

HAY

OF EASTER KENNET

MR. ALEXANDER HAY, 1ST OF EASTER KENNET, was a son of John Hay of Lochloy and trained under James Millar, Notary. He acquired lands in Leith from the Provost and Bailies of Edinburgh for which he had a charter on 7 October 1569, and had a charter from the King dated 10 February 1574, for numerous annualrents and lands belonging to the Cathedral of Aberdeen in recognition of his service to the King's mother in which he is styled as Director of the Chancery.¹ He held the office of Clerk Register and on 25 September 1573,² he was admitted to Burgess of Edinburgh for his good services done and to be done to that city. He was appointed co-adjutor and administrator of the Abbey of Kelso during the minority of Francis Stewart, Commendator thereof, on 8 June 1577,³ and on 20 November 1578, the King appointed him Writer to the Privy Seal for life, with the power to appoint deputies and to use the office as freely as his predecessors Mr. George Cuke or Henry Sinclair.⁴ On 27 May 1581, he had a gift from the King of the Preceptory of Saint Anthony beside Leith with the kirk and kirkyard, orchard etc., there, which had become vacant by the death of Matthew Forrester.⁵ He *m.* Marion Farquhar with whom he had charters (1) on 17 April 1582, from John, Earl of Mar, for the quarter-part lands of Ferrytoun, in the Lordship of Alloa, with the fee then being assigned to Mr. John Hay, their eldest son,⁶ and (2) from Francis Hay, Earl of Errol, for the lands of Tullymad and Bullers-Buchan, in the Lordship of Slains, on 4 November 1585.⁷ He *d.* in 1594 and was father of :

1. Mr. John Hay, 2nd of Easter Kennet, (*see below*).

¹ RMS 1546-1580. No. 2360

² RMS 1546-1580. No. 1895

³ RPS Vol. VII. No. 1066

⁴ RPS Vol. VII. No. 1722

⁵ RPS Vol. VIII. No. 283

⁶ RMS 1580-1593. No. 434

⁷ RMS 1580-1593. No. 2164

2. Daniel Hay, was one of the Writers to the Privy Seal and to whom on 11 August 1596, his brother Mr John Hay conveyed his lands in Leith upon which the Preceptory of Saint Anthony previously stood.¹ He was included in the remainder of a charter for the lands of Easter Kennet in favour of his brother Mr. John Hay and Mariote Drummond, his spouse, on 27 December 1593, and *m.* Margaret, daughter of James Purdie, Herald, and sister and co-heir of James Purdie of Kinnaldie, (*c/m* 14 March 1590²), with whom he is included in Letters of Reversion dated 25 May 1595.³ He was admitted to Burgess of Edinburgh on 9 September 1607, and is then styled as second son to his late father.
3. Sir Alexander Hay of Quhitburgh, had a grant from the King of the lands, houses, manse and gardens which had pertained to the parish clerks of Fordyce on 8 November 1578,⁴ and on 17 January 1581-2 he had a gift from the King for the prebend of Caputh, in Perthshire, for his support at the schools and by which the King commanded Mr. Archibald Lindsay, master of the grammar school of Mussleburgh to receive him.⁵ He was included in the remainder of a charter for the lands of Easter Kennet in favour of his brother Mr. John Hay and Mariote Drummond, his spouse, on 27 December 1593, was appointed one of the Clerks of Session and a Clerk of the College of Justice, and with his brother Daniel, he was appointed Clerk of the Privy Seal on 29 June 1601.⁶ He was admitted a Burgess of Edinburgh by right of his father on 29 January 1605, and was Knighted by King James VI., who also appointed him Clerk Register 1612-1616, Clerk of Session and his personal Secretary. He had a charter from George Hay of Nether Minzean, for the lands of Little Monkton and Hangmansland, in the Lordship of Mussleburgh, on 13 May 1600,⁷ and *m.* Elizabeth, sister and co-heir of George Hay of Monkton.⁸ He *d.* prior to 6 April 1616, and was father of :

3a) Alexander Hay of Monkton, retoured heir to his father in a tenement in Edinburgh on 6 April 1616, and as heir-general to his brother George Hay on 1 March 1627. He is styled as brother to Jean and Mariota Hay, daughters of the deceased Sir William Hay of Quitburgh on 4 July 1629, and was infeft in the lands of Nether Minzean, in the Sheriffdom of Peebles, on 14 March 1634, which he disposed to Sir David Murray of

¹ CH2/716/246

² RD1/39/409

³ GD16/14/55

⁴ RPS Vol. VII. No. 1701.

⁵ RPS Vol. VIII. No. 616

⁶ RMS 1594-1608. No. 1202

⁷ RMS 1608-1620. No. 1176

⁸ The other daughter married Peter Hay of Leys

Stanhope on 31 March 1635. He *m.* Anna Nicolson, *d.* prior to 24 March 1669, and was father of :

3b) Alexander Hay of Monkton, retoured heir general to his father on 24 March 1669, and *m.* Helen, daughter of Sir Andrew Ramsay, 1st Baronet of Abbotshall, (*c/m* 22 December 1687). He was buried in the Greyfriars, Edinburgh, on 29 June 1692, with the lands of Monkton being purchased at a judicial sale in 1695 by Patrick Falconer, and was father of :

3c) Thomas Hay, was admitted an Advocate and *m.* on 12 June 1730, to Margaret, daughter of Sir David Murray of Stanhope. He was father of,

3d) Alexander Hay, *b.* on 15 April 1731.

3d) David Hay, *b.* on 9 February 1744.

3c) Janet Hay, *b.* on 26 October 1688, and *m.* John Mitchelson of Middleton, and had issue.

3c) Margaret Hay, *m.* John Lawson, and had issue.

3b) John Hay, *b.* on 15 June 1637, and was apprenticed to John Fullerton, Merchant in Edinburgh, on 28 September 1653.

3b) Thomas Hay, *b.* on 23 August 1641.

3b) Margaret Hay,

3a) George Hay, to whom his maternal uncle George Hay of Monkton was Godfather. He is styled as second son of the deceased Sir Alexander Hay of Quhitburgh, when witness to a charter by Alexander Gladstones, Archbishop of St. Andrews, dated in May of 1622,¹ and *dsp* prior to 1 March 1627, when his brother Alexander was retoured his heir general.

3a) William Hay, *d.* by 4 July 1629, when his sisters Mariote and Jean Discharged their factor Gilbert Robertson of Walton for a Bond of 3000 merks Scots contained in a Bond by their brother Alexander Hay of Monkton to the said William dated 27 March 1627, and afterwards assigned to them.²

3a) Mariota Hay, *m.* Patrick Douglas, younger of Kilspindie, (*c/m* 4 & 10 April 1610-11³).

3a) Jean Hay, *m.* James Nicolson of Colburnspath, (*c/m* 2 March 1630⁴).

4. Andrew Hay, had a gift from the King on 9 May 1580, of the prebend of Lambelethan for his support at the schools.⁵

¹ RMS 1620-1633. No. 424

² GD172/2286

³ RMS 1620-1633. No. 1507

⁴ GD34/844

⁵ RPS Vol. VII. No. 2359

MR. JOHN HAY, 2ND OF EASTER KENNET, was appointed to the office of the registration of signatures for life on 25 October 1583,¹ and to whom the fee for the lands of Ferrytoun was assigned in a charter in favour of his parents dated 17 April 1582. He was one of the Ordinary Clerks of Session and was admitted to Burgess of Edinburgh by right of his deceased father on 20 February 1605. He *m.* by 27 December 1593, to Mariote, daughter of Sir Alexander Drummond, 1st of Medhope, when, following his father's resignation, they had a charter of joint-infertment for the lands of Easter Kennet² and was father of :

1. Mr. Alexander Hay, fiar of Easter Kennet, *m.* Jean, daughter of James Winram of Libberton, (*c/m* 17 January 1617.³ She was buried in the Greyfriars, Edinburgh, on 2 June 1666), and *d. vita patris* by April of 1637. He was father of :

1a) Jean Hay, all of whom were charged by their uncle Mr. David Hay to enter heirs to their father on 28 July 1638.⁴ She *m.* Sir John Gibson of Pentland, (*c/m* 29 March 1633.⁵ He *m.* secondly, Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Thomas Thompson, 1st Baronet of Duddingston, and had issue), and had issue.

1a) Margaret Hay,

1a) Anna Hay, *m.* at Edinburgh on 4 June 1646, to Sir Robert Murray of Cameron, (he *m.* secondly, on 1 June 1665, to Jean, daughter of John Dickson of Hartree, by whom he had further issue ; and was buried in the Greyfriars, Edinburgh, on 8 February 1672), and was buried in the Greyfriars, Edinburgh, on 20 June 1663, having had issue.

1a) Helen Hay,

1a) Agnes Hay, *c.* at Edinburgh on 24 February 1625, and *d.* young.

2. Mr. David Hay, 3rd of Easter Kennet & 1st of Woodcockdale, was one of the Clerks of Session. He succeeded to the lands of Easter Kennet and Craigton which he soon after disposed to Robert Bruce, fiar of Clackmannan, and Mr. Robert Bruce of Wester Kennet on 6 September 1638,⁶ and obtained those of Woodcockdale from Sir Robert Drummond of Medhope and James

¹ RPS Vol. VIII. No. 1548

² RMS 1594-1608. No. 37

³ GD6/13070

⁴ GD11/126

⁵ GD6/132

⁶ GD11/127

Gibb of Carriber by Disposition dated 8 March 1644.¹ He *m.* Jean, daughter of Mr. Robert Winram, W.S. (*c/m* 3 March 1632²), *d.* prior to May of 1662, and was father of :

2a) John Hay, 2nd of Woodcockdale, was served heir general to his father on 15 May 1662, and *m.* Marjory Couper. He was father of :

2b) David Hay, 3rd of Woodcockdale, *c.* at Linlithgow on 2 April 1665, and *m.* Helen, daughter and heiress of Alexander Bruce, 4th of Kinnaird, (*c/m* 5 February, 1687.³ She *m.* secondly, in 1701, to Robert Boyd, Writer,⁴) and *d.* prior to 1 June 1697. He was father of :

2c) Alexander Hay, *b.* on 21 January, 1689, and *d.* young.

2c) John Hay, *b.* on 23 December, 1690, and *d.* young.

2c) David Hay Bruce, 4th of Woodcockdale and Kinnaird, *b.* on 25 November, 1696, and was served heir to his father on 10 January 1730. He assumed the surname and arms of Bruce of Kinnaird upon succeeding to his maternal estate. He *m.* firstly in 1729, Marion, daughter of James Graham, 1st of Airth, and secondly, Agnes, daughter of Alexander Glen of Longcroft, (*c/m* 16 March, 1737.). He *d.* in April of 1758, and had issue, (*see Bruce of Kinnaird*).

2c) Margaret Hay, *b.* on 30 August, 1683.

2c) Helen Hay, *c.* at Edinburgh on 31 December, 1687, and *m.* William Hamilton, seventh son of William Hamilton, 3rd of Wishaw, (he *d.* on 15 January, 1754), and had issue.

2b) John Hay, apprenticed to Alexander Hay, Apothecary to the King, on 2 September 1687.

2a) James Hay of Carriber, *c.* at Linlithgow on 9 September 1642, was admitted a Writer to the Signet on 16 August 1671, and *m.* at Edinburgh on 19 December 1672, to Magdalen, daughter of George Robertson, Goldsmith. He *d.* in December of 1702 and was father of,

2b) Archibald Hay, *c.* at Edinburgh on 27 February 1675, and *d.* young.

2b) David Hay, *c.* at Edinburgh on 8 September 1677, and *d.* prior to October of 1696.

2b) John Hay of Carriber, *c.* at Edinburgh on 10 November 1681, and was retoured heir general to his brother David on 1 October 1696. He was served heir to his father in

¹ GD1/82/7

² GD6/1323

³ NRAS3955/35/7/7

⁴ NRAS3955/35/7/6

the Barony of Carriber on 30 April 1703, and *dsp* in October of 1708, with his brother George being served his heir.

2b) George Hay of Carriber, *c.* at Edinburgh on 26 April 1684, and was served heir to his brother John Hay in the lands of Carriber on 6 July 1711. He disposed the lands of Carriber to John Mirrie, Apothecary, in 1714.

2b) Andrew Hay of Mugdrum, *b.* on 21 August 1690, and was an executor to his brother John Hay of Carriber. He was admitted Burgess of Edinburgh for his good services on 11 February 1736, and *m.* at Edinburgh on 8 March 1720, to Margaret, daughter of Mr. William Nicolson of Glenbervie.

2b) Thomas Hay, *b.* on 7 September 1692, and became a Writer in Edinburgh. He *m.* Isabel, daughter of Sir David Balfour of Forret, (she *d.* in 1756), *d.* on 28 January 1733, and was father of,

2c) Michael Hay, apprenticed to Alexander Edmonstone, Goldsmith in Edinburgh, on 28 November 1733. He afterwards settled at Kingston, Jamaica, and on 12 January 1757, he renounced his rights to his father's estate on account of it being heavily burdended with debts.

2c) Jean Hay, *m.* Dr. George Bethune of Kingask, (he was buried at Cupar on 17 February 1773), and was an executor to her mother in 1756. She was buried at Cupar on 17 October 1778, and had issue.

2b) Magdalen Hay, *c.* at Edinburgh on 31 October 1673.

2b) Jean Hay, *c.* at Edinburgh on 18 May 1676.

2b) Margaret Hay, *c.* at Edinburgh on 5 December 1678.

2b) Grizel Hay, *m.* at Edinburgh on 28 March 1708, to Thomas Boyes, W.S., and was an executor to her brother John Hay of Carriber in 1708.

2b) Christian Hay, *m.* at Edinburgh on 2 April 1700, to Andrew Marjoribanks of that Ilk, and had issue.

2a) Robert Hay, apprenticed to Andrew Bryson, Merchant in Edinburgh, on 29 November 1654.

2a) Andrew Hay, named in his brother James Hay of Carriber's Testament in 1690. He was father of,

2b) Andrew Hay, apprenticed to Kenneth MacKenzie, Goldsmith in Edinburgh, on 2 December 1719.¹

2a) Margaret Hay, *c.* at Linlithgow on 23 March 1641, *m.* Mr. Charles Crawford, Minister at Ecclesmachan, and had issue.¹

¹ He is styled as son of Andrew Hay, brother to James Hay of Carriber.

3. James Hay of Brigmark, *m.* at Edinburgh on 8 November 1621, to Jean MacQuarry.
4. Marion Hay, *m.* Michael Preston, son of Mr. John Preston of Pennicuik, (*c/m* 7 June 1607²).
5. Bethia Hay, *m.* at Edinburgh on 20 January 1622, John Durham of Duntarvie.

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¹ GD30/1388

² GD6/1301