

NICOLSON

OF CARNOCK & DUNIPACE

JOHN NICOLSON OF LASSWADE, was admitted an Advocate and purchased the lands of Lasswade in 1590. He *m.* Elizabeth, daughter of Edward Henderson, *d.* by 23 January 1612, and was father of,

1. Sir John Nicolson of Lasswade, had a charter for the lands of Lasswade as heir to his father on 19 May 1607,¹ and *m.* Magdalen, daughter of David Preston of Craigmillar. He *d.* in May of 1651, and had issue, (*see Nicolson of Lasswade*).
2. Sir Thomas Nicolson, 1st Baronet of Carnock, (*see below*).
3. James Nicolson, was witness to a charter by George, Archbishop of St. Andrews, by which he granted the lands of Lasswade to his brother John Nicolson as heir to their father, the deceased John Nicolson, on 19 May 1607.

SIR THOMAS NICOLSON, 1ST BARONET OF CARNOCK, acquired the lands of Carnock for which he had a charter under the Great Seal on 15 February 1634.² He was created a Baronet of Nova Scotia on 16 January 1637, with remainder to his heirs-male whatsoever,³ and *m.* Isobel, daughter of Walter Henderson of Granton. He *d.* on 8 January 1646, and was father of,

1. Sir Thomas Nicolson, 2nd Baronet of Carnock, (*see below*).
2. John Nicolson of Tillicoultry, (*see Nicolson of Tillicoultry*).
3. Jean Nicolson, *c.* at Edinburgh on 10 September 1639.
4. Elizabeth Nicolson, *m.* Sir Thomas Drummond of Riccarton, (he *d.* in January of 1668⁴), and had issue.
5. Ann Nicolson, *m.* in 1664, to Sir George Stirling, 6th of Keir, (he was widow of Margaret, daughter of James, 6th Lord Ross, whom he had *m.* in 1630, and of Margaret, daughter of

¹ RMS 1609-1620. No. 609

² RMS 1634-1651. No. 26

³ RMS 1634-1651. No. 636.

⁴ Edinburgh Tests

Archibald, 1st Lord Napier of Merchiston, and *m.* fourthly, in 1666, following the death of Ann, to Margaret, daughter of Alexander Livingston, 2nd Earl of Callendar, who was then widow of her brother Sir Thomas Nicolson, 2nd Baronet of Carnock. Sir George Stirling *d.* in June of 1667 leaving issue by his first wife only).

6. Margaret Nicolson, *m.* firstly, John Morrison, Merchant in Edinburgh, and secondly, in 1661, to David Drummond, Advocate, second son of David Drummond, 6th of Milnab.

SIR THOMAS NICOLSON, 2ND BARONET OF CARNOCK, was retoured heir to his father in the lands of Carnock on 26 August 1646,¹ and obtained the barony of Dunipace from James, Earl of Callender, for which he had a charter dated 23 September 1653.² He *m.* Margaret, daughter of Alexander Livingstone, 2nd Earl of Linlithgow, (she *m.* secondly, in 1666, to Sir George Stirling of Keir,³ and following his death, she *m.* thirdly, on 6 February 1668, to Sir John Stirling of Keir, and *d.* on 2 November 1674), *d.* on 24 July 1664, and was father of,

1. Sir Thomas Nicolson, 3rd Baronet of Carnock, (*see below*).
2. Alexander Nicolson, *bap.* at Saint Ninians on 14 October 1652.
3. Margaret Nicolson, *bap.* at Saint Ninians on 30 December 1662. She *m.* firstly, at Edinburgh on 4 June 1683, to James Hamilton of Ballincrieff,⁴ and secondly, at Edinburgh on 17 July 1688, to Sir Thomas Nicolson younger of Kenney, son of George Nicolson, Lord Kenney.⁵
4. Eleanor Nicolson, *m.* Sir John Schaw of Greenock, and had issue.
5. Isobel Nicolson, *m.* on 11 February 1679, to Sir James Dunbar, 1st Baronet of Mochrum,⁶ and had issue.

SIR THOMAS NICOLSON, 3RD BARONET OF CARNOCK, *b.* at Edinburgh on 15 September 1649, succeeded his father and was retoured his heir in the lands of Carnock on 28

¹ Retours. Stirling. No. 184.

² GD1/529/155

³ He was then widow of Sir Thomas' sister Ann Nicolson.

⁴ OPR – Edinburgh.

⁵ OPR – Edinburgh.

⁶ OPR – Edinburgh.

September 1664.¹ He *m.* Jean, daughter and heiress of Archibald Napier, 2nd Lord Merchiston, *d.* 20 January 1670, and was father of,

SIR THOMAS NICOLSON, 4TH BARONET OF CARNOCK AND 4TH LORD NAPIER OF MERCHISTON, *b.* on 14 January 1669, succeeded his father and was retoured his heir on 1 February 1671.² He *dsp* on 9 June 1686, with his aunts Eleanor Nicolson, wife of John Schaw, younger of Greenock, Isobel Nicolson, wife of James Dunbar of Mochrum, and Margaret Nicolson, wife of James Hamilton of Ballincrieff, being served his heirs portioners in the lands of Carnock on 6 September 1686.³

¹ Retours. Stirling. No. 235.

² Retours. Stirling. No. 260.

³ Retours. Stirling. No. 302.