## Chapter 2.24

## JOHN AND ELIZABETH GRAHAM

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**	MARINER'S REGISTER TICKET	
**	Issued pursuant to the Act of 7th & 8th of Victoria, Cap. 112.	N.
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*	Marks on Person	
*	Bearer's Signature John Graham	
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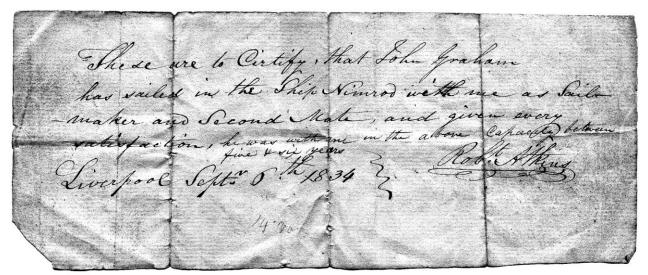
## 1807 - 1867

**John Graham's Mariner's Register ticket.** This ticket. issued at Liverpool in 1844, it shows John to be qualified as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Mate. This would be his position in the hierarchy of a ship's company, although his trade was a sailmaker.

## Chapter 2.24. John and Elizabeth Graham

John Graham was born in Glasgow on 24 February 1807 the eldest son of William and Janet Graham. He was the second child of a family of nine children - seven sisters and one younger brother. He became a mariner, being a sailmaker in a number of ships whose names we know from testimonials he received, presumably at the ends of his voyages, to help him find another ship to employ him. Sailmaker was a skilled job in the tall ships era, carrying with it the status of a ship's officer such as third mate or second mate, but did not lead to the position of master where different skills were required. Whether John ever served in any of the ships of Semple and Co. we do not know, but even if he did the connection between the Semples and the Goffeys was not in existence at the time. The possibility that he served on any of the J.and W. Goffey ships can be discounted as he would have been too old, in fact when Mary Graham married Alfred Goffey in 1870 there was already a presumption that John and Elizabeth were both dead (see Chapter 2.22).

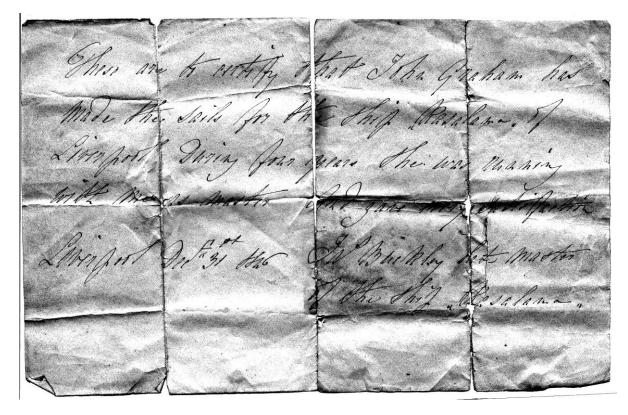
The 25-year old John married Elizabeth Irvine in Liverpool on 25 May 1832 and thereafter made his home in Liverpool.



Testimonial from Captain Robert Atkins of the ship Nimrod, dated Liverpool 1834.

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Testimonial from Captain Matison of the ship Helen, dated 1835.



Testimonial from Captain Brinkly of the ship Rasalama, dated Liverpool, 1846(?).

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Testimonial for nearly ten years' service, from an unidentified shipowner, dated Liverpool 1847.

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Advice Note for furniture which John Graham shipped from Leith (Edinburgh) to Liverpool in 1850.