

BARCLAY

OF KIPPO, ARNGASK AND BALVAIRD

By a confirmation in 1507 by Margaret Barclay, heiress of the lands of Balvaird, Kippo and Arngask, of previous grants made by her predecessors to the Abbey of Cambuskenneth it is known that the Barclays obtained these lands by right of succession and inheritance although the details of this are now lost. The first for whom there is evidence is :

DUNCAN, LORD OF FOURGY, who is styled as patron of the church of Arngask, and deceased in a charter by Randolph, rector of the church of Arngask, dated in March of 1282.¹ To him succeeded :

GILBERT, LORD OF FOURGY, no doubt son of the previous, who as “Gilbertus, Dominus de Fourgy” made a donation to the Abbey of Cambuskenneth from the lands of Ledereth, lying within the bounds of his lands of Arngask, which was confirmed in 1281.² He was succeeded by :

HENRY DE FRESLAY, LORD OF FOURGY, succeeded the former and confirmed the grants made by his predecessors to Cambuskenneth on 6 August, 1295.³ He appears to have been father of :

1. Sir William de Freslay, (*see below*).
2. A daughter and heiress, *m.* apparently, to Sir Richard de Barclay, and had issue.

SIR WILLIAM DE FRESLAY, LORD OF FOURGY, granted charters to the Abbey of Cambuskenneth one of which being the mill on the lands of Arngask was confirmed by

¹ Cart. Cambuskenneth.

² Cart. Cambuskenneth.

³ Cart. Cambuskenneth.

King Robert I. on 10 June, 1324x26.¹ He had a grant of the lands of Kilgospertie from Marion de Kilgospertie which was confirmed by Duncan, Earl of Fife, in 1330.² That Margaret Barclay in her confirmation of all the grants of her predecessors to the Abbey of Cambuskenneth on 2 December, 1513, states that she is the heir of Henry de Freslay, Lord of Fourgy, which would suggest that Sir William de Frasley had *d.* without issue.

SIR WALTER BARCLAY OF KIPPO, *m.* Margaret Lindsay and *d.* prior to 1285. He was father of :

WALTER BARCLAY OF KIPPO, who, in 1285, was infeft in the fee of the lands of Auldmuir with his mother in the liferent by John, Prior of St. Andrews, and is then styled as son of the deceased Sir Walter Barclay of Kippo. He was father of :

SIR RICHARD DE BARCLAY OF KIPPO, who, apparently, *m.* the daughter and heiress of Henry de Freslay, Lord of Fourgy, and was father of,

SIR HUGH BARCLAY OF KIPPO, who disposed his lands of Easterfossache, in the abthanery of Dull, to Donald McNair on 14 October, 1335.³ He had an undertaking from Robert, Earl of Fife and Menteith, to assist him to recover the lands of Veen and Catterhill, in 1385, and had a charter for the lands and barony of Arngask in 1389.⁴ He was father of :

1. John Barclay of Kippo, (*see below*).
2. James Barclay, entered into a contract of wadset with Sir John Drummond of Cargill for the lands of Binn and Catohill on 16 February, 1423, in which he is styled as brother to John Barclay of Kippo.⁵

¹ Cart. Cambuskenneth.

² NLSA8468/

³ RMS David II.

⁴ GD190/3/48

⁵ Acta. Dom. Con.

JOHN BARCLAY OF KIPPO, had a charter under the Great Seal of King King Robert III. for the lands of Kippo and Arngask in around 1400,¹ and was witness to a charter by Norman Leslie of Rothes to David de Gardin for the lands of Lunlethan, in the sheriffdom of Forfar, which was confirmed under the Great Seal on 30 January, 1430/1.² He was father of :

JAMES BARLCAY OF KIPPO, succeeded his father by 3 July, 1450, when he granted a charter for the lands of Mureton, in the parish of Leuchars, to Thomas Ramsay, Canon of Dunkeld.³ He *m.* Agnes, daughter of David Boswell of Craigincatt, *d.* in about 1477 and was father of :

JAMES BARCLAY OF KIPPO, succeeded his father and had Sasine for the lands of Forgey and Condland in 1477.⁴ He initially had Sir John Lundy of that Ilk appointed as his curator although this was changed to Andrew Murray, Sir William Murray of Tulliebardine, Robert Douglas of Lochleven and John Murray, on 20 May, 1488. He *d.* in about 1499 and was either father or, more probably, brother of :

MARGARET BARCLAY, HEIRESS OF BALVAIRD AND KIPPO, succeeded and had Sasine for the lands of Kippo, Arngask and Gosperty in 1499.⁵ She *m.* prior to 3 February, 1499, Sir Andrew Murray and had issue.

¹ RMS Vol. I. App. II. No. 177

² RMS 1424-1513. No. 18

³ RMS 1424-1513. No. 40

⁴ Ex. Rolls. Vol. IX. P. 678.

⁵ Ex. Rolls. Vol. XI. P. 462.