

My dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your letter of the 30 May. I never heard of the Prince Scanderbeg mentioned by you in your last article in the Freeman's Magazine. An ancestor of mine the Despot Theodorus Rhodocanakis married in the year 1443, Anna, daughter of Michael Spanus Duke of Drivasta in Albania, and of Agnes his first wife, daughter of Georgiy Lord of Pologum, a town situated in the frontier of Macedonia and Bulgaria, and sister of Voison, the wife of Rannoy Castrioty Prince of Aemathia, Cassovia &c whose son is the celebrated Georgiy Castrioty surnamed by the Sultan Amurat, Scanderbeg, first King of Epirus and Albania. — If the Prince Scanderbeg who was three years ago in England was the son of Georgiy, named Rannoy, who transferred his right on the throne of his father, then possessed by the Turks, to Ferdinand King of Naples, and in return was created Duke of S. Peter in Salentina, in the Kingdom of Naples, or not, I am unable to say. — If you were informed of his parentage then I can do so most easily. — The arms of the great Agnoria of Georgiy Castrioty Scanderbeg were a Or an eagle with its wings displayed, on a red and numbered Sable. — I have not the advantage to know personally Sir Patrick de Colquhoun. — I think you very much may that he is an superior man. — I thank you very much to send me a copy of your book on the order of the Temple and will do so. — Believe me to remain with much esteem & regard

Yours most faithfully
Rhodocanakis

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