

# HOLBORNE

## OF MENSTRIE

**JAMES HOLBORNE OF MENSTRIE**, was appointed by Parliament to the rank of Major-General in 1648. He purchased the lands of Menstrie from Mr. Robert Murray, Provost of Methven, and in which he was infeft on 28 June 1649. He *m.* Elizabeth Inglis, *d.* by October of 1696 and was father of :

1. James Holborne of Menstrie, (*see below*).
2. William Holborne, apprenticed to William Binning, Merchant and Provost of Edinburgh, on 14 April 1675, and was admitted Burgess by right of his Master on 21 February 1677.
3. Elizabeth Holborne, *m.* on 23 July 1671, to Alexander Drummond Spittall of Blairlogie, (*c/m* 17 July 1671<sup>1</sup>), and had issue.

**JAMES HOLBORNE OF MENSTRIE**, to whom his father made a resignation of the lands of Menstrie on 21 January 1675. He *d.* by October of 1696, having *m.* firstly, on 22 September 1670, to Janet, daughter of John Inglis of Cramond, (*c/m* 31 August 1670<sup>2</sup>), by whom he was father of :

1. Sir James Holborne of Menstrie, (*see below*).
2. Charles Holborne, *c.* at Edinburgh on 4 October 1681.
3. John Holborne, *c.* at Edinburgh on 29 November 1673, became a Cherurgeon, and was admitted Burgess of Edinburgh by right of his father on 20 July 1698.
4. William Holborne, *c.* at Cramond on 24 September 1680.
5. Elizabeth Holborne, *c.* at Cramond on 31 December 1674.
6. Eupham Holborne, *c.* at Edinburgh on 4 June 1678.
7. Sarah Holborne, *c.* at Cramond on 31 october 1679.
8. Janet Holborne, *m.* James Spittall of Leuchat, (he *d.* on 15 November 1770), and had issue.

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<sup>1</sup> GD172/1553

<sup>2</sup> GD172/1552

He *m.* secondly, on 30 August 1682, to Margaret, daughter of William Gordon of Earlston, and had no apparent issue.

**SIR JAMES HOLBORNE, 1<sup>ST</sup> BARONET OF MENSTRIE**, *b.* circa 1671, was served heir to his father and his grandfather on 3 October 1696, and was infeft in the lands of Menstrie on 27 August 1709. He was created a Baronet of Nova Scotia on 21 June 1706, with limitation to the heirs male of his own body but by 1719 his lands were heavily encumbered with debts and resulted in those of Menstrie being disposed to Alexander Abercromby of Tullibody in 1719 followed by those of Couston, in Fife, to the Earl of Morton in 1722. He *m.* Jean, daughter of Alexander Spittall of Blairlogie and Leuchat, *d.* in 1737 and was father of :

1. **SIR JAMES HOLBORNE, 2<sup>ND</sup> BARONET OF MENSTRIE**, admitted an Advocate and *m.* Janet, daughter of John Muschet of Craighead. He *d.* at Pennicuik on 26 July 1758, and was father of,

1a) James Holborne, entered the army and was *ksp.*

1a) **SIR ALEXANDER HOLBORNE, 3<sup>RD</sup> BARONET**, *m.* Mary Graham, (she *m.* secondly, on 22 October 1774, to John Graham, Surgeon in Newcastle), and *dsp* at London on 22 January 1772.<sup>1</sup>

1a) Jean Holborne, *dsp* prior to 5 August 1762, with her brother-in-law James Campbell, Merchant in Leith, being appointed her executor qua creditor.<sup>2</sup>

1a) Janet Holborne, *m.* in 1750 to James Campbell, Wine Merchant in Leith.

2. Alexander Holborne, *d.* in 1733.

3. William Holborne, joined the Royal Navy, being promoted to Lieutenant in 1739 and in 1748 was appointed Captain of the Prince Frederick. He *dsp* at sea in April of 1760.

4. Francis Holborne, Admiral of the White and Rear-Admiral of Great Britain. He *m.* Frances, daughter of Guy Ball, (she was widow of Edward Lacelles, son of Lord Harewood, who had *d.* at Barbadoes on 31 October 1747. She *d.* on 18 May 1761), and *d.* on 15 July 1771, aged sixty-six years being buried at Richmond. He was father of :

4a) **SIR FRANCIS HOLBORNE, 4<sup>TH</sup> BARONET**, (*see below*).

4a) Jane Holborne, *b.* at Barbadoes in October of 1750, and *m.* at Maestrick on 13 April, 1780, to Ralph Sheldon of Weston.

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<sup>1</sup> Scots Mag. Vol. 34. P. 111

<sup>2</sup> Edinburgh Tests. She is mistakenly referred to as daughter of the deceased Sir Alexander Holborne but this is rectified by her sister Janet's marriage entry in which she is styled as daughter to the deceased Sir James Holborne.

4a) Catherine Holborne, *m.* Thomas Cussans, Jamaica.

5. Jean Holborne,

6. Mary Holborne,

**SIR FRANCIS HOLBORNE, 4<sup>TH</sup> BARONET**, *b.* at Saint Thomas, Barbadoes, in April 1752, and *m.* on 12 June 1786, to Alicia, daughter of Thomas Brayne, (she *d.* on 18 May 1829). He *d.* on 13 September 1820, and was father of :

1. Francis Ralph Thomas Holborne, *b.* on 9 June 1788, joined the army in 1809 and served in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Foot Guards during the Peninsula campaign. He *d.* of wounds received at Bayonne on 14 April 1814.<sup>1</sup>
2. Sir Thomas William Holborne, 5<sup>th</sup> Baronet, (*see below*).
3. Alicia Sophia Holborne, *b.* on 20 October 1789, and *d.* unmarried.
4. Catherine Frances Mary Holborne, *b.* on 12 June 1792, and *d.* unmarried.
5. Mary Anne Barbara Holborne, acted as executor to her brother and *d.* unmarried in 1882.

**SIR THOMAS WILLIAM HOLBORNE, 5<sup>TH</sup> BARONET**, *hap.* at Swansea on 18 September 1793, and joined the Royal Navy in July of 1805, seeing action at the battle of Trafalgar onboard the HMS Orion. He continued in service until 1815 when he retired home on half pay and with his sisters, dedicated the remainder of his life to the appreciate and collecting of art. He *dsp* at Bath on 17 February 1874.

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<sup>1</sup> Caledonian Mercury. 5<sup>th</sup> February 1814, edition.