divorced 1989) Kirsteen Oihrig Kennedy daughter of Calum Kennedy of Leethland House, Leethland, Co. Renfrew.

1994 Kathleen Anne Rose Smolders daughter of Lem Smolders of Langwarrin, Melbourne, Australia.

Died at Torridan House, Torridan, Ross-shire.

No Heir.

Upon his death without issue his titles :-

Earl of Lovelace, Viscount Ockham and Baron King of Ockham became extinct.

CREATION OF TITLES EARL AND COUNTESS OF LOVELACE.

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After a 20 year period Lady Byron renewed her acquaintance with her cousin, Prime Minister Lord Melbourne. The meeting took place at Windsor Castle in January 1836.

Two years later Lady Byron wanted to distinguish her daughter, Ada, from her odious mother-in-law. Lord William King was given the title Earl of Lovelace in Queen Victoria's Coronation Honors List.

The Lovelace title was chosen to mark the fact Ada was through the families of Byron, Milbanke, Noel and Lovelace, a descendant of the extinct Barons of Hurley.

The Barons of Hurley had become extinct in 1736 because the title had to pass through the male line. As a woman, Ada could not inherit in her own right. William being married to her could. Ada became Countess of Lovelace.