

KENNEDY

OF KIRKHILL & DUNURE

GILBERT KENNEDY OF KIRKHILL, is styled brother to the deceased Thomas Kennedy of Bargany in a charter in favour of he and his wife, Isabella Kennedy, for the glebe and kirk lands of Colmonell, dated 6 May 1570.¹ He *d.* by August 1586 and was father of,

1. **THOMAS KENNEDY OF KIRKHILL**, succeeded his father and was infest as heir to him in the 40 shilling kirklands of the vicarage of Colmonell, in the Earldom of Carrick, on 4 August 1586.²
2. David Kennedy of Polgarnock, acquired the lands of Polgarnock by charter of 4 February 1607 to himself and Janet, Kennedy, his spouse, with remainder to their heirs male.³ He *d.* before April 1616 and was father of,
 - 2a) **David Kennedy of Kirkhill**, (*see below*).

DAVID KENNEDY OF KIRKHILL, succeeded his father and was served heir to him in the lands of Polgarnock on 30 April 1616.⁴ He also succeeded his uncle, Thomas Kennedy of Kirkhill, to whom he was served heir in the lands of Pinbraid and Blackfarden, Kirkhill and others, on that same day.⁵ He *d.* in September of 1630⁶ and was father of,

1. Thomas Kennedy of Kirkhill, (*see below*).

¹ GD27/1/20 & GD27/1/21-22.

² GD27/1/24.

³ C2/44/401.

⁴ C22/6/109.

⁵ C22/6/110.

⁶ Glasgow Tests.

2. Anthony Kennedy, who, in 1646, wrote to his brother, Thomas Kennedy of Kirkhill, from Belfast on his difficulty in deciding to settle in Ireland and become a Minister at Temple Partick “*where the people have shown great affection for him.*”⁷

THOMAS KENNEDY OF KIRKHILL, who is styled eldest son to the deceased David Kennedy of Kirkhill in a Gift of his marriage to Gilbert Neilson of Craigaffie, on 13 January 1632⁸ and was infeft in the lands of Kirkhill as heir to his father on 13 October following.⁹ He *d.* in 1679¹⁰ having *m.* firstly, by 14 November 1632, to Margaret, daughter of Gilbert Neilson of Craigaffie, (*c/m* 24 December 1631¹¹), when they had a conjunct charter for the lands of Kirkhill,¹² by whom he was father of,

1. **GILBERT KENNEDY OF KIRKHILL**, who disappeared from record during his father’s lifetime never having been infeft in lands. On their father’s death in 1679, his brother Thomas, took action to secure his rights to annualrents from the estate. He had returned by 2 July 1680 when Henry Nicol, writer in Edinburgh, charged he and his brother Thomas to enter as heirs to their late father¹³ but suffered sequestration on account of his father’s debts.
2. Thomas Kennedy of Kirkhill, (*see below*).
3. Anthony Kennedy, *bap.* on 30 October 1650 and is styled third son to Colonel Thomas Kennedy of Kirkhill when he assigned a Bond to Henry Nicol, writer in Edinburgh, on 6 August 1675.¹⁴

⁷ GD27/3/52/1-2.

⁸ GD27/1/70.

⁹ GD27/1/76.

¹⁰ Glasgow Tests.

¹¹ GD27/1/89.

¹² GD27/1/77.

¹³ GD27/1/230.

¹⁴ GD27/2/53.

He *m.* secondly, to Anna, sister of John Kennedy of Knockdow, (c/m 11 November 1669¹⁵), by whom he had further issue :

4. Jean Kennedy, *m.* at Edinburgh, on 23 April 1696, to Colin MacKenzie, Goldsmith in Edinburgh.¹⁶
5. Anna Kennedy,
6. Marion Kennedy, all of whom had their elder half-brother, Thomas Kennedy, appointed Tutor to them on 6 November 1679.¹⁷

SIR THOMAS KENNEDY OF KIRKHILL, who was apprenticed to Cornelius Neilson, Merchant in Edinburgh, on 18 April 1666¹⁸ and was admitted to Burgess there in right of his master on 30 April 1673.¹⁹ He redeemed the lands of Kirkhill, Over Bardochwood and others, from Henry Nicol, Writer in Edinburgh, by Disposition of 23 October 1682 and in which he was infeft on 2 November following.²⁰ He *m.* at Edinburgh, on 1 November 1670, to Agnes Haldane,²¹ *d.* in 1715 and was father of,

1. **THOMAS KENNEDY OF KIRKHILL AND DUNURE**, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 4 October 1672, and was appointed Lord Advocate of Scotland and a Baron of the Exchequer. He was served heir general to his brother, William, on 30 March 1744,²² then to his father on 11 December 1744,²³ and *m.* at Edinburgh, on 19 August 1714, to Grisel, daughter of Patrick Kinninmont of that Ilk,²⁴ (she was widow of Sir Alexander Murray, 1st Baronet of Melgund, and surviving

¹⁵ GD27/1/194.

¹⁶ OPR – Edinburgh. See also: GD27/1/319.

¹⁷ GD27/1/226.

¹⁸ SRS Register of Edinburgh Apprentices.

¹⁹ SRS Edinburgh Burgess Roll.

²⁰ GD27/1/235 & 237.

²¹ OPR – Edinburgh.

²² Services of Heirs.

²³ Services of Heirs.

²⁴ OPR – Edinburgh.

- Thomas Kennedy, she *d.* at Edinburgh, on 3 February 1758, in her 70th year²⁵.
He *dsp* at Fountainbridge, on 23 May 1754.²⁶
2. Cornelius Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 20 November 1673 and served as a Colonel in the army. He *dsp* “at his lodgings in Canongate [Edinburgh] in an advanced age” on 5 November 1739.²⁷
 3. David Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 24 October 1675 and *dsp.*
 4. George Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 7 December 1676 and *dsp.*
 5. Anthony Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 1 October 1678 and *dsp.*
 6. Gilbert Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 28 August 1679 and *dsp.*
 7. James Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 30 May 1680 and *dsp.*
 8. Magnus Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 2 February 1682 and *dsp*, being buried at Westminster, on 29 October 1732.²⁸
 9. Andrew Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 2 February 1682 and *dsp.*
 10. William Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 2 March 1683 and served as a Colonel in the army. He was appointed Governor of Inverness and *dsp* on 9 May 1743, his brother, Thomas, being served heir to him on 30 March 1744.²⁹
 11. John Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 6 May 1685 and *dsp.*
 12. Alexander Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 21 May 1686 and *dsp.*
 13. **JAMES KENNEDY OF DUNURE**, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 7 July 1687 and served as a Colonel then General in the army. He succeeded his brother, Thomas, in the lands of Dunure, being served heir male to him on 27 February 1754³⁰ and *dsp* in 1761. He was succeeded by his brother, Francis.
 14. Francis Kennedy of Dunure, (*see below*).
 15. Catherine Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 16 October 1671.
 16. Marjory Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 16 October 1671.

²⁵ Edinburgh Tests. See also: Caledonian Mercury, 4th February 1758 edition.

²⁶ Scots Magazine, 6th May 1754 edition.

²⁷ Caledonian Mercury, 6th November 1739 edition.

²⁸ Westminster Burial Register.

²⁹ Services of Heirs.

³⁰ Services of Heirs.

17. Magdalen Kennedy, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 6 July 1688.
18. Ann Kennedy, *m.* at Edinburgh, on 31 February 1709, to Andrew Agnew of Croach and Lochryan,³¹ (he was widow of Margaret, daughter of Sir James Agnew of Lochnaw, whom he had *m.* in 1700, and by whom he had issue), and had issue.

FRANCIS KENNEDY OF DALQUHARRAN AND DUNURE, *bap.* at Edinburgh, on 7 February 1690, succeeded his brother, James, in the lands of Dunrue and was served heir to him on 20 May 1761.³² He was also served heir to his brother, Thomas, in the lands of Abbeyhill on 29 January 1762³³ and *m.* Isabella, daughter of Patrick Edmonstone, 7th of Newton, (she survived him and *d.* at Dalquharran, on 1 October 1777³⁴). He *d.* at Dalquharran, on Wednesday, 13 March 1765³⁵ and was father of,

1. Thomas Kennedy of Dunure, (*see below*).
2. James Kennedy, *b.* on 6 August 1753.
3. Grizel Kennedy, *b.* on 10 August 1748 and *d.* young.
4. Helen Kennedy, *b.* on 4 September 1749.
5. Agnes Kennedy, *b.* on 10 November 1750 and *d.* at Dumfries, on 8 April 1820.³⁶
6. Jean Kennedy, *b.* on 10 November 1750.
7. Grizel Kennedy, *b.* on 17 December 1754 and *d.* at Dalquharran, on 23 February 1782.³⁷
8. Isabel Kennedy, *b.* on 28 October 1757 and *d.* at Edinburgh, on Wednesday 12 January 1785.³⁸

³¹ OPR – Edinburgh.

³² Services of Heirs.

³³ Services of Heirs.

³⁴ Glasgow Tests. See also: Scots Magazine, 1st October 1777 edition.

³⁵ Caledonian Mercury, 20th March 1765 edition.

³⁶ Caledonian Mercury, 17th April 1820 edition.

³⁷ Caledonian Mercury, 27th February 1782 edition.

THOMAS KENNEDY OF DUNURE, *b.* on 4 July 1752, succeeded his father and was served heir general to him on 2 October 1765, then to his uncle, Thomas Kennedy of Dunure, on 26 May 1817.³⁹ He *m.* at Blair House, on 11 August 1779, to Jeany, eldest daughter of John Adam of Maryburgh,⁴⁰ *d.* at Edinburgh, on 19 May 1819⁴¹ and was father of,

THOMAS FRANCIS KENNEDY OF DUNURE, *b.* on 11 November 1788 and succeeded his father to whom he was served heir in the lands of Dunure, Girvanmans, Dalquharran, Kirklands of Maybole, Dunduff and others, in Ayrshire, on 20 September 1819.⁴² He *m.* at Clyro, Radnorshire, on 13 July 1820, to Sophia, only daughter of Sir Samuel Romilly,⁴³ (she survived him and *d.* at Dalquharran Castle, on 9 October 1879⁴⁴), *d.* at Dalquharran Castle, on 1 April 1879,⁴⁵ and was father of,

FRANCIS THOMAS ROMILLY KENNEDY OF DUNURE, the only son, who was born in Ireland, on 5 May 1842 and succeeded on his father's death in 1879. He *m.* at Edinburgh, on 3 June 1868, to Eliza Barbara Colina, third daughter of Lieutenant-General John Campbell Campbell,⁴⁶ *d.* at Warrior Square, St Leonards-on-Sea, on 2 February 1892,⁴⁷ and was father of,

1. **THOMAS FRANCIS KENNEDY OF DUNURE**, *b.* on 22 February 1872 and succeeded on his father's death in 1892. Being of delicate health, he settled in

³⁸ Caledonian Mercury, 15th January 1758 edition.

³⁹ Services of Heirs.

⁴⁰ OPR – Edinburgh. See also: Scots Magazine, 6th September 1779 edition.

⁴¹ Scots Magazine, 1st June 1819 edition.

⁴² Services of Heirs.

⁴³ OPR – Clyro. See also: Evening Mail, 21st July 1820 edition.

⁴⁴ Ayr Sheriff Court Wills.

⁴⁵ Ayr Sheriff Court Wills. See also: Dundee Courier, 8th April 1879 edition.

⁴⁶ Statutory record. See also: Morning Post, 6th June 1868 edition.

⁴⁷ Statutory record. See also: Sussex Agricultural Express, 6th February 1892 edition.

Colorado and *dsp* at St. Leonards-on-Sea, on 10 July 1896,⁴⁸ soon after returning from there.

2. **JOHN CAMPBELL KENNEDY OF DUNURE**, *b.* on 15 November 1873 and succeeded his brother, Thomas, on his death in 1896. He *m.* at St. Baldred's, North Berwick, on 15 March 1900, to Adelaide Louisa, daughter of Francis Maxwell of Gribton,⁴⁹ and *dsp* at Darquharran Castle, on 21 November 1934.⁵⁰
3. William Henry Kennedy, *d.* at Carrick Avenue, Ayr, on 9 October 1936⁵¹
4. Samuel Romilly Kennedy, *b.* in 1880 and *dsp* at High Croft, Steyning, Sussex, on 10 June 1905.⁵²
5. Eliza Georgiana Kennedy, *b.* on 24 April 1869.
6. Sophia Romilly Kennedy, *b.* on 30 January 1871.
7. Frances Lorne Kennedy, *b.* in 1877 and *m.* Lieutenant-Colonel John Buchanan MacFarlane. They had issue.

⁴⁸ Ayr Sheriff Court.

⁴⁹ Glasgow Herald, 19th March 1900 edition.

⁵⁰ Statutory record. See also: The Scotsman, 22nd November 1934 edition.

⁵¹ The Scotsman, 10th October 1936 edition.

⁵² Ayr Sheriff Court Wills. See also: West Sussex Times, 17th June 1905 edition.