

BARCLAY

OF TOUCH

ROBERT BARCLAY OF TOUCH, was a younger son of William Barclay of Kilmarone and Collernie. He acquired the lands of Touch from his father and was father of :

DAVID BARCLAY OF TOUCH, had a charter from John Spittall of Kynmont for the lands of Crambeth and Cleish in around 1415, in which he is styled as son of Barclay of Touch.¹ He was father of :

1. David Barclay of Touch, (*see below*).
2. David Barclay, *secundus*, witness with his brother David Barclay of Touch to a charter by David Barclay of Collernie, dated 27 August, 1481.

DAVID BARCLAY OF TOUCH, succeeded to the lands of Touch for which he had Sasine in 1460,² and was witness to a charter by David Barclay of Collernie to John Blackburn, Burgess of Inverkeithing, for an annualrent to be uplifted from the lands of Otterston, on 27 August, 1481. He was father of :

DAVID BARCLAY OF TOUCH, witness to a charters by Sir William Scott of Balweary, to John Ferguson in Dunfallandy, for the lands of Douny, in the Sheriffdom of Perth, on 5 May, 1510, and by Sir David Wemyss of that Ilk, to his son and heir David Wemyss and Katherine Sinclair, his spouse, for the lands of Dron on 22 August, 1512, and by Sir William Scott of Balweary to Mr. David Spens, Rector of Flisk, for the lands of Mareton, on 10 April, 1513. He was witness to a charter by Andrew Oliphant of Berriedale dated 30 March, 1526, and *d.* by 4 March, 1528. He was father of :

¹ RMS 1306-1424. App II. No. 197

² Ex. Rolls. Vol. IX. P. 667.

WILLIAM BARCLAY OF TOUCH, succeeded his father by 4 March, 1528, when he was witness to a charter in favour of Sir William Scott, eldest son and heir of Sir William Scott of Balweary, and had his goods escheated and gifted to David Bonar in May of 1529 for the murder of John Wallynch.¹ He was respited on 28 June, 1529, for having kept the company of Archibald Douglas, Earl of Angus, was witness to a charter by John Leslie of Inverdovat to Patrick Sydsersf of that Ilk, dated 28 October, 1541, and *m.* Margaret Barclay. He was father of :

JOHN BARCLAY OF TOUCH, had a charter to himself and to Joanne Barclay, his spouse, for the lands of Bogy-Wester confirmed under the Great Seal on 18 November, 1569, and in which he is styled as son and apparent heir of William Barclay of Touch.² He *m.* to the said Joanne Barclay, *d.* by November of 1606 and was father of :

1. David Barclay of Touch, (*see below*).
2. Alexander Barclay, who, as son of the "Laird of Touch" was witness to a Bond of Caution dated 4 December, 1599.³

DAVID BARCLAY OF TOUCH, had a gift under the Privy Seal of the non-entries of the lands of Touch which had belonged to John Barclay, his father, William Barclay, his grandfather, and David Barclay, his great-grandfather on 3 April, 1567,⁴ and had a charter for the lands of Touch-Easter, in the constabulary of Kinghorn, upon his parents resignation on 15 July, 1600.⁵ He led a religious life and was appointed Minister at Maybole in which charge he continued to his death which occurred prior to August of 1653. He *m.* firstly, to Alison, daughter of Sir John Melville of Rait, and was father of :

1. Janet Barclay,
2. Elizabeth Barclay,

¹ RPS Vol. I. No. 11

² RMS 1546-1580. No. 189

³ Reg. Privy Council, 1599.

⁴ RPS Vol. V. No. 340

⁵ RMS 1593-1608. No. 105

3. Margaret Barclay, who, with her sisters Janet and Elizabeth are styled as daughters of David Barclay of Touch by the deceased Alison Melville in a Decree of Reduction by James Melville of Feddinch and John Wemyss of Craigton dated 16 March, 1615.

He *m.* secondly, Isobell Morris whom he infert in a liferent of the lands of Touch on 24 November, 1606,¹ and by her he was father of :

4. David Barclay of Touch, (*see below*).

He *m.* thirdly, Margaret Lindsay and was father of :

5. Robert Barclay, who was father of :

5a) James Barclay, was retoured heir to his father Robert Barclay, son of Mr David Barclay of Easter Touch, on 20 September, 1682.²

MR. DAVID BARCLAY OF TOUCH, succeeded his father and was served his heir in the lands of Touch-Easter on 9 August 1653.³ He *d.* prior to August of 1656 having *m.* firstly, at Kirkcaldy on 26 August, 1642, to Marie Barclay⁴ by whom he was father of :

1. David Barclay of Touch, (*see below*).

2. Isobel Barclay, *bap.* at Dunfermline on 15 November, 1643.

3. Marie Barclay, *bap.* at Dunfermline on 4 December, 1644.

He *m.* secondly, to Ann Hamilton, (she survived him and *m.* secondly, by *c/m* dated 22 August 1656, to Mr. George Dischington, Minister at Cults⁵), and had further issue :

4. James Barclay, *bap.* at Kirkcaldy on 4 March, 1653.

5. John Barclay, *bap.* at Kirkcaldy on 12 January, 1655, and became a Surgeon in London.

¹ RMS 1609-1620. No. 134

² Retours. Gen. No. 6412.

³ Retours. Fife. No. 818.

⁴ OPR – Kirkcaldy.

⁵ CS229/E/2/3

DAVID BARCLAY OF TOUCH, succeeded and was served heir to his father in the lands of Touch-Easter on 6 March, 1666.¹ He was father of :

1. David Barclay of Touch, (*see below*).
2. John Barclay, who was served heir to his brothers Robert and James in £1000 secured over the lands of Easter Touch on 4 November 1707.
3. Robert Barclay,
4. James Barclay,
5. Agnes Balfour,

MR. DAVID BARCLAY OF TOUCH, succeeded his father and was served his heir in the lands of Touch-Easter on 17 April, 1694.²

¹ Retours. Fife. No. 992.

² Retours. Fife. No. 1353.