

# GRAHAM

## OF CLAVERHOUSE

**JOHN GRAHAM OF BALLARGUS**, was a son of Sir Robert Graham, 1<sup>st</sup> of Fintry, by his father's second marriage to Matidla Scrimgeour and is styled as such in a charter in his favour by his father granting him his lodings, kiln and garden in the Seagate of Dundee, on 20 August 1484<sup>1</sup>. He had a charter for the lands of Ballargus from Archibald Douglas, Earl of Angus, on 9 March, 1480,<sup>2</sup> and *m.* his cousin Matilda, daughter of James Scrimgeour of Dudhope. He was father of :

**JOHN GRAHAM, 2<sup>ND</sup> OF BALLARGUS AND 1<sup>ST</sup> OF CLAVERHOUSE**, had a charter confirming an annualrent to be uplifted from the lands of Strathdichty, in the sheriffdom of Forfar, on 14 March, 1530, and acquired the lands of Claverhouse. He *m.* Margaret, daughter of John Bethune, 6<sup>th</sup> of Balfour, and was father of :

1. **JOHN GRAHAM, 2<sup>ND</sup> OF CLAVERHOUSE**, had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Claverhouse and Ballargus as heir to his father on 13 July, 1541, and which were then erected into the Barony of Claverhouse by King James V.<sup>3</sup> He succeeded his father and *dsp* in 1547.
2. Sir William Graham, 3<sup>rd</sup> of Claverhouse, (*see below*).
3. Alison Graham, *m.* Gilbert Primrose, Cherurgeon to the King.

**SIR WILLIAM GRAHAM, 3<sup>RD</sup> OF CLAVERHOUSE**, succeeded his brother on his death in 1547 and was infeft as heir to his father in the lands of Claverhouse, Ballargus and Muirton on 20 June, 1552.<sup>4</sup> He *m.* Egedia Gaw, (she *d.* in August of 1594<sup>5</sup>), *d.* by 7 November, 1572, and was father of :

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<sup>1</sup> Douglas Charters.

<sup>2</sup> RMS 1424-1513. No. 1558

<sup>3</sup> RMS 1514-1546. No. 2404

<sup>4</sup> GD137/1557

<sup>5</sup> Edinburgh Tests

1. Sir William Graham, 4<sup>th</sup> of Claverhouse, (*see below*).
2. Alexander Graham,
3. John Graham,
4. Margaret Graham, *m.* firstly, Alexander Ogilvy of Labothie, (*c/m* in July of 1581) and secondly, Mr. John Inglis of Ardit.

**SIR WILLIAM GRAHAM, 4<sup>TH</sup> OF CLAVERHOUSE**, succeeded his father and, as his heir, he was infeft in the lands of Claverhouse, on 7 November 1572.<sup>1</sup> He greatly added to his estate adding the lands of Polkellie, Polcambol, Polcack, Tealing, Balgray and Sheihill, in which he was infeft in the liferent with his son Mr. George Graham, being infeft in the fee, upon resignation in their favour by Sir Colin Campbell of Lundie on 12 May, 1630. He also purchased the lands and Barony of Ogilvy from Thomas Ogilvy of that ilk by charter dated on 6 July, 1640, and *m.* firstly, to Agnes, daughter of Robert Lundy of Balgony, (she *d.* in November of 1613<sup>2</sup>). He *m.* secondly in around 1616, to Margaret Murray, (she was widow of Peter Young of Wilkieston, by whom she had issue), and *d.* in October of 1642 being father of :

1. William Graham, the eldest son who *dsp* by 13 August, 1619.
2. George Graham, 5<sup>th</sup> of Claverhouse, (*see below*).
3. Walter Graham, 1<sup>st</sup> of Duntrune, (*see Graham of Duntrune*).
4. Margaret Graham, *m.* firstly, in 1606, George Symmer of Balyeordie, and secondly, to Robert Arbuthnott, 2<sup>nd</sup> of Findowrie, from whom she had a charter for the liferent of the lands of Wester Inzievar on 19 December 1616, in contemplation of their marriage.<sup>3</sup>
5. Mariote Graham, *m.* in 1615, Alexander Guthrie of Kincaldrum.
6. Helen Graham, *m.* in 1616, George Lundie of Wester Denhead.

**GEORGE GRAHAM, 5<sup>TH</sup> OF CLAVERHOUSE**, who, with his father had an Instrument of Sasine for the lands of Milnton of Craigie from Robert Clayhills of Baldovie on 22 September, 1628, and is then styled as his eldest son and heir.<sup>4</sup> He had a charter for the lands of Balluny, with the Mill thereof, from James, Viscount Scrimgeour of Dudhope,

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<sup>1</sup> GD137/1557

<sup>2</sup> St. Andrews Tests

<sup>3</sup> GD15/633

<sup>4</sup> GD137/1558

on 21 May, 1643, *m.* Marion, daughter of Thomas Fotheringham of Powrie, (*c/m* 8 July, 1629,). He *d.* in April of 1645 and was father of :

1. William Graham, 6<sup>th</sup> of Claverhouse, (*see below*).
2. Thomas Graham, *m.* Jean, daughter of Sir Alexander Blair of Balthayock, with whom he had a charter for the lands of Potento on 26 January, 1663,<sup>1</sup> and acquired the lands of Jordanstone from David Ramsay of Jordanstone, on 20 February, 1674.<sup>2</sup> He was father of,
  - 2a) Alexander Graham, *c.* at Alyth on 23 December, 1665, and *dsp.*
  - 2a) Walter Graham, *c.* at Alyth on 7 June, 1671, and *dsp.*
  - 2a) John Graham of Potento and Halyards, *c.* at Alyth on 4 November, 1674, succeeded his father and *dsp* with his cousin David Graham of Duntrune being retoured his heir in the lands of Potento and Hallyards on 13 February, 1702.
  - 2a) Ann Graham, *c.* at Alyth on 6 May, 1676.
3. Margaret Graham, *m.* Alexander Strachan, younger of Glenkindie, eldest son and apparent heir of Alexander Strachan of Glenkindie, (*c/m* 5 August, 1644<sup>3</sup>).
4. Jean Graham, *m.* in 1648 Walter Graham, 6<sup>th</sup> of Boquhapple, and had issue.
5. Elizabeth Graham, *m.* Sir John Gordon of Park, (*c/m* 11 July 1661<sup>4</sup>).

**WILLIAM GRAHAM, 6<sup>TH</sup> OF CLAVERHOUSE**, had, with his father, a Tack of the teindshieves of the lands of Milnton from the lifetime of George Graham of Claverhouse, his father, for his own lifetime, and for the following generation of William and then for five successive generations thereafter and then for five periods thereafter of 19 years from James, Viscount Dudhope, on 8 January, 1644,<sup>5</sup> and *m.* Magdalen, daughter of Sir John Carnegie, 1<sup>st</sup> Earl of Northesk, (*c/m* 24 February, 1645. She *d.* on 5 October, 1675). He *d.* on 3 February, 1653, and had issue,

1. John Graham, 7<sup>th</sup> of Claverhouse, (*see below*).
2. **DAVID GRAHAM, 3<sup>RD</sup> VISCOUNT DUNDEE**, styled as brother to the Laird of Claverhouse when he was cautioner to his brother-in-law Robert Graham of Morphie who had been imprisoned in the

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<sup>1</sup> RMS

<sup>2</sup> RS52/6/f.26

<sup>3</sup> MS57/1/5

<sup>4</sup> RMS 1661-1668. No. 794.

<sup>5</sup> GD137/1571

Tolbooth of Dundee for debts on 12 April, 1675. He served with his brother during the Jacobite uprising of 1689 and afterwards retired to the Stewart court in France and succeeded his nephew James as 3<sup>rd</sup> Viscount Dundee. He had the command of a regiment in French service and *dsp* at Dunkirk in 1759.

3. Magdalen Graham, *m.* Sir Robert Graham of Morphy, and, as his future spouse and daughter of the deceased William Graham of Claverhouse, she had a charter from his father Sir Robert Graham of Morphie, for the lands of Staine of Morphie, to be held jointly by herself and Robert Graham, eldest son to the said Sir Robert, on 24 August, 1665.<sup>1</sup> She *d.* in November of 1719.
4. Anne Graham, *m.* Robert Young of Auldbar.

**JOHN GRAHAM, 7<sup>TH</sup> OF CLAVERHOUSE AND 1<sup>ST</sup> VISCOUNT DUNDEE**, had a Disposition of his own Ward as heir to his deceased father William Graham of Claverhouse from James, Marquis of Douglas, on 5 August, 1669, and was infeft as heir to his grandfather, George Graham of Claverhouse, in the lands of Claverhouse and Ballargus on 11 December, 1669.<sup>2</sup> He was created Viscount Dundee and Lord Graham of Claverhouse by Patent dated at Whitehall on 12 November, 1688, *m.* Jean, daughter of William, Lord Cochrane, (*c/m* 9 June, 1684.<sup>3</sup> She *m.* secondly William Livingston, 3<sup>rd</sup> Viscount of Kilsyth, and was *k.* with an infant son when an Inn in which they were residing in Utrecht collapsed in the evening of 16 October, 1695), and *d.* of wounds received at the battle of Killiecrankie in July of 1689. He was father of :

1. James Graham, 2<sup>nd</sup> Viscount Dundee, who was an infant at his father's death and *d.* in December of 1689.

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<sup>1</sup> GD70/366

<sup>2</sup> GD137/1581

<sup>3</sup> GD24/1/150