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CHAPTER I.

SIR GEORGE LESLIE,

FIRST DOMINUS OF ROTHES.

*Sir George
Leslie, First
of Rothés.*

ON the death of David de Leslie, IX. Dominus Ejusdem, and the last Dynasta de Leslie, without male issue in 1439, the extensive possessions of the original male stock of the Leslies were divided. David de Leslie, IX. Dominus Ejusdem, left to his daughter Margaret the barony of Leslie in the Garioch, and she having married Alexander Leslie, son of Sir Andrew Leslie, third Baron of Balquhain, their progeny became Leslies of Leslie, or of that ilk; while the estates of Ballinbreich and others went, agreeably to the family settlements, to a branch of the Leslie family which was afterwards raised to the dignity of Earls of Rothés.

1439.

It has been already shown, in the records of Andrew Leslie, VIII. Dominus Ejusdem, by charters and other documents, that in the year 1390 this Andrew Leslie, VIII. Dominus Ejusdem, had resigned a part of his estates to his son

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*Sir George
Leslie, First
of Rother.*

1390.

Norman, who had an only son David, who had gone abroad to the holy wars; and who, having been absent for several years without having been heard of, was supposed to be dead. In consequence of the supposed death of his son David, Norman Leslie entailed the estates which his father had resigned to him on his own heirs-male, and failing them, on Sir George Leslie, whom he styles his consanguineus or cousin. Norman Leslie afterwards got a charter from King Robert III., dated at Scone, 18th August 1390, confirming to him, Norman de Leslie, son and heir of Andrew de Leslie, Dominus Ejusdem, the barony of Ballinbreich, in Fife; the barony of Lour and Dunlopy, in Forfarshire; the lands of Cushny and Rothynorman, in Aberdeenshire; proceeding upon the said Norman's own resignation in the hands of the deceased King Robert II. in the last council held by him at Linlithgow, in 1389; the said baronies and lands to be holden by the said Norman de Leslie and the heirs-male of his body lawfully begotten; whom failing, by Sir George de Leslie, knight, and the heirs-male of his body; whom failing, by the legitimate heirs whomsoever of the said Norman de Leslie, in fee and heritage—reserving, nevertheless, to the said Andrew de Leslie, the said Norman's father, the free tenement and liferent of the whole foresaid baronies and lands, during all the days of his life.

*See App.
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Norman de Leslie died soon after this transac-