

BALFOUR

OF DOVAN

PETER BALFOUR OF DOVAN, of uncertain ancestry, *m.* in around 1385, Anna, daughter of Thomas Sibbald of Balgony, with whom he acquired the lands of Dovan as a marriage portion. From him descended :

1. **ANDREW BALFOUR OF DOVAN**, succeeded to the lands of Dovan and was acting as a sheriff depute of Fife by 18 February 1484, when he was called before the Lords Auditors to answer a charge by James Bonar for uplifting certain goods.¹ He was father of :
 - 1a) John Balfour, a Chaplain by 12 April, 1482, when he was witness to a charter by his father to David Balfour for the lands of Pitcullo.²
 - 1a) David Balfour of Pitcullo, (*see Balfour of Pitcullo*).
2. Thomas Balfour of Dovan, (*see below*).

THOMAS BALFOUR OF DOVAN, witness to a charter by his brother Andrew Balfour of Dovane, for the third-part of the lands of Pitcullo to his son David on 12 April, 1482,³ and whom he succeeded in the lands of Dovan by 2 May, 1511, when he was witness to a charter by Andrew Moncur of that ilk. He was father of :

1. John Balfour of Dovan, (*see below*).
2. David Balfour of Lathen, to whom his father conveyed the lands of Lathen in 1499. (*see Balfour of Balbirnie*).

JOHN BALFOUR OF DOVAN, succeeded his father by 6 July, 1513, when he was witness to a charter by John Ramsay of Downfield to George Airth of Smeaton for the lands of

¹ PA2/4/f.38r

² RMS 1424-1513. No. 1652

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Downfield.¹ He *m.* Isabel, daughter of John, Lord Lindsay of the Byres, and was father of
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1. David Balfour of Dovan, (*see below*).
2. Robert Balfour, was a Chaplain by 6 July, 1513, when he was witness with his father to a charter by John Ramsay of Downfield to George Airth of Smeaton.

DAVID BALFOUR OF DOVAN, succeeded and had his lands of Dovan temporarily appraised by David Balfour of Balledmond for debts due on 1 May, 1567.² He was father of :

ROBERT BALFOUR OF DOVAN, *m.* Janet Pitcairn and *d.* prior to January of 1607. He was father of :

1. **PATRICK BALFOUR OF DOVAN**, succeeded his father and *dsp* prior to 31 May 1598.
2. John Balfour of Dovan, (*see below*).

JOHN BALFOUR OF DOVAN, succeeded his brother, Patrick, in the lands of Dovan and was served heir to him on 31 May, 1598,³ and to his mother, Janet Pitcairn, in the lands of Wester and Easter Dovan on 14 August, 1605.⁴ He disposed these lands to Sir George Boswell in 1607.

¹ RMS 1424-1513. No. 386

² GD26/1/2

³ Retours. Gen. No. 11.

⁴ Retours. Fife. No. 160.