

ROBERTSON

OF BLAIRFETTIE

PATRICK ROBERTSON, 1ST OF BLAIRPHETTIE, was a natural son of James Robertson, 1st of Calvine, and had letters of Legitimation in 1560. He obtained the lands of Blairphetty by 15 November, 1573, when he was a member of an assise in a dispute between Andrew Hay, Earl of Errol, and George Robertson of Faskally, and is then styled as “Patrick Robertson *alias* Jamesoun of Blairfettie.”¹ He had a Tack for he lands of Invercomrie and Cary from William Robertson of Struan on 30 April 1574,² and was father of :

1. Duncan Robertson, 2nd of Blairfettie, (*see below*).
2. Alexander Robertson, witness, with his father, to a Notarial Instrument by George Menzies, son of the deceased Alexander Menzies of that Ilk, by which he renounced the lands of Roro to James Menzies of that Ilk, his brother, dated 18 March 1575.³

DUNCAN ROBERTSON, 2ND OF BLAIRPHETTIE, included in a complaint made by Robert Robertson of Struan to the Privy Council in Edinburgh in 1602, and is then styled as “Duncan MacPhatrick *alias* Robertson in Blairphettie.”⁴ He was father of :

ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, 3RD OF BLAIRFETTIE, succeeded his father and was prosecuted for wearing hagbutts by the Privy Council in 1619. He had issue :

PATRICK ROBERTSON, 4TH OF BLAIRFETTIE, succeeded his father and is mentioned as being proprietor of the lands of Blairfettie and Kirkton of Strowan in 1649. He *m.* Margaret, daughter of Charles Robertson of Auchleeks, whom, in her virginity and in

¹ RMS 1546-1580. No 2225

² GD50/186/8/9

³ GD50/186/12/6

⁴ RPC 1602

contemplation of their marriage, he infeft in the liferent of his lands of Kirkton of Struan on 12 June, 1618,¹ and was father of :

ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, 5TH OF BLAIRFETTIE, infeft in the lands of Blairfettie in 1664, *d.* prior to March of 1676 and was father of :

1. Alexander Robertson, 6th of Blairfettie, (*see below*).
2. Patrick Robertson,

ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, 6TH OF BLAIRFETTIE, succeeded his father and was retoured his heir on 2 March, 1676. He *m.* Elspeth, daughter of John Robertson, in Balrobbie, whom he infeft in a liferent of the lands of Kirkton of Struan on 20 April, 1677,² *d.* prior to February of 1705 and was father of :

1. Patrick Robertson, 7th of Blairfettie, (*see below*).
2. Donald Robertson, who, with his father and his brother Alexander, was infeft in the lands of Aldpollinrallich and Claninturk on 4 May, 1680.³ On 5 December 1733, he was infeft in the lands of Blairfettie upon the forfeiture of his nephew James Robertson of Blairfettie for his having been active in the Jacobite uprising of 1715 and *d.* prior to 10 June, 1738. He was father of :

2a) Alexander Robertson, resided in Kinnaldie and with his brothers Patrick and James and his sister Christian, were infeft in an annualrent of 40 merks from the lands of Blairfettie as heirs of their deceased father on 10 June, 1738. He *d.* in 1760⁴ and was father of :

- 2b) Donald Robertson, acted as executor to his father in 1760 and is then stated to be
 - residing in Balwherne

2a) Patrick Robertson,

2a) James Robertson,

2a) Christian Robertson,

2a) A daughter, *m.* Robert Robertson of Wester Invervack, and had issue.

3. Alexander Robertson,

¹ RS49/1/f.254r

² RS52/7/f.192r

³ RS52/7/f.441r

⁴ Dunkeld Tests

4. Marjorie Robertson, *m.* in 1677, James MacPherson, second son of Donald MacPherson of Nuid.¹

PATRICK ROBERTSON, 7TH OF BLAIRFETTIE, infeft in the lands of Trinafour on 1 March, 1675, and is then styled as fiar of Blairphettie and eldest son and heir to Alexander Robertson of Blaiphettie.² He disponed these lands to Duncan Robertson of Auchleeks, and was infeft in the lands of Blairfettie as heir to his deceased father on 3 February, 1705.³ He *m.* Anna, daughter of John Robertson, Tutor of Lude, (*c/m* 19 April, 1678⁴), and had issue :

1. James Robertson, 8th of Blairfettie, (*see below*).
2. Margaret Robertson, *m.* Alexander Robertson, 3rd of Drumachuine, (*c/m* 23 July, 1703⁵), and had issue.

JAMES ROBERTSON, 8TH OF BLAIRFETTIE, b. in 1690, succeeded his father and served with the rank of Major in the Atholl Brigade during the Jacobite uprising of 1745/46. He was one of those especially excluded from the Act of Pardon in 1747 and was compelled to seek refuge in France following the failure of the rising in April of 1746. He *m.* firstly, Amelia, daughter of Mr. Robert Campbell, Minister of Blair Atholl, (*c/m* 14 May, 1716), by whom he had issue :

1. **CHARLES ROBERTSON, 9TH OF BLAIRFETTIE**, was infeft in the lands of Blairfettie as heir to his father on 12 September, 1754.⁶ He was serving as a Lieutenant in the 77th Montgomery's Highlanders by 8 March, 1759, when he gave a disposition of his lands Blairfettie to Robert Gardner, Commissary of the King's forces in Scotland, which were thereafter assigned to Samuel Reid. He *dsp* prior to 26 October, 1765.
2. Cecil Robertson, *m.* John Small, Merchant in Perth.
3. Isobel Robertson, *c.* at Blair Atholl on 9 June, 1718.

¹ GD80/124

² RS52/6/f.226r

³ RS52/15/f.25r

⁴ RS52/7/f.194r

⁵ RS52/14/f.356

⁶ Blair Castle Archives Box 5 Parcel I. No. 5

4. Margaret Robertson, *c.* at Blair Atholl on 28 June, 1720.

He *m.* secondly, Helen, daughter of Mr. William Keir of Kinmonth, by whom he was father of :

5. **JOHN ROBERTSON OF KIRKTON OF STRUAN**, served with the rank of Captain in the 105th Regiment, and was infert in the lands of Kirkton of Struan as heir to his deceased half-brother Lieutenant Charles Robertson on 26 October, 1765,¹ which he afterwards disposed to James Robertson of Lude, on 11 July, 1769.

6. James Robertson, *c.* at Blair Atholl on 2 October, 1743.

7. Duncan Robertson, attained the rank of Major in the army and was elected Mayor of Hull. He *d.* in 1793 and was father of :

7a) James Robertson, who gave up the Testament of their grandfather James Robertson of Blairfettie in 1799 and are therein styled as children of the deceased Major Duncan Robertson, son of the deceased James Robertson of Blairfettie and were then claiming debts due to the said James by Alexander Robertson of Struan.²

7a) Ann Robertson,

¹ Blair Castle Archives Box 5 Parcel II. Nos. 1-10.

² Edinburgh Tests