

LINDSAY

OF EDZELL

WALTER LINDSAY, 1ST OF BEAUFORT AND EDZELL, was a younger son of David Lindsay, 3rd Earl of Crawford. He obtained the lands of Beaufort and Arde, in the sheriffdom of Inverness, on 7 November 1458, which had been resigned to him by Margaret de Fenton of Baky¹ and served as Tutor to his nephew David, Earl of Crawford during his minority. He *m.* Isabel Livingstone, (she survived him and *m.* secondly, by 12 July 1480, to William, 1st Lord Ruthven, when they had a charter on his resignation, for the barony of Ruthven²), and *d.* in 1476 being father of :

1. Sir David Lindsay, 2nd of Edzell, (*see below*).
2. John Lindsay,
3. Walter Lindsay,
4. Ingelram Lindsay,
5. Thomas Lindsay,
6. Agnes Lindsay,

SIR DAVID LINDSAY, 2ND OF BEAUFORT AND EDZELL, succeeded his father by 13 March 1480, when he was witness to a charter by Thomas, Bishop of Dunkeld,³ and had Sasine for the lands of Beaufort in 1494.⁴ He *m.* firstly Catherine, daughter of Thomas Fotheringham of Powrie, and in relation to which his mother, Isobel Livingstone, spouse of William, Lord Ruthven, brought an action before the Lords Auditors on 27 June 1496, against Nicholas Fotheringham of Powrie, for the sum of 120 merks due by the marriage agreement and then outstanding.⁵ He *m.* secondly Agnes Ogilvy, (she was widow of Alexander Straiton of Lauriston), and thirdly to Elizabeth, daughter of John Spens of

¹ RMS 1424-1513. No. 645.

² RMS 1424-1513. No. 1445.

³ RMS 1424-1513. No. 1469.

⁴ Ex. Rolls. Vol. X. P. 769.

⁵ Acta Dom Conc. 6/49.

Wormiston, (she *m.* secondly to John Anstruther of that Ilk,). He *d.* in 1527 and was father of :

1. Walter Lindsay, younger of Edzell, (*see below*).
2. George Lindsay, is styled as son of Sir David Lindsay of Edzell when witness to a charter by William, Lord Ruthven, granting the lands of Kinnaird to his son Sir William Ruthven of that Ilk, dated 8 November 1512.¹
3. Agnes Lindsay, *m.* George Moray, fiar of Abercairney, (he was *k. vita patris* at the battle of Flodden in September of 1513), and had issue.
4. Margaret Lindsay, *m.* Robert Menzies of Weem, (he *d.* at Weem on 12 August, 1522²), and had issue.
5. Janet Lindsay, styled as daughter to Sir David Lindsay of Edzell in a letter in favour of Thomas, Lord Fraser of Lovat, dated 27 June 1501.³
6. Alexander Lindsay of Vane and Keithock, was a child by his father's second marriage. He obtained the lands of Vane by 31 August, 1547, when he had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Skryne and had charter for the lands of Vayne from David, Earl of Crawford, on 1 April, 1550, in which he is styled as his uncle.⁴ He *m.* Elizabeth, daughter of Cardinal David Bethune, and had issue :
 - 6a) Alexander Lindsay of Vane, succeeded his father and had issue.
 - 6a) David Lindsay of Kethock, obtained these lands and had issue.

WALTER LINDSAY, YOUNGER OF EDZELL, was witness, with his father, to a charter by Andrew, Lord Gray, granting the lands of Woodtowns to John Wishart of Pittarow, and Janet Lindsay, his spouse, on 13 June, 1507, and in which he is styled as his eldest son and heir.⁵ He was witness to a charter by John Erskine of Dun, granting the lands of Balgasky to George Stirling of Brekie and Margaret Dalgleish, his wife, on 23 April 1510.⁶ He was *k.* during his father's lifetime at the battle of Flodden on 9 September, 1513, and was father of :

¹ RMS 1424-1513. No. 3808.

² Chronicle of Fortingal.

³ RPS Vol. I. No. 706.

⁴ RMS 1546-1580. No. 453

⁵ RMS 1424-1513. No. 3108

⁶ RMS 1424-1513. No. 3456.

1. David Lindsay, 3rd of Edzell & 9th Earl of Crawford, (*see below*).
2. Alexander Lindsay of Haltoun, was included in the remainder of a charter for the lands and barony of Glenesk and others, dated 16 October 1541. He *m.* Rachel, daughter of Barclay of Mathers, and was father of :
 - 2a) Mr. David Lindsay, Bishop of Ross, led a religious life and was consecrated Bishop of Ross in January of 1611. He *m.* firstly, to Janet, daughter of George Ramsay of Clattie, and secondly to Helen Henryson, and *d.* on 14 August 1613. He was father of :
 - 2b) Sir Jerome Lindsay of Annatland, was retoured heir to his father on 2 July, 1613, and was appointed Lord Lyon King of Arms on 17 June 1621. He *m.* firstly by 26 June, 1600, to Margaret, daughter of Robert Colville of Ochiltree, and secondly by 13 July, 1621, to Agnes, daughter of David Lindsay of the Month, when they had a resignation of the lands of Month from her father David Lindsay.¹ He *d.* on 4 December 1642.
 - 2b) David Lindsay, was a Minister at Southwark.
 - 2b) Rachel Lindsay, *m.* Mr. John Spottiswood, Archbishop of St. Andrews, (he *d.* on 27 December, 1639).
4. John Lindsay, was included in the remainder of a charter for the lands and barony of Glenesk and others, dated 16 October 1541. *m.* Catherine Strachan.
3. Robert Lindsay of Kirkton of Fern, obtained these lands and *m.* Matilda Lovell.
5. Katherine Lindsay, *m.* John Stirling of Culloden.

DAVID LINDSAY, 3RD OF EDZELL & 9TH EARL OF CRAWFORD, who succeeded his cousin Alexander, Master of Crawford, in the honours of Crawford due to his having been found guilty of patricide although, with Royal consent, he re-conveyed the Earldom to this Alexander whom he brought up and educated. He also succeeded his grandfather, Sir David Lindsay, in the lands of Edzell and Glenesk on his death in 1527, and had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands and Barony of Glenesk and numerous others, on 16 October 1541, with remainder to himself and his heirs male, which failing, to his brothers Alexander, John and Robert, and their heirs male respectively, which failing, by his uncle Alexander Lindsay.² He *m.* firstly by 12 June, 1535, to Janet, daughter of Andrew, 3rd Lord Gray,³ (she was widow of Alexander Blair of Balthayock, and of Thomas Fraser,

¹ RMS 1620-1633. No. 200

² RMS 1513-1546. No. 2484.

³ RMS 1514-1546. No. 1477.

2nd Lord Lovat), and secondly in 1549, to Katherine, daughter of Sir John Campbell, 1st of Cawdor, (she was widow of James, Master of Ogilvy, who had been *k.* at the battle of Pinkie in September of 1547 and by whom she had issue), and *d.* on 10 September, 1558. He was father of :

1. Sir David Lindsay, 4th of Edzell, (*see below*).
2. John Lindsay, 1st of Balcarres, *b.* in 1552, was appointed Rector of Memuir and afterwards was appointed a Lord of Session on 5 July, 1581. He was appointed Secretary of State in 1596, *m.* firstly on 29 November, 1581, to Marion, daughter of Alexander Guthrie, Burgess of Edinburgh, (she was widow of David Borthwick of Lochill, King's Advocate). He *m.* secondly on 7 February, 1590, to Jean, daughter of Sir William Lauder of Hatton, (she was widow of Sir James Forrester of Corstorphine, and of John Campbell, 2nd of Cawdor,) *d.* on 3 September, 1598, and had issue. (*see Lindsay of Balcarres*).
3. Robert Lindsay of Balhall, had a charter from Catherine Campbell, Countess of Crawford, his mother for the lands of Ballhall on 7 December, 1573,¹ and *m.* firstly, Katherine, sister of William Fullarton of Ardo, by whom he had issue. He *m.* secondly, Elizabeth, daughter of Robert, 3rd Lord Sempill, (she was widow of Graham of Knockdolean), and was father of :
 - 3a) David Lindsay, who *dsp* prior to May of 1598.
 - 3a) John Lindsay, who *dsp*.
 - 3a) Katherine Lindsay, was retoured heir to her father in the sunny part of the lands of Balhall with the croft and forge there on 29 March, 1603,² and *m.* Duncan Robertson, 3rd of Dalcapon, (*c/m* at Edzell and Jordanston on 20 & 23 September, 1599. He survived her and *m.* secondly, in 1604, to Elizabeth, daughter of Sir James Stewart of Ballechin).
4. Sir Walter Lindsay of Kempfill and Balgavies, *m.* Margaret, daughter of David Campbell, 1st of Denhead, with whom he had a charter for the lands of Kempfill, on 30 August, 1571.³ He *d.* on 25 October, 1605, and was father of :
 - 4a) David Lindsay of Balgavies, was retoured heir to his father in the lands of Balgavies on 18 February, 1606,⁴ and was included in Letters of Obligation by David, Earl of Crawford, to Thomas Fotheringham of Powrie, for the lands of Kirkton of Inverarity, on 1 June, 1608. He *m.* firstly, Margaret Tyrie, and secondly by December of 1619, to Janet Scrimgeour, (she was widow of Alexander Blair of Wester Denhead), and was father of :

¹ RMS 1546-1580. No. 2399.

² Retours. Forfar. No. 33.

³ RMS 1546-1580. No. 2260

⁴ Retours. Forfar. No. 49.

4b) William Lindsay,

4b) Patrick Lindsay,

4a) Margaret Lindsay, *m.* by 6 December, 1600, to Adam Menzies of Enoch, when Mr. David Ogilvy, son of James, Lord Ogilvy of Airlie, was Bound over not to harm either her father, Sir Walter Lindsay, herself, or her spouse. They had issue.

5. James Lindsay, was appointed Rector of Fettercairn, on 5 June, 1576.

6. Elizabeth Lindsay, *m.* Patrick, 3rd Lord Drummond, (he *m.* secondly by *c/m* 15 November, 1585, to Agnes, daughter of Sir John Drummond, 2nd of Innerpeffrey).

7. Margaret Lindsay, *m.* in around October of 1582, to John Stewart, 6th Lord Innermeath, (he *m.* secondly, Mary, daughter of William Ruthven, 1st Earl of Gowrie, by *c/m* 31 March, 1596).

SIR DAVID LINDSAY, 4TH OF EDZELL, who, with Katherine Campbell, his mother, had a charter under the Great Seal for the Lordship and Barony of Glenesk on 1 April, 1554, in which he is styled as eldest son of David, Earl of Crawford.¹ He was constituted a Lord of Session on 23 February, 1597, and *d.* on 15 December, 1610, having *m.* firstly, Helen, daughter of David Lindsay, Earl of Crawford, (*c/m* in March of 1570), and secondly, to Isobel, daughter of Arthur Forbes of Rires, (*c/m* 1 December, 1585). He was father of :

1. **SIR DAVID LINDSAY, 5TH OF EDZELL**, succeeded his father and *m.* Margaret, daughter of John Wishart of Pittarow, whom he infett in his lands of Gleneffock, and numerous others, in implementation of a contract of marriage on 9 December 1613. He *d.* in 1648 and was father of :

1a) Alexander Lindsay, younger of Edzell, *m.* Anne, second daughter of John, 1st Earl of Wemyss, (*c/m* 16 & 21 February, 1632.² She survived him and *m.* secondly, Mungo Moray, 2nd Viscount Stormont, who was then widow of Agnes, only child of Andrew Murray of Balvaird, and *d.* on 20 September, 1643), and *d. vita patris* in 1638, with his father being served his heir in the barony of Glenesk, and other lands, on 17 March of that year.³ He was father of :

1b) Jean Lindsay, was served heir to her father on 17 August, 1653,⁴ and *m.* in May of 1651 to Walter Sandilands, 6th Lord Torphicen, (Post-Nuptial *c/m* 8-30 July, 1653.⁵ He survived her and *m.* secondly on 28 April, 1657, to Catherine, daughter

¹ RMS 1546-1580. No. 922

² RMS 1620-1633. No. 1950

³ Retours. Forfar. No. 242.

⁴ Retours. Gen. No. 3832.

⁵ GD119/123

of William, Lord Alexander, eldest son of William, 1st Earl of Stirling, and had issue. He *m.* thirdly on 11 April, 1671, to Anne, only daughter of Alexander, 6th Lord Elphinstone, and fourthly to Christian, only daughter of James Primrose, brother of Sir Archibald Primrose. He *d.* in May of 1696). She *d.* in 1655, having had issue.

1a) Margaret Lindsay, *m.* by 1626, to James Keith, of Benholm, son of George Keith, 5th Earl of Marischal.¹

2. John Lindsay, *dsp.*

3. Alexander Lindsay of Canterland, (*see below*).

4. Thomas Lindsay, styled as natural brother to David Lindsay of Edzell in Letters of Remission for the death of Alexander, Lord Spynie, on 7 March, 1617.

5. Katherine Lindsay, *m.* firstly to Richard Melville of Baldowie, and secondly to Andrew Arbuthnott, brother of Sir Robert, 1st Viscount of Arbuthnott.

6. Margaret Lindsay, *m.* David Carnegie, 1st Earl of Southesk, (*c/m* 8 October, 1595. He *d.* at Kinnaird in February of 1658), *d.* on 9 July, 1614, and had issue.

7. A daughter, *m.* George Symmer of Balyeordie.

8. A daughter, *m.* a Lambie.

MR. ALEXANDER LINDSAY OF CANTERLAND, is styled as son to Sir David Lindsay of Edzell when witness to a charter dated 4 August 1604,² and obtained the lands of Canterland. He *m.* firstly at Dunfermline on 1 January, 1610, to Jean, daughter of James Murray of Pardewis,³ (*c/m* at the Canongate, Edinburgh, on 14, 16 & 19 December 1609⁴), with whom, on his own resignation, they had a charter under the Great Seal for the lands of Canterland to be held by themselves jointly, and their heirs male. He *m.* secondly to Helen, daughter of John Haldane, 12th of Gleneagles, (*c/m* 6 May, 1613⁵), *d.* in 1631 and was father of :

1. John Lindsay, 7th of Edzell, (*see below*).

¹ GD4/145

² RMS 1594-1608. No. 1716.

³ OPR – Dunfermline.

⁴ RMS 1608-1620. No. 210.

⁵ RMS 1608-1620. No. 2009

2. Helen Lindsay, *m.* firstly, Andrew Melville, eldest son of Richard Melville of Baldovy, and to which couple in implementation of a contract of marriage was granted a charter for the lands of Baldovie on 28 October, 1637.¹ She *m.* secondly, to Andrew Arbuthnott of Fiddes.

JOHN LINDSAY, 6TH OF EDZELL, was served heir to his uncle Sir David Lindsay in the lands and barony of Glenesk and Edzell on 2 June, 1648,² and, on the death of George Lindsay, 3rd Lord Spynie, in 1672, he became Chief of the Lindsays and put forward a claim for the honours of Crawford which was subsequently disallowed. He *m.* Jean, second daughter of John Carnegie, 1st Earl of Northesk, (*c/m* 9 August, 1647.³ She was widow of Alexander Lindsay, Master of Spynie, by whom she had no issue), and *d.* in April of 1671⁴ having had issue :

1. David Lindsay, 7th of Edzell, (*see below*).
2. John Lindsay, who was infest by his brother David Lindsay of Edzell in an annualrent from the Barony of Edzell on 13 March, 1673.⁵ He served as a Captain in the army and *d.sp* by 35 August, 1715, when his nephew David Lindsay of Edzell was infest as his heir in an annualrent.
3. Magdalen Lindsay, *m.* Lachlan MacIntosh of Torcastle, (*c/m* 23 July, 1667.⁶ He survived her and *m.* secondly, Anne, daughter of Sir George Munro of Culrain, who was then was widow of Donald MacKay, Master of Rae ; and *d.* on 9 December, 1704), and had issue.

DAVID LINDSAY, 7TH OF EDZELL, succeeded his father and *m.* firstly to Agnes, only daughter of James Graham of Monorgan, brother of Sir David Graham, 7th of Fintry, (*c/m* 29 & 30 April, 1664⁷). He *m.* secondly on 24 May, 1691, to Jean Fullarton, *d.* on 17 February 1698, and was buried at Edzell on 15 March following. He was father of :

¹ RMS 1634-1651. No. 1067

² Retours. Forfar. Nos. 303 & 304.

³ GD1/383/34

⁴ St. Andrews Tests.

⁵ GD45/16/1755

⁶ GD176/511

⁷ GD45/16/1752

1. **DAVID LINDSAY, 8TH OF EDZELL**, was infeft in the Lordship of Glenesk as heir to his father on 3 November, 1699,¹ although his estate being burdened with debts he disposed the majority of it to James Maule, Earl of Panmure, by Disposition dated 31 January, 1715.² His *dsp* in 1744.
2. John Lindsay, who had a Provision from his father 13 July 1695,³ and apparently *dsp*.
3. James Lindsay, *c.* at Edinburgh on 1 January, 1686, and had a Provision from his father on 13 July 1695.⁴ He served as a Lieutenant in the army and apparently *dsp*.
4. Margaret Lindsay, *m.* Alexander Watson of Aitherny, (*c/m* 17 October, 1692⁵), and *d.* on 30 December, 1723.
5. Ann Lindsay, *m.* in December of 1708 to William Moncrieff, Minister of Largo, and *d.* at Edinburgh in November of 1769.
6. Janet Lindsay, *c.* on 2 October, 1684, and *m.* Edward Whitmore.

¹ GD45/16/1773

² GD45/16/1883

³ GD45/16/1767.

⁴ GD45/16/1767.

⁵ GD45/16/1796