

ARNOT

OF KILQUHISS, NEWTON AND FERNIE

ROBERT ARNOT OF KILQUHISS & FERNIE, was, apparently, a younger son of Robert Arnot, 2nd of Woodmiln. He obtained the lands of Kilquhis by 1585 and those of Newton of Falkland on 22 November, 1591, and served as one of the bailies of the Royal lands of Falkland. He *m.* Margaret, daughter of John Averie, Bailie of Falkland, and was father of,

1. Robert Arnot, *m.* in 1606, Margaret, daughter and heiress of Balfour of Burleigh and as a consequence of which he assumed the name and arms of Balfour of Burleigh. They had issue. (*see Balfour of Burleigh*).
2. Sir James Arnot, 2nd of Fernie, (*see below*).
3. Barbara Arnot, *m.* Patrick Seaton of Lathrisk, (*c/m* 23 May, 1598¹), and had issue.
4. Helen Arnot, *m.* John Bonar of Lumquhat, (he survived her and *m.* secondly, in about 1610, to Christine, daughter of Sir James Melville, 1st of Halhill, by whom he had issue), and had issue.

SIR JAMES ARNOT, 2ND OF FERNIE, his elder brother Robert succeeding to the lands of Burleigh, his father made a resignation to him on 22 November 1616, of the lands of West Fernie with the mill, manor and fortalice thereof, which was confirmed under the Great Seal on 9 January 1617.² He *d.* between 16 August, 1654, and 14 May 1658, having *m.*, firstly, Helen, daughter of Robert Richardson of Barnsmuir, (*c/m* 9 & 11 November 1619³), by whom he was father of :

1. Sir Robert Arnot, *bap.* at Anstruther Wester on 20 December 1620, and is styled as eldest son when named with his father in a charter for the lands of Innergeldie in favour of Sir James

¹ RMS 1593-1608. No. 895

² RMS 1608-1620. No. 1562

³ RMS 1620-1633. No. 663

Lumsden on 12 December 1642.¹ He *dsp* by 6 May 1647, with his nephew, James Arnot, being served his heir general on 11 October 1679.²

He *m.* secondly, Ann, daughter of Sir George Bruce of Carnock, (*c/m* April of 1641. She *d.* within a year of marriage), and was father of :

2. James Arnot, 3rd of Fernie, (*see below*).

3. William Arnot, served as a Major in the army and was appointed Mustermaster of all forces in Scotland. He had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Capildra which he had appraised from Andrew Arnot of Capildra on 27 July, 1666, and is then styled as brother german to James Arnot of Fernie. He *m.* Margaret Wood, *d.* in December of 1676³ and was father of :

3a) John Arnot, *b.* on 11 and *bap.* at Kinglassie on 12 January, 1670.

3a) Jean Arnot, *bap.* at Kinglassie in November of 1667 with one of the witnesses being “his [Major William Arnot’s] elder brother the Laird of Fernie.”

3a) Isobel Arnot, *bap.* at Kinglassie on 23 October, 1668.

3a) Margaret Arnot,

4. Mungo Arnot,

5. George Arnot of Grange, served as a Major in the army. He *m.* Susanna Leslie, obtained the lands of Grange and was father of :

5a) Anna Arnot, *bap.* at Edinburgh on 21 May, 1665.

6. Margaret Arnot, *m.* Sir Robert Balfour, 1st Baronet of Denmiln, and had issue.

JAMES ARNOT, 3RD OF FERNIE, styled as heir to his father when they granted a disposition for the lands of Blair to John Spense on 6 May 1647,⁴ and to whom he was retoured heir to his father on 22 December, 1668. His estate had become so burdened during the lifetime of his father that he had the lands of Fernie appraised by George Lord Melville, by decree dated 5 July 1670. He *m.* his cousin Jean, daughter of Robert, Lord Balfour of Burleigh, and was father of :

¹ RMS 1634-1651. No. 1266

² Retours. Gen. 6157.

³ St Andrews Tests.

⁴ RMS 1634-1651. No. 1774

1. James Arnot, was served heir general to his uncle, Sir Robert Arnot, on 11 October 1679, and is then styled as "in Fernie."¹
2. Charles Arnot, *bap.* at Monimaill on 5 February, 1662.
3. Barbara Arnot, *bap.* at Monimaill on 3 August, 1660.
4. Margaret Arnot, *bap.* at Monimaill on 24 February 1669.

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