

# GIBSON

## OF CLIFTONHALL

**THOMAS GIBSON OF CLIFTONHALL**, was a younger son of Sir Alexander Gibson of Pentland and was *bap.* at Edinburgh on 22 June, 1678. He is generally said to have married the heiress of Douglas of Cliftonhall with whom he acquired these lands but this is incorrect as Archibald Douglas, 3<sup>rd</sup> and last of Cliftonhall, disposed Cliftonhall to Sir George Wishart. He *m.* instead, to Anne, daughter and eventual heiress of James Wright of Kersie, (she *d.* at Cliftonhall on Tuesday 27 October 1761<sup>1</sup>), and was father of :

**ALEXANDER GIBSON-WRIGHT OF CLIFTONHALL AND KERSIE**, succeeded his father and was served heir to his uncle Richard Wright of Kersie, in the lands of Kersie, in Stirlingshire, on 11 January 1762, following which he assumed the additional surname of Wright. He *m.* at Hailes on 29 January, 1768, to Margaret, eldest daughter of John Gibson of Durie,<sup>2</sup> *d.* at Edinburgh on 28 January 1793,<sup>3</sup> and was father of :

1. **HELEN GIBSON WRIGHT OF CLIFTONHALL**, *b.* at Cliftonhall on 11 February, 1770, and was retoured heir to her father 4 February 1818. She *m.* at Cliftonhall on Sunday 30 April, 1786, Sir Alexander Charles Maitland,<sup>4</sup> and *d.* at Cliftonhall on 10 December 1834,<sup>5</sup> having had issue.
2. Anne Gibson Wright, *b.* at Cliftonhall on 13 September, 1771, and *m.* on 29 August, 1800, to Alexander Gibson Hunter of Blackness.
3. Margaret Gibson Wright, *b.* at Cliftonhall on 15 October, 1773, and *d.* unmarried on 16 March, 1795.

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<sup>1</sup> Caledonian Mercury, 28<sup>th</sup> October 1761, edition.

<sup>2</sup> Caledonian Mercury, 30<sup>th</sup> January 1768, edition.

<sup>3</sup> Scots Magazine, 1<sup>st</sup> January 1793, edition.

<sup>4</sup> Caledonian Mercury, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1786, edition.

<sup>5</sup> Perthshire Courier, 25<sup>th</sup> December 1834, edition.