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unveiled a plaque commemorating Scottish railway pioneer, John Miller, at Haymarket station on the 26th July to mark the bicentenary of his birth.

Miller engineered most of Scotland's early main lines, including the first cross-border line and the Edinburgh – Glasgow line for which Haymarket was the capital's terminus. Ms Boyack proposed a parliamentary motion congratulating Professor Roland Paxton of Herriot-Watt University on his efforts to secure the recognition Miller deserves as one of the outstanding British railway engineers.

Professor Paxton has published an appreciation of Miller based on extensive research into his career. He credits Miller with being one of the engineering greats, comparable in his achievements with the Stephensons and Brunel. Miller was welcomed into the Institution of Civil Engineers by Telford in 1832 and was its longest serving member on his death in 1883.

Members of Miller's family attended the event, including his great-great grand-daughter Paula Clarke. The commemoration was supported by John Yellowlees and staff at First Scotrail, and Duncan Sooman and Bob Gardiner of Network Rail.



Sarah Boyack (r) Clarke family & Prof Paxton © Dr S. Arthur

### Plaque Honours Rail Pioneer

Sarah Boyack, MSP, former Minister for Transport,