

**From the research notes of George Haggarty,
and generously shared by him with all who are interested in ceramics.**

CUSTOMS PORT RECORDS (Collectors' Accounts)

NRS- National Records Scotland

n.b. Scots Magazine c.1740 P.172. Regulations on American Trade 'all goods imported into our Plantations must be shipped from Gt. Britain, and in British Shipping - - etc.'

e.g., German Linens exported from Glasgow came from Bremen via Borrowstoness
Customs Port Glasgow NRS E504/28/3-4 Wide variety of goods exported 1746 **Pages 15- 18** included 4334 yards of 'stript' linen: cutlery ware: hats: thread: linen handkerchiefs: stockings: spades: lead shot: gunpowder: pewter: shoes wrought iron – 'all of British manufacture'

Customs Port Glasgow: NRS E504/28 Collector's Quarter Books

An account of all goods exported to and imported from Foreign Parts, of all goods Brought and Carried Coastwise liable to Duty, and of all money and interest received in Bonds.

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1748 a parcel of **Earthenware and glasses**

The first references to clay being transported from Carrick Fergus in Ireland to Glasgow for use in the newly constructed pottery was in the second half of 1748.

31st Aug. 1748: The Margaret Master Matthew Simson 10 tons Potters Clay: valued at £2.10 a ton

12th Sept. 1748: The 'Henry & David' Master John Watson, for John Watson: 12 tons Potters Clay: valued at 5/- a ton

24th Nov. 1748 for John Watson & Lawrence Dinwoodie: 10 tons Potters' Clay from Belfast valued at 5/- a ton

Aug to November 32 tons

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2nd Feb. 1749 In the 'Dreghorn', Master James Buchanan

300 lb Glassware & Earthenware

4TH March 1749 In the 'Binkhorst' from Rotterdam

2 casks containing 179lbs of Painters' colours

7th March 1749 In the 'Mattie'

12 Cwt Earthenware

12th March 1749 In the 'Duke of Cumberland'
6cwt of Delft Ware + 3cwt of Earthenware

March 14th, 1749 in the 'Bogle'
12 cwt Earthenware

POTTERS CLAY from Carrick Fergus to Glasgow in 1749

6th June 1749 In 'The Mary' Master Patrick Mitchell for Patrick Mitchell
7 tons Potters' Clay valued at 5/- a ton

21st June 1749 In the 'Christian' Master Alexr. Campbell
10 tons Potters' Clay from Carrick Fergus in Ireland, valued at 5/- a ton

21st June 1749 In the 'Jannet' Master Alexr. Ritchie
10 tons Potters' Clay valued at 5/- a ton

21st June 1749 In the 'Elizabeth' Master John Branchal
10 tons Potters' Clay from Carrick Fergus in Ireland, valued at 5/- a ton

2nd August 1749 In the 'Henry & David' Master John Watson, for John Watson
15 tons valued at 5/- a ton

25th Sept. 1749 In the 'Friendship' Master Samuel Montgomery, for Robert Finlay
15 tons valued at 5/- a ton

12th October 1749 In the 'Nancie' master Wm. Dunlop
16 tons valued at 5/- a ton

16th Oct. 1749 In the 'Nancy' Master John Sloan for Wm Dunmore
16 tons valued at 5/- a ton

12th Dec. 1749 In the 'Friendship' Master Wm. Dunlop
10 tons at 5/- a ton

6th June to 12th Dec 109 tons

Jan. 12th, 1750 in the 'Annabel'
459 dozen Delft Ware

March 12th, 1750 'shipped in the *George Montgomery*
6cwt of Delft ware, etc., and **3cwt of Earthenware**, all British manufacturing.
Merchts. George and Andrew Buchanan: James Montgomery: William Gordon

March 14th, 1750

60 Gross Tobacco pipes 'All British made' 2doz. Looking glasses; 60 gross clay pipes: all of British manufactory. Several shipments of Delft ware shipped: associated names – John and James Jamieson: John Semple: Robt. McNair: Alexr. Buchanan: William Gordon: Robert Dunlop: Robert Christie

10th July 1750 In the 'Pearl' for Virginia Master Thomas Frances
25 Gross Tobacco Pipes **4 cwt Delft Ware** 'All British manufacture' Merchts. Wm. King: John & James Jamieson: John Semple: Wm Gordon: Robt. McNair: Alex. Buchanan

27th July 1750 In the 'Gurzie' Master John Johnson for Virginia
21 Dozen pieces Delft Ware Merchts James Anderson: Wm. Dunlop: Alex. Buchanan

2nd August 1750 In the 'Gurzie' Master John Johnson, for Virginia

10 Dozen pieces Delft Ware All British Manufacture

4th August 1750 in the 'Gurzie' Master John Johnson for Virginia

27 Dozen pieces Delft Ware. All British Manufacture
Merchts. - Gabriel Halkie: James Anderson: Wm. Dunlop

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12th Sept. 1750 In the 'Argyle' Master Wm. Montgomery, for St. Christopher
12 cwt. Delft Ware. All British Manufacture
Merchts. -Wm. King: James Montgomerie: Wm. Gordon

7th December 1750 In the 'Diligence' Master Taylor Aitken, for Virginia?
604 dozen Delft ware. Mercht. William Gordon.

POTTERS CLAY imported from Carrick Fergus to Glasgow in 1750

28th March 1750 In the 'Christian of Islay' Master Alexr. Campbell for Alexr, Campbell
10 tons valued at £2.10 a ton

20th Sept. 1750 In the 'Christian' Frances Telford

12 tons valued at £3.00 a ton

1750 - 22 tons

19th January 1751 In the 'Kingston', Master Adam Chisholm, for St. Kitts.
5lbs Earthenware

23rd February In the 'Charming', Master John Douglas, for Virginia
150 dozen Earthenware.

4th March 1751 In the 'Amity', Master Robt. Shaw, for Boston
1,000 dozen Earthenware.
Merchts. John & Jas. Jamieson: Wm. Gordon: Alexr. Buchanan.

23rd. March 1751 in the 'Gurzie' Master Henry White for Virginia.

44 dozen Delft ware

Merchts. Wm. Dunlop: Wm. Gordon: Alexr. Buchanan: Jas. Anderson

20th April 1751 In the 'Jean & May' Master John Rodger, for Maryland.

162 dozen Earthenware.

Merchts, Robt. Thomas: Wm. Dunlop: James Montgomerie: Wm. King

4th August 1751 In the 'Cassandra' Master Alexr. Hutchison for Jamaica

574 dozen Delft ware

Merchts. Wm. Dunlop: Wm. Cochran.

2nd October 1751 In the 'Montrose' Master David Graham for Antigua

10 Dozen Delft ware (or 10 crates? Difficult to distinguish, but probably 'dozen')

Merchts. James Montgomerie: Alexr. Buchanan: Wm. Gordon

29th October 1751 In the 'Dunlop', Master David Alexander for S. Carolina

10 Dozen Earthenware

Merchts. Colin & Wm. Dunlop same date, 'duty paid at Borrowstoness for Colin Dunlop & Coy.'

POTTERS CLAY imported from Carrick Fergus to Glasgow (May to October 1751).

10 tons In the 'Elizabeth':

12 tons In the 'Ann' from Carrick Fergus:

10 tons In the 'Betty & May' from Carrick Fergus:

16 tons In the 'Endeavour':

20 tons In the 'Sally & Kelly'

20 tons In the 'Dove'

May to October 1751 88 tons

14th January 1752 In the 'Jenny' Master James Aitken, for Jamaica

670 dozen **Delft Ware** Merchts. Wm. Gordon: Thos. Wallace: John Rankin

26th February 1752 In the 'Boid' (Boyd?) Master John Douglas for Virginia

32 dozen **Delft ware** Merchts. James Main: David Cross: Alexr. Buchanan.

9th March 1752 In the 'Duke of Cumberland' Master James Dunlop

20 dozen **Earthenware** Merchts. Alexr. Buchanan: John Bamman: Alexr. Spiers: James Montgomerie: Wm. Gordon: Wm. King.

5th June 1752 in the 'Duke of Argyll' Master Wm. King for Virginia

Merchts. Patrick Mitchell: Wm. Gordon: Cathcart Dalrymple

7crates (casks?) **Delft ware**

3rd August 1752 in the 'Binning' Master Robt. Steel for Virginia

Merchts: Robt. Christie: Wm. Dunlop: Jas. Anderson: Alexr. Buchanan: James. Struthers

9 Looking Glasses: 37 dozen Earthenware

POTTERS CLAY imported from Carrick Fergus to Glasgow (May to October 1752)

In the 'Endeavour' 15 tons

In the 'Elizabeth' 6 tons (for Cathcart Dalrymple)

In the 'Charles' 10 tons (for Cathcart Dalrymple)

In the 'Isabel' 10 tons (for Cathcart Dalrymple)

In the 'Betty' 10 tons (for Cathcart Dalrymple)

In the 'Port Glasgow' 26 tons (for Cathcart Dalrymple)

In the 'Jennet' 25 tons (for Cathcart Dalrymple)

In the 'Endeavour' 20 tons (for Cathcart Dalrymple)

1952 May to Oct 117 tons

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15th November 1752 In the 'Duke of Cumberland', Master James Dunlop for Virginia

Burthen: 200 tons: no guns: navigated with 11 men and the Master.

141 dozen Delft ware Merchts. Wm. Mowatt: Wm. Gordon: Cathcart Dalrymple

11th January 1753 In the 'Argyle', Master Wm. Montgomery for Antigua

200 Dozen Delft Ware. Merchts Jas. Coulter: James Montgomery: Alexr. Buchanan: Wm. Gordon: Coulthart Dalrymple (On 10th Jan 1754, the entry - *The 'Argyle Wm. Montgomery: Burthen 100 tons: no guns: and navigated with 12 men and the Master*).

27th February 1753 In the 'Binning' for Virginia, Master Robt. Steel

40 dozen Delft ware Merchts David Dalryell: James Montgomery: Alexr. Buchanan: Wm. Gordon: Coulthart Dalrymple Andrew Buchanan

p89 18th April 1753 In the 'Girzie', Master Henry White, for Virginia

2850 pieces Delft ware British manufactory

Mchts. James & Wm. Dunlop: Thos Peter: John Guild

p93 19th May 1753, p93 In the 'Kennedy', Master James Walker, for Virginia

12000 pieces Earthenware All British

Mchts. Lawrence Dinwoodie: Will Laird: James.Walker

p124 20th July 1753, In the 'Duke of Argyle' Master Wm. King for Virginia

15 dozen Earthenware: Women's Stays, All British

Mchts. Robt. Christie: Wm. Dunlop: James Struthers: Alexr. Buchanan.

21st July 1753, p125 in the 'Duke of Argyle' Master Wm. King for Virginia

56 dozen pieces Earthenware

26th September 1753, p137 in the 'Susie' Master James King for Virginia

40 dozen Earthenware; 'a clock with the case' All British

22nd December 1753 p179 in the 'Kilmaurs' Master John Boyd for Jamaica

1200 lbs Delft ware: 6 guns (n. b. first guns seen shipped from Glasgow)

Mchts. Wiliam Gordon: Cathcart Dalrymple

POTTERS CLAY imported from Carrick Fergus to Glasgow in 1753

In the 'Jenny' 10 tons, Value 5/- ton for Cathcart Dalrymple (p.153 Aug?)

12th Nov. In the 'Nannie and Nellie' 15 tons for Cathcart Dalrymple (p.185)

5th Dec. in the 'Alexander' 21 tons for Cathcart Dalrymple (p.189)

46 tons

11th March 1754 p207 in the 'Girzie' Master John Hamilton for Virginia

100 pieces Glass and Delftware Mchts. Wm. Gordon: Alexr. Buchanan: Cathcart Dalrymple

16th March 1754 p208 in the 'Girzie' Master John Hamilton for Virginia

60 dozen Delft ware: 1580 lbs cutlery Mchts. James & Wm.Dunlop: Thomas Peter

18th March 1754 p209 in the 'Dennistoune' Master Pat. Carnegie for Virginia

20 lbs Stone ware: 24 doz dram bottles: 27 gross Tobacco pipes: 'out of the Elizabeth and Janet' from Bremen' Mchts. James Dennistoune: John Stevenson: Wm. Laird

2nd Sept.1754 p? In the 'Cassandra', Master Alexr. Hutchison for Philadelphia and Virginia

250 pieces Earthenware: all British. Mchts.James Hutchison: James Milliken

('Cassandra':British built: burthen 100tons: mounted with 5 guns: navigated with 14 men & master)

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POTTERS CLAY imported from Carrick Fergus to Glasgow in 1754

2nd Sept. 1754, p.280, 16 tons potters' clay in the 'Jenny' Master Charles McLean (for the Master)
16 tons

25th January 1755, p30, In the 'Dennistoune, Master Patrick Carnegie, for Cork and Barbados
4000 lbs Earthenware, British Mchts. John Stevenson: Patrick Murray: Jas Dennistoune: Wm. Laird

14th March 1755, p33. In the 'Girzie' Master Wm. Dunlop, for Virginia
20 dozen Earthenware: Smith's Anvil: British made

21st March 1755, p34. In the 'Girzie' Master Wm. Dunlop, for Virginia
450 lbs Delft ware: British made Mcht. Cathcart Dalrymple

11th June 1755, p55. In the 'Beaufort', Master Cathcart Kelburn, for St. Christopher
500 lbs. Delft ware. Mchts, Alex. Houston: Alex. Buchanan: Will. Laird.

19th August 1755, p72. In the 'Duke of Cumberland', Master, James Dunlop, for Virginia
40 dozen Earthenwares – all British 400 lbs Painters colours Mchts. Robt. Christie: Colin & Wm. Dunlop: George & Alexr. Buchanan

23rd Sept. 1755, p76. In the 'Industry' Master James Hall for Jamaica
1203 pieces Delft ware Mchts. David Nesbitt: James Struthers: Alexr' Buchanan: Cathcart Dalrymple: Robt. Allason

4th Oct.1755, p77. In the 'Kilmaurs', Master. Daniel Graham, for St. Kitts.
10 cwt. Delft ware. All British. Mchts. Alexr. Buchanan: James Walker: Wm. Laird: Patrick Murray

POTTERS CLAY imported from Carrick Fergus to Glasgow in 1755

16th Sept. In the 'Dumbarton' Master Jas. Cathcart, 15 tons for Robt. & John Allison

1st Oct. In the 'Mary' 20 tons for Robt Davidson, Master.

4th Oct. In the 'Port Glasgow Packet' 20 tons for John Jansen, Master.

13th Nov. In the 'Glasgow Packet' for the Master, John Jansen, 12 tons

Nov-Dec In the Mary, 12 tons, for Robt. & John Allison
79 tons

1st. January 1756, p114, In the 'Beaufort' Master Cathcart Callum, for St. Christopher,
680 lbs. Earthenware Mchts. Alexr. Oswald: Geo. Baird: Will Laird: Pat. Murray: Alexr. Buchanan

9th Jan 1756, p138. In the 'Cary', Master Robt. Brown, for Virginia
5 Cwt. Delft ware, all British Mchts. Hugh Brown: Robt. Gordon & coy.

24th Jan. 1756, p140. in the 'Cary', Master Robt. Brown, for Virginia
30 dozen pieces Delft ware, all British Mchts. Andrew Cochran: James Donald: Andrew Cochran

4th Feb.1756, p142. In the 'Port Glasgow' Master James Reid for Antigua
500 pieces Delft ware Mchts. Robt. Allason: Wm. King

26th Feb.1756, p146. In the 'Mary', Master Donald Hyndman for Boston.
50 Cwt. of Earthenware, all British.

1st July 1756, p186. In the 'Bedford', Master Robert Brown, for Virginia
84 lbs Earthenware, all British Mchts. James & Robt. Donald: Andrew Giels: James Milliken

8th July 1756, p206. In the 'Bedford', Master Robert Brown, for Virginia
700 lbs Earthenware, all British by Colin & Wm. Dunlop: Thos Wallace: George Kippen

1st Sept.1756, p211. In the 'Jean', Master, Robt. How for Maryland **420 lbs Earthenware**, British made. Mchts. John & James Jamieson: James Lawson: Wm. Gordon: Colin Dunlop

POTTERS CLAY imported from Carrick Fergus to Glasgow in 1756

1st. May In the 'Lily' from Newry, 18 tons by Robt. Gordon for Robt. Finlay

8th May In the 'Nanny & Nelly' 30 tons at 7/6 a ton by Robt. Gordon for Robt. Finlay

8th May In the 'Lily' from Newry, 2 tons at 7/6 a ton by Robt. Gordon for Robt. Finlay

10th Aug. In the 'Lily' from Newry 18 tons, 17cwt 16lbs by Wm. Gordon for Robt. Finlay

16th Sept. In the 'Clyde' 60 tons at 7/6 a ton by Wm. Gordon for Robt. Finlay

128 tons

Moved forward 20 years to April 1776 to January 1777

NRS E504/28/26: April 1776 to January 1777.

July 30th, 1777, p106. In the 'Clyde' for Jamaica, M. Walker Wright,
Mchts. Jas Johnston: Andrew Stirling: Robert McFarlane: John Clark: Robt. Douglas: Alexr.
McLachlan: Arch. Falconer. **170 dozen Pieces Stoneware**

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5th August 1777, p107. In the 'Clyde' for Jamaica, M. Walker Wright,
Mchts. John Campbell & Son: John Mc Caulay: John Campbell Jr.: David McInnes: Alex.
McLachlan: Robt. Douglas: Arch. Falconer.

700lbs. Stoneware

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19th Nov. 1777, p41. In the 'Jean' for Halifax, M. John Ritchie
Mchts: Robt. Douglas: Alex. McLachlan: Arch. Falconer.

1 Bale: 7 casks containing 1000 lbs Delft and Stone Ware

24th Dec. 1777, p45. In the 'Orangefield', M. Jas Farrie, for St. Augustine
Merchts.: Robert Findlay: James Wallace: Wm. Duguid: Andrew Stirling: Daniel McInnes:
Hastie Corbett: Alexr. McLachlan: Arch. Falconer

300 doz. pieces Earthenware: 21lbs Crown Glass:

1:2:1: Flint glass (*written above the numbers is, cut:qrs:gl*): 21:0:21 duty paid at Glasgow

16th March 1778, p94. In the 'Three Sisters', M. Robt. Brown, for New York

Merchts: Findlay & Ballantine: Robt. Douglas: Alex McLachlan: Arch Falconer: John Clark: Alex Creighton. 10 crates: 22 bales: 67 casks: 11 boxes, and loose containing **1064 doz. Pieces**

Earthenware (and other goods)

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21st Oct. 1778 p2. In the 'Recovery' M. Robt. McFarlane from Belfast

10 tons Flint stone at 5/- ton

3rd Dec. 1778 p26 In the 'Cassandra' M. Robt. Kinnier, for St. Kitts

Merchts John Austin: John Cunningham: Wm. Craig: John Clark:

500 lbs Earthenware

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Of interest.

22nd June 1779 p5. In the 'Friendship' from Belfast

5 tons flint stones

Of interest.

25th May 1779 p21. In the 'Eadem' for New York

Shipped by Robt. Dunmore: Jas King & Sons: John Smellie for the Carron Coy. Jas. King Sr.

50 Carronades: 18 Pounders: 1502 Shot: 18 Pounders:

90 Carronades: 12 Pounders: 2460 Shot: 12 Pounders, etc.

156 Carriages with their mountings: allowed to be exported only under strict security conditions

To sail with convoy.

7th October 1779 p61. In the 'Governor Dalling' M. Jas. Paterson for Jamaica

Merchts. Walter Monteith: Richd. Marshall: Jas. Young: Andrew Stirling: Robt. Douglas:

Alex. McLachlan: Archibald Falconer.

200 doz. Pieces Earthen ware:

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14th October 1781 In the 'Nelly' (see p49 M. James Noble for Jamaica)

Merchts: ?: Robt. Dunmore: Thos. Crawford: Jas. King Sr.: John Smellie: David Kessock: Wm.

Fleming: Robt. Gregory 180 doz. Pieces Earthenware

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11th October 1781 p34 In the 'Betsy' M. Robert Douglas for Antigua

Merchts: John Mason: Charles Kemp: Robt. Barbour: Alex. McLachlan: Archd. Falconer

30 dozen pieces Delftware

21st March 1782 p93 In the 'Governor Dalling' M. Benjamin Moore for Jamaica

Merchts: Archibald Falconer & Br.

80 dozen pieces Delft and Stoneware

Start at **NRS E504/28/34**

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E/504/15/29 The first half of this volume (pp.1-59) is severely water damaged, with at least 50% illegible; but read as far as possible.

17th March 1778 p51. In the Elizabeth(?) M. Jas. Scott for Jamaica
Earthen ware (Quantity illegible)

19th March 1778 p51. In the (?) M. David Johnson for Quebec
Herchts. Wilson & Son: James Millar: Alex. Taylor
? (quantity illegible) Pounds Delft ware British Manufacture.

4th May 1778 p86 In the 'Glasgow' M. John Harrison for St. Augustine
Merchts. John Buchanan Sr.: Ninian Spence: Angus Muar
130 lbs Earthenware

1st June 1778 p89 86lbs Snuff manufactured by David Black – for Newfoundland.
Refined sugar Manufactured at Leith by John Jamieson, one of the partners in Leith Sugar House

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23rd November 1778 p93 In the 'Jenny' m. Wm. Steel for Antigua.
Merchts. Robt. & Wm. Ewing: Gavin Alston: Danl. McKellar: John Clark Alexr. Crichton.
400 lbs Delft Ware

Nov. 30th, 1778 p96 In the 'Mary' M. Wm. Wilkinshaw for Jamaica
Merchts. James Somerville: Gavin Alstom: Alexr. & John Gordon & others
50 lbs Earthenware.

7th Dec. 1778 p99 In the 'Nancy' M. John Steel for Jamaica
Merchts. James Somerville: Gavin Alstom: Alexr. & John Gordon
10 lbs Earthenware.

22nd February 1779 p152 in the 'Aurora' M. John Johnson for Montreal
Merchts. James Wilson & Sons: Wm. Duguid: James Miller: Alex. McFarlane: Wm. Drummond
500 lbs Earthenware

p154. 2 rolls **cast lead** weighing 9:2:23

6th March 1779 In the 'Nancy' of Greenock M. David Hunter for Quebec
Merchts Cuthbertson & Sym: James Miller: Alexr, McFarlane Wm. Drummond
600lbs of Delft Ware

From "The Caledonian Mercury" 16th January 1760 (Not published in 'Delftfield, a Glasgow Pottery 1748-1823)

**“THE PROPRIETORS of the DELFT
MANUFACTURE at GLASGOW, have**

The satisfaction to inform the publick, that by a new composition lately discovered by them, they now make their ware more strong and durable than what can be had any where else, and so as to stand boiling water. As this delft ware is now made equally strong, with Staffordshire stone-ware, exceeds it in beauty, turns out much cheaper, and is as low in price as any in England, it is hoped all encouragement will be given them. They have established this manufactory with a great deal of trouble and charge, in all its branches and articles, Viz. Dishes, plates, and bowls of all sorts and sizes, drinking mugs, tea ware of all kinds, turins, bottles, and balons, water pots, marmalades, apothecary and jelly pots, chimney tiles, and a great variety of toys &c,

All orders shall be carefully observed, and may be directed to William Martin, clerk to the delft company: to whom also, those who are owing are desired to make payment.

DR. POCOCKE M.A., L.L.B., L.L.D.

He had traveled on the Continent, Egypt, and the East: he was Domestic Chaplain to Lord Lieutenant of Ireland; Archdeacon of Dublin in 1745. He supposedly was given the Freedom of Glasgow on his 1747 tour however no record exists; He died in 1765.

Although Pococke visited Scotland in 1747, 1759: and in 1760, only his last visit gives information relevant to the Scottish pottery industry. Visiting Glasgow as Bishop of Ossory, he wrote “This city has above all others felt the advantages of the Union, by the West Indies trade they enjoy, which is very great, especially in tobacco, indigoes, and sugar. The first is a great trade in time of war, as they send the tobacco by land to the Port of the Frith of Forth almost as far as Hopton (Bo’ness?), and supply France. They have Sugar houses, and make what is called Scotch Indigo, which is compounded with starch as to make a very faint light blue. In order to carry on this trade properly, they have gone into a great variety of manufactures, and have sortments of goods to be exported, as all the Inkle, small wares, Linnens of all kinds, small ironwares, glass bottles, and Earthenwares, which latter they make in great perfection. Many considerable estates have been made here, especially by those who have gone to the West Indies, many of whom have returned and purchased in Clydesdale”