LAIRDS AND GENTLEMEN: A STUDY OF THE LANDED FAMILIES
OF THE EASTERN ANGLO-SCOTTISH BORDERS C. 1540-1603.

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All known Lairds of the Eastern Scottish Borderland are listed individually. The entries follow a basic pattern, but not all categories are traceable or relevant to every family. The more complicated families have their genealogies drawn.

1. The head of each generation is listed with a date of death, if it is known.
2. Status. That is whether they were Greater Lairds (surname chiefs, largeland holders and barons), Lesser Lairds (small barons, small landholders, portioners, wadsetters and dependent lairds) or Bonnet Lairds (whose holdings were so small that they worked their own land). In Scotland there was no direct equivalent of the Knight, Esquire and Gentleman classification that obtained predominance in England, so comparisons are difficult.
3. Landholding, (if known) whether in chief, from a nobleman or another Laird, or from a monastic house or church.
4. The marriages of the heads of families and the approximate size of their families. Also the marriages of sons and daughters, where traceable.
5. Wardship - Guardians, Tutors and Curators are listed if known.
7. Offices held by heads of families, e.g. Wardens and deputy wardens of the Marches, Sheriffs and their deputies, Provosts of burghs, Bailiffs for the crown, nobility or other landholders, Commendators of religious houses, Jurors at Sheriff Courts and Retours, etc.
8. Whether they assured to England during the 1540s or not, if known.
9. Mobility, whether upward, downward or static.
10. References for the above entries.

d=died m=married umd=unmarried dau=daughter chap=chapter appx=appendix *=see attached genealogy. /// = no direct descent or descent unclear.

**AINSIE OF FALLA** (Roxburghshire)

William I.
David.
William II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Kers of Littledean.
David m. Mary Rutherford of Hunthill, 3 sons.
William m. 4 sons.
William I.  Juror Jedburgh Sheriff Court, 1539-42.
Assured.
Static.
AINSIE OF THICKSIDE (Roxburghshire)

Adam.
Ralph.
David.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Kers of Ferniehirst.
David. Juror at the Oxnam barony Court, 1602.
Assured.
Static.

ANGUS OF HOPRIG (Berwickshire)

Thomas I. d. pre 1554.
Patrick.
John, predeceased Patrick.
Thomas II, brother of John.
Thomas III.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Patrick m. Alison Renton (of Billie ?), 2 sons.
Thomas II m. Margaret Bog (of Burnhouses ?), 1 son.
Thomas II. Retour Juror, 1590.
Static.

AITCHISON OF SLIGHHOUSES (Berwickshire)

Henry. d. 1541.
Thomas, brother of Henry.
Robert.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the earls of Angus (or the Crown during forfeiture).
Robert m. Beatrix Guidane.
Static.

AUCHINLECK OF CUMLEDGE (Berwickshire)

Archibald. d. pre 1593.
George.

Lesser Lairds, descended from the Auchinlecks (Afflecks) of Balmanno in Perthshire.
Held land in chief.
Archibald m. Jane Sleigh, his ward and heiress of Cumledge in 1575. 3 sons. He remarried Euphame Swinton after Jane's death.
George. Retour Juror, 1601.
Upward.


BENNET OF CHESTERS (alias Easter Grange) (Roxburghshire)

Philip. d. pre 1562.
Mungo. d. 1595.
Raguel.

Greater Lairds.
Held land of the archbishop of Glasgow and then the commendator of Blantyre, as well as the Kers of Cessford.
Philip m. Janet Turnbull of Bedrule. 3 sons, of whom Adam m. Agnes Bennet in Nether Ancrum.
Mungo m. ? 3 sons.
Static.


BIRGHAM OF BIRGHAM (Berwickshire)

Adam I. d. pre 1591.
Adam II.

Bonnet Laird.
Held only two husbandlands in chief.
Adam I m. Christian MacDougal of Stodriy. 1 son, 1 dau.
Downward, with an heiress, Elizabeth.


BOG OF BURNHOUSES (Berwickshire)

John I. d. pre 1547.
John II.
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James. d. pre 1603
Alexander.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the crown in feu.
Alexander m. Elizabeth Cockburn of East Borthwick. Dau Margaret m. Thomas
Angus II of Hoprig?
John II. Retour Juror 1575, 1591.
Static.
GD242/48 ER, xviii, pp. 419-20. RMS, vi, 1455. Retours, i, Berwick no 1

BORTHWICK OF COLLIELAW (Lauderdale)
James.
Bernard.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Lords Borthwick.
Static.
GD45/16/2759. RD1/8 f. 466.

BROWNFIELD OF EASTFIELD (Berwickshire)
Alexander I.
Alexander II.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Lords Home.
Alexander I m. ? 2 sons.
Alexander II. Retour Juror, 1590.
Did not assure.
Static.
CC8/8/16 f. 300. LAMB MS, 3192, f. 187. RMS, v, 954, 1382. HMC,
Milne-Home, no 399.

BROWNFIELD OF FARNYRIG (Berwickshire)
James.
Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Possibly held land of Lord Home.
Retour Juror, 1590.
Static.
HMC, Milne-Home, no 399.

BROWNFIELD OF GORDON MAINS (Berwickshire)
William. d. pre 1574.
Alexander. d. pre 1595.
John.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Lords Home, who in turn held these lands of the earls of Huntly.
Static.


BROUNFIELD OF GREENLAWDEAN (Berwickshire).

Steven I.
Steven II. d. 1564.
Steven III.

Substantial Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Steven I m. Elizabeth Cockburn. 3 sons and 1 dau Helen m. William Redpath of Greenlaw.
Steven II m. Alison MacGill dau of John MacGill burgess of Edinburgh (niece of Mr James MacGill of Nether Rankeillor, clerk register). 1 son.
Steven III m. Marion Cairncross.
The wardship of Steven III was granted to MacGill of Nether Rankeillor, after his father's murder in 1564.
Notable younger son - see Brounfield of Whitehouse.
Did not assure.
Upward.

GD158/108 GD158/749. RD1/10 f. 43. CS6/26 f. 72. LAMB MS, 3192, f.187. RMS, iii, 667; iv, 1715. RSS, v, 1689.

BROUNFIELD OF HARDACRES OR HASSINGTON MAINS (Berwickshire)

Nicol.
///
James.
Adam. d. pre 1597.
Nicholas.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Lords Home.
Adam m. ? 2 sons. His sister Jane m. David Spottiswoode of that Ilk.
Adam. Retour Juror, 1574, 1580.
Static.

CS7/76 f. 220. RD1/28 f. 405. GD158/130. RMS, iv, 2449n, 3015. HMC, Home, nos 193, 194; Marchmont, nos 44, 83.

BROUNFIELD OF HOWLAWHEAD (Berwickshire)
John.
Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Held land of Lord Home.
Static.
RMS, iii, 110. HMC, Home, no 253.

BROWNFIELD OF NETHER MAINS, ECCLES (Berwickshire)

James I. d. 1575.
Alexander. d. pre 1610.
James II.

Lesser Lairds.
Probably held lands of Eccles Priory, in feu.
James I m. ? 3 sons (including John a merchant of Edinburgh) and 2 daus.
Alexander m. ? 2 sons.
Static.

BROWNFIELD OF PITTLESHEUGH (Berwickshire)

Andrew I. d. 1576.
James. d. pre 1590.
Andrew II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Crown in feu.
Andrew I m. Jonet Dickson. 2 sons.
James m. Isobel, dau of Sir William Cranston of that Ilk. 1 son.
Andrew II's curators were Robert Dickson elder of Bughtrig, Alexander Brounfield of Nether Mains and Alexander Brownfield elder of Eastfield.
Looked to be upwardly mobile, but sold out 1600.
CC8/8/5 ff. 80-81. CC8/8/16 f. 300. RH15/19/3/1. RMS, v, 1125; vi, 1674. Laing Chrs, nos 1196, 1197. HMC, Hay of Duns, no 139; Milne-Home, no 399. Retours, i, Berwick, no 18.

BROWNFIELD OF TENANDRY (Berwickshire)

John I. d. pre 1597.
John II. d. pre 1605.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Lords Home.
John I m. ? 4 sons.
Static.
BROWNFIELD OF TODRIG (Berwickshire)

Robert I.
Robert II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and probably of the Lords Home as well.
Robert I m. ? Purves heiress of Purvisland in Hutton. 1 son.
Robert II m. Margaret French of Thornydykes.
Upward.


BROWNFIELD OF WHITEHOUSE IN HASSINGTON (Berwickshire)

James.
Nichol.

Lesser Lairds. James was a younger son of the Brownfields of Greenlawdean.
Probably held land of Lord Home.
James m. ? 3 sons and 2 daus.
Upward.

RD1/47 f. 44. RPC, ii, p. 322; iv, p. 811.

BROWNFIELD OF WHITESIDE (Berwickshire)

Steven.

Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Held land of Lord Home.
Static.

GD158/785. RMS, v, 1078, 1382.

BURN OF COATE (Roxburghshire)

John.
Jock.

Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Probably held land of the Kers of Cessford.
Burn of Elsheugh (Roxburghshire)

Mark.
Lesser Laird.
Held land from Kelso Abbey, in feu.
Static.

Cairncross of Allanshaws (Lauderdale)

James.
Charles.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Melrose Abbey in feu.
Charles m. Margaret Spottiswoode. 2 sons and 5 daus.
Static.

Cairncross of Birsneep (Berwickshire)

Charles.

Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Static.

Cairncross of Calhull and Hillslap (Lauderdale)

Nicol I.
Nicol II.

Very substantial lesser Laird. Nicol I was a younger son of Cairncross of Colmslie.
Held lands of Melrose Abbey and in chief.
Nicol I m. Elizabeth Lauder. 1 son.
Nicol I. Deputy bailiff of Lauderdale, 1585.
Upward.
CAIRNCROSS OF COLMSLIE (Lauderdale)

William I. d. pre 1554.
Robert. d. 1573.
William II.

Greater Lairds.
Held numerous properties throughout Scotland in chief and from Melrose Abbey.
William I m. Marion Pringle. 4 sons (1 illegitimate) and 1 dau Marion m. Richard Lauder of that Ilk.
William's ward and marriage was granted to Auchinleck of Balmanno. His curators were Mark Home of Craig and Nicol Cairncross I of Calfhill. Notable younger son - see Cairncross of Calfhill.

Upward.

CARMICHAEL OF EDROM (Berwickshire)

Archibald. d. pre 1600.
Henry.

Lesser Lairds. Archibald was a brother of John Carmichael of that Ilk. Held land in chief.
Archibald m. Janet Home, heiress of Edrom. 1 son.

Upward.
CHIRNSIDE OF EAST NISBET (Berwickshire)

Ninian. d. pre 1553.
William. d. 1581.
Patrick.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Ninian m. Katherine Cockburn. 3 sons.
William m. Elizabeth Cockburn of Cockburn (who remarried Thomas Cockburn). 7 sons (1 illegitimate) and 2 daus.
Patrick m. Anna Home (of Manderston?)
Patrick's ward and marriage were granted to John Gibb, valet to James VI.
Notable younger son - see Chirnside of Whitsomelaws.
Patrick. Retour Juror, 1590.
Assured.
Static.


CHIRNSIDE OF WHITSOMELAWS (Berwickshire)

Mr Ninian I.
Ninian II.

Lesser Laird. Ninian I was a younger son of East Nisbet.
Held land of the Chirnsides of East Nisbet, who probably held of the earls of Bothwell.
Ninian I m. Katherine Swinton of that Ilk. 2 sons.
Ninian I. Servitor of Francis Stewart, earl of Bothwell, 1591-4.
Upward.


COCKBURN OF EAST BORTHWICK (Berwickshire)

Patrick I. d. 1601.
Patrick II.

Lesser Lairds. Patrick I was a younger son of Cockburn of Langton.
Held land in chief.
Patrick I m. Elizabeth Home of Renton. 3 sons and 3 daus, Agnes m. John Gaits, minister of Bunkle, Elizabeth m. Alexander Bog of Burnhouses.
Cockburn of Caldra (Berwickshire)

Alexander. d. 1593.
Patrick.

Lesser Lairds. Alexander was a younger son of Cockburn of Choicelee. Held land of Kelso Abbey, in feu. Alexander m. Alison Vaus. 6 sons and 1 dau.
Patrick m. Agnes Edmonston. 1 son and 1 dau.

Cockburn of Choicelee (Berwickshire)*

Christopher. d. 1520.
William I. d. 1571.
James. d. 1586.
William II. d. 1609.


Cockburn of Caldra (Berwickshire)

Alexander. d. 1593.
Patrick.

Lesser Lairds. Alexander was a younger son of Cockburn of Choicelee. Held land of Kelso Abbey, in feu. Alexander m. Alison Vaus. 6 sons and 1 dau.
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James. d. 1586.
William II. d. 1609.


Cockburn of Caldra (Berwickshire)

Alexander. d. 1593.
Patrick.

Lesser Lairds. Alexander was a younger son of Cockburn of Choicelee. Held land of Kelso Abbey, in feu. Alexander m. Alison Vaus. 6 sons and 1 dau.
Patrick m. Agnes Edmonston. 1 son and 1 dau.

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William I. d. 1571.
James. d. 1586.
William II. d. 1609.


Cockburn of Caldra (Berwickshire)

Alexander. d. 1593.
Patrick.

Lesser Lairds. Alexander was a younger son of Cockburn of Choicelee. Held land of Kelso Abbey, in feu. Alexander m. Alison Vaus. 6 sons and 1 dau.
Patrick m. Agnes Edmonston. 1 son and 1 dau.

Cockburn of Choicelee (Berwickshire)*

Christopher. d. 1520.
William I. d. 1571.
James. d. 1586.
William II. d. 1609.

COCKBURN OF THAT ILK (Berwickshire)

William I.
Alexander. d. 1583.
William II. d. 1602.
William III.

Greater Lairds. William was possibly a younger son of the Cockburns of Langton.
Held land in chief.
William I m. Isobel Home of Wedderburn. 4 sons and 2 daus, Elizabeth m. William Chirnside of East Nisbet.
Alexander m. Helen, dau of Sir Patrick Hepburn of Bolton. 6 sons (1 illegitimate) and 2 daus.
William II m. 1st Margaret Renton of Billie and 2nd Jean Ramsay, widow of John Kincaid of Warriston. 4 sons.
William III m. Elizabeth Kincaid of Warriston, his step-sister. 2 sons and 1 dau.
William III's curators were David Renton of Billie, his uncle Alexander Cockburn and great-uncle George.
George, younger son of William I was Sheriff-depute of Berwickshire, 1585.
William II. Retour Juror, 1601.
Did not assure.
Upward.


COCKBURN OF LANGTON (Berwickshire)*

Sir William I. d. 1513.
Alexander. d. 1513.
Sir James. d. 1578.
William II. d. 1588.
William III. d. 1628.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Notable younger sons - see Cockburn of East Borthwick, Cockburn of Choicelee, Cockburn of that Ilk and Cockburn of Stobswood. Sir James' younger sons Adam and John were both sheriff deutes of Berwickshire.
William III. Principal Usher to James VI. Langton was made into a free burgh of barony for him, 1595. Assured. Upward.

Cockburn of Stobswood (Berwickshire)
Alexander I. d. 1597.
Alexander II.

Lesser Lairds. Alexander I was a younger son of Cockburn of Langton. Held land in chief.

Cockburn of the Woodhead (Berwickshire)
George.
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Cranston of Corsbie (Berwickshire)
Sir Thomas.
Jasper.
John. d. pre 1573.
George. d. 1591.
Thomas. (predeceased George) d. 1588.

Greater Lairds. Held land in chief.
Sir Thomas m. 1 son and 1 dau, Marion m. Richard Maitland of Lethington.
Jasper m. 4 sons.
John m. Elizabeth Swinton (who remarried Thomas Cranston). 3 sons.
George m. 1st Isobel Home of Cowdenknowes, 2nd Agnes Pringle of Blindlee, 3rd Isobel Douglas. 2 sons.
Thomas m. Isobel Home of Polwarth (who remarried James Home of Hilton). 5 sons.
Patrick m. Marion Home, illegitimate dau of Cowdenknowes.
Patrick was a ward of Patrick Home, younger of Polwarth, his uncle.
Assured.
Static.


CRANSTON OF FALWOODSHIEL (Lauderdale)

Robert.
James.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Crown in feu.
Upward.

RMS, v, 1602.

CRANSTON OF KIRKHILL (Berwickshire)

George. d. pre 1598.
Mr William.

Lesser Lairds.
Possibly held land of Lord Borthwick or the Cranstons of Thirlestane Mains.
George m. Margaret Cairncross. 3 sons and 4 daus.
Static.

CC8/8/35 CC8/8/41 GD40/3/47. RMS, iii, 2986; iv, 1691.

CRANSTON OF THIRLESTANE MAINS AND MORRISTON (Lauderdale)*

Richard. d. pre 1540.
Cuthbert I. d. 1585.
Cuthbert II. predeceased his father without heirs.
John. d. 1598.
Mr Thomas.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief and from the Lords Home.
Cuthbert II's curators were Sir William Cranston of that Ilk and Robert Lauder of Bass.
John's curators were George Home of Wedderburn and Alexander Home of Huttonhall.
Notable younger sons - Sir William, son of Richard was commissary of Lauder and Mr William, son of John was declared heir male of the Cranstons of that Ilk.
Cuthbert I. Retour Juror, 1546, 1550.
Upward.

GD98/123/17 GD157/278. RD1/19 f. 175 RD1/36 f. 18. NRAS859/5/2
859/10/1 859/10/7 859/112/2. RMS, iv, 608, 1310, 1691, 1693; v, 83,
353; vi, 699; vii, 1482. RPC, vii, p. 130; iv, p. 465. RSS, iv, 676,
3090; v, 995, vi, 1108, 2264; viii, 1541. HMC, Home no 242. Pitcairn,
Trials, i, pt 1, p. 337. Retours, i, Berwick, nos 56, 62.

CRAW OF FLEMINGTON-FLURIS AND METHERBYRES (Berwickshire)

William I. d. 1571.
George. d. 1591.
William II.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Logans of Restalrig and Rentons of Billie, in feu.
William I m. Janet Ellem of Renton (who remarried Patrick Home of Renton).
6 sons and 4 daus.
George m. Janet Craw of Swinwood. 1 son and 5 daus.
George's tutor was Robert Rule of Peelwalls.
Static.

CS7/42 f. 236. GD242/52. RMS, v, 1317. Retours, i, Berwick, no 36.

CRAW OF GUNSGREEN (Berwickshire)

James I. d. 1594.
James II.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Logans of Restalrig.
James I m. ? 3 sons and 1 dau Elizabeth m. Nicol Paxton in Auchencrow.
James I. Retour Juror, 1585. Deputy bailiff of Coldingham for the sixth
Lord Home.
Static.

CC8/8/28 ff. 22-23. GD267/27/78. RMS, iv, 2445. HMC, Hay of Duns, no
139.
CRAW OF RENTON (Berwickshire)
John.
Bonnet Laird.
Probably held land of Logans of Restalrig.
Static.

RMS, vi, 618, 1207. RPC, v, p. 27.

CRAW OF EAST RESTON (Berwickshire)
George I. d. pre 1580.
George II.
George III.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and leased from the Edington's of that Ilk.
George I m. Madelene Home (who remarried Robert Lauder in Tynninghame). 1 son and 1 dau married Richard Spence of Chirnside Mains?
George II m. ? 2 sons.
George III m. 1st Agnes Gray and 2nd Euphamia Home.
Static.


CRAW OF SWINWOOD OR HAUHGHEAD (Berwickshire)
William I.
William II. d. pre 1610.

Lesser Lairds.
Held their land in chief and from the Ogilvies of Dunlugus, Logans of Restalrig and Home of Swinwood.
William I m. Christian Sinclair. 2 sons and 1 dau m. George Craw of Flemington-Fluris.
William II. Chamberlain of Coldingham for the earl of Bothwell, 1588-91.
Static.

CCB/8/23 f. 188. GD267/26/15. RD1/31 f. 33. RMS, iv, 2318n; vi, 1523. HMC, Milne-Home, no 533. RPC, iv, p. 677. Retours, i, Berwick, no 90.

CRAW OF UPSETTLINGTON SHIELS (Berwickshire)
Philip.
///
John I.
John II.
Bonnet Lairds.
Held land of the Logans of Restalrig and the Cockburns of Langton.
Philip m. ? 2 sons.
Static.

RD1/1 f. 173. NRAS 859/11/5. RMS, iii, 1648. TA, vii, p. 374.

DAVIDSON OF EASTER FOWMERTON (Roxburghshire)

George.
///
Robert.

Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Held land from the archdean of Teviotdale.
Static.

E48/1/1/ f. 213. CBP, i, no 678.

DAVIDSON OF HARDEN (Roxburghshire)

John.

Bonnet Laird.
Probably held land of the Kers of Ferniehirst or Kelso Abbey.
Downward, probably died out.

E48/1/1 f. 223. RMS, iv, 482n. RSS, v, 1033.

DAVIDSON OF THE KAIMS (Roxburghshire)

Henry.
///
David.

Bonnet Lairds.
Probably held land of the Kers of Ferniehirst.
David m. ? 1 son.
Static.


DAVIDSON OF MARCHCLEUCH (Roxburghshire)

William.

Bonnet Laird.
Static.
L & P. Hen VIII, xix, pt 2, no 503. CBP, i, no 678. RPC, i, pp. 407, 422-3.

DAVIDSON OF SAMIESTON (Roxburghshire)

James.
Thomas.
///
Robert. d. pre 1604.
William.

Lesser Laird.
Probably held land of the Kers of Cessford or the Rutherfords of Hundalee.
Thomas. Retour Juror, 1550.
Assured.
Static.

CH6/6/1 f. 86. GD6/644. SC62/2/1. RMS, iv, 482n. RSS, ii, 4486.

DAVIDSON OF WOODEN (Roxburghshire)

James.
William.

Bonnet Lairds.
Probably held land from the Kers of Ferniehirst.
Static.

GD40/8/36. CBP, i, no 678. HMC, Laing, i, p. 33.

DICKSON OF BELCHESTER (Berwickshire)

John I.
John II. d. 1588. (murdered by John III)
John III. d. 1591.
Patrick.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Lord Home.
John II m. Isobel Pringle. 3 sons.
John III m. ? 1 son.
John II. Retour Juror, 1574, 1585.
Assured.
Static.

CC8/8/23 ff. 154-5. RMS, iii, 2041; iv, 2138n; v, 1382. HMC, Hay of Duns, no 139. Pitcairn, Trials, i, pt 1, p. 351. Retours, i, Berwick no 23; ii, no 495.

DICKSON OF BUGHTRIG (Berwickshire)
William.
Robert I. d. 1598.
Robert II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in feu from the Crown and from the Lords Home.
Robert II m. Elizabeth MacDougal of Stodrig. 1 son and 1 dau, Isobel m.
Robert Ramsay of Wyliecleugh.
Robert I. Retour Juror, 1585.
Robert II. Retour Juror, 1601.
Assured.
Static.


DICKSON OF HERDRIG (Berwickshire)

Patrick. d. pre 1559.
Alexander.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the crown in feu.
Alexander was a ward of Alexander MacDougal of Stodrig.
Alexander. Retour Juror, 1585. Bailiff of the barony of Swinton, 1596
and Whitson, 1603.
Static.


DICKSON OF KAMES (Berwickshire)

John I.
John II.

Lesser Lairds.
Probably held land of the Lords Home.
John II. Retour Juror, 1601.
Static.

NRAS859/5/7. NLS CH4810. HMC, Milne-Home, no 558.

DICKSON OF THE LOANHEAD AND NEWTON OF BIRGHAM (Berwickshire)

Patrick. d. pre 1593.
John.

Bonnet Lairds.
Held land in chief and from the Dicksons of Belchester.
John m. Euphamia MacDougal of Stodrig. 1 son.
DICKSON OF OVERMAINS OF HASSINGTON OR HASSINGTON MAINS (Berwickshire)

John I.
Robert. d. 1611.
John II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Melrose Abbey, in feu.
Robert m. 1st Margaret Haitlie and 2nd Janet Pringle of Torwoodlee. 3 sons.
Upward.

HMC, Hay of Duns, no 139.

DICKSON OF THE PEEL (OF LEITHOLM) (Berwickshire)

Robert I.
///
James.
Robert II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Lords Home.
Robert II m. Isobel Ramsay of Wyliecleuch.
Static.

CS6/27 f. 165. RMS, v, 1382. RPC, vi, p. 792. SP, iv, p. 298.

DICKSON OF WHITRIG (Berwickshire)

John. d. 1608.

Lesser Laird.
Held land of Lord Home.
John m. Elizabeth Dickson.
Static.

CC8/8/45. RMS, v, 1382. RPC, vi, p. 792.

DOUGLAS OF BANKEND, JEDBURGH (Roxburghshire)

John I.
John II.
Lesser or Bonnet Lairds.
John I. Juror at Jedburgh Sheriff Court, 1539, 1541.
John II. Juror at Jedburgh Sheriff Court, 1598, 1601.
Static.

DOUGLAS OF BONJEDWARD (Roxburghshire)

James.
George I. predeceased James d. 1540.
William I.
George II. predeceased William d. 1585.
William II.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief.
George I m. ? 2 sons.
William II m. ? 2 sons.
George II m. 1st Isobel Ker of Ancrum, 2nd Margaret Stewart of Traquair, widow of James Murray of Falahill. 1 son.
William II m. Rebecca Drummond of Hawthornden.
William I. Retour Juror, 1541, 1542, 1564, 1569. Sheriff of Roxburghshire, 1545. Deputy warden of the Middle March, 1552, warden of the west half of the Middle March, 1576-8.
George II. Commissioner vs. Jesuits, 1589.
Assured.
Upward.

DOUGLAS OF MELROSE (Roxburghshire)

James, commendator of Melrose.
Archibald.

Greater Lairds. James was a younger son of William Douglas of Lochleven, later earl of Morton.
James m. Mary Ker of Ferniehirst. 1 son.
Upward.

DOUGLAS OF MORDINGTON (Berwickshire)

George I.
George II.
A non-resident Lesser Laird.
Held land of the earls of Morton.
George m. Margaret Dundas of Fingask. 2 sons and 1 dau.
Static.


DOUGLAS OF TIMPENDEAN (Roxburghshire)

Andrew I.  d. pre 1562.
Andrew II.
Steven.

Lesser Lairds. Descended from the Douglasses of Bonjedward.
Held land of the Douglasses of Bonjedward and in chief.
Andrew I m. Katherine Gladstone of Lanton. 2 sons.
Andrew II m. Margaret Turnbull of Ancrum Mill. 1 son.
Steven m. Jean Haliburton of Muirhouselaw. 1 son.
Andrew II was granted his own ward and marriage.
Andrew I. Bailiff of Melrose Abbey, 1557.
Andrew II. Retour Juror, 1600, 1601. Juror at Jedburgh Sheriff Court, 1598.
Static.


DUNS OF EAST BORTHWICK (Berwickshire)

Patrick.

Bonnet Laird.
Held land in feu from the Cockburns of Langton and Auchinleck of Cumledge.
Patrick. Sheriff depute of Berwickshire, 1555.
Downward, died out.

RD1/1 f. 115. RMS, iv, 2589; v, 217, 248, 664, 1333.

DUNS OF GRUELDDYES ALIAS THE NEWTON OF DUNS (Berwickshire)

John I.  d. pre 1548.
John II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
John II. Bailiff of the Hirsel for Home of Wedderburn, 1595.
Static.

NRAS 859/134/2a. RMS, iv, 263.
EDGAR OF FLaSS AND MONKRIG (Berwickshire)

Oliver. d. 1586.
Richard.

Lesser Lairds. Oliver was a younger son of the Edgars of Wedderlie.
Held from the Lords Home, Home of Cowdenknowes and the Edgars of Wedderlie.
Oliver m. Margaret Pringle of Torwoodlee. 1 son.
Richard m. Margaret Craw.
Oliver. Retour Juror 1578.
Upward.

CC8/8/15 ff. 44-5. RD1/7/f. 33 RD1/26/ff. 245, 246. NRAS859/5/7.
Retours, i, Berwick, nos 46, 47.

EDGAR OF WEDDERLIE (Berwickshire)

Richard. d. pre 1556.
John. d. 1595.
Robert.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Robert m. 1st Agnes Cranston, 2nd Beatrix Lyle. 5 sons and 1 dau,
Margaret m. 1st William Spottiswoode of that Ilk, 2nd Walter Scott of Harden.
John m. Elizabeth Pringle of Torwoodlee. 4 sons.
Robert m. Mary Douglas. 2 sons and 1 dau.
Notable younger son - see Edgar of Flass and Monkrig.
Richard. Retour Juror, 1543, 1546, 1551.
Robert, Retour Juror, 1601.
Did not assure.
Static.

CC8/8/41 ff. 93-4. GD158/183. RD1/7 f. 33. NRAS859/5/7. NLS CH4810.
ER, xviii, p. 555; xxiii, p. 370. RMS, iv, 1217. RPC, iii, p. 418.

EDINGTON OF THAT ILK (Berwickshire)

John.
David. d. 1591.
Patrick, illegitimate.
Thomas, brother and heir of David.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
John m. Beatrice Home of Ninewells. 2 sons and 1 dau Elizabeth m. Henry
Ramsay.
David m. Alison Home of Blackadder East. 2 sons (1 illegitimate, though subsequently legitimized as he was born out of wedlock) and 2 daus. Thomas m. Elizabeth Ramsay, niece of John Ramsay of Dalhousie. David was a ward of George Cockburn of the Woodhead. Notable younger son - see Edington of Harcarse.
John. Retour Juror, 1547.
Downward, sold out 1594.


EDINGTON OF HARCARSE (Berwickshire)
David. d. 1596.
John.
Lesser Lairds. David was probably a younger son of Edington of that Ilk. Held land from the Swintons of that Ilk.
Upward.
CC8/8/37. RD1/45 f. 252.

EDMONSTON OF THAT ILK AND EDNAM (Midlothian and Roxburghshire)
John I.
Sir John II.
Sir John III.
Andrew.

Greater Lairds. Primarily Midlothian Lairds, but they held significant lands in the Borders. Held lands in chief.
John I m. Euphamia Wauchope. 1 son and 3 daus. Elizabeth m. Gilbert Ker of Primsideloch, Euphame m. Walter Ker of Littledean and Helen m. Henry Haitlie of Mellerstain (remarried William Home of Bellitaw).
Sir John II m. Agnes Ker of Cessford. 1 son.
Sir John III m. ? 1 son and 2 daus. Elizabeth m. Patrick Home of Ayton. Static.
GD237/95/7 237/105/5. RMS, iii, 2987; v, 2125; vi, 56.

ELLEM OF BASSENDEAN (Berwickshire)
John.

Lesser Laird. Held land in chief and from the Homes of Wedderburn.
John m. Isobel Home. 2 sons and 1 dau.
Static.


ELLEM OF BUTTERDEAN (Berwickshire)

Alexander. d. pre 1554.
Peter.
John I. d. pre 1602.
John II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Peter m. ? Burnett. 2 sons and 2 daus.
John I m. Janet Sinclair of Blainslie. 2 sons.
John II m. Marie Lauder.
Peter. Butterdean is made into a free barony for him, 1541. Sheriff depute of Berwickshire, 1555.
Did not assure.
Upward.

CC8/8/37. CS7/5 f. 2. RD1/1 f. 115  RD1/30 ff. 121-4  RD1/41 f. 335.
RMS, iii, 1492, 2452; iv, 1030; v, 1422, 2226, vii, 2. Retours, i, Berwick, no 58.

ELLEM OF RENTON (Berwickshire)

David.
Gilbert, brother of David.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Logans of Restalrig and Coldingham Priory.
David m. Isobel Galbraith. I dau Janet m. Ist William Craw of Flemington-Fluris, 2nd, Patrick Home of Renton.
Gilbert m. Janet Home. 2 sons.
Janet was a ward of Sir George Home of Spott.
Assured.
Downward, lands went to the Homes of Manderston via the heiress Janet.


ERSKINE OF SHIELFIELD (Berwickshire)

Alexander. d. pre 1581.
Ralph.

Lesser Lairds. They were related to the Erskine, commendators of Dryburgh Abbey.
Probably held land of the Abbey in feu.
Alexander m. Elizabeth Haliburton of Newmains of Dryburgh. 1 son.
Ralph m. Isobel Cairncross of Colmslie. 2 daus.
Upward.


FAIRBAIRN OF WEST GORDON (Berwickshire)

Henry.
James.

Bonnet Lairds.
Held land of the Lords Home.
Static.

CC8/8/25 f. 311. RD1/43 f. 31.

FALA OF THE WELLS (Roxburghshire)

George.
William.

Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Probably held land of the Rutherfords of that Ilk and then the Stewarts of Traquair.
Static.

SC62/2/2. ER, xix, p. 433.

FRENCH OF THORNYDYKES (Berwickshire)

Robert I. d. pre 1548.
Adam. d. 1577.
Robert II. d. 1603.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Robert I m. Anne Home of Polwarth. 8 sons and 4 daus (two were illegitimate). Janet m. Robert Watson in Evelaw (remarried Robert Cranston of Broxmouth), Margaret m. George Nisbet of Raecleugh.
Adam m. Margaret Pringle of Blindlee. 5 sons and 5 daus, Christian m. John Baillie of St John's Kirk.
Robert II m. 1st Margaret Turnbull of Bedrule, 2nd Margaret Home of Hardiesmill. 2 sons (1 illegitimate) and 3 daus, Jane m. John Cranston younger son of Morriston, Alison m. Thomas Cranston in Huntlywood, Margaret m. Robert Brownfield of Todrig.
Adam was a ward of his uncle John French.
Robert II was a ward of his mother.
Notable younger sons. Of Robert I's sons Hew was a controller of his
majesty's horse and Robert was minister of Eccles. Thomas, son of Adam, was in the royal household.
Adam. Juror at Roxburgh Sheriff Court, 1561.
Assured.
Upward.

FRISSELL OF OVERTON (Roxburghshire)

John.

Robert I.
Andrew. d. pre 1598.
Robert II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Kers of Littledean.
Assured.
Static.

FRISSELL OF QUARRELBUSH (Roxburghshire)

John.

Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Static.

GALBRAITH OF EAST WINDSHIEL (Berwickshire)

Mr Adam. d. pre 1561.
Alexander, brother of Mr Adam.

Robert. d. pre 1580.
Andrew.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Robert m. ? 1 son and 1 dau, Margaret m. William Cockburn of Choicelee.
Andrew was a ward of Edmund Redpath of Crumrig.
Static.
GLADSTONE OF COCKLAW (Roxburghshire)

John. d. pre 1569.
James.

Lesser lairds.
Held land of the Kers of Cessford who in turn held of Melrose Abbey.
James m. Beatrice Ker. 1 son.
Static.

GRADEN OF EARNSLAW (Berwickshire)

Nicholas.
John. //
Robert.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Crown in feu and the Lords Home.
Static.

GRADEN OF LANGRIG (Berwickshire)

Jasper. d. c. 1573.
John I. d. 1572.
John III.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and of the Homes of Marchmont.
Jasper m. Elizabeth Brounfield. 1 son.
John III was a ward of William Graden in West Graystonerig.
Static.

GRAHAMSLAW OF NEWTON (Roxburghshire)

Adam I. d. pre 1540.
Adam II. //
John.
Adam III. predeceased his father, d. 1586.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Adam I m. Janet Rutherford. 2 sons.
John m. 8 sons (1 illegitimate) and 1 dau, Helen m. Robert Ker of Ancrum
and was heir to her father after all her brothers had died.
Assured.
Downward, lands went to the Kers via Helen.

RD1/24/1 ff. 182-3. NRAS1100/870. ER, xiii, pp. 356-7. RMS, iv, 482;
v, 1058. RSS, ii, 3611; viii, 479. I829, 1985, 2554. HMC, Home, no
221. Pitcairn, Trials, ii, p. 442.

HAIG OF BEMERSYDE (Berwickshire)*

Robert I. d. 1569.
Andrew. d. 1583.
Robert II. d. 1602.
James.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Did not assure.
Downward.

NRAS105/1/4 105/1/5 105/1/6 105/1/7. CC8/8/4 f. 84. CS7/45 f. 44.
L & P. Hen VIII, xx, pt 1, no 289. CSP Scot, xiii, pt 1, no 299. RMS,
v, 938. RSS, viii, 2540. Melr. Recs, iii, pp. 223-5. C.E. Haig, Haig of
Bemersyde. Retours, i, Berwick, no 83.

HAITLIE OF BROOCHMILL (Berwickshire)

John.
Lesser Laird. John was a younger son of Haitlie of Lambden.
Held land on lease from the Haitlies of Mellerstain, who sold to the
Brounfields of Greenlawdenean. (See chapter six appendix no 5).
John m. Isobel Dickson in Newbigging. 1 dau Jane m. Simon Redpath of
Angelraw.
Downward, died out.

CC8/8/40 ff. 36-7. RD1/5 ff. 168, 170. RD1/13 f. 287. RMS, iv, 1416,
2449n.

HAITLIE OF HURDLAW (Berwickshire)
George.
///
Alexander.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Lords Home and Eccles Priory.
Alexander m. Agnes Shoreswood of Bedshiel.
George. Retour Juror, 1575.
Alexander. Servitor to Andrew Home, commendator of Jedburgh, 1587.
Static.

RH15/19/11. HMC, Marchmont, no 67.

HAITILIE OF LAMBDEN (Berwickshire)

Leonard.
Alexander I. d. pre 1564.
Alexander II. d. 1591.
Alexander III.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the crown in feu.
Alexander I m. ? 4 sons.
Alexander II m. ? 2 sons and 1 dau.
Alexander III m. Mary Home of Carolside.
Notable younger son - see Haitlie of Broomhill.
Alexander I. Sheriff Court Juror, 1541.
Alexander II. Retour Juror, 1575, 1578. Chancellor of a Retour assize, 1574.
Assured.
Static.

CC8/8/33. GD214/118 GD362/36/2. RD1/13 f. 287 RD1/26 f. 250
NRA5859/5/7. RMS, iv, 2449n. RSS, iv, 1141; vi, 865; viii, 2019. Laing
Chrs, no 1233. Retours, ii, Berwick, no 498.

HAITILIE OF MELLERSTAIN (Berwickshire)*

George I. d. pre 1547.
Henry I. d. pre 1547.
John I, brother of Henry.
George II, predeceased his father John I. d. 1566.
Henry II, predeceased his father John I. d. 1576.
John II. d. 1603.
John III.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Henry I was a ward of Isobel Home of Cowdenknowes.
Henry II's wardship was granted to Helen Edmondston of that Ilk, whom he
married (but his father was still alive). His curators were Sir Andrew
Ker of Hirsel, Thomas Haitlie of Sneep, Walter Ker of Littledean and
George Pringle of Wrangholm.
John II was a ward of William Douglas of Whittingham, but he sold it to Walter Ker of Littledean.
John III's curators were Sir John Home of Cowdenknowes, Mr Thomas Cranston of Morriston and William Napier of Wrightshouses.
Notable younger sons - see Haitlie of Sneep.
John II. Retour Juror, 1585.
Did not assure.
Downward, because of increasing financial troubles.

HAIITLE OF SNEEP (Berwickshire)

Thomas.
Andrew.

Lesser Lairds. Thomas was a younger son of Haitlie of Mellerstain.
Held land of the Haitlies of Mellerstain and James Sandilands of Middlerig.
Thomas m. Christian Ormiston. 4 sons and 1 dau Margaret m. George Pringle of Wrangholm.
Andrew m. ? 4 sons.
Assured.
Static.

HALIBURTON OF MERTOUN (Berwickshire)

Walter.
Andrew. d. pre 1557.
Mark. d. 1561.
Henry. d. 1601.
John.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Dryburgh Abbey.
Mark m. Marion Ker. 5 sons and 3 daus.
Henry m. 1st Katherine Ker of Ancrum, 2nd Euphame Wauchope of Niddrie Marshall, 3rd Margaret Grief. 3 sons and 2 daus.
Henry was a ward of Ralph Haliburton of Dalcove (see Ker of Dalcove). His curators were Walter Ker of Littledean and Sir Peter Cranston.
Assured.
Static.


HALIBURTON OF MUIRHOUSELAW (Roxburghshire)

John I. d. pre 1565.
George, predeceased his father.
Andrew, brother of George.
John II, predeceased his father.
Adam, brother of John II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Melrose and Jedburgh Abbeys.
John m. ? 2 sons and 1 dau, Agnes m. George Haliburton of Newmains of Dryburgh.
Andrew m. a dau of John Pringle of Galashiels. 3 sons and 1 dau, Jean m. Steven Douglas of Timpendale.
John I. Retour Juror, 1550.
John II. Retour Juror, 1600. Juror at Jedburgh Sheriff Court, 1598.
Upward.


HALIBURTON OF NEWMAINS OF DRYBURGH (Berwickshire)

Walter.
George.
James.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from Dryburgh Abbey, in feu.
Walter m. Elizabeth Stewart, dau of the abbot of Dryburgh. 1 son and 1 dau, Elizabeth m. Alexander Erskine of Shielfield.
George m. Agnes Haliburton of Muirhouselaw. 2 sons.
James m. Margaret Haig of Bemersyde. 1 son and 1 dau.
Static.
HAMilton Of St John's ChapEl anD sprouston (Roxburghshire and Lauderdale)

James. d. 1585.
John. d. 1587.

Lesser Lairds. James was an illegitimate son of the first earl of Arran and step-brother of Chatelherault.
Held land in chief and probably from Dryburgh Abbey.
James m. Marie Hepburn of Fairnington. 6 sons and 4 daus.
John m. Margaret Cairncross of Colmslie. 3 daus, Margaret m. Mr Robert Home of Carolside, Jean m. Mr Walter Bannatyne.
Margaret, Marie and Jean were wards of their uncle William Cairncross of Colmslie and their tutors were their uncles James and Patrick Hamilton.
James. Retour Juror, 1573.
Downward, died out with three heiresses.

Hangingside Of That Ilk anD Little Newton (Roxburghshire)

Richard.
Alexander.

Lesser Lairds. They were principally resident in Rulewater, but held some land in the Eastern Borders.
Held land in chief.
Richard. Retour Juror, 1558.
Static.

NLS ACC7750/67. ER, xviii, p. 381. RMS, iv, 1463; vi, 808. See KER of Little Newton.

Hepburn Of Fairnington (Roxburghshire)

Patrick. d. 1544.

Lesser Laird. Patrick was the son of Hepburn of Bolton and grandson of
the first earl of Bothwell.  
Held land in chief.  
Patrick m. Agnes Pringle of St John's Chapel.  1 dau Marie m. James Hamilton of Sprouston.  
Marie was a ward of her grandfather George Pringle of St John's Chapel. 
Downward, died out.

RSS, iii, 885. SP, ii, p. 154.

HEPBURN OF ROLLANDSTOUN (Berwickshire)

William. d. 1558.  
James. d. 1596.  

Non-resident Lesser Lairds. 
Held the superiority of Rollandstoun, which they feued to the Homes of Blackadder West. 
Static.


HEPBURN OF WHITSOME (Berwickshire)

Sir Alexander I. d. 1551.  
Sir Alexander II.  
Alexander III, predeceased his father.  
Patrick, brother of Alexander III. d. 1610.  

Non-resident Greater Lairds. They were normally resident in East Lothian. 
Held land in chief. 
Downward, sold out 1601.


HERIOT OF TRABROWN (Lauderdale)

James I.  
James II. d. pre 1607.  
Richard.  

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
James I m. Helen Cockburn. 1 son and 1 dau, Alison m. 1st William Pringle of Torwoodlee, 2nd John Renton of Billie.
James II m. 1st Isobel Maitland of Lethington. 2 sons and 1 dau, Elizabeth m. James Sandilands of Calder, Lord Torphichen.


HOG OF OLD ROXBURGH (Roxburghshire)

James.
John. d. pre 1617.
Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Probably held land of the Kers of Cessford.
Static.


HOME, LORDS HOME AND LAIRDS OF HUME (Berwickshire)*

George, fourth Lord Home. d. 1549.
Alexander, fifth Lord Home. d. 1575.
Alexander, sixth Lord Home. d. 1619.

The only resident nobility in the Eastern Borders during the sixteenth century, but they were also the Lairds of Hume.
Held their land in chief, from the earl of Huntly, Jedburgh Abbey, Kelso Abbey, Coldingham Priory, Coldstream Priory and Abbey St Bathans.
Alexander, fifth Lord was granted his own marriage, 1550.
Alexander, sixth Lord was a ward of William, Lord Ruthven. His tutor was Andrew Home, commendator of Jedburgh (his uncle). His curators were Ruthven, James Lord Ogilvy, Andrew commendator of Jedburgh, John Lord Herries, Mr Thomas Lyon of Baldukie (his stepfather) and Sir Louis Bellenden of Auchnoule.
Notable younger sons - see Home of Huttonhall and the abbot and commendator of Jedburgh.
George, fourth Lord Home. Warden of the Scottish East March.


HOME OF AYTON AND DUNS (Berwickshire)

George I. d. pre 1549.
George II. d. 1585.
William, brother of George II. d. 1607.
Patrick.

Greater Lairds. Descended from the first Lord Home. Held land in chief.
George I m. ? 6 sons and 2 daus, Elspeth m. Thomas Home.
George II unmarried.
William m. Libra Hamilton, widow of Alexander Home of Prenderguest. 3 sons and 2 daus, Elizabeth m. Mr John MacGill.
Patrick m. 1st Christian Douglas of Parkhead, widow of Sinclair of Roslin,
2nd Elizabeth Edmonston of that Ilk, 3rd Elizabeth Douglas of Parkhead (who remarried Sir James Dundas of Arniston). 2 sons and 3 daus.

George II was granted his own wardship and marriage.

Notable younger sons - see Home of Cheeklaw and Fairnieside.

George I. Deputy warden of the Scottish East March, 1542.


Did not assure.

Upward.

HOME OF BASSENDEAN (Berwickshire)

William.

George.

Lesser Lairds. William was a younger son of Home of Cowdenknowes.

Held land from Kelso Abbey and Coldingham Priory, in feu.

William m. 1st Marion Pringle of Whytbank, 2nd Helen Edmonston. 1 son.

George m. Jean Seton of Touch (Greenknowe).


Upward.

HOME OF BELLITAW (Berwickshire)

William.

Lesser Laird. William was a younger son of Home of Cowdenknowes.

Held land from Lord Home, who held of the earl of Huntly.

Upward.

HOME OF BLACKADDER EAST (Berwickshire)

John I. d. pre 1559.

Alexander. d. pre 1560.

John II, brother of Alexander. d. pre 1575.
John III.
John IV.

Lesser Lairds. Descended from the Homes of Wedderburn.
Held land in chief and from Coldingham Priory in feu.
John I m. Beatrice Blackadder, co-heiress of Blackadder. 5 sons (1 illegitimate).
John II m. ? 5 sons (1 illegitimate) and 3 daus, Katherine m. Sir James Home of Cowdenknowes, Alison m. David Edington of that Ilk, and another dau m. Patrick Sleigh of Cumledge.
John III m. Katherine Home of Cowdenknowes. 2 sons (1 illegitimate).
Notable younger sons - George was a minister of Smailholm, Alexander was a servitor of Lord Home, but see also Home of Fishwick.
John I. Attends Parliament 1545.
Did not assure.
Upward.

CC8/8/7 f. 233  CC8/8/24 f. 280.  CS7/10 f. 245.  GD12/171  GD16/37/54

HOME OF BLACKADDER WEST (Berwickshire)

Robert. d. pre 1554.
David.

Lesser Lairds. Descended from the Homes of Wedderburn.
Held land in chief.
Robert m. Margaret Blackadder, co-heiress of Blackadder. 1 son and 3 daus, Isobel m. David Home of Ninewells.
David m. Margaret Shaw of Sauchie. 4 daus and 1 illegitimate son.
Elizabeth m. David Home of Rollandstoun, Marjorie m. Peter Home and Alison m. Alexander Home.
David was a ward of the fifth Lord Home and William Maitland of Lethington.
David. Captain of Horse, 1569-73.
Did not assure.
Downward, died out leaving heiresses, but their lands went to the Homes of Blackadder East by agreement.

CC8/8/40 ff. 42-4.  GD12/171  GD16/37/54  GD158/103  GD158/105
GD267/2/4  GD362/36/3  GD362/36/4  GD362/36/7/2.  ER, xx, p. 425.  RMS, iii, 2417; iv, 1899.  RSS, iv, 2803; vi, 1290, 1540, 1541.  SP, iii, p. 281; vi, p. 9.  TA, x, p. 221.

HOME OF BLACKSMILL (Berwickshire)

George.
Lesser Laird.  
Static  
RD1/38 f. 90. NRAS859/16/3. RPC, iv, p. 482.

HOME OF BROOMHOUSE (Berwickshire)

Patrick I. d. pre 1565.  
Ferdinando.  
John, predeceased Ferdinando.  
Patrick II, brother of John.

Lesser Lairds. Descended from the Homes of Wedderburn.  
Held land of Lord Home and the Homes of Spott (East Lothian).  
Patrick m. Helen Rutherford of that Ilk. 1 son.  
Ferdinando m. Katherine Rutherford. 9 sons.  
Patrick I. Servitor of the archbishop of St Andrews, 1542-57. Awarded a  
Patrick II. Retour Juror, 1590, 1601. Bailie for the Homes of  
Manderston, 1595.  
Did not assure.  
Static.

CC8/9/1. CS7/16 f. 56 CS7/29 f. 419. RD1/7 f. 348 RD1/37 f. 419.  
NLS CH48190. APS, ii, pp. 594-5. RMS, iii, 1491; vi, 1446; vii, 61.  
RSS, iv, 3031, 2149; v, 1565. St A. Rent, pp. 143, 186, 192, 216.  
HMC, Milne-Home, nos 399, 558. Pitscottie, Historie, p. 29. Mort Reg, i,  
no 11.

HOME OF CAROLSIDE (Berwickshire)

Alexander I. d. 1548.  
Alexander II. d. 1600.  
John.  
Mr Robert.

Lesser Lairds. Alexander I was a younger son of Home of Cowdenknowes.  
Held land from the Lords Home and the Homes of Cowdenknowes.  
Alexander I m. Helen Swinton. 3 sons and 2 daus, Isobel probably m.  
Alexander Home of Huttonhall.  
Alexander II m. ? 4 sons.  
John m. ? 2 sons and 1 dau, Mary m. Alexander Haitlie of Lambden.  
Mr Robert m. Margaret Hamilton of St John's Chapel.  
Notable younger son - see Home of Fans. James was a servitor of John Home  
of Huttonhall.  
Alexander I. Sheriff depute of Berwickshire, 1541.  
Upward.

RD1/50 f. 814. NRAS859/1/2 859/134/2. ADCP, p. 502. RMS, v, 1862; vi,  
1576.
HOME OF CHEEKLAW (Berwickshire)

John.


RD1/43 f. 385. RD1/47 f. 114. RMS, iv, 49.

HOME OF CHIRNSIDE EAST MAINS (Berwickshire)

James.


HOME OF COWDENKNOWES AND SUNLAWS (Berwickshire and Roxburghshire)*

Sir John I. d. 1573.
Sir James. d. 1592.
Sir John II.

Greater Lairds. Descended from the first Lord Home. Held land in chief and from Coldingham Priory, Dryburgh Abbey and Eccles Priory.

Notable younger sons - see Home of Carolside, parson of Spott, Bassendean, Bellitaw and Eccles.


CC8/8/31 ff. 381-2 CC8/8/33 CC8/8/40 f. 42. CS6/27 ff. 85, 110. E48/1/1 f. 187. GD157/359. RD1/7 f. 192 RD1/8 f. 108 RD1/11 f. 85 RD1/36 f. 271. RH15/19/11. NRAS1100/870. APS, ii, pp. 526, 594-5; iii, pp. 77, 92, 403-04, 524. CBP, 1, no 69. CSP Scot, iv, no 744; ix, nos 365, 539; x, no 680. ER, xx, p. 200. RPC, iv, pp. 190, 301, 367, 465, 666. RMS, iii, 1383, 1730; iv, 1519, 1797, 2037; v, 924, 1669, 2109, 2168; vi, 1203, 1507, 1563. RSS, iii, 876; iv, 1584, 2031; vi, 2176, 2318, 2320, 2816; vii, 1635, 2210; viii, 78. SP, iv, p. 471. HMC, Home,
HOME OF CRANSHAWS (Berwickshire)

David. d. 1584.

Lesser Laird. David was a younger son of Home of Manderston. Held land from the Crown, the Homes of Manderston and from his wife. David m. Katherine Lauder, widow of John Swinton of that Ilk (who remarried George Home of Broxmouth). 1 son. David. Factor for James VI in the forfeited lands of the earl of Angus, 1581. One of the King's Master Stablers, 1582. Downward, murdered.

HOME OF CROSSRIG (Berwickshire)

Thomas I. Thomas II. d. pre 1609. Robert.


HOME OF CRUMIECRUKE (Berwickshire)

George. Thomas.


HOME OF CRUMSTANE AND NEWTON OF WHITSOME (Berwickshire)

John I. d. pre 1582. John II.
Lesser Lairds. John I was a younger son of Home of Wedderburn. Held land from the Homes of Spott and Wedderburn.
John I m. Marion Cranston of Cranston, widow of Robert Scott of Aikwood (who remarried Alexander Spence, a younger son of Chirnside Mains). 2 sons (1 illegitimate) and 1 dau.
Isobel's curators were Hew Nisbet of Roishill and Patrick Duns of Grueldykes.
Upward.

HOME OF ECCLES (Berwickshire)

Mr James.
George.

Greater Laird. James was a younger son of Home of Cowdenknowes. Held Eccles Priory.
Mr James m. Isobel, dau of Alexander, fifth Lord Home. 2 sons.
Mr James. Commendator of Eccles, 1574.
Upward.

HOME OF EDROM (Berwickshire)

George. d. 1571.

George m. Janet Balfour. 1 dau Janet m. Archibald Carmichael, younger son of that Ilk.
Downward, died out with an heiress.

HOME OF FAIRNIESIDE (Berwickshire)

Robert. d. 1613.

Robert m. Marion Ker.
Downward, died out.
HOME OF FANS (Lauderdale)

William.

Lesser Laird. William was a younger son of Home of Carolside. Probably held land of the Homes of Cowdenknowes.
William m. Katherine Linlithgow of Drygrange.
William. Lieutenant of the King, 1589.
Upward.

RD1/30 f. 237. RD1/37 f. 353.

HOME OF FISHWICK (Berwickshire)

David. d. 1580.

Lesser Laird. David was a younger son of Home of Blackadder East. Held land in chief.
David m. Margaret Dundas of Fingask (who remarried twice 1st to William Ker of Ancrum and 2nd to George Douglas of Mordington. 1 son (illegitimate) and 3 daus.
David. Knighted c. 1578. Captain of the King's Guard, 1571-78.
Upward, but died out with heiresses.


HOME OF THE FLEURS OF COLDINGHAM (Berwickshire)

Robert.

Lesser or bonnet Laird. Held land of the Homes of Manderston.
Static.

RD1/47 f. 261. RMS, v, 1879.

HOME OF FRAMEPATH (Berwickshire)

James.

Lesser Laird. James was a younger son of Home of Huttonhall. Held land of the Homes of Huttonhall.
Static.


HOME OF GODSCROFT (Berwickshire)

Mr David.
Lesser Laird. Mr David was a younger son of Home of Wedderburn. Held land from the Homes of Wedderburn, the earl of Angus and Dunglass Collegiate Church. Mr David m. Barbara Johnstone of Elphinstone (his cousin and widow of Mr John Haldane of Gleneagles). 1 dau. Mr David. Commissioner vs. Jesuits, 1589. Servitor of the earl of Angus, 1584-8. Scholar, historian, poet and philosopher of international repute. Upward.


HOME OF HARDIESMILL (Berwickshire)

Mark. William.


NRAS859/5/2  859/6/4  859/8/2.  GD242/45.

HOME OF HILTON (Berwickshire)

Mr James.


HOME OF HUTTON (Berwickshire)

Henry (Harry).

Lesser Laird. Held land of Lord Home. Henry m. 2nd Barbara Home. 1 son. Static.

RD1/38 f. 30. NRAS859/112/2. RMS, vi, 2187. RSS, vi, 319. HMC, Home, no 286.

HOME OF HUTTON BELL (Berwickshire)
Robert. d. 1564.
///
William.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Logans of Restalrig and probably Lord Home.
William m. Elizabeth Home of North Berwick.
Static.


HOME OF HUTTONHALL (Berwickshire)

John I. d. 1557.
Alexander. d. 1594.
John II.

Greater Lairds. Descended from the third Lord Home.
Held land in chief and from Jedburgh Abbey, Coldstream Priory, Coldingham Priory and Abbey St Bynthans.
Alexander m. Isobel Home of Carolside. 6 sons and 5 daus, Elizabeth m. John Seton of Touch (Greenknowe).
John m. Elizabeth Carmichael of that Ilk. 1 son and 1 dau.
Notable younger sons - see Home of Framepath.
John I. Retour Juror, 1546.
Did not assure.
Upward.


HOME, ABBOT OF JEDBURGH (Roxburghshire)

John.

Lesser Laird. John was a younger son of the second Lord Home.
Held Jedburgh Abbey.
Unmarried, but had 4 sons and 2 daus.
John's eldest son Mr John was rector of Chirnside.
Did not assure.
Downward, died out as his illegitimate children could not inherit.


HOME, COMMENDATOR OF JEDBURGH (Roxburghshire)

Andrew. d.c. 1597.

Lesser Laird. Andrew was a younger son of the fourth Lord Home.
Held Jedburgh Abbey.
Unmarried. 1 son and 2 daus, Elizabeth, prioress of Abbey St Bathans and Katherine, probably m. David Barclay of Mathers.
Upward, but died out.

HOME OF LAUDER (Lauderdale)

Mr Andrew. d. 1567.

Lesser Laird. Mr Andrew was a younger son of Home of Polwarth.
Held land of Dryburgh Abbey.
Unmarried. 2 sons (both illegitimate and predeceased Andrew) and 1 dau, Margaret m. James Home of the Friarlands of Dunbar (a younger son of Home of Prenderguest).
Mr Andrew. Parson of Lauder, 1541-67.
Upward, but died out.

HOME OF THE LAW OF COLDINGHAM (Berwickshire)

Mr Patrick I.
David. d. 1597.
Patrick II.

Lesser Lairds. Patrick I was a younger son of Home of Polwarth.
Held land of Coldingham Priory, in feu.
Patrick I m. Margaret Wemyss. 2 sons.
David m. Margaret Home of Wedderburn. 3 sons and 1 dau.
Patrick II m. Janet Home of Polwarth.
Notable younger son - George Home of Gullane in East Lothian.
David. Retour Juror, 1585.
HOME OF MANDERSTON (Berwickshire)*

Alexander I.  d. 1555.
Alexander II.  d. 1593.
Sir Alexander III.  d. 1610.

Greater Lairds. Descended from the Homes of Wedderburn.
Held land of the Lords Home and Coldingham and Coldstream Priories.
Notable younger sons - see Home of Tinnis, Renton, Cranshaws, Slegden,
of the Style and Sir George of Spott. Home of Whitelaw was non-resident.
Alexander II. Ambassador to England, 1571. Acting warden of the East
March, 1572. Keeper of Liddesdale, 1576. Honorary burgess of Edinburgh,
1581. Attends Parliament, 1571, 1584.
Sir Alexander III. Commendator of Coldingham, 1571-87. Deputy warden of
the Scottish East March, 1598. Warden of the Scottish East March 1599-
1600 (during Lord Home's absence). Knighted 1591. Attends Parliament,
1572, 1581, 1582, 1584, 1585. Gentleman of the Bedchamber.
Did not assure.

GD267/27/76. RD1/1 f. 196 RD1/10 f. 18 RD1/13 f. 254 RD1/19 ff. 184,
NRAS59/6/1. APS, iii, pp. 77, 196, 290-1, 326, 374. CBP, i, no 69.
CSP For, 1572-4, no 303. L & P.Hen VIII, xxii, pt 1 no 1279. RMS, iii,
1480; iv, 1057, 2177, 2178; v, 306, 450, 1879, 2098; vi, 31; vii, 60, 61.

HOME OF MIDDLETHIRD (Berwickshire)

John.
Bonnet Laird.
Held land of Lord Home.
John. Servitor of the sixth Lord Home.
Static.

NRAS 589/8/2 589/112/2. CBP, ii, no 659. HMC, Milne-Home, no 120.

HOME OF NINEWELLS (Berwickshire)

George.
///
Andrew.
David.
John, brother of David.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Logan of Restalrig, Ogilvy of Dunlugus and Coldingham Priory.
George m. ? 1 dau, Beatrice m. John Edington of that Ilk.
Andrew m. ? 3 sons and 1 dau Isobel m. George Ker in Hutton.
David m. Isobel Home of Blackadder West.
Andrew. Retour Juror, 1543.
Static.

HOME OF POLWARTH AND REDBRAES (Berwickshire)*

Patrick I. d. 1579.
Patrick II. d. 1599.
Patrick III. d. 1609.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief and from the earls of Angus. They also had control of the Priory of North Berwick in East Lothian.
Notable younger sons - see Home of the Law of Coldingham and Rollandstoun.
Successful younger sons resident outwith the Borders - Home of Heuch, North Berwick, Argaty and Lundies, Gavin, captain of Tantallon and Mr Alexander, minister of Logie.

Patrick III. Bailie of the regality of Bunkle for the Crown, 1582-93 and for the earl of Angus, 1593 (for Life). Servitor to James VI, 1586-1600. Keeper of Tantallon Castle, 1592-5. Gentleman of the Queen's Bedchamber, 1593. Appointed one of the King's Carvers, 1587, with pension of twenty chalders of victual p.a. Redbraes was made a free barony for him in 1587. Did not assure.

Upward.

Greater Lairds.
HOME OF PRENDERGUEST, HAUGHHEAD, LOCHTULLO AND SWINWOOD (Berwickshire)

William I.
William II, predeceased his father.
Alexander, heir to his grandfather. d. 1564.
William III.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the earls of Bothwell in Berwickshire and East Lothian and from Coldingham Priory.
William I m. ? 5 sons.
William II m. ? 7 sons and 1 dau.
William m. Janet Renton. 1 son.
William III had his uncle Patrick as a tutor and George Home of Ayton and Mr David MacGill were his curators.
Notable younger sons - Alexander Home of Dens and Drumcross and James Home of the Friarlands who were successful outwith the Merse.
William I. Chamberlain of Dunbar, 1542.
William III. Retour Juror, 1591.
Did not assure.
Upward.

HOME OF REIDHEUCH (Berwickshire)

Robert. d. pre 1591.
Cuthbert. d. 1601.

Lesser Lairds. Possibly a descendant of the Homes of Wedderburn.
Held land of Coldingham Priory, probably in feu.
Robert m. Jane Brounfield, widow of David Spottiswoode of that Ilk. 5 sons (2 illegitimate).
Downward, died out when Cuthbert was executed.

HOME OF RENTON (Berwickshire)

Patrick.
Alexander.
Lesser Lairds. Patrick was a younger son of Home of Manderston. Held land from Coldingham Priory and in chief.

HOME OF WEST RESTON (Berwickshire)

Patrick. d. pre 1558.
George. d. pre 1580.
John.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Coldingham Priory.
Patrick m. 1st ? Craw of Flemington-Fluris, 2nd Constance Sinclair. 3 sons and 4 daus.
George m. ? 2 sons.
John m. Agnes Home. 2 sons and 3 daus.
John's tutor was his uncle Gilbert (who married Jean Sinclair of Longformacus).
Assured.
Static.

HOME OF ROLLANDSTOUN (Berwickshire)

David. d. 1604.
Alexander.

Lesser Lairds. David was a younger son of Home of Polwarth. Held land of the Homes of Blackadder. David m. Elizabeth Home of Blackadder. 1 son.
Upward.

HOME OF SIMPRIM (Berwickshire)
Bartholomew I.
Bartholomew II.

Lesser or bonnet Laird. Bartholomew I was a younger son of Home of Wedderburn. Held land of the Homes of Wedderburn and Manderston. Downward, as they actually occupied (farmed) their land.

RD1/28 f. 208. RD1/34 f. 330. SP, iii, p. 281.

HOME OF SLEGDEN (Berwickshire)

John.


HOME OF SPOTT, PRIMROSEKNOW, GREENLAW (Berwickshire)

Sir George. d. 1611.


HOME OF TINNIS (Selkirkshire)

John. d. pre 1603.

Lesser Laird. John was a younger son of Home of Manderston, who despite his title was resident in the Merse. Held land of Lord Home and from the Homes of Manderston. John m. Beatrix Home. John. The King's Master Hunter, 1582. (A title he often used). Upward, but died out.
HOME OF WEDDERBURN (Berwickshire)*

David I. d. 1524.
Sir George I. d. 1547.
Sir David II, brother of George. d. 1574.
Sir George II. d. 1616.

Greater Lairds. Descended from the first Lord Home.
Held land in chief and from the earls of Angus and the Lords Home.
Sir George II was granted his own ward and marriage.
Notable younger sons - see Home of Manderston, Blackadder, Lauder, Simprim, Broomhouse, Crumstane, Godscroft and Hilton.
Sir David II. Attends Parliament 1560, 1572.

Upward.

HOME OF WHITCHESTER (Berwickshire)

James.

Lesser Laird.
Probably held land of the late David Home of Fishwick.
James. Retour Juror, 1601.

Static.

HOME OF WHITERIG (Berwickshire)

William.
Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Held land of Lady Swinton and the Homes of Renton and Friarlands of Dunbar.
William m. ? 6 sons.
Static.


HUNTER OF WILLIAMLAW (Roxburghshire)

Robert.
William.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Melrose Abbey, in feu.
William m. Barbara Cairncross of Colmslie.
Static.

Melr.Recs, iii, pp. 248, 343.

KER OF ANCRUM AND WOODHEAD (Roxburghshire)

Robert (Robin) I. d. 1588.
William. d. 1590.
Robert II.

Greater Lairds. Robert was a younger son of Ker of Ferniehirst.
Held land in chief and from Jedburgh Abbey.
Robert I m. Isobel Home of Wedderburn. 5 sons (2 illegitimate) and 2 daus, Katherine m. Henry Haliburton of Mertoun and Isobel m. George Douglas of Bonjedburgh.
William m. Margaret Dundas of Fingask, widow of David Home of Fishwick (who remarried George Douglas of Mordington). 5 sons and 1 dau, Isobel m. John Ker of Corbethouse.
Robert II m. Elizabeth Murray of Blackbarony.
Notable younger sons - see Ker of Newton.
Robert II. Provost of Jedburgh, 1603.
Assured.
Upward.


KER OF BLOODLAWS (Roxburghshire)

George.
William.

Bonnet Lairds.
Held land of the Kers of Ferniehirst.
William. Juror at the Oxnam Barony Court, 1602.
Static.


KER OF BROOMLANDS, KELSO (Roxburghshire)

John.
Andrew.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Kelso Abbey and the Kers of Cessford.
John m. Katherine Ker of Cavers.
Andrew m. Grisel, dau of William, Lord Hay of Yester.
Upward.

GD28/1028. NLS CH5136. RMS, iv, 1905; vi, 1342.

KER OF CAVERS AND NETHER HOWDEN (Roxburghshire and Lauderdale)

Ralph.
Mr George I. d. 1580.
Andrew, predeceased his father.
Thomas, brother of Andrew.
George II.

Lesser Lairds. Related to both the Kers of Cessford and Ferniehirst.
Held land of Kelso Abbey, in feu.
Ralph m. Marion Haliburton. 3 sons.
Mr George I m. Margaret Shaw of Sauchie. 3 sons and 4 daus, Isobel m.
Thomas Ker of Maisondieu, Maisie m. Andrew Hog of Vicarshaugh and
Katherine m. John Ker of Broomlands.
Thomas m. Isobel Riddall of that Ilk. 5 sons and 2 daus, Janet m. William
Turnbull of Bedrule and Grisel m. Robert Straiton of Straiton Mill.
George II m. Christian Forrest of Fingask. 3 sons and 1 dau.
Notable younger sons - Mark and John were both burgesses of Edinburgh.
Mr George I. Retour Juror, 1550.
Assured.
Static.

GD158/451. SC62/2/1. RD1/27 f. 34 RD1/29 f. 95. NLS CH5131 CH5136
CH5142 CH5151 CH5152 CH5155 CH5157. NRAS1100/696. RMS, vi, 1462.
RSS, iv, 464, 2348; v, 1889; viii, 2676. HMC, Marchmont, no 38.

KER OF CESSFORD (Roxburghshire)*

Sir Andrew. d. 1526.
Sir Walter. d. 1581.
Andrew, predeceased his father. d. 1563.
William, brother of Andrew. d. 1600.
Sir Robert.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Kelso Abbey.
Notable younger sons - see Ker of Mersington, Faldonside, Gradon, Ormiston and Littledean. Ker of Newbattle was a successful younger son outwith the Borders. Thomas was archdeacon of Teviotdale.
William was a ward of his father. His two nieces Grisel and Bessie were illegitimate and therefore did not inherit.

Attends Parliament, 1545, 1546, 1560, 1572.


CC8/8/16 ff. 96-101. CS6/26 f. 121. Ch6/6/1 ff. 53-4. GD40/2/9/82


KER OF CHATTO (Roxburghshire)

James I.
James II. d. 1615.

Upward.

RDI/48 f. 228. NRAS859/130/1. CBP, i, no 245. See RUTHERFORD of Chatto.

KER, COMMENDATOR OF COLDSTREAM (Berwickshire)

Mr Mark.

Lesser Laird. Mr Mark was a younger son of Ker of Littledean. Held the Priory of Coldstream. Mr Mark. Commendator of Coldstream, 1588 onwards. Commissary of Lauder, 1600-01. Upward, but died out.

RH15/19/110 RH15/19/112. RMS, v, 1538.

KER OF CORBETHOUSE (Roxburghshire)

George.
John I. d. pre 1560.
James, brother of John I.
John II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the archdean of Teviotdale (a Ker of Cessford), the Kers of Cessford and Kelso Abbey.
George m. ? 2 sons.
James m. 1. Elizabeth Ker. 3 sons (1 illegitimate) and 1 dau. m.2. Barbara Johnston.
John II m. Elizabeth Ker of Ancrum.
Notable younger son - William m. Isobel Whitelaw co-heiress of that Ilk. Assured.
Static.


KER OF DALCOVE AND SHAW (Lauderdale)

Adam. d. pre 1584.
Thomas.
Ralph.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Adam m. Janet Newton, heiress of Dalcove (who remarried Ralph Haliburton). 1 son and 1 dau.
Thomas m. Isabel Ker. 2 sons.
Ralph m. Alison Ker of Primisdeloch.
Thomas was a ward of Thomas Ker of Mersington.
Adam. Retour Juror, 1541.
Ralph. Retour Juror, 1600, 1601.
Upward, with Adam's marriage and then static.

KER OF FALDONSIDE (Roxburghshire)

George I. d. pre 1553.
Andrew. d. 1598.
George II. d. 1612.

Greater Lairds. George I was a younger son of Ker of Cessford.
Held land in chief, from Kelso Abbey and Lord Home.
George I m. Margaret Haliburton, co-heiress of Dirleton. 4 sons and 1
daughter. Margaret m. David Preston of Whitehill.
Andrew m. 1st Elizabeth Johnstone of Elphinstone, 2nd Margaret Stewart of
Ochiltree, widow of John Knox and sister of the acting Regent Arran. 4
sons and 3 daughters, Margaret m. Andrew Ker of Yair.
George II m. Cecilia Lundie of that Ilk. 2 sons and 6 daughters, Margaret m.
Robert Haig of Bemersyde, Cecilia m. Mungo Rigg of Carberry.
Andrew's curators were Andrew Ker of Hirsel and the fifth Lord Home.
Andrew. Deputy warden of the Middle March, 1591. Deputy keeper of
Jesuits, 1589. Border Commissioner, 1591, 1596-7. Shire Commissioner,
1593.
Upward.

KER OF FERNIEHIRST (Roxburghshire)*

Sir Andrew I. d. 1545.
Sir John. d. 1562.
Sir Thomas. d. 1586.
Sir Andrew II.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief, from the earls of Angus and Jedburgh Abbey.
Sir Andrew II's curators were William Douglas of Cavers and Robert Ker of
Ancrum.
Notable younger sons see - Ker of Ancrum, Oxnam and Primsideloch. Ker of Nether Gogar and Kirkcaldy (Ker) of Grange were successful outwith the Borders.

Sir Andrew I. Warden of the Scottish Middle March, 1538-42. Bailie of Jedforest for the earl of Angus and the King. Knighted, 1543.

Assured.
Upward.

KER OF GATESHAW (Roxburghshire)

Lancelot I.
George. d. pre 1565.
Richard, brother of George.
Lancelot II.
James.

Lesser Lairds. Related to both the Kers of Ferniehirst and Cessford. Held land from the Kers of Cessford and the archdean of Teviotdale.
Lancelot I m. ? 4 sons.
George m. Janet Edmondston.
Richard m. ? 4 sons and 1 dau ? m. an Elliot.
Lancelot I. Retour Juror, 1542.
George. Juror at Jedburgh Sheriff Court, 1561.
Richard. Retour Juror, 1564.
Lancelot II. Retour Juror, 1600.
Assured.
Static.

KER OF GRADEN (Roxburghshire)

Andrew. d. pre 1563.
Lesser Laird. Andrew was a younger son of Ker of Cessford.
Held land of the Kers of Cessford.
Andrew m. Helen Ker. 1 son.
Assured.
Downward, died out.

KER OF HIRSEL, LITTLEDEAN AND DOLPHINSTON (Berwickshire and Roxburghshire)

Mark I. d. 1551.
Sir Andrew. d. pre 1573.
Walter. d.c. 1598.
Sir John.
Mark II.

Greater Lairds. Mark I was a younger son of Ker of Cessford.
Held land in chief and from Dryburgh Abbey, Coldstream Priory, Melrose Abbey and Jedburgh Abbey.
Mark I m. Marjorie Ainslie heiress of Dolphinston. 7 sons (1 illegitimate) and 1 dau, Janet m. John Haitlie of Mellerstain.
Sir Andrew m. 1st Margaret Cranston, 2nd Euphame Wauchope of Niddrie Marshall, widow of John Edmonston of that Ilk. 5 sons (1 illegitimate).
Walter m. Euphamia Edmonston of that Ilk. 7 sons (1 illegitimate).
Sir John m. 1st Julia Home of Wedderburn, 2 sons and 3 daus, 2nd Margaret Whitelaw of that Ilk, divorcee of Sir Alexander Hamilton of Innerwick. 4 sons.
Mark II m. Margaret Home of Cowdenknowes.
Notable younger sons - see Ker of Coldstream Priory and Milnrig. William was an Almoner to Queen Mary of Guise. James held churchlands at Maxton.
Sir John. The baronies of Maxton and Linton were created free baronies for him.
Did not assure, unlike the other Kers.
Upward.
KER, COMMENDATOR OF KELSO (Roxburghshire)

Mr William Ker. d. 1566.
Lesser Laird. Mr William was a younger son of Primsideloch.
Held land from Kelso Abbey.
Commendator of Kelso Abbey, 1565-6.
Downward, murdered 1566.

KER OF KERCHESTERS (Roxburghshire)

John.
Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Possibly held land from Ker of Ferniehirst or Kelso Abbey.
Static.

KER OF KIPPILAW (CLARILAW) (Roxburghshire)

Mark.

KER OF LAUDER (Berwickshire)

Andrew I.
Andrew II.
Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Andrew II m. Katherine Ker of Melrose.
Static.

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KER OF LINTALEE (Roxburghshire)

Ralph.

James.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Ker of Ferniehirst who, in turn, held from the earl of Angus.
James m. ? 1 son.
Ralph. Retour Juror, 1560.
James. Juror at the Oxnam Barony Court, 1602.
Static.


KER OF LINTON (Roxburghshire)

George I.
James, predeceased his father. d. pre 1563.
Andrew I, succeeded his grandfather.
George II.
Andrew II.

Lesser Lairds. Descended from the Kers of Cessford.
Held land from Lord Somerville and from the Crown in feu.
George I m. ? 3 sons and 1 dau, Margaret m. James Pringle of Whytbank.
James m. ? 2 sons.
Andrew I m. Katherine Ker of Primsideloch. 1 son.
George II m. ? 2 sons, William m. Isobel Ker of Hirsel and 1 dau, Jean m.
James Pringle of Galashiels.
Notable younger son - William was a reader and then minister of Lindean parish, Roxburghshire.
George I. Retour Juror, 1564.
Andrew II. Retour Juror, 1600.
Assured.
Static.

GD40/15/2/2. RD1/6 f. 36 RD1/47 f. 212. NRAS182. NRAS1100/696
1100/702 1100/870. NLS ACC7750/49 CH5136. RMS, vi, 329, 1424. RPC, ii,
p. 117. RSS, vi, 718; viii, 668. HMC, Laing, i, p. 33. SHS, 3rd ser,
xlii, p. 285.

KER OF LOCHTOWER (Roxburghshire)
Robert.
///
Walter.
///
Gilbert.

Lesser Lairds. All were younger sons of the Kers of Primsideloch. Probably held land of the Kers of Primsideloch or the Kers of Cessford.
Robert. Retour Juror, 1564.
Gilbert. Retour Juror, 1600.
Downward, but renewed with every generation of Kers of Primsideloch.

SC62/2/1. GD40/15/2/2. NRAS1100/870. APS, iii, p. 6.

KER OF MAINHOUSE (Roxburghshire)

Robert. d. pre 1598.
William.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Melrose Abbey.
Robert m. Janet Ker. 1 son.
Static.


KER OF MAISONDIEU, ROXBURGH (Roxburghshire)

Thomas.

Lesser Laird.
Probably held land of the Kers of Cessford.
Thomas m. Isobel Ker of Cavers. 4 sons and 2 daus.
Static.

CC8/8/23 ff. 41-2. RMS, iv, 2214.

KER OF MELROSE (Roxburghshire)

Robert I. d. pre 1595.
Robert II.

Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Held land from Melrose Abbey, in feu.
Robert I m. Katherine Ker. 1 son and 1 dau, Katherine m. Andrew Ker of Lauder.
Robert I. Bailie of Melrose Abbey, 1592.
Robert II. Retour Juror, 1600.
Upward.

Melr. Recs., iii, p. 396.

KER OF MERSINGTON (Berwickshire)

Sir Thomas I. d. 1534.
James.
Thomas II.
William.

Lesser Lairds. Sir Thomas was a younger son of Ker of Cessford.
Held land in chief.
Thomas II m. Janet Wauchope. 6 sons (1 illegitimate) and 1 dau.
William m. Isobel Ker.
James. Retour Juror, 1550, 1551.
Thomas. Retour Juror, 1591.
Did not assure.
Static.


KER OF MIDDLEMIST WALLS (ALIAS MAINS OF SOFTLAW) (Roxburghshire)

James I. d. 1595.
James II.

Lesser Lairds. James was a younger son of Ker of Primsideloch.
Held land of the Kers of Primsideloch.
James I m. Margaret Cunningham of Birkshaw. 1 son and 1 dau.
James II's curators were Andrew Ker of Primsideloch and Gilbert Ker of Lochtower.
Downward.


KER OF MILNRIG (Roxburghshire)

Andrew.

Lesser Laird. Andrew was a younger son of Ker of Littledean.
Held land of the Kers of Littledean and Lord Somerville.
Andrew m. Christian Livingston.
Upward.

KER OF NEWHALL (Roxburghshire)

Robert I. d. 1565.
    Andrew.
    Robert II.

Lesser Lairds.
    Held land of Kelso and Melrose Abbeys, in feu.
    Robert I m. Margaret Rutherford. 5 sons and 3 daus.
    Andrew's tutor was James Ormiston of that Ilk.
    Upward.


KER OF LITTLE NEWTON (NEWTON DON) (Roxburghshire)

Walter.
    Lancie. d. 1595.
    George, brother of Lancie.

Lesser Lairds.
    Possibly held land of the Kers of Dalcove or Kelso Abbey.
    Lancie m. 1st Jane Dickson, 2nd Elizabeth Cranston.
    Static.


KER OF NEWTON (Roxburghshire)

Robert. d. pre 1600.

Lesser Laird. Robert was a younger son of Ker of Ancrum.
    Held land in chief.
    Robert m. Janet Grahamslaw, heiress of Newton (who remarried Mr Robert Ker).
    Upward, but died out.


KER OF ORMISTON (Roxburghshire)

Mark. d. 1603.

Lesser Laird. Mark was a younger son of Ker of Cessford.
    Held land from the Kers of Cessford.
    Mark. Knighted, 1599.
    Downward, died out (his lands went to his brother Lord Roxburgh).

RMS, v, 1364, 2029. CBP, ii, no 659. CSP Scot, xiii, pt 1, no 363.
Retours, ii, Roxburgh, no 35.

KER OF OXNAM AND OVERCRAILING (Roxburghshire)

Thomas. d. 1601.
Mr James, his brother.

Lesser Laird. Thomas was a younger son of Ferniehirst.
Held land from the Kers of Ferniehirst.
Downward, murdered, 1601.


KER OF PRIMSIDELOCH, GREENHEAD AND HEITON (Roxburghshire)

Andrew I. d. pre 1538.
Gilbert. d. pre 1584.
Sir Andrew II.
Andrew III.

Greater Lairds. Descended from the Kers of Ferniehirst.
Held land in chief and from Melrose and Kelso Abbeys.
Gilbert m. 1st Marion Pringle, 2 sons and 1 dau Katherine m. Andrew Ker of Linton, 2nd Elizabeth Edmonston of that Ilk. 4 sons.
Andrew II m. Alison Wauchope of Niddrie Marshall. 8 sons and 1 dau, Alison m. Ralph Ker of Dalcove.
Notable younger sons - see Ker of Chatto, commendator of Kelso, Lochtower, Middlemist Walls and Raperlaw.
Gilbert. Retour Juror, 1541.
Sir Andrew II. Knighted, 1602. Deputy Warden of the Scottish Middle March, 1597-1602. Warden of this March, 1602 (during Lord Roxburgh's absence). Retour Juror, 1600.
Assured.
Upward.


KER OF RAPERLAW (Roxburghshire)

Mark.
///
John.

Lesser Lairds. John was a younger son of Primsideloch.
Held land of Jedburgh Abbey, in feu.
Assured.
Upward.

CH6/6/1 ff. 64-5. GD224/529/1/126. RD1/25 f. 154. RMS, v, 1100.
Calderwood, History, iv, p. 347.

KER OF REDDEN (Roxburghshire)

John.

Thomas.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Kers of Ferniehirst.
Static.

GD40/1/386. RPC, vi, p. 407.

KER OF OLD ROXBURGH (Roxburghshire)

Andrew.

Thomas.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Kers of Cessford.
Andrew m. ? 3 sons.
Andrew. Retour Juror, 1541, 1542.
Assured.
Downward, died out.

NRAS1100/870. SC62/2/2. RMS, iv, 819, 2214. RSS, iv, 1109. See HOG of
Old Roxburgh.

KER OF SHAWS (Selkirkshire)

William.

Adam.

Ralph.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Static.

RMS, iii, 645. RPC, vi, p. 828.

KER OF SHIELSTOCKBRAES (Roxburghshire)

Andrew.

James.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Kers of Cessford, the archdean of Teviotdale and the Rutherfords of Hundalee.
Andrew. Servitor to Lady Scott of Buccleuch, 1567.
Upward.

CC8/8/25 f. 312. E48/1/1 f. 213. RMS, iv, 1938; v, 1521; vii, 317.
RPC, i, pp. 587-8.

KER OF SOFTLAW ( Roxburghshire )
Dand.

Bonnet Laird.
Held land from the Kers of Cavers.
Dand was 'man' to Thomas Ker of Cavers.
Static.

NLS CH5157. RMS, vi, 1462. RPC, iv, p. 718.

KER OF SUNDERLANDHALL ( Selkirkshire )
Thomas I.
Thomas II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Crown in feu and from the Lauders of that Ilk.
Thomas I m. 1st ? Ker of Boghaugh, 2nd Margaret Ker of Yair. 1 son.
Thomas II m. Elizabeth Riddell.
Static.

RD1/4 f. 147 RD1/10 f. 35. RMS, iii, 852. RPC, vi, p. 828. RSS, vi, 1990.

KER OF TEMPLELAND ( Roxburghshire )
John.

Bonnet Laird.
Probably held land from Ker of Cessford.
Static.

RD1/43 f. 193.

KER OF WHITMUIR ( Roxburghshire )
James I.
James II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from Kelso Abbey and various churchlands.
Upward.

RMS, iv, 2440; v, 1461; vi, 2127. SHS, 3rd Ser, xlii, p. 286. Retours, Ti, Roxburgh, no 16.

KER OF WHITMUIRHALL (Roxburghshire)
Thomas I.
John.
Thomas II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from Kelso Abbey, in feu.
Static.

RMS, vi, 2127. RPC, iv, p. 807.

KER OF YAIR (Selkirkshire)
Thomas.
William. d. 1572.
Andrew.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Crown in feu and in chief.
Thomas m. Elizabeth Crichton. 3 sons and 1 dau m. Thomas Ker of Sunderlandhall.
William m. Christian Pringle. 2 sons and 6 daus.
Andrew m. Margaret Ker of Faldonside.
Andrew was awarded his own ward and marriage.
Static.

RSS, vi, 1868.

KIRKTON OF STEWARTFIELD (Roxburghshire)
William I.
Adam. d. pre 1571.
William II. d. pre 1583.
William III.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from Jedburgh Abbey and in chief.
Adam m. ? 3 sons.
Adam. Steward of Jedburgh Abbey, 1543.
William II. Succeeded his father as Steward of Jedburgh.
William III. Succeeded his father as Steward of Jedburgh.
Assured.
LAUDER OF BURNGRANGE (Lauderdale)

Robert.
Lesser Laird.
Held land of the Lauders of Halton.
Static.

RMS, iv, 1418.

LAUDER OF EDRINGTON AND CALDSHIEL (Berwickshire)

William.

Lesser Laird. William was a younger son of Lauder of that Ilk.
Held land from the Lauders of that Ilk.
William m. Agnes Lauder. 1 son.
Static.


LAUDER OF THAT ILK (Lauderdale)

Robert I.
Richard. d. 1567.
Robert II. d. 1598.
Robert III.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Robert I m. Alison Cranston. 2 sons.
Richard m. Margaret Cairncross of Colmslie. 3 sons
Robert II m. 1st Euphemia MacDougal of Makerstoun, 2nd Margaret Borthwick.
4 sons and 3 daus.
Robert III was a ward of his uncle William of Edrington
Notable younger sons - see Lauder of Edrington and Muircleugh.
Robert I. Retour Juror, 1546, 1550.
Assured.
Downward.

LAUDER OF MUIRCLEUGH (Lauderdale)

James I. d. pre 1576.
James II.

Lesser Lairds. James I was a younger son of Lauder of that Ilk.
Given land by Lauder of that Ilk.
James I m. Katherine Blackstock. 1 son.
James II's ward and marriage was granted to James Heriot of Trabrown.
Upward.

RDI/10 f. 61  RD1/13 f. 204. ER, xx, p. 524. RMS, iii, 61; iv, 88, 474.
RSS, vii, 672.

LAUDER OF NEWBIGGING (Lauderdale)

James.

Lesser Laird. James was probably a younger son of Lauder of Whitslaid.
Held land of the Lauders of Whitslaid.
Static.

RD1/47 f. 147. RMS, v, 226, 1032.

LAUDER OF WHITSLAID AND BALBARDIES (Lauderdale)

? d. pre 1561.
Gilbert. d. pre 1591.
William.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from the crown in feu.
? m. ? 2 sons and 1 dau, Marion m. David Sinclair of Blainslie.
Gilbert m. 1st Margaret Pringle of St John's Chapel, 2nd Elizabeth Lauder.
3 sons and 1 dau, Agnes m. John Pringle of Muirhouse.
William had Thomas Ramsay of Wyliecleugh as a curator.
Notable younger sons - see Lauder of Newbigging. William was a merchant of Kelso.
Gilbert. Sheriff depute of Lauderdale, 1556.
Upward.

RPC, i, p.386; iii, pp. 630, 701; iv, pp. 575, 630. Retours, ii, Berwick,
no 510.

LINLITHGOW OF DRYGRANGE (Lauderdale)

David.
William I. d. 1571.
John. d. pre 1599.
Mr William II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Melrose Abbey, in feu.
William I m. ? 4 sons and 2 daus.
John m. 1st Agnes Heron, 2nd Beatrix Borthwick of Soutra. 2 sons and 3 daus.
Mr William II m. Katherine Home of Fans. 3 sons and 1 dau.
Static.


LUMSDEN OF BLANERNE (Berwickshire)

Patrick.
John. d. 1591.
David.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Coldingham Priory.
Patrick m. Christian Congalton of that Ilk. 5 sons.
John m. 1st ? Hay, 2nd Janet Udwart, widow of Alexander Napier of Wrightouses. 10 sons (6 illegitimate) and 1 illegitimate dau.
David m. 1st Alison Douglas, 2nd Margaret Congalton of that Ilk.
John was granted the ward and marriage of his own sons.
Notable younger son - James, who married the Lumsden heiress of Airdrie, Fife.
David. Retour Juror, 1585.
Assured.
Upward.


LUMSDEN OF RIKILSIDE, COLDINGHAM (Berwickshire)

James.
David.

Lesser Lairds.
Probably held land of Coldingham Priory.
James m. ? 2 sons.
Static.
MACDOUGAL OF FLOORS (Roxburghshire)

William. d. pre 1592.
Lesser Laird. William was a younger son of MacDougal of Makerstoun. Probably held land of Lord Home. William m. Margaret Cairncross (who remarried Mr William Hart). 2 illegitimate sons. Downward, died out.

MACDOUGAL OF MAKERSTOUN (Roxburghshire)

Thomas I. d. 1571.
James I. d. pre 1586.
Thomas II. d. pre 1601.
James II.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Kelso and Jedburgh Abbeys.
Thomas I m. Janet Scott of Howpasley. 3 sons and 2 daus, Euphamia m. Robert Lauder of that Ilk, Isobel m. Andrew Haig of Bemersyde.
James m. Elizabeth Henry. 4 sons.
Thomas m. Margaret Home. 5 sons.
Notable younger sons - see MacDougal of Floors and Manorhill.
Upward.

MACDOUGAL OF MANORHILL (Roxburghshire)

James.
Lesser Laird. James was a younger son of MacDougal of Makerstoun. Held land of the MacDougal of Stodrig, who in turn held of the Rutherfords of Hundalee.

MACDOUGAL OF STODRIG (Roxburghshire)
Thomas I. d. 1539.
Alexander I. d. 1568.
Thomas II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from the Rutherfords of Hundalee.
Thomas I m. ?3 sons, (1 illegitimate).
Alexander m. 5 sons and 5 daus, Christian m. Adam Birgham of Birgham.
Thomas II m. ?2 daus, Elizabeth m. James Haig of Bemersyde, Euphamia m.
John Dickson of the Loanhead.
Thomas. Retour Juror, 1600.
Assured.
Upward.


MAITLAND OF THIRLESTANE (Lauderdale)

John, first Lord Thirlestane.
John, second Lord Thirlestane.

Greater Laird. John, 1st Lord, was a younger son of Maitland of Lethington. The Maitlands had always held land in Lauderdale, but were rarely resident there and John's later preoccupation with matters of State would have impeded his visits to Thirlestane.
Held land in chief, from Coldingham Priory and Dryburgh Abbey.
John 1st Lord m. Jean, dau of Lord Fleming. 1 son and 1 dau.
Upward.


MOW OF THAT ILK (Roxburghshire)

John I.
John II, predeceased his father.
James, brother of John II. d. pre 1602.
John III. d. 1618.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
John I m. ? 5 sons.
John I's ward and marriage was claimed by Lancelot Ker of Gateshaw and Mark Ker of Dolphinston.
John I. Retour Juror, 1542. Juror at Roxburgh Sheriff Court, 1569.
John III. Deputy Warden of the Scottish Middle March, 1597. Retour Juror, 1600.
Didnot assure.
Static.

CBP, i, no 678, 1165. ER, xvii, p. 770; xx, p. 423. RPC, vi, p.829.
RSS, iv, 1109, 1515. HMC, Salisbury, vii, p. 90.

MOW OF MOW MAINS (MARLEFIELD) (Roxburghshire)

William I. d. pre 1552.
James. d. pre 1606.
William II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Kers of Dalcove.
Static.

RD1/47 f. 298. SC62/2/5. CBP, i, no 678. RMS, vi, 1803. Retours,
ii, Roxburgh, no 44.

NEWTON OF GRADEN (Berwickshire)

George. d. pre 1569.
John.
Alexander.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the heiresses of John Fenton of that Ilk and the Homes of Wedderburn.
John m. Marion Liddel. 1 son
Static.

GD267/31/91. RMS, iii. 2322; v, 1377; vi, 618. Retours, i, Berwick, no 6

NISBET OF NETHER RAECLEUGH (Berwickshire)

George. d. pre 1565.
John.

Lesser or bonnet Lairds. George was a younger son of Nisbet of that Ilk.
Held land of the Nisbets of that Ilk, who in turn held of the earls of Huntly.
George m. Margaret French of Thornydykes. 2 sons.
Downward, probably died out.

NISBET OF THAT ILK (Berwickshire)

Philip. d. pre 1535.
Adam. d. 1551.
George, brother of Adam. d. 1600.
Philip.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief and from the earl of Huntly.
Philip m. 1st Marion Pringle of Torwoodlee, 2nd Isobel Home of Wedderburn.
3 sons.
George m. 1st Elizabeth Cranston of Thirlestane Mains, 2nd Agnes Hamilton.
7 sons and 2 daus, Agnes m. William Murray of Romnano.
Philip m. Elizabeth Haldane of Gleneagles.
Adam's tutor was Sir David Nisbet, chaplain.
Notable younger son - see Nisbet of Nether Raecleugh.
Assured.
Static.

CC8/8/24 ff. 92-4. RD1/36 f. 80. NLS CH4789 CH4792 CH4794 CH4797
CH4798 CH4800 CH4803 CH4804 CH4810. APS, ii, p. 526. ER, xviii, p.
516. L & P. Hen VIII, xx, pt 2, no 137. RMS, iii, 158; Iv, 608, 1482;
v, 403, 504, 1207; vi, 562, 746; vii, 145. RSS, ii, 4282; iii, 1074.
HMC, Hay of Duns, no 149. Retours i, Berwick, no 25; ii, no 494.

NISBET OF RAASHILL (Berwickshire)

Patrick.
Hew.

Lesser Lairds.
Probably held land from the Nisbets of that Ilk and leased land from the
Swintons of that Ilk.
Static.

RD1/21 f. 2 RD1/27 f. 111 RD1/45 f. 252. RPC, vi, p. 705.

NISBET OF SPITAL (Berwickshire)

Philip.

Lesser Laird.
Static.

RPC, v, p. 585.

NISBET OF SWANSFIELD (Berwickshire)
James.
///
John.   d. 1607.
Philip. d. 1607.

Lesser Lairds.
Probably held land from the Logans of Restalrig, as well as in chief.
John m. 2 sons.
James. Retour Juror, 1547.
Static.


ORMISTON OF GRAHAMSLAW (Roxburghshire)

Walter.

Lesser Laird. Walter was a younger son of Ormiston of that Ilk.
Held land from the Scotts of Buccleuch.
Walter m. Ist Grisel Rutherford of Hunthill, 2nd Janet Turnbull. 4 sons.
Static.


ORMISTON OF OLD MELROSE (Roxburghshire)

Robert I. d. pre 1572.
John. d. pre 1587.
Robert II.

Lesser Lairds. Robert I was a younger son of Ormiston of that Ilk.
Held land of Melrose Abbey, in feu.
Robert I m. 3 sons.
Robert II m. Marie Ramsay.
Notable younger son - James, who took the title of Ormiston of that Ilk in 1584 (after the execution of his uncle James Ormiston of that Ilk).
Robert I. Servitor to James V, 1542.
Static.

CH6/6/1 ff. 18-19. E48/1/1 f. 206. RD1/8 f. 199 RD1/12 f. 338
RD1/20/2 f. 426. RMS, iv, 1819; vi, 1837. RSS, viii, 2623.

ORMISTON OF EASTER MUIRDEAN (Roxburghshire)

Andrew. d. pre 1540.
William. d. pre 1604.
Ralph.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Lord Home and then Home of Huttonhall.
Andrew m. ? 3 sons.
William m. ? 3 sons.
Static.

ORMISTON OF THAT ILK (Roxburghshire)
George. d. 1542.
Sir James. d. 1573.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Jedburgh Abbey.
George m. Elizabeth Rutherford. 5 sons.
James m. 1st ? 2nd Margaret Sinclair, widow of John Sinclair of Herdmiston. 1 son.
Notable younger son - see Ormiston of Old Melrose.
Downward, forfeited.

ORMISTON OF WESTHOUSES (Roxburghshire)
William. d. pre 1577.
Robert.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Melrose Abbey.
William m. Katherine Nisbet. 2 illegitimate sons.
Robert m. ? 2 sons.
Static.

PAXTON OF AUCHENCROW (Berwickshire)
William. d. pre 1597.
Nicol.
Lesser or bonnet laird.
Held land of the Homes of Wedderburn, who in turn held of the Logans of Restalrig and Ogilvys of Dunlugus.
William. Retour Juror, 1543.


PRINGLE OF THE BENTS, CLIFTON (Roxburghshire)

John I.
David.
John II.

Lesser or bonnet Lairds. John I was a younger son of Torwoodlee.
Held land of the Pringles of Torwoodlee and from the Crown in feu.
Assured.
Static.


PRINGLE OF NETHER BLAINSLIE (Lauderdale)

Andrew. d. pre 1573.

Lesser Laird. Andrew was a younger son of Pringle of Blindlee.
Held land of Melrose Abbey, in feu.
Upward, but died out.


PRINGLE OF BLINDLEE (Selkirkshire)

Robert. d. 1560.
George I. d. 1576.
George II.

Lesser Lairds. Descended from the Pringles of Galashiels.
Held land from the Crown in feu.
Robert m. Katherine Home of Polwarth. 2 sons and 5 daus, Margaret m. Adam French of Thornydykes, Isabel m. William Hepburn of East Craig, Christine m. James Sandilands, Agnes m. George Cranston of Corsbie.
George I m. Marion Pringle of Whytbank. 2 sons and 2 daus.
George II m. Isobel Pringle of Galashiels. 3 sons.
George II's curators were Andrew Wood of Largo and James Pringle of Whytbank. His uncle Robert Pringle was his tutor.
Notable younger sons - see Pringle of Nether Blainslie. Robert, tutor of Blindlee m. Marie Borthwick, widow of Andrew Pringle of Galashiels.
Assured.
Static.
PRINGLE OF BUCKHOLM AND TINNIS (Roxburghshire and Selkirkshire)

James I.  d. pre 1561.
James II.
John.
James III.

Lesser Lairds. Descended from Pringle of that Ilk.
Held land from Lord Home and Melrose Abbey.
James I m. Agnes Forester. 5 sons and 2 daus.
John m. ? Pringle. 3 sons.
James III m. Agnes Renton of Billie.
Notable younger sons outwith the Borders - David, apothecary burgess of
Edinburgh and Malcolm Pringle of Cortleferry.
Did not assure.
Static.

PRINGLE OF CHARTERHOUSE (Roxburghshire)

David.

Lesser Laird.
Possibly held land of the Rutherfords of Hundalee.
David. Retour Juror, 1550, 1551.
Downward, died out.

PRINGLE OF CLIFTON (Roxburghshire)

George.
///
Robert (Hobb).

Lesser Lairds. George was probably a younger son of Pringle of
Torwoodlee.
Held land from the church.
Upward.

PRINGLE OF CRAIGLEITH (NEWHALL) (Selkirkshire)
Alexander. d. pre 1579.  
George I. d. 1602.  
George II.  

Lesser Lairds.  
Held land from the Crown in feu, from Pringle of Galashiels and Jedburgh Abbey.  
Alexander m. ? 2 sons and 1 dau.  
George I m. ? 4 sons.  
George II m. Margaret Wauchope.  
Static.  

CH6/6/1 ff. 112-13. RMS, v, 1478; vi, 612. RPC, iii, p. 94.  

**PRINGLE OF FANS** (Berwickshire)  

Adam.  

Bonnet Laird.  
Held land of the Pringles of that Ilk.  
Adam m. ? 1 son.  
Died out. Land passed to James Pringle of that Ilk.  

CS7/35 f. 355. ER, xxi, p. 454. RPC, iii, p. 547. Retours, Berwick, no 484.  

**PRINGLE OF GALASHIELS AND SMAILHOLM** (Selkirkshire and Roxburghshire)*  

John. d. 1564.  
Andrew (Dand). d. 1586.  
James.  

Greater Lairds.  
Held land in chief and from the Crown in feu.  
James's tutor was John Pringle of Buckholm and his curators were Andrew Riddall of that Ilk, John Cranston of that Ilk and David Pringle of Bondaroch (his uncle).  
Notable younger sons - see Pringle of Blindlee, Torwoodlee and Whytbank.  
Pringle of Bondaroch was successful outwith the Borders.  
Andrew. Retour Juror, 1574.  
James. Galashiels is created a free burgh of barony for him, 1599.  
Assured.  
Downward, owing to financial trouble.  

CC8/8/8 ff. 82-5 CC8/8/16 ff. 345-7 CC8/8/19 ff. 159-61. CS7/39 f. 36.  
PRINGLE OF THAT ILK (HOPPRINGLE) AND TORSONCE (Midlothian)

John. d. 1555.
Thomas. d. 1566.
James. d. 1614.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Coldstream Priory, which they held.
John m. 5 sons (1 illegitimate) and 2 daus.
Thomas m. Isabel Pringle of Torwoodlee. 2 sons.
James m. Elizabeth Wauchope. 2 sons and 1 dau.
Notable younger son - see Pringle of Buckholm. Janet, sister of John, was prioress of Coldstream Priory.
Thomas. Retour Juror, 1564.
Assured.
Static.


PRINGLE OF HOWNAM (Roxburghshire)

James.
Andrew (Dand). d. pre 1605.

Lesser Lairds. James was a younger son of Pringle of Torwoodlee.
Held land of the Lords Home.
James m. 5 sons.
Andrew m. 2 sons.
Static.


PRINGLE OF LANGMUIR AND LEES (Midlothian and Berwickshire)

James. d. 1575.
Alexander.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Coldstream Priory, probably in feu.
James m. Janet Pringle of that Ilk, prioress of Coldstream. 1 son.
Alexander m. Margart Ramsay of Wyliecleugh. 2 sons.
Upward.

RD1/8 f. 396  RD1/17 f. 8  RD1/20/2 f. 365.  RMS, iv, 2565.

PRINGLE OF MUIRCLEUGH (Lauderdale)

Robert.
George.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Lauder of Muircleugh.
Assured.
Downward, died out.

RD1/10 f. 61.  RMS, iv, 88.  RSS, iv, 1715.  HMC, Milne-Home, no 67.

PRINGLE OF MUIRHOUSE (Midlothian)

John I.
John II.  d. pre 1599.
George, predeceased his father.
John III, nephew of George.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Pringles of Galashiels.
John III m. Agnes Lauder of Whitslaid.
Did not assure.
Static.


PRINGLE OF ST JOHN'S CHAPEL (Lauderdale)

George.

Lesser Laird.
Probably held land of Dryburgh Abbey.
George m. ? 3 daus, Agnes m. Patrick Hepburn of Fairnington, Elizabeth m. Ninian Spottiswoode of that Ilk, Margaret m. Gilbert Lauder of Whitslaid.
Did not assure.
Downward, died out with three heiresses.

GD158/183 GD267/31/91.  NRAS34/7.  RSS, iii, 885.

PRINGLE OF SLEGDEN (Berwickshire)

David.  d. 1572.
Alexander.

Lesser Lairds.  David was a younger son of Pringle of Torwoodlee.
Held land in chief.
David m. Maisie Ker of Yair.  1 son.
Alexander m. Isobel Home of Polwarth.
Did not assure.
Downward, sold out.

CC8/8/15 ff. 331-4 CC8/8/16 ff. 279-81.  CS7/2 f. 64 CS7/33 f. 322.  GD158/621.  RMS, iii, 2804; iv, 1057.
PRINGLE OF STITCHILL (Roxburghshire)

Alexander.

Lesser Laird.
Probably held land of the Pringles of Blindlee, who in turn held of Melrose Abbey.
Static.

E48/1/1 f. 196. SP59/34. CBP, ii, no 659. RMS, v, 1229.

PRINGLE OF TANLAW (Roxburghshire)

George I.
George II.

Lesser ot bonnet Lairds.
Possibly held land from the Kers of Cessford.
George I m. ? 2 sons.
George I. Retour Juror, 1550.
Static.

SP59/40. CBP, ii, no 521. RMS, iv, 482.

PRINGLE OF TORQUHAN (Midlothian)

Archibald. d. 1588.
George.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from Coldstream Priory
Archibald m. Janet Graham.
Downward, sold out.


PRINGLE OF TORWOODLEE (Selkirkshire)*

George I. d. pre 1568.
William. d. 1577.
George II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Crown in feu.
Notable younger sons - see Pringle of Bents, Clifton, Slegden, and Westhousebyre. Alexander was granted Fernacres in Northumberland.
George II was a ward of James Heriot of Trabrown, his grandfather.
George I. Retour Juror, 1564.
Assured.
Static.
PRINGLE OF TRINLYKNOWE (Selkirkshire)

Alexander I.
John, predeceased his father.
Thomas, brother of John. d. 1600.
Alexander II.

Lesser Lairds.
Probably held land of the Crown in feu.
Alexander m. ? 4 sons and 1 dau, Janet m. James Gifford of Sheriffhall.
Thomas m. Elizabeth Scott of Todrig.
Alexander I. Retour Juror, 1551.
Static.

PRINGLE OF WESTHOUSEBYRE (Roxburghshire)

William.

Lesser Laird. William was a younger son of Pringle of Torwoodlee.
Probably held land from Cairncross of Colmslie, who in turn held of Melrose Abbey.
Static.

PRINGLE OF WHYTBANK AND WOODHOUSE (Selkirkshire)

James I. d. 1563.
James II.
James III.

Lesser Lairds. James I was a younger son of Pringle of Galashiels.
Held land in chief and from Melrose Abbey.
James I m. Margaret Ker of Linton (who remarried Sir David Home of Wedderburn). 7 sons and 2 daus, Marion m. George Pringle of Blindlee, Marion m. William Home of Bassendean.
James II m. 1st Marion Murray of Blackbarony. 6 sons and 3 daus.
James III m. Christian Lundie of that Ilk.
Notable younger son - William tailor burgess of Edinburgh.
James II. Retour Juror, 1574.
Static.

RRS, iii, 2676; iv, 2381; vii, 1391. Edin. Apprentices, p. 147.
PRINGLE OF WRANGHOLM AND SMAILHOLM CRAIG (Roxburghshire)

Thomas I.
George. d. 1576.
John, brother of George. d. 1580.
Thomas II. d. 1595.
George.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Pringles of Galashiels.
Thomas I m. ? 4 sons.
George m. Margaret Haitlie of Sneep.
John m. Margaret Gordon, widow of John Pringle of Galashiels. 2 sons.
Thomas m. ? 2 sons and 5 daus.
George. Retour Juror, 1550.
Static.

RMS, iv, 1811, 2855; vi, 1203, 1239.


PURVES OF THAT ILK AND EARLSTON (Lauderdale)

Alexander I.
Alexander II. d. 1581.
John.

Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Alexander II m. ? 3 sons.
Alexander I. Retour Juror, 1573.
Static.

RMS, iv, 2137n; v, 126.

PURVES OF PURVISHAUGH (Lauderdale)

Oswald. d. pre 1553.  
///
Alexander.  
///
John I.
John II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Homes of Cowdenknowes.
Oswald m. Elizabeth Ker.
Static.
PYLE OF MILLHEUGH (Roxburghshire)

George.
//
David (Davy).

Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Probably held land of the Kers of Ferniehirst.
George. Juror at the Oxnam Barony Court, 1602. Servant of Ker of Ferniehirst, 1591.
Static.


RAMSAY OF DALHOUSIE AND FOULDEN (Midlothian and Berwickshire)

Nicholas.
John.
George.

Greater Lairds. They were non-resident lairds, with a substantial landholding in Berwickshire that expanded with their acquisition of Edington in 1594.
Held land in chief and from the earls of Morton.
Upward.

GD45/16/2748 GD150/1440. RMS, iii, 590; iv, 651, 915; v, 1712; vi, 72, 1432. RSS, viii, 754.

RAMSAY OF WYLIECLEUGH (Berwickshire)

Alexander.
Thomas. d. pre 1598.
Robert I.
Mr Robert II, predeceased his father. d. 1598.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Thomas m. Alison Home. 1 dau and 3 daus, Elizabeth m. Robert Cranston, Margaret m. Alexander Pringle of Lees and ? m. Edward Trotter.
Robert I m. ? 7 sons.
Mr Robert II m. Isobel Dickson of Buchtrig. 3 daus.
Notable younger son - John, son of Robert I was created Viscount Haddington, 1606.
Robert I. Retour Juror, 1599. Bailie of the barony of Boon for Cranston
Upward, but died out with heiresses in the seventeenth century.

CC8/9/1. GD53/4 GD158/201. RD1/17 f. 8 RD1/38 f. 187 RD1/46 f. 205. 
APS, iii, p. 122. RMS, iv, 2449; v, 450; vi, 747, 868n. SP, iv, pp. 
298-301. Retours, III, Berwick, nos 525, 526, 527.

REDPATH OF ANGELROW (Berwickshire)

George. d. 1550.
Alexander. d. 1590.
Simon. d. 1605.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Crown in feu.
Alexander m. ? 3 sons.
Simon m. 1st Isobel Dickson, 2nd Jane Haitlie of Broomhill. 1 son.
Alexander. Retour Juror, 1574, 1578.
Assured.
Static.

CC8/8/40 ff. 36-7 CC8/8/42 ff. 39-40. NRAS859/5/7 1351/18. RMS, iii, 
829; iv, 2318n; vii, 407. RSS, v, 2635; vi, 2547. L & P. Hen VIII, xxi, 
pt 1, no 1279.

REDPATH OF CRUMRIG (Berwickshire)

Edmund I. d. pre 1553.
Triamor.
Edmund II.
George.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of the Crown in feu.
Triamor m. Isobel Wilkeson, widow of George Learmonth of that Ilk. 2 
sons.
Edmund II m. Isobel Learmonth.
Edmund II. Servitor of Lord Ruthven, 1581.
Static.

RD1/5 ff. 356-7 RD1/6 f. 193 RD1/21 f. 262. RMS, iv, 829, 1671; vii, 
406. RSS, vii, 2413; viii, 50.

REDPATH OF GREENLAW (Berwickshire)

William I. d. pre 1563.
William II.
Alexander.

Substantial Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief, from Lord Home and from Kelso Abbey.
William II m. Helen Brounfield of Greenlawdean. 2 sons.
William II. Retour Juror, 1578.
Did not assure.
Downward, sold out, 1595.

CS6/26 f. 72. NRAS859/5/7 859/5/10 859/11/7. ER, xviii, p. 382.
HMC, Home, nos 34, 175. RMS, vi, 293, 433. RSS, iv, 3073; v, 1447.

REDPATH OF THAT ILK (Berwickshire)

Thomas I. d. pre 1550.
Thomas II. d. pre 1574.
William. d. pre 1602.
Thomas III.

Substantial Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Thomas II m. ? 3 sons and I illegitimate dau.
William m. Margaret MacGill of Nether Rankeillor. 7 sons.
Thomas III m. Jean Sinclair, widow of Gilbert Home, tutor of West Reston.
Thomas III. Retour Juror, 1585, 1591.
Did not assure.
Static.

GD12/147 GD237/254/3. RD1/12 f. 142 RD1/21 f. 50 RD1/32 f. 421 RD1/38
f. 333 RD1/48 f. 316 RD1/49 f. 480. NRAS859/131/2. NLS CH4800. RMS,
iii, 605; iv, 544, v, 180; vi, 293, 433, 1207; vii, 948, 1043. RSS, v,
778, 1434; vi, 192; viii, 952. HMC, Hay of Duns, no 139. Laing Chrs, no
706. Retours, i, Berwick, no 28.

REDPATH OF ROWCHESTER AND DIRRINGTON (Berwickshire)

Andrew I. d. pre 1536.
Andrew II. d. 1580.
Joseph.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from Redpath of Greenlaw, the church and Home of Wedderburn.
Andrew II m. Elizabeth Whitelaw. 4 sons and 2 daus.
Notable younger son - William was in the Scots Guard in France.
Andrew II. Had been in the Scots Guard in France.
Static.

CC8/8/8 ff. 294-5. RD1/4 f. 99. RD1/10 f. 36. RPC, ii, p. 323. RSS,
v, 2156, 3230, 3278; vii, 179. Pitcairn, Trials, i, pt 1, p. 248. SHS,
3rd ser, xliii, p. 283.

REDPATH OF TODRIG (Berwickshire)

George.
Lesser Laird.
Possibly held land of the Cranstons of Morriston, who in turn held of Lord Home.
Static.

CC8/8/29 f. 470. NRAS859/10/1.

**RETON OF BILLIE** (Berwickshire)*

David I. d. pre 1564.
John, d. 1586.
David II. d. 1605.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief and from the earls of Angus.
Notable younger son - see Renton of Cockburnspath Shiels.
David II. Privy Councillor, 1589. Retour Juror, 1601.
Static.


**RETON OF COCKBURNSPATH SHIELS** (Berwickshire)

John.

Lesser Laird. John was a younger son of Renton of Billie.
Held land in chief.
John m. Elspeth Gibb.
Static.


**RIDDALL OF THAT ILK** (Roxburghshire)

John. d. 1542.
Walter I. d. 1568.
Walter II. d. pre 1595.
Andrew.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Walter I m. Marion Pringle of Galashiels. 3 sons and 1 dau, Elizabeth m. Thomas Ker of Cavers.
Walter II m. Agnes Ramsay of Dalhousie. 1 son.
Andrew m. Agnes Murray of Blackbarony.
Walter I. Retour Juror, 1564.
Walter II. Juror at Roxburgh Sheriff Court, 1569.
Andrew. Retour Juror, 1600.
Assured.


ROBSON OF GLEDSWOOD (Berwickshire)

Adam.
//
John I.
John II. d. pre 1604.
Andrew.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from Dryburgh Abbey, in feu.
Adam m. ? 1 son and 1 dau, Isobel m. George Haig, younger son of Bemersyde.  
John m. Marjorie Liddesdale.  
Andrew m. Janet Erskine.
Static.


RULE OF PEELWALLS (Berwickshire)

James.
//
Robert I.
//
Robert II. d. pre 1591.
Robert III.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Craw of Flemington-Fluris.  
Robert II m. ? 4 sons and 2 daus.  
Robert II's children had George Craw of Flemington-Fluris as a tutor.  
James. Juror at Berwickshire Sheriff Court, 1541.  
Robert II. Retour Juror, 1575.
Static.


RUTHERFORD OF CHATTO (Roxburghshire)
Robert.  
///  
Adam.  

Lesser Lairds.  
Held land of the Rutherfords of Hunthill.  
Adam m. Janet Rutherford of Hunthill. 5 daus.  
Downward, died out.  


RUTHERFORD OF CLEETHAUGH (Roxburghshire)  

William.  
///  
Adam.  

Lesser or bonnet Lairds.  
Static.  

SC62/2/2.  RPC, iv, p. 371.

RUTHERFORD OF EDGERSTON AND OF THAT ILK (Roxburghshire)  

Richard I.  
///  
Richard II.  
John.  
Richard III. d. 1603.  
Thomas.  

Lesser Lairds. Once greater Lairds, but two heiresses had split up the estates and title, after the death of Richard I.  
Held land in chief and from Stewart of Traquair.  
Richard III m. Elizabeth Rutherford of Hunthill. 3 sons.  
Richard III. Retour Juror, 1601.  
Assured.  
Static.  

SC62/2/1.  L & P. Hen VIII, xix, pt 2, no 503.  RMS, iii, 47; iv, 1378.  
RPC, vi, p. 259.  RSS, ii, 4105; iv, 464.  SP, vii, pp. 365-8.  Nisbet,  
Heraldry, i, p. 179.  Retours, ii, Roxburgh, no 27.

RUTHERFORD OF THE GRANGE (Roxburghshire)  

Bartilmo.  
///  
Andrew (Dand).
Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Rutherfords of Hundalee.
Andrew m. ? 3 sons.
Static.


RUTHERFORD OF GRUNDIESNEUK (Roxburghshire)

Thomas.

Lesser Laird. Thomas was a younger son of Rutherford of Hunthill. Probably held land of Rutherford of Hunthill.
Static.


RUTHERFORD OF HUNDALEE (Roxburghshire)

George. d. 1556.
Sir Nicol I. d. 1575.
Andrew. d. 1599.
Mr Nicol II, brother of Andrew.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief.
George m. ? 2 sons and 1 dau, Janet m. Adam Grahamslaw of Newton.
Sir Nicol I m. 1st Margaret Rutherford, 2nd Margaret MacDougal. 3 sons.
Andrew m. Margaret Pringle of Galashiels.
Mr Nicol II m. Martha Stewart of Ochiltree. 1 son and 1 dau.
George. Grubbit was created a free barony for him, 1542. Retour Juror, 1539, 1540.
Andrew. Retour Juror, 1579.
Mr Nicol II. Retour Juror, 1601.
Assured.
Static.


RUTHERFORD OF HUNTHILL (Roxburghshire)*

John I.
John II.
William, predeceased his father.
Thomas, brother of William.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief.
Notable younger son - see Rutherford of Grundiesneuk.
John I. Retour Juror, 1542, 1564.
John II. Retour Juror, 1579, 1601.
Thomas. Retour Juror, 1601.
Assured.
Static.

SC62/2/1 SC62/2/2. NRAS59/5/7 1100/870. NLS ACC7750/67 ACC7750/68.
ER, xix, p. 430; xx, p. 529. RMS, iii, 821, 1655; iv, 153. RPC, vi, p. 57.

RUTHERFORD OF LONGNEWTON AND FAIRNINGTON (Roxburghshire)

Walter. d. pre 1547.
William, cousin of Walter. d. 1552.
George.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Crown in feu and from Douglas of Lochleven.
George m. Margaret Cranston. 5 sons.
George. Retour Juror, 1600.
Downward.

CS6/24 f. 119. CS7/42 f. 525. GD150/1147 GD150/1409 GD150/1412
GD150/1423. SC62/2/1 SC62/2/2. NRAS1100/696 ER, xviii, p. 548. RMS,
iv, 482, 2310. RSS, iv, 1710.

RUTHERFORD OF LITTLEHEUCH (Roxburghshire)

William.

Lesser Laird.
Held land from the Rutherfords of Hunthill.
William m. ? 4 sons, 1 dau m. Thomas Selby of Biddlestone, Northumberland
Static.

BL Cotton MS, Caligula, C III, f. 120. CBP, i, no 678. RPC, iv, pp. 793,

RUTHERFORD OF THE KNOW OF NISBET (Roxburghshire)

John.
George.

Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
 Probably held land of the Rutherfords of Hunthill.
Static.


RUTHERFORD OF THE WALLS OF NISBET (Roxburghshire)

Charles.

Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Probably held land of the Rutherfords of Hunthill.
Charles. Retour Juror, 1598.
Static.

SC62/2/1. RPC, ii, p. 266.

SCOTT OF HAUGHHEAD, ECKFORD (Roxburghshire)

William. d, 1594.
Mark.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Jedburgh Abbey and the Scotts of Buccleuch.
Static.

CH6/6/1 ff. 89-91. JEDJM 509 510 511. RSS, vi, 1076.

SETON OF GORDON (Berwickshire)

Alexander.

Lesser Laird.
Probably held land from the Setons of Touch (Greenknowe).
Static.

CC8/8/25 f. 312. NRAS482/1/1. RSS, vi, 1281.

SETON OF GREENKNOWE, TOUCH AND TULLYBODY (Berwickshire, Stirlingshire and Clackmannanshire)

Ninian. d. pre 1547.
Walter.
Sir James.
John.

Greater Lairds, holding substantial lands in the Borders but were rarely resident there.
Held land in chief.
Sir James m. Janet Edmonston. 1 son and 1 dau, Jean m. George Home of Bassendean.
Static.

RD1/37 f. 353. NRAS482/1/1 859/8/4 859/32/1. RMS, iii, 1438; vii, 1128. RPC, iv, p. 465. RSS, vii, 1242, 1281.

SHORESWOOD OF BEDSHIEL (Berwickshire)

John.

///
Andrew.
///
Mr Richard.
Mr John.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Lords Home.
Mr Richard m. Marion Duddingston. 1 son.
Mr John m. Margaret Brounfield. 2 sons and 1 dau, Agnes m. Alexander Haitlie of Hurdlaw.
Static.


SINCLAIR OF BLAINSLIE (Berwickshire)

John.

William I. d. pre 1570.
David, brother of William I.
William II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from Melrose Abbey and Jedburgh Abbey, in feu.
John m. ? 2 sons and 1 dau, Janet m. John Ellem of Butterdean.
William I m. ? Stewart of Traquair. 1 dau, Margaret m. Ninian Spottiswoode of that Ilk.
David m. Margaret Lauder of Whitslaid.
Static.


SINCLAIR OF LONGFORMACUS (Berwickshire)

Alexander. d. 1542.
Matthew. d. 1603.
Robert. d. 1613.

Substantial Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Crown in feu.
Alexander m.? 1 son and 1 dau, Jean m. Gilbert Home, tutor of West Reston and remarried John Redpath of that Ilk.
Matthew m. Elizabeth Swinton of that Ilk. 6 sons and 2 daus, Sybil m.
William Cockburn of Choicelee, Elizabeth m. Alexander Cockburn of Stobswood.
Robert m. Margaret Douglas of Whittingham.
Notable younger son - John, burgess of Edinburgh.
Static.


SLEIGH OF BIRKINSIDE, ELLEM (Berwickshire)

Patrick. d. 1597.
Lesser Laird.
Held land from Restalrig Collegiate Church.
Downward, executed.


SLEIGH OF CUMLEDGE (Berwickshire)

Patrick I.
Patrick II. d. 1573.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and leased land from the Lumsdens of Blanerne.
Patrick I m. ? 1 son and 2 daus (1 illegitimate), Jane eventual heiress m. Archibald Auchinleck.
Patrick II m. a Home of Blackadder.
Patrick II was a ward of Captain David Home of Fishwick.
Downward, died out with an heiress.


SLEIGH OF OTTERBURN (Berwickshire)

Patrick.
///
John.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Crown in feu and from Patrick Cockburn of East
Borthwick.
John m. Katherine Barclay. 1 son.
Static.

NLS CH4791  CH4796  CH4804. ER, xvii, p. 773; xix, p. 553. RMS, v, 2272.

SPENCE OF CHIRNSIDE MAINS AND HARDENS (Berwickshire)

Richard I. d. 1543.
Richard II. d. pre 1550.
Bartilmo. d. 1557.
Richard III. d. 1592.
William.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from the Wolfs of Waldelie.
Bartilmo m. Ellen Home. 2 sons, Alexander m. Marion Cranston, relict of John Home of Crumstane and 1 dau.
Richard m. 1st Agnes Douglas, 2nd Madaline Craw of East Reston. 2 sons and 1 dau.
Richard II was granted his own wardship as his father was killed at the battle of Solway Moss.
Richard III was granted his own wardship.
Richard III. Retour Juror, 1590.
Static.


SPOTTISWOODE OF QUHITLIE, MELROSE (Roxburghshire)

John I.
William. d. 1586.
John II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land of Melrose Abbey, in feu.
William m. Elizabeth Rule. 2 sons.
Static.


SPOTTISWOODE OF THAT ILK (Berwickshire)

David. d. 1570.
Ninian. d. pre 1578.
William. d. 1597
John, brother of William.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land in chief and from the earls of Huntly.
David m. 1st Katherine Pringle, 2nd, Jane Brounfield of Hardacres (who remarried Robert Home of Reidheuch). 8 sons.
Ninian m. 1st Margaret Sinclair of Blainslie, 2nd Elizabeth Pringle of St John's Chapel. 3 sons.
William m. Margaret Edgar of Wedderlie (who remarried Walter Scott of Harden).
Ninian was granted his own ward and marriage.
William was a ward of Sir John Maitland of Thirlestane. His curators were George Lisle of Stoneypath, David Sinclair of Blainslie, Matthew Sinclair of Longformacus, William Hay of Barra, Mr John Spottiswoode and Thomas Spottiswoode, burgess of Haddington.
Notable younger sons - John Spottiswoode 'the Reformer', superintendent of Lothian.
Ninian. Retour Juror, 1578.
Assured.
Static.

CC8/8/3 ff. 331-2, 454  CC8/8/7 ff. 112-13  CC8/8/35.  CS7/76 f. 220.

SPOTTISWOODE OF WHINRIG (Berwickshire)
James. d. 1581.
Lesser Laird. Possibly a younger son of that Ilk.
Held land from the Spottiswoodes of that Ilk.
Downward, died out.

CC8/8/10 ff. 87-8.  CS7/76 f. 220.

STEWART OF EILDON (Roxburghshire)
John. d. pre 1598.
Michael.
Lesser Lairds. Possibly non-resident.
Held land from Melrose Abbey, in feu.
John m. Christine Wardlaw of Kilbabarton. 1 son.
Static.


SWINTON OF THAT ILK (Berwickshire)
John I. d. 1549.
John II. d. 1578.
Robert.

Greater Lairds.
Held land in chief.
John I m. 1st Marion Home of Wedderburn, 2nd Margaret Dewar. 4 sons and 8 daus, Katherine m. Mr Ninian Chirnside of Whitsomelaws, Elizabeth m. Matthew Sinclair of Longformacus.
John II m. Katherine Lauder of Bass (who remarried David Home of Cranshaws). 3 sons and 2 daus.
Robert m. 1st Katherine, dau of Lord Hay of Yester, 2nd Jean Hepburn of Whitecastle. 3 sons and 2 daus.
John II was a ward of George Home of Broxmouth.
Robert was a ward of Andrew Wood of Largo and then Elizabeth Hay, widow of Robert Lauder of Bass (his aunt). His curators were William, Lord Hay of Yester, Mr George Lauder of Bass, John Swinton in Inverkeithing, Mr Thomas Craig, advocate and George Swinton, parson of Clovay.
John I. Deputy Warden of the Scottish East March, 1542.
John II. Attends Parliament, 1560, 1572, 1579.
Robert. Retour Juror, 1601. Cranshaws was created a free barony for him 1598.
Did not assure.
Static.


TAIT OF CHERRY TREES (Roxburghshire)

Henry.
William I. d. pre 1598.
William II.

Lesser Lairds.
Probably held land from the Rutherfords of Hundalee.
William II m. ? 2 sons.
Static.

RD1/26 f. 250. RSS, ii, 4486; v, 643. Pitcairn, Trials, ii, p. 475.

TAIT OF STANKFORD (Roxburghshire)

Andrew (Dand).
William.
Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Probably held land from the Kers of Cessford and from the Crown in feu.
Assured.
Downward.
RD1/47 f. 298. L & P. Hen VIII, xix, pt 2, no 503. RSS, vi, 2517.

TROTTER OF CATCHELRAW (CHARTERHALL) (Berwickshire)

Robert I. d. pre 1567.
Thomas.
Robert II.

Lesser Lairds.
Probably held land from the Lords Home.
Robert m. Elizabeth sister of Alexander Sinclair of Longformacus. 4 sons.
Thomas m. ? 3 sons.
Static.
RD1/39 f. 64 RD1/43 f. 57 RD1/48 f. 282.

TROTTER OF CHESTERS (Berwickshire)

Alexander I. d. 1600.
Alexander II.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the crown in feu and from the Lords Home.
Alexander II m. Janet Hailtie. 7 sons and 5 daus.
Static.

TROTTER OF FOGO (Berwickshire)

John. d. pre 1590.
James, brother of John.

Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Probably held land from Lord Home, who in turn held of the earl of Huntly.
James. Retour Juror, 1601.
Static.
RD1/26 f. 44. CBP, ii, no 659. RMS, iii, 98. RPC, vi, p. 791. HMC, Milne-Home, no 558. Retours, ii, Berwick, no 488.

TROTTER OF FOGORIG (Berwickshire)

Thomas I. d. 1579.
Thomas II.
Lesser or bonnet Lairds.
Probably held land from the Lords Home.
Thomas I m. Helen Lawson. 3 sons.
Static.


TROTTER OF FOULSHOTLAW (Berwickshire)

William. d. pre 1578.
Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Probably held land from Lord Home.

CS7/74 f. 66. NRAS859/11/7. RMS, iii, 1480. TA, xii, p. 217.

TROTTER OF HARCARSE (Berwickshire)

John.
Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Held land of the Bogs of Burnhouses.
Static.

CS7/50 f. 106. RMS, vi, 1455.

TROTTER OF PRINTONAN (Berwickshire)

George I. d. pre 1541.
George II. d. pre 1574.
George III.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Crown in feu.
George II m. Elizabeth Craw. 2 sons.
George III was a ward of William Douglas of Whittingham.
Static.

RD1/39 f. 64. RH15/19/14. RMS, vi, 1207. RPC, vi, p. 792. RSS, ii, 4163, 4882; vi, 2790; vii, 1242. TA, vii, p. 13.

TROTTER OF RYSLOW (Berwickshire)

William.
Thomas.
Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Edmonstons of that Ilk.
Thomas. Servitor to the earl of Bothwell.
Static.

TROTTER OF THE NETHERHALL OF SISTERPATH (Berwickshire)

Thomas I.
Thomas II.

Lesser or bonnet Laird.
Held land of the Crown in feu and possibly from the Trotters of Chesters.
Thomas II m. 1st Nicola Trotter, 2nd Marion Choicewood.
Thomas II. Retour Juror, 1601.
Static.

TROTTER OF THE OVERHALL OF SISTERPATH (Berwickshire)

Alexander.
Patrick.

Lesser Lairds.
Probably held land of the Lords Home.
Patrick m. Margaret Ker. 1 son.
Patrick. Retour Juror, 1601.
Static.
CC8/8/13 ff. 149-50. RMS, iii, 1480. RPC, vi, p. 792. HMC, Milne-Home, no 558.

YOUNG OF OTTERBURN (Roxburghshire)

James.
George.
William.

Lesser Lairds.
Held land from the Kers of Hirsel, Lord Somerville and John Stewart of Minto.
Assured.
Static.
YOUNG OF FELTERSHAWS AND WOODSIDE

Thomas.
///
Andrew. (Dand).
James.

Lesser Lairds.
Held churchlands.
Assured.
Static.

HOME CONNECTIONS

Sir Alexander Home d. 1424

Alexander 1st Lord Home d. 1492

Alexander d. 1465

John Home of Caustenknowes
Home of Bassendaean
Home of Beltlaw
Home of Carvside → Fans
Home of Eccles
Home of person of Spett

George Home of Aytoun
Home of Cheeklaw
Home of Taranside

George Home of Wedderburn

Sir David Home of Wedderburn

George Home of Spett (East Letham)

Patrick Home of Polwarth

Home of Argyll and Lindsays (Strinishing)
Home of the Law of Coldingham
Home of Rolandston
Home of North Berwick → Houth

Home of Wedderburn

Home of Blackadder East and West

Home of Manderston

Home of Cranshaws
Home of Renton
Home of Stigden
Home of Tinnis (Selkirk)
Home of Whitlaw (East Letham)
Home of Spett/Spott (?)

Home of Spett/Spott (?)

Home of Framepath

Alexander 3rd Lord Home d. 1516

George 4th Lord Home d. 1549
John abbot of Jedburgh

Home of Hilltonhall

Alexander 5th Lord Home d. 1575
Andrew, Commander of Jedburgh

Home of Tinnis (Selkirk)

Home of Whetlow (East Letham)

Home of Spett/Spott (?)

Alexander 6th Lord Home
KER CONNECTIONS

Andrew of Attoburn --- Ker of Gateshow

Walker Ker of Cessford
  ↓
Ker of Littleclean → Ker commissor of Coldstream
  Ker of Mains
Ker of Gradan
Ker of Falkenseide
Ker of Mersington
Ker commissor of Newbattle (Maiden)
Ker of Omiston
Ker of Linton

Thomas Ker of Ferniehirst
  ↓
Ker of Primside tolock → Ker of Cratto
  Ker commissor of Kelso
Ker of Nethergogar (Wick)
Ker of Lochtomain
Ker (Kirkcaldy) of Grange
  Ker of Midlemist Walls
Ker of Oxnam
Ker of Ancrum → Ker of Newton

Ralph Ker of Cavers
  ↓
Ker of Cavers and Nether Howden
PRINGLE CONNECTIONS

Pringle of that ilk (mid-1600s)

Pringle of Buckholm → Pringle of Cottletferry (mid-1600s)

Pringle of Galashiels

Pringle of Blindlee → Pringle of Nether Blainshie
Pringle of Whytbank
Pringle of Boddarch (Kirkcudbrightshire)

Pringle of Torwoodlee

Pringle of Bents
Pringle of Clifton
Pringle of Hanham
Pringle of Sleyden
Pringle of Westhousebyre
Pringle of Remacres (Northumberland)
COCKBURN OF CHOICELEE

Alexander Cockburn of Longton

Christopher Cockburn of Choicelee — Margaret Pringle of that ilk
  d. 1520

William I — Margaret Belshair of East Waddiel
  d. 1571

Mr Patrick, provost of Perth
  d. 1568

Captain Simon

Walter James

Alexander Cockburn of Caldra

Adam d. 1569

James — Marian Douglas
  d. 1586

Christopher

Adam

Patrick
  d. 1577

John of the Scots Guard

Janet — William Watson
  Skinner burgess of Edinburgh

William II — Sybil Sinclair of Longfamous
  d. 1609

Alexander

James

Christell

John

Janet

Margaret

Christopher
HAITLIE OF MELLERSTAIN

George I — Margaret Blackadder
d. pre 1547

Henry I — Sybil Home
d. wi. pre 1552

John I — Janet Ker of Littledean

Thomas Haitlie of Sneep

George II — Henry II — Helen Edmonston of that ilk and William Home of Bellitaw
d. 1566
d. 1576

John — Alexander — Katherine — Thomas Williamson
John — Alexander — William — Mark

Katherine — Thomas Williamson
burgess of Edinburgh

John II — Marion Lumsden — Andrew — Robert
d. 1603

John III — Margaret — James MacDougall of Makerstein

Mary — Agnes — Jean — Elspeth — Isabel — Susanna.
PRINGLE OF GALASHIELS AND SMALLHOLM

James — Elizabeth Murray of Philhopegh

David — Margaret
  David — Margaret

David d. 1513
  John d. 1564

David d. 1535
  Margaret
  Willam Pringle
  of Torwoodlee
  Alexander
  John Pringle
  of Blindlee
  Isabel — David Home
  of Wedderburn

David

Margaret Gordon
of Erchlyne, and
John Pringle
of Wrangholm

James Pringle
of Whigstoun
  William
  Janet — George Brown
  of Galston

Margaret Gordon
of Erchlyne, and
John Pringle
of Wrangholm

David Pringle
of Boreas
  (Kirtwadgness)

James — Isabel — William Gordon
  of Crowlaw
  Margaret — Andrew Rutherford
  of Hundelee

Margaret Gordon
of Erchlyne, and
John Pringle
of Wrangholm

James — Isabel — George Pringle
  of Blindlee

James d. 1635
  (married
  1590)
  David
RETON OF BILLIE

David — ?

David I
d pre 1574
Janet Home
widow of ?
Stein of
Combeg

Katherine Lawson — John d 1587 — Jane Cockburn of Langton

— Alison Heriot of Teabrook, widow of Pringle of Tomnoidal

— Alison — Patrick Angus of Hoprig

— Beatrix — Sir William Sinclair of Redmanston and twice

— Susan — Andrew Haig of Beresford

— Janet — Edward Sinclair of Ethie

— David II d 1605 — Margaret Collie

— John Renton of Cockburnspath Steels

— James

— Margaret — William Cockburn of that I UK

— John

— Jane

— William Bessie

— Patrick

— Beatrix

— Christian
CHAPTER TWO

APPENDIX

Every known gentry family of north Northumberland and North Durham is listed individually. The entries follow the following pattern but not all categories are traceable or relevant to every family. When there is an overload of information about a family, a genealogy has been drawn.

1. The head of each generation is listed with date of death (if known).
2. Status - Knight, Esquire or Gentlemen (Knt, Esq, Gent) and whether they held a coat of arms or not, with date of known listing by the heralds (they may have held Arms before this, but a lack of Arms does not necessarily mean that they were not gentry).
3. Landholding (if known) - in chief, by knight service, other tenure, crown or monastic lease, from other gentry and/or (if the type of is unknown) from which barony, manor or lordship it was held.
4. Marriages of heads of families and the approximate size of their families. Also marriages of sons and daughters, where known.
5. Wardship.
7. Offices held by heads of families, e.g. Jurors at Inquisitions Post Mortem (Inq.P.M.), Exchequer Commissioners (Exch. Comm.), Justices of the Peace (J.P.), Members of Parliament (M.P.) and date of holding office, if known.
8. Mobility - upward, static or downward.
9. References for the above information.

d=died m=married umd=unmarried dau=daughter chap=chapter appx=appendix *=see attached genealogy. /// = no direct descent or descent unclear.

ALDER OF HOBBERLAW (Northumberland)

George I d. 1575.
George II d. 1617.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
George I m. Jane Lisle of Felton. 1 son.
George II m. Margaret Forster of Newham. 4 sons.
George I. Juror Inq.P.M. 1546.
George II. Juror Inq.P.M. 1575, 1579, 1586.
Static.


ALDER OF PRENDWICK (Northumberland)
Thomas I d. 1554.
Thomas II.
Robert d. 1623.

Styled Esq, but probably Gent. No Arms.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
Thomas II m. ? 2 sons.
Robert m. ? 2 sons.
Static


ARMORER OF BELFORD AND EASINGTON (Northumberland)*

Francis d. 1574.
Roger.
Francis II d. 1642.

Gent. Arms 1552, descended from the Armorers of Ulgham, south of Coquet.
In chief.
Cuthbert, a younger son, married Elizabeth Carr of Hetton and took part in
the northern rebellion.
Upward.

SS, ii, pp. 404-05; cxxii, pp. 28-9. NCH, i, p. 390. See Chap five appx
no 21.

BEADNELL OF LOW BUSTON (Northumberland)

William d. 1580s.
Luke d. 1613.

Gent. No Arms, burgesses of Alnwick.
Barony of Wark-on-Tweed.
William m. ? 1 son.
Luke m. ? 1 son.
Upward.

C142/172/108 C142/280/12. CP25/2/192/1&2 Eliz/ MICH. SYON MS AII/8 f.5.
NCH, v, p. 255.

BEADNELL OF LEMMINGTON (Northumberland)*

John d. 1579. (predeceased by Edward and Robert).
Edward.
Robert d. 1577.
George d. 1654.

Gent, but ranked as Esq. Arms 1615.
Knight service, barony of Beanley.
Anne, dau of Robert, m. Henry Haggerston of Haggerston (who was a ward of
John.
Upward, (but declined with recusancy in 1590s).


BRADFORD OF BRADFORD (Northumberland)

Thomas I.
Thomas II. d. 1612.

Esq. Arms 1552 & 1615.
In chief.
Thomas II m. Jane Clavering of Callaly. 2 sons, 2 dau.
Elizabeth, dau of Thomas I, m. Cuthbert Forster of Brunton.
Upward (not affected by their recusancy).

Thomas Bradford of Berwick, Roland Bradford bailiff of Tughall and Edmund Bradford bailiff of Bamburgh may have been gentry related to this family.


BURRELL OF HOWTEL (Northumberland)

John I d. 1549.
John II d. 1580s.
William.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Barony of Wark-on-Tweed.
John I m. Elizabeth Reveley of Ancroft. 1 son.
John II m. Elizabeth Collingwood of Etal. 5 sons, 3 dau.
William m. Elizabeth Morton of Murton.
John II. Juror Inq.P.M. 1589, 1591.
Downward.

CARR OF BOULMER (Northumberland)

John d. 1573.
Thomas d. 1617.

Gent. No Arms.
Manor of Longhoughton.
John m. Elizabeth Carr of Hetton. 1 son.
Upward.

DPRW 1574. SYON MS AII/8 ff. 66,80,82,98. EIV/6/a. CPR, 1569-72, p. 88. SS, cxxii, p. 31. NCH, ii, p. 401.

CARR OF FORD (Northumberland)*

Thomas I d. 1558.
William d. 1589.
Thomas II d. 1641.

Esq. Arms 1552. Thomas, younger son of Hetton branch.
In chief.
Thomas II. Ward of Lord Hunsdon.
Ralph, son of Thomas I, gentleman pensioner of Berwick and deputy Warden of the Middle March, 1597.
Thomas, son of Thomas I ?, parson of Ford.
Upward.

C66/1308 m. 6d. C142/131/159 C142/227/195. SP59/37 f. 120. SYON MS AII/8 f. 5. APC, iv, p. 21; v, p. 200; vi, p. 254. CPR, 1572-5, p. 438. CBP, i, no 545; ii, no 728. SS, cxxii, pp. 10-11. NCH, ii, p. 432; vii, pp. 343-6; xi, p. 432. See chap five appx no 35, chap six appx no 28.

CARR OF HETTON (Northumberland)*

John I d. 1517.
John II d. 1551.
John III d. 1582.
John IV d. 1589.

Gent. Arms 1552.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
Robert, son of John II, took part in the northern rebellion, pardoned 1575.
John II. Captain of Wark, 1540s.
John III. Juror Inq. P.M. 1554.
Downward (died out).


CARR OF LESBURY & WOODHALL (Northumberland)

George I d. 1559.
John I d. 1575.
George II d. 1587.
John II.
John III d. 1612, (nephew of above).

Gent. Arms 1615.
Barony of Alnwick.
George I m. ?1 son, 2 daus, 1 illegitimate son.
John II m. Catherine Gray of Horton. 6 sons, 6 daus.
John III m. ?3 sons.
Anna, dau of John II, m. Lancelot Manners of Longframlington. Barbara,
dau of same m. George Middleham of Howick.
George I & II. Keepers of Warkworth.
Static.

DPRW 1574, 1588 (1). DPRW Reg, i, f.55; bond 1587/24. ALN MS A1/1/m.

CARR OF NEWLANDS (Northumberland)

Thomas d. 1540.
Ralph I d. 1550s.
Ralph II.

Gent. No Arms.
Duchy of Lancaster.
Thomas m. ?1 son.
Ralph II m. ?2 sons, 2 daus.
Downward (disappeared).


CLAVERING OF CALLALY (Northumberland and Norhamshire)*

John d. 1536.
Robert I d. 1583.
Robert II d. 1600.
Esq. No Arms.
In chief.
Robert II's children. Wards of Henry Guevara, who m. their mother?
Younger son - William Clavering of Duddo. d. 1587.
Static.

Robert Clavering of Duddo and Robert Clavering of Holy Island may have been related gentry. Thomas Clavering, constable of Norham was probably a nephew of John and m. Phillis Morton of Murton.


CLENNELL OF CLENNELL (Northumberland)

Percival I d. 1550s.
Percival II d. 1590s.

Robert d. 1620s.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
Percival II m. Isabel Selby of Biddlestone. 4 sons, 1 dau.
Robert m. Anne Selby of Biddlestone. 1 son, 2 daus.

Static.

STAC5 F2/34. NCH, xv, pp. 429-32. Forster, Pedigrees, p. 29.

CLERK OF WARK (Northumberland)

Thomas I.
Thomas II.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Crown and monastic lease.
Upward.

CPR, 1563-6, p. 160. Forster, Pedigrees, p. 29.

COLLINGWOOD OF ABBERWICK AND FAWDON (Northumberland)

Robert d. 1590s.
John d. 1605.
Gent. No Arms.
Baronies of Alnwick and Wark-on-Tweed.
Robert m. ? 1 son.
Downward with recusancy in the 1590s.


COLLINGWOOD OF BARTON (Northumberland)

Robert d. 1560s.

William d. 1590. (son of Henry Collingwood of Ingram).
Thomas.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from their kinsmen the Collingwoods of Eslington.
William m. Anne Collingwood. 1 son.
Robert was the father of William Collingwood of Kimmerston.
Static.

DPRW 1587 (1); Reg iva, f. 21; vii, ff. 300-01. CPR, 1558-60, p. 245.
See chap five appx no 36.

COLLINGWOOD OF BEWICK (Northumberland)

Robert d. 1550s.
Gavin.
Long John.
Ralph d. 1590s, (also known as of Bolton).
Thomas.

Gent. No Arms.
Held lease as bailiffs of the Collingwoods of Eslington and tenants of the Grays of Chillingham.
Ralph m. ? Collingwood. 3 sons, 4 daus.
Downward.


COLLINGWOOD OF BRANTON (Northumberland)

Cuthbert d. 1611.

Gent. No Arms.
Cuthbert m. ?4 sons, 1 dau.
Static.

C142/227/195. NRO QS1/1 f. 22. SS, cxlii, pp. 34-5. See chap five appx no 50.

COLLINGWOOD OF BROOME PARK (Northumberland)

George.

Gent. No Arms.
Held lease from the Collingwoods of Eslington.
Static.

CRS, xviii, p. 245. See chap five appx no 51.

COLLINGWOOD OF EAST DITCHBURN (Northumberland)

Cuthbert.

Gent. No Arms.
Held lease from his grandfather Sir Cuthbert Collingwood.
Cuthbert m. Helen Roddam of Roddam. 1 son.
Static.

SS, cxlii, p. 308. See chap five appx no 52.

COLLINGWOOD OF ESLINGTON (Northumberland)*

Robert I d. 1558.
Sir Cuthbert d. 1597 (nephew of Robert).
Robert II d. 1627.

Knt or Esq. Arms 1554.
In chief and of the barony of Alnwick.
Robert II. Ward of Ralph Gray of Chillingham (his uncle).

Upward.

COLLINGWOOD OF ETAL (Northumberland)

Henry I d. 1553.
John d. 1596.
Henry II d. 1604.

Gent. No Arms. Henry was a brother of Robert Collingwood of Eslington. In chief (as constables of Etal).
Henry I m. Elizabeth Muschamp (who remarried Robert Barrow of Berwick). 2 sons, 3 daus.
John m. ? 2 sons.
Henry II m. Margaret Craster of Craster. 4 sons, 1 dau.
Henry I's daus - Elizabeth m. William Swinhoe of Cornhill, Fortune m. Thomas Collingwood of Great Ryle, and Joan m. George Muschamp.
Barbara, dau of Henry II, m. John Muschamp of Lyham Hall.
Robert, younger son of Henry I, took part in the Northern Rebellion.
Henry I. Constable of Etal.
Henry II. Constable of Etal. Reciever for Glendale 1597.
Upward.


COLLINGWOOD OF FARNHAM (Northumberland)

Francis.

Gent. No Arms.
In chief.
Downward.

CP25/2/192/ 37 Eliz/TRIN.

COLLINGWOOD OF GREAT RYLE (Northumberland)

Thomas I.
Henry I.
Thomas II d. 1570s.
Henry II d.1620.

Gent. Arms 1666. Thomas I was uncle of Robert Collingwood of Eslington.
Lordship of Ditchburn.
Thomas I m. ? 5 sons.
Henry I m. Isabel Reveley of Chatton. 1 son.
Thomas II m. Fortune Collingwood of Etal. 3 sons, 4 daus.
Henry II m. Dorothy Horsley of Screnwood. 1 son, 2 daus.
Elizabeth, dau of Thomas II, m. Richard Forster of Tughall. Another dau m. a Scot called Hall.
Fortune, dau of Henry II, m. Thomas Collingwood of Little Ryle.
Thomas I. Juror Inq. P. M. 1559.
Upward.


COLLINGWOOD OF INGRAM (Northumberland)

Henry I d. 1580s.
Cuthbert d. 1599.
Henry II.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from the Ogles of Eglingham, but part of the Barony of Alnwick.
Henry I m. ? 4 sons.
Cuthbert m. ? 2 sons, 2 daus.
Downward.

C142/186/47. DPRW 1587 (1); Reg vii, ff. 300-01. NCH, xiv, p. 546.

COLLINGWOOD OF KIMMERSTON (Northumberland)

William d. 1603.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from the Carrs of Ford.
William m. ? 1 son.
Static.

DPRW 1603 (1); bond 1603/189. CPR, 1558-60, p. 245.

COLLINGWOOD OF LITTLE RYLE (Northumberland)

Alexander.
Thomas d. 1624.

Gent. Arms 1615.
In chief.
Alexander m. a Forster. 2 sons.
Thomas m. 1st. Dorothy Clavering of Callaly. 1 son., m. 2nd. Fortune Collingwood of Great Ryle. 7 sons, 1 dau.
Upward.

C142/165/141. NRO ZCE 2/1. CPR, 1572-5, p. 157. NCH, xiv, pp. 546, 550-1. Forster, Pedigrees, p. 34. See chap five appx no 54.
COLLINGWOOD OF SHIPLEY (Northumberland)

Ralph.
Cuthbert.
Anthony.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from the Collingwoods of Eslington.
Downward (with recusancy).

C142/172/108. DPRW 1586 (1). See chap five appx nos 56, 57.

COLLINGWOOD OF THORNTON (Northumberland)

Cuthbert d. 1632.

Gent. No Arms, younger son of Sir Cuthbert Collingwood of Eslington.
Leased from his brother George Collingwood of Thrunton.
Static.

C142/267/69. DRO D/Sa/D 1391.

COLLINGWOOD OF THRUNTON (Northumberland)

George, John.

Gent. No Arms, younger son of Sir Cuthbert Collingwood of Eslington.
Leased from the Collingwoods of Eslington.
George m. Jane Swinburn of Edlingham. 2 sons (one of whom was Cuthbert Collingwood of East Ditchburn).
Upward.

NCH, vii, p. 133; xiv, p. 286. See chap five appx no 58.

COLLINGWOOD OF TITLINGTON (Northumberland)

Ralph d. 1570.
Thomas d. 1579.
Cuthbert.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from the Collingwoods of Eslington.
Ralph m. ? 4 sons, 4 daus.
Thomas m. ? 2 sons, 1 dau.
Ralph. Juror Inq. P.M. 1560, 1566.
Static.
CRASTER OF CRASTER (Northumberland)*

George d. 1546.
Edmund d. 1595.
John.

Esg. Held Arms.
In chief.
Edmund. Ward of his great-uncle Thomas Craster.
Static.

DOXFORD OF DOXFORD (Northumberland)

Henry.
John d. 1580.
Robert d. 1635.

Gent. No Arms.
Manor of Ellingham.
Static.

ELLERKER OF HULNE (Northumberland)

Sir Robert d. 1565.
William.

Knt. Sir Ralph was a younger son of Sir Ralph Ellerker of Risby, Yorks. Monastic lease (Hulne Priory).
Sir Robert m. Anne, widow of Edward Gray of Chillingham. 3 sons.
Upward (but in sharp decline after Sir Robert's death).

Ralph Ellerker of Felton Hall may have been related.
ELWICK OF ELWICK (Islandshire)

Roland.
Marmaduke.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Downward, (sold out to Sir John Forster).

CP25/2/192/36 & 37 Eliz/ MICH. HMC, Rutland i, p. 39.

ELWICK OF HUMBLETON (Northumberland)

William.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Wooler.
Downward, (sold out).

CP25/2/192/17 & 18 ELIZ/ MICH. NRO 1216/A6/3. NCH, xiv, p. 164. See also REVELEY of Humbleton.

FELTON OF GREAT FELTON (Northumberland)

Anthony.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Mitford.
Upward.

CP25/2/192/33 & 34 Eliz/ MICH.

FENWICK OF BRINKBURN (Northumberland)

Tristram.
George d. 1617.

Gent. No Arms. Tristram was a younger son of George Fenwick of East Heddon (south of the Coquet).
Leased from the earl of Northumberland, then Sir John Forster, who held the Crown leases of Brinkburn Priory.
Tristram m. Margaret Ogle of Bothal (south of Coquet). 3 sons, 2 daus.
George m. Dorothy Forster of Newham. 5 sons, 3 daus.
Deborah, dau of Tristram, m. Robert Hazlerig of Swarland.
Tristram. Took part in the northern rebellion, pardoned 1571. Steward of Rothbury 1578, 1586-90s.

Related to the Fenwicks of East Heddon who owned Burradon, north of the Coquet. Mary Fenwick m. Richard Wetwang of Dunstan.


FINCH OF TWIZE (Northumberland)

John.

Gent. No Arms.

Leased from his kinsmen the Forsters of Adderstone, ( Thomas senior was his uncle).

Downward, (probably left the county).

CP25/2/192/8 & 9 Eliz/MICH. CBP, ii, no 326.

FORSTER OF ADDERSTONE (Northumberland)*

Sir Thomas d. 1526.

Thomas I d. 1589 (known as Thomas senior).

Thomas II d. 1587 (known as Thomas junior).

Sir Matthew d. 1620.

Knt or Esq. Arms 1575.

Knight service, barony of Alnwick.

Notable younger sons - see Bamburgh, Brunton, Lucker. Capheaton (south of the Coquet).


Thomas II. Deputy-sheriff 1582.


Upward.


FORSTER OF BAMBURGH & ALNWICK ABBEY (Northumberland)*

Sir John d. 1602.

Nicholas d. 1609.

Knt or Esq. Arms 1666.

In chief, baronies of Alnwick and Wooler, monastic leases.


Upward, (they had a meteoric rise).


FORSTER OF BRUNTON (Northumberland)

Cuthbert d. 1589.
Thomas d. 1648.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Baronies of Alnwick and Wooler.
Cuthbert m. Elizabeth Bradford of Bradford. 2 sons, 2 daus
Thomas m. 1st. Margaret Forster of Tughall. 1 dau. m. 2nd. Jane Carr of Ford.
Grace, dau of Cuthbert, m. John Forster of Tughall.
Cuthbert. Juror Inq P.M. 1589. He was also a trained lawyer.
Upward.


FORSTER OF FLEETHAM (Northumberland)

Matthew I.
Richard I. d. 1579.
Richard II.
Matthew II, brother of Richard II.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Leased from Sir John Forster.
Richard m. Jane Hepburn of Hepburn. 8 sons, 1 dau.
Matthew m. Elizabeth Forster of Newham (his cousin once removed). 7 sons, 3 daus.
Static.

C142/227/195. ALN MS AI/1/ f. 85. DPRW Reg, v, f. 85. NCH, i, p.288.
Forster, Pedigrees, p. 58. See chap five no 62.

FORSTER OF LUCKER (Northumberland)

Rowland d. 1570.

Gent. No Arms, younger son of Adderstone branch.
Baronies of Alnwick and Wark.
Rowland m. Katherine Selby. 1 dau, 2 illegitimate sons.
Elizabeth, heiress of Rowland, m. Thomas Ord of West Ord.
Upward (but died out).


FORSTER OF NEWHAM (Northumberland)

Florence d. 1550s.
Nicholas.
John I d. 1581.
John II d. 1607.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick (as bailiffs of Newham).
Florence m? 3 sons (including Matthew of Fleetham).
Nicholas m. Margaret Gallon of Alnwick. 2 sons (including Richard of Tughall), 2 daus. 1 illegitimate dau.
John I m. Phillis Forster of Adderstone. 1 son, 3 daus.
Catherine, dau of Nicholas, m. John Salkeld of Huln. Margaret, dau of same, m. George Alder of Hobberlaw. Elizabeth, illegitimate dau, m. Matthew Forster of Fleetham.
Barbara, dau of John I, m. Robert Weetwood of Weetwood. Dorothy, dau of same m. George Fenwick of Brinkburn.
John I. Juror Inq.P.M. 1579.
Upward.


FORSTER OF OVERGRASS (Northumberland)

Ralph d. 1616.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Mitford.
Ralph m. ? 4 sons, 2 daus.
Static.

FORSTER OF TUGHALL (Northumberland)

Richard.
John.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Barony of Alnwick, (held from the Crown after 1569).
Richard m. Elizabeth Collingwood of Etal. 4 sons, 1 dau.
John m. Grace Forster of Brunton, 6 sons, 2 dau.
Margaret, dau of Richard, m. Thomas Forster of Brunton.
Upward.


FOWBERRY OF FOWBERRY (Northumberland)

Richard.
Roger d. 1600.

Gent. Held Arms.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
Richard m. ? 2 sons, 1 dau.
Roger m. ? 1 son.
Roger. Ward of the 7th earl of Northumberland.
Downward, (lost estates in 1591).

C142/75/13 C142/200/12. SP15/4/30. REQ2/270/67 REQ2/64/70. ALN MS AI/1/a. SYON MS AII/8 f. 5. Laing Chrs, no 1183. SS, xxxviii, pp. 159-60n. HBNC, xxii, pp. 325-30. See chap five, appx no 10.

GALLON OF ALNWICK (Northumberland)

Percival.
William d. 1574.
Edward.

Gent. No arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Percival m. ? 2 sons, 1 dau.
William m. ? 1 son, 1 dau.
Margaret, dau of Percival, m. Nicholas Forster of Newham.
Static.

C142/165/141. DPRW 1582. SS, cxii, p. 95n. NCH, i, p. 276; ii, p. 486. See chap five appx no 27.
GALLON OF CAWLEDGE PARK (Northumberland)

John. d. 1583.
Henry,
Daniel d. 1612.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Static.

DPRW 1612 (1); bond 1583/26. SYON MS EIV/6/a, CIV/3. CBP, i, no 678.
See also HARBOTTLE of Cawledge.

GALLON OF TREWHITT (Northumberland)

Edward.
Percival.
Hugh d. 1597.

Gent. No Arms.
Socage tenure, barony of Hepple.
Katherine, dau of Hugh, m. Thomas Ord, younger son of George Ord of Longridge.
Upward, (but declined with recusancy in 1590s).

C142/227/195 C142/75/23. SP15/4/30. HMC, Rutland I, p. 38. NCH, xv, p. 400. See chap five, appx no 64. See also OGLE of Trewhitt.

GRAY OF BERWICK (Liberties of Berwick)

Lionel d. 1558.

Gent. No Arms. (younger son of Horton branch).
Leased from the Grays of Chillingham.
Lionel m. Eleanor Forster of Adderstone.
Upward, (but died out).


GRAY OF CHILLINGHAM (Northumberland, Norham and Islandshire)*

Sir Edward d. 1531.
Sir Ralph d. 1564.
Sir Thomas d. 1590.
Ralph d. 1623, (brother of Thomas, known as of Horton until 1590).

Knt or Esq. Arms 1575.
In chief, knight service of barony of Alnwick, monastic leases.
Ralph. Ward of Bishop Tunstall, then Sir Thomas Gray of Horton.
For notable younger sons see Howick, Outchester, Spindelstone. Newminister (south of the Coquet).

GRAY OF DODDINGTON (Northumberland)

Peter d. 1578.
Gent. No Arms. (possibly an illegitimate son of Sir Thomas Gray of Horton).
Leased from the Grays of Chillingham.
Peter. To oversee local fords, 1561.
Downward, (probably died out).

GRAY OF HEATON (Norhamshire)

Ralph.
Gent. No Arms.
Leased from the Grays of Chillingham.
Ralph. To oversee local fords, 1561.
Downward, (probably died out).

GRAY OF HORTON (Northumberland)*
Thomas.
Sir Roger d. 1545.
Sir Thomas d. 1570.

Knt. Arms 1558.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick, monastic lease.
Sir Thomas. Sheriff 1547, 1551. J.P. Councillor of the North 1556.
M.P. for Northumberland 1553, 1554. Treasurer of Berwick and paymaster of
pensions in the Marches 1547. Receiver for Duchy of Lancs 1550s,
Newminster 1556-70.
Upward, (but died out. Ralph Gray of Chillingham inherited).

GRAY OF HOWICK (Northumberland)

Edward d. 1631.
Philip d. 1615.

Gent. No Arms (younger son of Chillingham branch).
Barony of Alnwick.
Edward m. Catherine Le Strange of Norfolk. 7 sons, 3 daus.
Philip m. Margaret Weetwood of Weetwood. 4 sons.
Edward was possibly a ward of the duke of Norfolk, as he was left to the
duke's care by his father Sir Ralph Gray of Chillingham.
1584, 1588, 1590, 1592.
Upward.

GRAY OF KYLOE (Islandshire)

Henry I.
Thomas I d. 1571.
Henry II d. 1590s.
Thomas II d. 1615.

Gent. Arms 1615.
In chief.
Henry I m. ? 4 sons.
Thomas I m. Elizabeth Hepburn of Hepburn. 1 son, 2 daus.
Henry II m. Fortune Manners of Cheswick. 3 sons, 1 dau.
Thomas II m. Margaret Armorer. 5 sons, 3 dau.
Henry, son of Henry II, m. Elizabeth Jenison a Newcastle merchant's dau.  
Thomas I. To oversee local fords 1561.  
Henry II. Juror Inq. P.M. 1583.  
Thomas II. Constable of Wark 1580s. Juror Inq. P.M. 1591.  


GRAY OF OUTCHESTER (Northumberland)  
Roger d. 1640.  
Gent. No Arms (younger son of Chillingham).  
In chief and from brother Ralph Gray.  
Roger. Bailiff of Akeld and Ewart.  
Upward.  

C142/141/31. CP25/2/192/43 Eliz/TRIN. See HORSLEY of Outchester.

GRAY OF SPINDELSTONE (Northumberland)  
Arthur.  
Gent. No Arms (younger son of Chillingham).  
In chief and from his brothers.  
Upward.  

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HAGGERSTON OF HAGGERSTON (Islandshire)  
Thomas d. 1545.  
Henry d. 1601.  
William d. 1606.  

Esq. Held Arms.  
In chief.  
Thomas m. Dorothy Radcliffe of Cartington. 1 son.  
Henry m. Anne Beadnell of Lemmington. 4 sons, 2 daus.  
William m. Margaret Butler of Lancs. 2 sons, 3 daus.  
Mary, dau of Henry, m. John Ord of Longridge.  
Henry. Ward of John Beadnell of Lemmington (hence his m.).  
Static, (despite recusancy).  

HARBOTTLE OF CAWLEDGE (Northumberland)

George d. 1577.
John.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
George. Agister of Cawledge for the earls of Northumberland.
Static.

DPRW 1577; bond 1577/123. SS, ii, p. 408; clxiii, p. 34. See also GALLON of Cawledge.

HARBOTTLE OF PRESTON (Northumberland)

Thomas.
John, (possibly a brother of the above).
Ralph d. 1596.
Nicholas d. 1621.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Static.


HARBOTTLE OF TUGHALL (Northumberland)

Robert.
John d. 1550s.
Michael d. 1586.
George.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
George m. ? 3 sons, 4 daus.
Static.

E36/40. SP15/4/30. DPRW 1586 (1); bond 1587/29. CBP, ii, no 659. SS, clxiii, p. 35. See chap five, appx no 31.

HAZLERIG OF SWARLAND (Northumberland)

Lancelot d. 1565.
Robert d. 1638.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Socage tenants, barony of Mitford.
Lancelot m. Agnes Lisle of Hazon. 1 son.
Robert m. Deborah Fenwick of Brinkburn. 4 sons, 6 daus.
Static.
HEPBURN OF HEPBURN (Northumberland)

Thomas I d. 1540s.
Thomas II d. 1574.
Michael d. 1613.

Gent. Arms 1666.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
Thomas I m. ? 1 son, 2 daus.
Thomas II m. Dosabel Gray of Horton. 3 sons, 1 dau. 1 illegitimate son.
Michael m. 1st. Eleanor Craster of Craster 1 son, 3 daus. m. 2nd. Margaret ?
Elizabeth, dau of Thomas I m. Thomas Gray of Kyloe. Jane, dau of same, m. Richard Forster of Fleetham.
Thomas I. Juror Inq. P. M. 1546.
Thomas II. Juror Inq. P. M. 1559.
Static, (despite recusancy).

HERING OF HOWICK (Northumberland)

Robert II d. 1557.
William d. 1580.
Robert II d. 1598.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Robert I m. ? 1 son.
William m. Isabel Alder. 1 son.
Robert II m. ? 2 sons, 5 daus.
Robert II. Ward of the earl of Northumberland.
Robert I. Juror Inq. P. M. 1546.
Downward, (sold out).

HERON OF CRAWLEY (Northumberland)

William.
Thomas d. 1582.
John.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Beanley.
William m. 2 sons, 3 daus.
Thomas m. 1 son, 2 daus.
John. Ward of the earl of Northumberland.
Thomas. Merchant of Newcastle.
Static.

There were Herons of Bockenfield, just south of the Coquet as well.


HOLBURN OF HOLBURN (Northumberland)

Thomas d. 1582.
Nicholas d. 1597, (brother of the above).
Thomas II, (nephew of above).

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Wooler.
Thomas umd. 1 illegitimate son.
Nicholas m. Dorothy ? 1 son.
Thomas. Arbiter 1570.
Downward, (sold out).

C66/1229 m. 1d. C142/255/182. SP15/4/30. NRO ZHG/1/12. DPRW 1581.

HOPPEN OF HOPPEN (Northumberland)

Gavin d. 1572.
///
Robert d. 1586.

Gent. No Arms.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
Downward, (disappeared).


HORSLEY OF HIGH FARNHAM (Northumberland)

Roger d. 1546.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from the Ogles of Bothal.
Roger m. ? 1 dau m. Cuthbert Carnaby of Aydon.
Downward, (died out).

NCH, xv, p. 440.
HORSLEY OF NEWTON, near Bamburgh (Northumberland)

George d. 1528.
Odnel d. 1544.

Gent. No Arms.

In chief.
Odnel m. ? 1 dau, Elizabeth m. William Manners of Longframlington.
Downward, (died out).

C142/91/65. L&P Hen VIII, xix, pt 2, no 690 (55).

HORSLEY OF OUTCHESTER (Northumberland)

Nicholas d. 1547.
John I d. 1569.

John II.

Gent. No Arms.

In chief.
Nicholas m. ? 3 sons.
John I m. Jane Horsley. 5 sons, 2 daus.
John II m. ? 2 sons.
John I. Steward, receiver, constable and porter of Bamburgh 1550-5.
John II. Juror Inq.P.M. 1583, Alnwick Barony Court 1586.
Downward, (sold out).

C142/200/12. SP15/4/30. ADM75/101. SYON MS AII/8 f. 5. NRO 683/5/1.

HORSLEY OF SCRENWOOD & HORSLEY (Northumberland)*

Thomas.
Mark d. 1581. (probably a younger son).
//
Sir John.
Cuthbert.
Sir William.

John.

Knt or Esq. Held Arms.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
Sir John. Sheriff 1546.
Upward.

ILDERTON OF ILDERTON (Northumberland)*

Ralph d. 1541.
Thomas I d. 1578.
Richard, (brother of above)
Thomas II.
William d. 1592, (brother of above)
John d. 1643.

Esq. Held arms.
Barony of Wark-on-Tweed.
Thomas I. Comm. enclosure 1561.
Static.


LAWSON OF ROCK (Northumberland)

Robert d. 1565.
William.

Esq. Held Arms. Robert was a younger son of William Lawson of Little Usworth, Co. Durham.
Barony of Alnwick.
Robert m. Margery Swinhoe, heiress of Rock and widow of Edmund Lawson of Cramlington. 7 sons.
William. Ward of the earl of Northumberland.
Downward, (sold out to step-brother Sir Ralph Lawson of Brough, Yorks).


LILBURN OF MIDDLETON-BY-THE-SEA (Northumberland)

Thomas d. 1589.
Stephan.

Gent. No Arms.
In chief.
Thomas umd. 2 illegitimate sons.
Thomas. Juror 1576.
Downward, (sold out).

E178/1729. DPRW 1589 (2). HMC, Rutland i, p. 39. See also MUSCHAMP.

**LISLE OF DUNSTANBURGH** (Northumberland)

Humphrey d. 1575.

Gent. No Arms, but may have been a younger son of Felton branch. 
Humphrey m. Elizabeth ? 3 sons.
Humphrey. Possibly a royal officer at Dunstanburgh Castle. 
Downward, (disappeared).

DPRW 1575.

**LISLE OF FELTON** (Northumberland)*

Sir William d. 1528.
Sir Humphrey.
Robert I d. 1554, (brother of above).
Robert II.
William d. 1617.

Knt or Esq. Arms 1552.
In chief.
Robert II. Juror Inq. P. M. 1598.
Static.


**LISLE OF HAZON** (Northumberland)*

Thomas I d. 1551.
Thomas II.
Robert d. 1617.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Leased from the Thirkelds of Yorks, via the barony of Alnwick.
Static.

SPI5/4/30. NRO ZAN/M15 i, ff 31, 239. CBP, i, no 678. NCH, v, p. 470;

**MANNERS OF CHESWICK** (Islandshire)

Thomas I d. 1545.
Thomas II d. 1550.
Thomas III d. 1593.
George d. 1623.

Gent. No arms.
Dean & Chapter of Durham.
Thomas I m. ? 5 sons.
Thomas II m. ? 1 son, 2 daus.
Thomas III m. Margaret Ord of Longridge. 2 sons, 4 daus.
Fortune, dau of Thomas II, m. Henry Gray of Kyloe.
Static.


MANNERS OF LONGFRAMLINGTON (Northumberland)

William d. 1574.
Humphrey.
Lancelot d. 1612.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Mitford.
William m. Elizabeth Horsley, heiress of Newton. 1 son, 2 daus.
Humphrey umd. 1 illegitimate son, Lancelot.
Lancelot m. Ann Carr of Lesbury. 2 sons, 2 daus.
Static.


MANNERS OF NEWTON near Edlingham (Northumberland)

Edward.

Gent. No arms.
Barony of Beanley.
Upward.

DPRW 1599, Reg, i, f. 55. NRO ZSW3/41.

MANNERS OF ORD (Islandshire)

William d. 1570.
Nicholas.

Gent. No Arms.
In chief.
William m. ? 3 sons.
Static.
C142/172/108. DPRW 1570. MICK & SP MS, vi, f. 137. CBP, i, no 47. Sadler Papers, ii, p. 19. SS, xxxviii, p. 218n. See also ORD of Ord.

MIDDLEHAM OF ALNMOUTH (Northumberland)

Richard d. 1577.
Thomas.
George d. 1587, predeceasing his father.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from Grays of Chillingham, via the barony of Alnwick.
Richard m. ? 2 sons, 3 daus.
Thomas m. ? 1 son.
George m. Barbara Carr of Lesbury. 1 dau Anna m. William Swinhoe of Goswick.
Upward, (but died out).

DPRW 1587 (3); bond 1587/602; Reg, iv, a, ff. 24-5. CBP, i, nos , 49, 259. Raine, ND, p. 183.

MORTON OF MURTON (Islandshire)

George d. 1575.
William.

Gent. No Arms, burgesses of Berwick.
In chief.
George m. ? 3 sons, 2 daus.
Elizabeth, dau of George, m. William Burrell of Howtel, Phillis, dau of same, m. Thomas Clavering, constable of Norham.
George. To oversee local fords 1561.
Upward.

SP59/5 f. 37. DPRW 1575. SS, cxxvi, pp. 74-5. NCH, xi, p. 199.

MORTON OF UNTHANK (Islandshire)

Leonard.
John d. 1581.
Anthony.

Gent. No Arms, burgesses of Berwick.
In chief.
Leonard m. ? 2 sons, 1 dau.
John m. ? 2 sons, 1 dau.
Eleanor, dau of Leonard, m. Thomas Bradford of Berwick.
Static.

DPRW 1581. SS, cxxii, p. 129.
MUSCHAMP OF BARMOOR (Northumberland)*

Edward d. 1554.
George I d. 1574.
George II d. 1615.

Esq. Arms 1615. (sometimes spelt Mustians).
In chief and knight service, barony of Muschamp.
George I. To oversee local fords 1561.
Upward.

Robert Muschamp of Gatherwick was a dependent younger son.

MUSCHAMP OF LYHAM HALL (Northumberland)

William.
Michael.
Oswald d. 1584.
John d. 1613.

Gent. No arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Michael m. ? I son.
Oswald m. Eleanor ? I son.
John m. Barbara Collingwood of Etal. 3 sons, 2 daus. 2 illegitimate sons.
Static.

MUSCHAMP OF MIDDLETON-BY-THE-SEA

Edward.
Gent. No Arms.
In chief.
Edward m. Elizabeth ?
Downward, (with recusancy).

C142/231/82. See chap five appx no 71. See also LILBURN of Middleton.
OGLE OF BURRADON (Northumberland)

Oliver.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Barony of Alnwick.
Oliver m. Maud Mitford. 2 sons, 3 daus.
Crown Escheator 1592.
Upward.

C66/1393 m. 7d. CPR, 1578-80, no 375. CSP Scot, xiii, pt 2, no 614.
Forster, Pedigrees, 95. Watts, From Border to Middle Shire, p. 66.

OGLE OF EGLINGHAM (Northumberland)

Cuthbert, priest, d. 1545.
Luke I.
Luke II d. 1596.
Luke III.
Luke IV d. 1604.

Gent. No Arms, possibly a scion of the Ogles of Bothal, (South of Coquet).
In chief.
Cuthbert umd. 4 illegitimate sons.
Luke III m. ? 1 son, 1 dau.
Luke IV m. Isabel Craster of Craster. 2 sons, 1 dau.
Upward.

REQ2/270/67. STAC5 B90/2. E134/26 & 27 Eliz/ MICH 20. DPRW 1596 (2),
1605. SYON MS EIV/6/a. CPR, 1566-9, p. 347. SS, cxlvi, pp. 88-89. NCH,
xiv, pp. 263, 394-7.

OGLE OF HOLY ISLAND (Islandshire)

Henry.
//
Thomas d. 1590.
Henry d. 1613.

Gent. No Arms.
Dean & Chapter of Durham.
Static.

DPRW 1591. D & Ch. Reg, i, a, ff. 109-10. NRO 683/5/1.
OGLE OF TREWHITT (Northumberland)

Arthur.

Gent. No Arms, possibly related to the Ogles of Bothal.
Leased from the Ogles of Bothal.
Downward.

NRO QS1/1 f. 12. SS, cxlvi, pp. 88-9. See also GALLON of Trewhitt.

ORD OF HORNCLIFFE (Norhamshire)

George.
Henry.
Richard d. 1589.
John.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from Crown (as part of Norham Castle demesne).
Richard m. ? 4 sons, 4 dau.
George. To oversee local fords 1561.
Static.


ORD OF LONGRIDGE & WEST NEWBIGGIN (Norhamshire)*

George I.
George II d. 1612.
John d. 1630.

In chief.
George I. Surveyor of Norham and Islandshire 1560.
John. Mayor of Berwick 1597.
Upward.


ORD OF EAST NEWBIGGIN (Norhamshire)
John d. 1579.
Henry.
Christopher d. 1619, (brother of above).

Gent. No arms.
In chief.
Upward.

MICK & SP MS, vi, f. 139. CBP, i, no 47. SS, cxlvi, pp. 134-5.

ORD OF ORD (Islandshire)

Thomas.
//
John.
Christopher, predeceased John.
Bartharam.

Esg. No Arms.
In chief.
Static


ORD OF WEST ORD (Islandshire)

Thomas I d. 1623.
Thomas II d. 1615, predeceasing his father.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from the Crown.
Thomas I m. Elizabeth Forster of Lucker. 5 sons.
Thomas I. Juror Inq. P.M. 1589, 1591.
Static.


PARK OF WARTON (Northumberland)

Hugh I.
Hugh II.
George.

Gent. No Arms.
Freeholders of the barony of Hepple.
Static.
PROCTOR OF SHAWDON (Northumberland)

William d. 1524.
Cuthbert d. 1543.
Roger.
Thomas.

Gent. Arms 1615. William was from Nether Bordley, Craven, Yorks.
Barony of Wark-on-Tweed.
William m. Isobel Lilburn, heiress of Shawdon. 3 sons, 3 daus.
Cuthbert m. ?, dau of John Roddam of Roddam. 3 sons, 2 daus.
Roger m. Barbara Gray of Horton. 4 sons.
Thomas m. Jane Eden of West Auckland, Co Durham.
Roger. Ward of John Roddam of Roddam (his grandfather), but his lands were
let to John Selby of Twizel, Isabel Gray of Chillingham and George
Fenwick.
Upward.

C142/112/121 C142/174/55 C142/186/47 C142/231/82. CPR, 1554-5, pp.
96. See chap five, appx no 72.

RADCLIFFE OF CARTINGTON AND DILSTON (Northumberland)*

Sir Edward d. 1530s.
Sir Cuthbert d. 1545.
Sir George d. 1588.
Sir Francis d. 1622.

Knt. Arms 1552.
In chief and by knight service of Lordship of Ditchburn.
Sir Cuthbert. Sheriff 1539. Deputy warden Middle March 1540-43. Captain
of Berwick Castle 1544. Constable and forester of Alnwick (for the
Sir George. Sheriff 1558, nominated 1547-52. J.P., 1547-88. Comm. for
enclosure 1561.
recusant.
Static, (despite recusancy).

C66/1229 m. 10d C66/1350 m. 4d. C142/75/23 C142/231/82. WARD7/2/47.
99. L&P Hen VIII, xiv, pt 1, no 1355; xvi, nos 100, 220 (5), 484; xix, pt
284. See chap five, appx nos 73, 74.
RADCLIFFE OF THROPTON (Northumberland)

John.
George d. 1613.

Gent. No Arms, perhaps related to the Radcliffes of Cartington.
Leased from the Radcliffes of Cartington.
Static.

DPRW 1613. CRS, liii, p. 56. See chap five, appx no 75.

REED OF HOLY ISLAND AND FENHAM (Islandshire)

Sir William d. 1604.
William d. 1616.

Knt or gent. Held Arms. Sir William was born in Worcester and was alias Kynnard.
Monastic and Crown leases.
Sir William m. 1st Elizabeth ? m. 2nd Mary ? m. 3rd Elizabeth, widow of Charles Towers of Holy Island. 1 dau. 1 illegitimate son (William) and a dau.
William m. Jane Collingwood of Eslington. 4 sons, 7 daus.
Mary, dau of Sir William, m. Thomas Swinhoe of Goswick.
M.P. for Northumberland 1593.
William. Served in his father's company.
Upward.


REVELEY OF ANCROFT & TWEEDMOUTH (Islandshire)*

George.
Edward d. 1569.
William d. 1574.
George d. 1628.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Leased from the Dean & Chapter of Durham.
Edward. Juror survey of Norham and Islandshire 1560.
Static.


**REVELEY OF TWEEDMOUTH** (Islandshire)

Roland d. 1604.

Gent. No Arms, possibly a descendent of the above Reveleys.
Crown lease?
Roland m. Elizabeth Morton. 1 son.
Downward.

DPRW 1605. See also SELBY of Tweedmouth.

**REVELEY OF BERRINGTON** (Islandshire)

John.
Ferdinando d. 1598.

Gent. No Arms.
Crown lease.
John m. ?1 son.
Ferdinando m. ?1 son, 1 dau.
Downward, lost lease.


**REVELEY OF CHATTON** (Northumberland)

Thomas.

///
John d. 1573.

///
Richard d. 1606.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
John m. ?2 sons.
Isabel, dau of Thomas?, m. Henry Collingwood of Great Ryle.
Thomas, John and Richard were all bailiffs of Chatton for the earls of Northumberland.
Static.

REVELEY OF HUMBLETON (Northumberland)

William.
John d. 1580s.
Henry.

Gent. No Arms.
Crown lease.
William m. ? 1 son, 1 dau.
Agnes, dau of William, m. John Rutherford of Middleton Hall.
Downward.


RODDAM OF RODDAM & LITTLEHOUGHTON (Northumberland)*

John I d. 1550s.
John II d. 1556.
Robert d. 1590s, (uncle of above).
Edward d. 1631.

Esq. Arms 1558.
Knight service, baronies of Alnwick and Beanley.
John I. Juror Inq. P. M. 1546.
County Coroner 1582-3, 1592.
Static.


RUTHERFORD OF MIDDLETON HALL (Northumberland)

Robert d. 1557.
Thomas d. 1563.
John d. 1573, (brother of above).
Vincent.

Gent. Arms 1558.
Barony of Beanley.
Robert m. Constance Bradford. 3 sons, 2 dau.
Thomas m. 1st Janet Beadnell and without divorce m. 2nd Margaret Selby of Cornhill. 6 sons, 2 dau.
John m. Agnes Reveley of Humbleton. 2 sons.
Downward, (sold out to Sir John Forster).

RUTHERFORD OF MIDDLETON TOWER (Northumberland)

Henry II.
John d. 1556.
Henry II.

Gent. Arms 1615. Henry was probably an uncle of Robert of Middleton Hall. Barony of Beanley.
Henry I m. a dau of William Ilderton of Ilderton. 3 sons.
John m. Byll Scott of Earle. 1 son.
Static.


SALKELD OF ALNWICK WEST PARK (Northumberland)

Ingram d. 1599.
Gavin d. 1620s.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Ingram m. ? 3 sons, 1 dau.
Gavin m. ? 2 sons.
Ingram. Keeper of West Park, Alnwick 1562.
Static.

DPRW 1599. T&WAD 988/1 f. 72. SS, clxiii, p. 42.

SALKELD OF HULNE PARK (Northumberland)

Thomas d. 1577.
John d. 1629.

Gent. Arms 1615. Thomas was a son of John Salkeld of Corby, Cumbria. Leased from Sir John Forster.
Thomas m. Agnes Ogle. 3 sons 2 dau.
John m. Catherine Forster of Newham. 4 sons, 1 dau.
Ralph, younger son of Thomas, m. Dorothy Forster of Bamburgh. Thomas and John were Stewards to Sir John Forster. Upward.

Gavin Salkeld, bailiff of Alnwick 1562, may have been related.

CBP, i, no 678. SS, clxiii, p. 42. NCH, i, p. 156; ii, pp. 140-1. Forster, Pedigrees, p. 109. See also ELLERKER & SELBY of Hulne.
SCOTT OF EARLE (Northumberland)

Gilbert d. 1540s.
Thomas.
Gilbert .

Gent. No Arms.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
Thomas m. ? 1 son, 1 dau.
Gilbert m. ? 2 sons.
Byll, dau of Thomas, m. John Rutherford of Middleton Tower.
Static.

E36/40. WARD9/442. CBP, 1, no 47, 259; ii, no 355.

SELBY OF BEAL (Islandshire)

Oliver.
George.

Gent. No Arms, younger son of Grindonrig branch.
In chief.
Oliver m. ? 2 sons, 1 dau.
Upward.

Raine, ND, p. 203.

SELBY OF BIDDLESTONE (Northumberland)

Percival d. 1565.
Christopher d. 1590s.
Thomas d. 1615.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Barony of Alnwick.
Percival m. Cecily Collingwood of Eslington. 1 son, 1 dau.
Christopher m. Eleanor Ogle of Cawsey Park. 4 sons, 1 dau.
Thomas m. 1st Agnes Heron, m. 2nd Isabel Clavering of Callaly. 3 sons, 4 daus.
Isabel, dau of Christopher, m. Percival Clennell of Clennell.
Anne, dau of Thomas, m. Robert Clennell of Clennell.
Thomas, younger son of Thomas m. ? Rutherford of Littleheugh in Scotland.
Robert, younger son of Thomas, murdered William Horsley of Screnwood 1602.
Upward.

SELBY OF BRANXTON, TWIZEL AND BERWICK (Norhamshire and the liberties of Berwick) *

John d. 1565 (known as of Branxton).
Sir John d. 1595.
William d. 1638 (known as William junior).

Knt & Gent. Held Arms.
In chief.
Ralph, younger son of John, constable in the Berwick garrison.
John, younger son of Sir John, captain in garrison, took part in Essex's rebellion 1601.

C66/1229 m. 10d C66/1516 m. 27 C66/1523m. 22d. C142/245/62 C142/250/38.

SELBY OF BURTON (Northumberland)

George.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from the Selbies of Twizel.
Declining, died out.

HMC, Rutland i, p. 39.

SELBY OF CORNHILL (Norhamshire)

Gilbert.
Roland.

Gent. No Arms.
Crown lease?
Gilbert m. 3 sons, 2 daus.
Margaret, dau of Gilbert, m. Thomas Rutherford of Middleton Hall. Another
dau m. William Clerk of Cornhill.
Gilbert. Bailiff of Cornhill.
Static.

CP25/2/192/23 & 24 Eliz/MICH. NRO Delaval MS - Waterford Chrs no 97. L&P
29. See also SWINHOE of Cornhill.

SELBY OF GRINDON (Norhamshire)

Robert.
William.
George.

Gent. No Arms.
In chief.
John, younger son of William, was in the Berwick garrison.
William. To oversee local fords 1561.
Static.

CSP Scot, xiii, pt 1, no 5. Laing Chrs, no 627.

SELBY OF GRINDONRIG (Norhamshire)

John d. 1545.
William d. 1573.
Roger or Thomas.

Gent. No Arms.
In chief.
John m. 2 sons, 1 dau.
William m. Anne Selby of Twizel. 5 sons, 1 dau.
Maud, dau of John m. Thomas Clerk of Wark.
William. To oversee East March enclosures 1561.
Static.

CP25/2/192/23 & 24 Eliz/MICH. SP15/4/30 SP15/32/76. SP59/5 f. 37. MICK
& SP MS, vi, f. 136. DPRW 1570. CBP, i, no 446; ii, nos 659, 815.

SELBY OF HULNE PARK (Northumberland)

Odnel d. 1586.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Odnel m. Anne ? 5 sons (See Ralph of South Charlton).
Downward.

C142/112/121 C142/172/108. DPRW 1586 (2). SYON MS EIV/6/a. SS, xxxviii, pp. 135-7. See also ELLERKER & SALKELD of Hulne.

SELBY OF LONGHOUGHTON (Northumberland)

Hugh.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Hugh m. ? 2 sons.
Static.

T&WAD 988/1 f. 66.

SELBY OF PAWSTON (Northumberland)

William I.
Gerard d. 1549.
William II d. 1606.
William III d. 1599.

Gent. No Arms. William I was a merchant of Berwick.
Barony of Wark-on-Tweed.
William I m. ? 4 sons, 2 daus.
Gerard m. Elizabeth Swinhoe of Goswick. 3 sons, 1 dau.
William ii m. Margery ? 3 sons.
William III m. Jane ? 1 son.
Robert, younger son of William I, was vicar of Norham.
Static.


SELBY OF SHORESWOOD (Norhamshire)

William d. 1611, (known as William senior).

Gent. No Arms, younger son of John Selby of Branxton).
In chief, Dean & Chapter of Durham lease.
William umd.
for Berwick, 1588, 1593, 1597, 1601. Honorary burgess of Berwick. Exch.
Comm. 1581, 1586. Comm. Inq.P.M. 1593. Collector of Norham and
Islandshire, 1578-84.
Upward.

C66/1301 m. 16 C66/1396 m. 45d. C66/ 1513 m. 27. C192/32/11. E134/ 23
B1/6 f. 66. D & Ch Reg, 3c, ff. 173-4; 5e, f.41. KAO U947/2/1. APC,
xxvi, pp. 184-5; xxvii, p. 490; xxx p. 241. CBP, i, nos 545, 699
(wrongly dated 1590, should be 1596). CSP For, 1575-7, nos 917, 924,
1435. _AA, 4th ser, xiv, pp. 75-6._

SELBY OF SOUTH CHARLTON (Northumberland)

Ralph.

Gent. No Arms, son of Odnel Selby of Huln.
Barony of Alnwick.
Ralph m. Providence Wallis of Akeld. 1 son.
Ralph. Bailiff of South Charlton.
Downward.

DPRW 1586 (2), 1589 (2) Wallis of Akeld. CBP, i, nos, 259, 678; ii, 295.

SELBY OF TILLMOUTH (Norhamshire)

James.

Gent. No Arms.
Crown Lease ?
Downward, (probably died out).

HMC, Rutland i, p. 39.

SELBY OF TWEEDMOUTH (Islandshire)

Odnel d. 1555.

Oliver.

Gent. No Arms, burgesses of Berwick.
Crown.
Oliver m. Janet Fowberry. 3 sons, 2 daus.
Odnel. Mayor of Berwick 1540. M.P. for Berwick 1554.
Static, (but disappeared late 16th century).

ser, xiv, p. 63. SS, ii, pp. 142-5. See chap five, appx no 9. See also
REVELEY of Tweedmouth.
SELBY OF WEE TWOOD (Northumberland)

Ralph.

Ralph. In Berwick garrison 1598.
Upward.


STRANGEWAYS OF CHESWICK (Islandshire)

Thomas I d. 1558.
Thomas II.
Thomas III d. 1615.

Esq. No arms.
In chief.
Thomas I m. Janet ? 1 son.
Thomas III m. Isabel ? 2 sons.
Static.


STROTHER OF ABBERWICK (Northumberland)

George d. 1584.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
George m. Janet ?
Downward, (died out).

DPRW 1584. SS, cxii, p. 111. See also COLLINGWOOD of Abberwick.

STROTHER OF EAST DUN DDU (Norhamshire)

Clement d. 1617.

Gent. No Arms, younger son of Kirknewton branch.
In chief.
Downward, (sold out).

STROTHER OF KIRKNEWTON (Northumberland)*

William I d. 1540s.
William II.
William III d. 1612.
Lancelot d. 1611.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Barony of Wark-on-Tweed.
William II. Juror Inq. P. M. 1558.
William III. Juror Inq. P. M. 1575.
Upward.


SWINBURNE OF EDLINGHAM (Northumberland)*

Roger d. 1538.
Thomas d. 1572.
John d. 1626.

Esq. Arms 1552.
Baronies of Alnwick and Beanley.
John. Ward of Sir Cuthbert Collingwood.
Static, (despite recusancy).

SS, ii, pp. 371-3; cxxii, p. 57. NCH, vii, p. 133. See chap five appx nos 17, 77.

SWINHOE OF BERRINGTON (Islandshire)

James d. 1603.

Gent. No Arms, younger son of Cornhill branch.
Crown lease.
James m. Margaret Ord of Longridge. 2 sons.
James. Took part in the Northern Rebellion, pardoned. J. P. 1602.
Gentleman pensioner of the Berwick garrison.
Upward.

E310/21/109. SP59/37 f. 120. DPRW 1603 (2). DDR, ii, 5, f. 51. NRO QS1/1 f. 22. CPR, 1575-8, pp. 5-6. CBP, i, no 545. See also REVELEY of Berrington.
SWINHOE OF CORNHILL & GOSWICK (Norham and Islandshire)*

Gilbert d. 1560.
William I d. 1558.
Thomas d. 1617.
William II d. 1607.

Gent, but ranked as Esq. Arms 1558.
In chief.
Ralph and James, sons of Gilbert took part in the Northern Rebellion and were later pardoned.
William I. In charge of the footmen of Cornhill 1549.
Static.

Henry Swinhoe of Burton was a younger son of this branch.


SWINHOE OF MOUSEN (Northumberland)

Thomas.
Henry d. 1610.

Gent. No Arms.
In chief.
Thomas m. ? 1 son.
Henry m. Elizabeth Crane, dau of the comptroller of Berwick. 1 son, 3 daus.
Static.


SWINHOE OF SOUTH CHARLTON (Northumberland)

Edward.

Gent. No Arms.
Barony of Alnwick.
Static.

NYRO ZRL6/25.

UNTHANK OF UNTHANK (Northumberland)

John d. 1550s.
Thomas I.
Thomas II.

Gent. No Arms.
Knight service, barony of Alnwick.
Static.


WALLIS OF AKELD (Northumberland)

Gilbert d. 1560s.
William I d. 1589.
William II.

Gent. No Arms.
Manor of Wooler.
Gilbert m. ? 2 sons.
William I m. Isabel ? 6 sons, 6 daus.
Providence, dau of William I, m. Ralph Selby of South Charlton.
William I. Juror Inq.P.M. 1575, 1589.
Static.


WALLIS OF COPLAND (Northumberland)

John. d. 1589.
///
James.

Gent. No Arms, younger son of Akeld branch.
Manor of Wooler.
James m. Jane ? 6 sons, 2 daus.
Upward.

DPRW 1589 (2), 1612 (2). CBP, i, no 259. NCH, xi, pp. 222,235.

WALLIS OF NESBIT (Northumberland)

Richard d. 1558.
Michael.

Gent. No Arms.
Leased from the Grays of Chillingham.
Richard m. Lucy ? 1 son.
Downward.

DPRW 1589 (2). CBP, i, no 259.
WEETWOOD OF WEETWOOD (Northumberland)

Ralph d. 1546.
John d. 1550s.
Thomas d. 1587.
Robert d. 1607.

Gent. Held Arms.
Barony of Alnwick and manor of Wooler.
Ralph m. ? 3 sons.
John m ? 2 sons.
Thomas m. Barbara Roddam of Roddam. 1 son, 1 dau.
Robert m. Barbara Forster of Newham. 2 sons, 1 dau.
Thomas. Ward of John Roddam of Roddam.
Downward.

C142/75/13 C142/112/121. E178/1729. SP15/4/30. DPRW 1587 (3); bond 1587/401. SYON MS EIV/6/a. CPR, 1569-72, p. 237. CBP, i, no 259. SS, xxxviii, pp. 159-60; xl, xxxv. NCH, xiv, pp. 249-52. See chap five appx no 33.

WETWANG OF DUNSTAN (Northumberland)

Henry.
Robert d. 1600.
Richard d. 1628.

Gent. Arms 1615.
Duchy of Lancs.
Henry m. Lucy Roddam of Roddam. 1 son.
Robert m. Isabel Heron of Bockenfield. 2 sons.
Richard m. Mary Fenwick of East Heddon.
Static.


WIDDRINGTON OF THE FRIARS near BAMBURGH (Northumberland)

Roger d. 1572.

Gent. No Arms.
Monastic lease.
Roger m. Jane ?
Downward, (sold out).

ARMORER OF BELFORD

Thomas of Uglyam

Francis = Constance dau of John Carr of Hutton
Leonard  Thomas  Margaret = James Fenkle

Roger = Constance dau of Thomas Bradford of Berwick
Henry of Easington = Dorothy dau of Robert Clunie of Clyne.
Cuthbert rebel 1569 = Elizabeth dau of John Carr of Hutton
Oswald  Mirk = Anne illeg dau of Sir Thomas Gray of Hutton
John  Peter  George  Elizabeth

Francis = Margaret dau of Robert Clunie of Clyne
Clement = Barbara Hume of Ochilock?

Thomas  3 sons  2 daws

2 sons  2 sons

2 sons
BEADNELL OF LEMMINGTON

(i) Jane ? = John = (ii) Dorothy dau of Sir Cadwbert Radcliffe of Cartington and widow of Thomas Haggerston

Edward = Elizabeth dau of Robert Collingwood of Edwington.

Robert = Alice dau of Christopher Baker of Newcastle rmd Roger Congres.

Robert = Margaret = George = (ii) Elizabeth? = John = Elizabeth = Dorothy = Barbara = Anne = Henry Haggerston of Haggerston.

Robert Thomas George Margaret
CARR OF FORD

Thomas = Elizabeth, dau of William Heron of Ford.

William = Ursula dau of Henry Brandling of Newcastle
Ralph, deputy, Warden, Middle March

Anges Elizabeth Thomas

Jane = Thomas Foster of Brunton as his second wife

1) Isabel dau of Sir John Selby of Twizel

5 sons
2 daus

Perigrine William John Elizabeth Jane

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CARR OF HETTON

John = Janet dau of Robert Clowning of Callaly

(i) Margaret = (ii) Isabel = John
   dau of Carr of Carr
   Collingwood of Collingwood
   Collingwood of Collingwood
   Collingwood of Collingwood
   Elizabeth Jane
   Cathbert Mangery Alison

(i) Anne = John = (ii) Barbara
   Horsley = Elizabeth Heron
   heiress of Ford
   Robert rebel 1569
   Elizabeth = (i) John Carr
   of Bawmoe = (ii) Cathbert
   Manner of Manner of
   Easington
   Jane = Anthony
   Radcliffe
   of Birkland
   Margaret = Thomas
   Swinburne
   of Edlington
   Jane = John
   Shuttle

John d und.
Portugal
Anne, Elizabeth Beale = Valentine Brown
son of Sir Valentine
Brown, treasurer of
Berwick

William
Eleanor
priest
CLAVERING OF CALLALY

Robert = Joan Raymes of Shortflatt

John = Elizabeth Fenwick of Fenwick

John = John Fenwick of Wellington

Janet = John Carr of Hetton

Thomas Clavering, Constable of Parnham

Robert = Anne dau of Sir Thomas Gray of Horton

Jane = Thomas Bradford of Bradford

Elizabeth = James Ogil of Causey Park

Robert = Anne dau of Sir William Collingwood of Estlington

John = Mary killed 1586

William = Grace Nicholson of Newcastle

Cuthbert = Dorothy = (i) Henry Armour of Paddington

(i) Thomas Collingwood of L. W. Kyle

Margaret = Francis Armour of Belfast

Mabel = Isabel = Thomas Selby of Bollstone

Robert = Thomas Errington of Durham

John = 3 sons 4 daughters
Collingwood Connections

Collingwood of Eslington
  ↓
Collingwood of Etal
Collingwood of Great Ryle
Collingwood of Little Ryle?
Collingwood of East Ditchburn
Collingwood of Thornton
Collingwood of Thurnton

Collingwood of Ingam
  →
Collingwood of Barton
Collingwood of Kimmerston
Collingwood of Branton

Collingwood of Titlington

Collingwood of Teudon
  ↓
Collingwood of Abberwick
GRAY OF HORTON

Thomas = ? dau of Fenwick of Wallington

Sir Roger = Isabel dau of Lord Barony of Knebworth

Elizabeth = William Selby of Branston

Lionel = Eleanor dau of Thomas Berwick foster of Adderstone

Thomas = Isabel Syme

Cuthbert

Sir Thomas = Dorothy dau of Ewart Lord Ogle, widow of Sir Thomas Foster of Adderstone

Peter = Eleanor dau of Thomas Haygrove of Haygrove

Judith = (i) Ralph Syme of Raith
        (ii) Thomas Lawson
        (a) Lisle of Quinfitth

Margaret = Edward Meggham of Barmer

Dorothy = Thomas Hepburn of Hepburn

Barbara = William Struther of Kilmarnock

Israel = Sir Ralph Gray of Firhill

Anne = Robert Cluny of Caudy

Margery = John Hearne of Chichester

Barbara = Roger Foster of Sheddon

Roger

Wulstan = Humphrey Heane of Backefeld

Margaret = John Baxter of Newcastle

Anne = Mark Arnott

Catherine = John Ilay of Carr

? = Lauriat Ogle

Peter illeg son
LISLE OF FELTON, HAZON

Sir William = ? dau of Ralph Tenwich

Sir Humphrey = Ann, dau of Rowland Oke

Katherine = Robert = Anne Harvey of Suffolk

Lancelot = John = Margery = John Hearne of Bockenfield

Jane = George Myer of Helebew

Lucy = Lancelot Hearne of Swarland

Robert = Catherine Carnaby

John = Agnes, dau of Elying Oke of Choptington

William Robert John Edward Anne

Thomas Lisle = Margaret dau of Thomas Hearne of Bockenfield

Thomas = Margaret dau of Robert Halsey of Huxhingham

John = Humphrey of Denstover

Hynes = Lancelot Halsey of Swarland

Robert = John = Ralph = Lancelot = Elizabeth Carr = George Myer of Elzavanaugh
ORD OF LONGRIDGE AND WEST NEWBIGGIN

George = ?

George = Eleanor

John of East Newbiggin

Margaret = (i) William Reay of Amcroft
         (ii) James Swan of Berrington

John = Mary dau of Henry Haygerston

Henry = Margaret dau of Thomas Manners of Cheshire

George = Margaret ?

William = Eleanor Salvin of Credale

Cuthbert

Thomas = Katherine dau of Hugh Golston of Treadhill

Anne

Margaret = William 7 sons 2 daws
REVELEY OF ANCROFT AND TWEEDMOUTH

George = Mary dau. heiress of Henry Swinhoe of Cheshick

Edward = ? dau of ? Redman of Irealy

Ralph = Jane dau of William Morton of Berwick and James Swinhoe of Berrington

William = Margaret dau of George Oke of W. Ashby and James Swinhoe of Berrington

George = Frances dau of Anthony Bulmer

Elizabeth = John Burrell of Houstel

Bertram and Susans
RODDAM OF RODDAM AND LITTLEHOUGHTON

William = Isabel, dau of Robert
Collingwood of Eglington

John = Lucy, dau of
George
Swinburne of
Eglington

John = Rachel dau
of Gilbert
Swinburne of
Cornhill

Thomas = Matthew

Robert = Barbara, dau
of Thomas
Proctor of
Riddrstone

Lucy = Henry Wetwang
of Dunstan

Elizabeth = Cath. = Margaret
Proctor of
Shawdon

John Felix
Barbara = Thomas Westwood
illeg. dau of Westwood

John = Edmund = Margaret
dau of
Ralph Gray
of Chillingham

Thomas = Helen = Cath. Collingwood
of East Ditchburn

Barbara = Ralph Selby
of Westwood

Margaret

Sons
S daws
STROTH OF KIRKNEWTON

Barbara dau of Sir Roger Gray of Horton

Clement

Isabel

William = (i) daw of Edmund Horsley of Milbourne

Elizabeth? = (ii) William = (i) Jane dau of John Selby of Bramston

John

Clement

Thomas

Thomas

Illeg son

Illeg son

Lancelot = Eleanor dau of John Conyers of Stockburn

William

Lionel

? dau = William Hope

3 sons

7 daws
SWINBURNE OF EDLINGHAM

Margaret, dau of Thomas Haggerston of Haggerston

= (ii) George of Haggerston and Edlingham

= (i) ? dau of Sir Humphrey Lisle of Dunstanburgh

Lucy = John Roddam of Roddam

Roger = Isabel dau of Thomas Errington

Gavin

Gilbert

Thomas

John

Agnes = George Horbittle

Marion = Sir George Heron of Chipchase

Thomas = Margaret dau of John Car of Hetton

Ingram

Roger

John

George

Elizabeth = William Ward of Consett

Marion = ? Thirlwell

Isabel = Robert Roddam

Anne = William Shaftoe of Bevington

Morgery = John Heron of Chipchase

George

John = Anne dau of Sir Guthbert Collingwood of Eslington

William

Ursula

Elizabeth

Jane = George Collingwood of Thrunton

Thomas

Margaret = William Swinburne of Capheaton

Eleanor = William Walks of Knarcsdale
SWINHOE OF CORNHILL AND GOSWICK

Fortune, dau of Barnabas Bradford of Burton (iii) = Joan, dau of John Collingwood of Eslington (v) = Eliza = (i) Joan Thomas

Robert George Thomas Elizabeth = Gerad Selby of Pauston

William = Elizabeth, dau of Henry Collingwood of "Etal" Ralph Henry John James = Margaret Ord of Longridge Rachel = John Roddam of Roddam Agnes = (i) Robert Winter (ii) Robert Dalton of Newcastle

Margaret ? (iii) = Thomas = (i) Mary, dau of Sir William Reed of Holy Island

John Margaret Anne = George Creswell of Holderness Margaret

George

William = Anne, dau and heir of Thomas Middleham of Hinshill
CHAPTER FIVE

APPENDIX

I. ENGLISH CATHOLIC GENTRY

1 - 42. Those who died before 1603.
43 - 78. Those who were still living in 1603.

1. Thomas Manners of Cheswick. d. 1544.
   His will contains an invocation to the saints. SS ii, pp. 122-3.

   His will invokes the saints and he endows a priest to sing for his soul. DPRW 1540-50. SS ii, pp. 115-17.

   He asks a priest to sing for his soul for a year and invokes the saints. NRO ZCR/1.

   His will invokes the saints. DPRW 1540-50. SS cxii, pp. 6-7.

5. Janet Muschamp. (of Barmoor?) d. 1549.
   Her will invokes the saints. DPRW 1540-50. SS ii, pp. 125-7.

   His mother was Catholic (no 8), he married Ursula Buckton (no 39) and many of his children were Catholic and married Catholics. DPRW 1551-7. SS ii, pp. 138-40; cxii, pp. 29, 31.

   His will invokes the saints. His grandson, George Muschamp, was one of the few Protestant justices of the peace in Northumberland in the 1590s. C142/172/108.

   Her will invokes the saints. DPRW 1551-7.

   His will invokes the saints. SS ii, pp. 142-5.

    The supervisors of his will are Catholic. SS xxxviii, pp. 159-160n.

    His will invokes the saints and he endows a chantry in Whittingham church. DPRW 1551-7. WARD7/8/88. SS ii, pp. 147-8.
His will invokes the saints. DPRW Reg i, f. 55.

He requested a Catholic burial. He married Isabel Gray, (daughter of no 15). C142/141/31. SS cxlvi, p. 82. See also no 28.

His will invokes the saints and he was described as 'verie papist' in 1564. He had married the widow of Edward Gray of Chillingham, father of no 13. DPRW 1560-9. SS cxii, pp. 32-3. Hatfield MS, C.P. 235/68. AA, 4th Ser, xx, p. 81.

His six daughters (co-heiresses) all married into Catholic families. SS cxxi, pp. 56-61; cxlvi, p. 82.

His will invokes the saints. DPRW 1570. SS ii, pp. 322-4.

17. Thomas Swinburne of Edlingham. d. 1572.  
He had married Margaret Carr of Hetton (no 6) and his son was later cited as a Catholic (see no 77). DPRW 1572. SS ii, pp. 371-3; cxii, p. 31.

His will invokes the saints. DPRW 1572. SS cxii, p. 66.

His will invokes the saints. DPRW 1572. SS ii pp. 374-5.

His will, dated 1564 (and not 1574 as in SS), invokes the saints. He married Dosabell Gray a sister of no 15 and their son Michael was Catholic (no 69). DPRW 1574. SS ii, p. 401-02. NCH, xiv, pp. 240-1.

The supervisors of his will are Catholic and he had married a daughter of John Carr of Hetton (no 6). Also at least four of his children were Catholic or married them. DPRW 1574. SS ii, pp. 404-05; cxii, pp. 28-9.

22. William Gallon of Trewhitt. d. 1574.  
The supervisors of his will are Catholic. SS cxii, p. 95n.

The supervisors of his will are Catholic. His widow remarried Roger Conyers both of whom, along with his son George were cited recusants in the 1590s (nos 44, 59). His daughter married Henry Haggerston of Haggerston (no 68), who had been a ward of the family. DPRW Reg v, ff. 47-8. NCH, vii, p. 171. CPR, 1549-51, p. 340.
The supervisors of his will are Catholic. DPRW Reg, iv a, f. 21.

25. Thomas Holburn of Holburn. d. 1581.  
His widow was cited as a recusant in 1600.  E 377/9.  DPRW 1581. SS  
xxxviii, pp. 48-9.

All his bequests are made to Catholic kinsmen and friends. DPRW Reg  
iv, f. 137.

The supervisors of his will are Catholic. DPRW 1582. SS, cxii, pp.  
94-5.

Like her husband (no 13) she asks for a Catholic burial. Her sons  
and most of daughters married Catholics. DPRW 1582. SS xxxviii, pp.  
49-54. NCH, xiv, pp. 327-8.

The supervisors of his will are Catholic, with the exception of Sir  
John Forster. He married Anne Gray of Horton (no 15) and three of  
his daughters married Catholics. DPRW 1583. SS xxxviii, pp. 56-60.  
NCH i, p. 390, ibid xv, pp. 424-5.

Son of above. He was killed in the Selby vs. Collingwood feud (See  
chapter six, appendix no 32), and not by the Scots as the editor of  
SS, xxxviii implies! DPRW 1587(1). SS xxxviii, pp. 151-2.

The supervisors of his will are Catholic. DPRW 1586(1).

32. Thomas Forster of Adderstone, younger. d. 1587.  
His son and heir Matthew was a church papist and married a daughter  
of Ralph Gray of Chillingham in 1603. Thomas died before the  
recusancy laws were effectively enforced in north Northumberland.  
NCH, i, p. 228. CRS, liii, p. 152.

33. Thomas Weetwood of Weetwood. d. 1587.  
He married Barbara Roddam, daughter of John Roddam of Roddam (and  
brother of no 76). DPRW 1587(3). SS xxxviii, pp. 159-60.

34. John Carr of Lesbury. d. 1588.  
The supervisors of his will are Catholic. He married an illegitimate  
daughter of Sir Thomas Gray of Horton (no 15). DPRW 1588(1). NCH  
ii, p. 429.

Reported a Catholic in 1587. He married Ursula Brandling of  
Newcastle, whose family were all recusants. They were suspected of  
sheltering priests in 1586, but their children were all Protestant  
as William favoured the Protestant Lord Hunsdon as guardian of his
sons. This was a religious sacrifice for William, but he wanted to protect his family and their estate from the Herons, with whom they had a long-standing feud. C142/227/195. CSPDom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 231-2. SS, xxxviii, p. 235. NCH, xi, p. 39I. Forster, 'The Recusancy of the Brandlings', Recusant History, x, (1968) CBP, i, no 458.

The supervisors of his will are Catholic. DPRW Reg vii, ff. 300-01.

He married Lady Katherine Neville, daughter of the earl of Westmorland, a staunch Catholic. Their marriage, in 1586, was thought to have been a Catholic ceremony. DPRW 1595. SS xxxviii, pp. 172-5; xxii, pp. 322-6. DDR v 3 ff. 86-9, 92. CSP Dom, 1547-80 p.703. CSP Dom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 231-2.

38. Ursula Brandling of Newcastle. d. 1593.
She had married three times. Firstly to John Collingwood of Elsington, secondly to John Carr of Hetton (no 6) and thirdly to Henry Brandling. She was thus the mother of Sir Cuthbert Collingwood of Elsington (no 39). DPRW 1593. SS xxxviii, pp. 234-5.

Although he was an office holder in Northumberland, Cuthbert was a church papist and the father of many Catholic children. DPRW Reg vii, f. 254. SS xxxviii, pp. 267-72. CSPDom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 231-2. CBP, ii, no 217.

An invocation to the Saints has been crossed out in this will. It would not have been granted probate if it had been left in! He married Anne Gray of Chillingham, daughter of Sir Ralph (no 13). He is listed on recusancy rolls 1 and 9 (his lands continued to be sequestrated after his death). He escaped on his way to prison in 1592. His children were taught by an unlicensed teacher in 1600. DPRW 1596(1). SS xxxviii, pp. 268n. CBP, ii, no 217. E377/1 E377/9. CSPDom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 342-3. DDR ii, 4, f.154.

41. Cuthbert Collingwood of Ingram. d. 1599.
A guardian to the Collingwoods of Elsington. SS, xxxviii, p. 270; cxii, p. 171. See nos 39 and 40.

42. Robert Clavering of Callally. d. 1600.
He married Mary Collingwood of Elsington (no 39), but kept his Catholicism very well disguised. She remarried a Protestant, Henry Guevara, who was the guardian of her children. DPRW 1600. SS xxxviii, p.58n. NCH, xiv, p. 537.

43. Cuthbert Armorer of Belford.
In 1587 he defected from the local Catholic gentry when he reported those who had entertained Jesuits. He had joined the Northern Rising in 1569 and was a servant of the countess of Northumberland in 1572. CSPDom Add, 1566-79, p.394; 1580-1625, pp. 231-2.
44. George Beadnell of Lemmington.
Listed in recusant roll no 10 with his wife. (£40). He was presented before a visitation at Alnwick in 1600 for recusancy. E377/10 DDR ii, 4, f.153.

45. Thomas Bradford of Bradford.
An unlicensed teacher was in his household in 1598. His mother was a Clavering of Callaly. He may have been an undetected church-papist as he was still a J.P. in 1596. DDR ii, 4, f.94. SP13/F/11. SS, cxxii, p. 129.

46. Robert Carr of Hetton and his brother William.
Robert was involved in the 1569 Rising and fled to Scotland with the Countess of Northumberland. William was in the household of the countess of Westmorland, probably as a priest. In 1572 Lord Hunsdon arrested William in Berwick, in possession of letters, rosaries and books. Robert smuggled Jesuits across the Border in 1586, but he offered to betray them in 1587, perhaps to save himself from prosecution. CSP Scot, iii, no 84. CSPDom Add, 1566-79, pp. 383-4, 416. CBP, i, no 458; ii, no 519. CSP For, 1574-8, no 472.

47. John Collingwood of Abberwick.
Listed in recusant roll no 1 with his wife. (£700 & £100). Isabel Collingwood was sequestrated in 1601. E377/1 E377/10.

He took part in the 1569 Rebellion. He and his wife are listed on roll no 1. (£760 & £760). E377/1. SP15/32/59.

49. 'Long John' Collingwood of Bewick.
Listed in recusancy rolls 1, 9, and 10. (£280, £40, £40) E377/1 E377/9 E377/10. SP15/32/59.

50. Cuthbert Collingwood of Branton, ( grandson of no 38 ).
His wife was cited in recusant roll no 1. They are both listed on roll nos 9 and 10, but he must have reformed as he was a J.P. in 1602. (£280, 2x£40, £40 & £160). E377/1 E377/9 E377/10. NRO QS1/1 f. 22.

51. George Collingwood of Broome Park.
Listed in roll no 1. He was bound over in 1592. E377/1 CSPDom Add 1580-1625, pp. 342-3.

52. Cuthbert Collingwood of East Ditchburn.
He married Helen Roddam of Roddam (dau of no 76 and was a grandson of no 39). He is listed in roll no 10. (£160). AA, 3rd Ser, ii, p. 152. E377/10.

53. John Collingwood of Fawdon.
A son of no 46. He and his wife are listed on roll no 1. (2x£280). He was evading prosecution in 1592 and was presented for recusancy at visitations to Alnwick and Bamburgh in 1600. E377/1. DDR ii, 4, ff. 138, 153. SP15/32/59. HMC Salisbury, iv, p.265.
54. Thomas Collingwood of Little Ryle.
Owes the sheriff £10 in 1608, possibly as part of a recusancy fine. IDE/7/12.

55. Cuthbert Collingwood of Netherwitton, (just south of the Coquet).
Listed on roll 10 where he is sequestrated. (£160) E377/10.

56. Edward Collingwood of Shipley.
He and his wife are listed on roll 10. (2x£160). E377/10.

57. Anthony Collingwood of Shipley.

He was the second son of no 39. He married Jane Swinburne of Edlingham (sister of no 77). They are both listed on roll nos 1 and 9 Jane alone is listed on roll 10 (as Mary). (2x£400 £40 & £40). E377/1 E377/9 E377/10. SP15/32/59 (of Learchild). NCH, vii, p. 133.

59. Alice Conyers, widow of Robert Beadnell of Lemmington (no 23).
Her second husband Robert Conyers is listed on rolls nos 1 and 10 as a resident of Lemmington. (£280 & £160). E377/1 E377/10.

60. Tristram Fenwick of Brinkburn.
Took part in the 1569 Rising as a servant of the earl of Northumberland and fled to Scotland. CSP Dom Add, 1566-79, p. 164. CSP Scot, iii, no 84.

61. Matthew Forster of Adderstone.

62. Matthew Forster of Fleetham.
In 1598 an unlicensed teacher was in his household. His mother was a Hepburn, daughter of no 18. DDR ii 4, f. 94. NCH, i, p. 288.

63. John Forster of Tughall.
He was presented at the visitation of Alnwick in 1601 for not going to Tughall chapel for three years. His mother was Elizabeth Collingwood of Great Ryle. DDR ii 5, f. 14. NCH, i, p. 276.

64. Hugh Gallon of Trewhitt.
He and his wife are listed on roll no 1. (2x£140) E377/1 SP15/32/59

65. Lady Katherine Gray.
She was the widow of Sir Thomas Gray of Chillingham, (no 37). She is listed on rolls 1 and, 10 (where she is sequestrated). (£160 & £26-13-4). She was one of the most sought after recusants in the diocese of Durham, because she never lived in one place for long, having houses in both Northumberland and in Durham. The bishop of Durham arrested her in 1598 for sheltering priests and it was only her rank that saved her from execution. E377/1 E377/10.
Sadler Papers, ii, p. 204. CSPDom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 342-3.

66. Ralph Gray of Chillingham.  
He was a church papist with a recusant wife, Jane Arthington of Arthington in Yorks. His father-in-law thought highly of him and made him a supervisor of his will. She is listed on rolls 1 and 10. (£2700 & £40). Two of their daughters married Catholics before 1603 (nos 61, 74). All his brothers were Catholic (see no 67). BIHR PR 23a, ff. 122-3. CRS, liii, pp. 150-1, 284; xviii, pp. 76, 82. OBS1 1058. E377/1 E377/10. CSPDom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 231-2, 365. CBP, i, no 877. CSPDom, 1547-80, p. 703. NCH, xiv, pp. 327-8.

67. Edward Gray of Morpeth and Howick.  
A church papist. He was the son of no 13 and brother of the above Ralph. His son married Margaret Weetwood, granddaughter of no 31. NCH, i, p. 351. CRS, liii, p. 151.

68. Henry Haggerston of Haggerston.  
He married Anne Beadnell of Lemmington (sister of 44). Henry was listed on roll no 1 as having been fined previously and he appeared on roll no 10 where he was sequestrated. (£100, £40 reduced to £16 & £160). He was arrested on several occasions but never reformed. He astounded the Ecclesiastical Commissioners at Newcastle in 1601, by refusing to pray to the Queen and by standing throughout these prayers. He was described as 'a most dangerous and perilous man'. SP12/278/53. SP15/32/76. E377/1 E377/10. CSPDom, 1598-1600, p. 553. CSPDom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 231-2. IDE/77/12. Raine, ND, p.225.

69. Michael Hepburn of Hepburn.  
He and his wife (a sole Catholic member of the Crasters of Craster) are listed on rolls 1 and 10. (£100 & £40). She was reported to have reformed in 1592, but this did not last. His brother Robert was fined £160 on roll no 10. NCH, ii, p.178. E377/1 E377/10. CSP Dom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 342-3.

70. John Ilderton of Ilderton.  
Listed on rolls nos 1 and 10 (sequestrated). (£200 & £6-13-4). His father had been Protestant, see no 90. E377/1 E377/10. CSPDom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 342-3.


Listed on roll no 9. (£40). Her mother-in-law was a Gray of Horton (see no 15) and her father-in-law was a witness to the wills of nos 15 and 28, so they were probably a Catholic family. E377/9. SS cxxii, p. 134.

73. Lady Katherine Radcliffe, widow of Sir George Radcliffe of Cartington and Dilston (and Derwentwater, Cumberland).  
Listed on roll no 1. (£80). E377/1. CSPDom, 1547-80, p. 703.
74. Francis Radcliffe of Cartington, Dilston and Derwentwater. He married Isabel Gray of Chillingham (see nos 13, 28 and 66). They are listed on rolls nos 1, 9 and 10. (2x£220, 2x£40 & 2x £160). He was sheltering priests in 1587 and his estates were sequestrated from 1592 onwards (fine worth £43-6-8 in 1601 with £15 for goods and chattels) and he was imprisoned in 1599. Like Lady Katherine Gray (no 65) he used two residences to avoid legislation against him, but he was too important a recusant to be allowed to remain free. E377/1 E377/9 E377/10. CRS, liii, pp. 58, 63-4. APC, xxv, p.127. CSP Dom, 1547-80, p. 703; T598-1601, p. 362. CSP Dom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 342-3. CBP, ii, nos 217, 862, 1331. HMC, Salisbury, xi, p. 317.

75. John Radcliffe of Thropton. Fined 1592, along with his son George and wife Isobel. SP15/32/59. CRS, liii, p. 56.


77. John Swinburne of Edlingham. He was the son of no 17. Sir Cuthbert Collingwood was his guardian (no 39) and he married his daughter Anne. They are listed on rolls 1, 9 and 10 (sequestrated). (2x£760, £40, & £160) Property fine £21-15-6. E377/1 E377/9 E377/10. SP15/32/59. CRS, liii, p. 57. NCH, vii, p. 133. NRO ZSW6/22 ZSW6/68 ZSW7/5.

78. Thomas Swinhoe of Goswick. His uncles Ralph and James took part in the 1569 Rising (see no 113). Thomas does not appear on the recusancy rolls so he may have been a church papist or perhaps was wrongly reported to be a Catholic. He made a Protestant marriage to Mary Reed, daughter of no 112. CSP Dom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 231-2. CSP Scot, iii, no 84. Raine, ND, p. 184.

ii. ENGLISH PROTESTANT GENTRY

79. John Selby of Branxton and Twizel. d. 1565. His will is Protestant. All his family were Protestant (see nos 99, 109). DPRW 1560-9. SS, ii, pp. 235-6. CRS, liii, p. 152.


81. William Manners of Ord. d. 1565. His will is Protestant. DPRW 1570. SS, xxxviii, p. 218n.
82. William Selby of Grindonrig. d. 1570.  
His will is Protestant. DPRW 1570.

His will is Protestant. Raine, Testamenta Dunelmensia, i, 31 & 1239.

84. Thomas Gray of Elwick. d. 1571.  
Unlike his kinsmen the Grays of Chillingham and Horton this member of 
a minor branch of the Grays has a Protestant will. His eldest son 
made Fortune Manners, aunt of no 105. DPRW 1571. SS ii, pp. 365-6. Raine, ND, p. 337.

85. John Reveley of Chatton. d. 1573.  
His will is Protestant. DPRW 1573.

86. John Carr of Lesbury. d. 1574.  
His father (no 12) was a Catholic but John's will is Protestant. DPRW 1574.

A brother of no 83. His will is Protestant. DPRW 1575.

88. Nicholas Rutherford of North Middleton. d. 1576  
The Rutherfords were all Protestant. Henry Rutherfurd of Middleton 
Hall married a daughter of William Ilderton of Ilderton, (niece of 
no 90). Raine, Testamenta Dunelmensia, vi, f. 5. SS cxxii, p. 99.

89. George Harbottle of Cawledge Park. d. 1577.  
His will is Protestant. DPRW 1551-7. SS, ii, p. 408.

90. Thomas Ilderton of Ilderton. d. 1578.  
His heir male William was a London-based actor and ballad writer who 
favoured Protestantism. Thomas's will shows him to be Protestant,  
despite a friendship with Sir Thomas Gray (no 37). DPRW Reg, v, f. 68. SS xxxviii, pp. 173-4n.

91. Peter Gray of Doddington. d. 1578.  
Like no 84 he was a Protestant member of the Northumberland Grays, 
and may have been an illegitimate son of no 15. DPRW Reg, iv, f. 100

His will is Protestant. DPRW 1581. SS, cxii, p. 83.

93. George Strother of Abberwick. d. 1584.  
His will is Protestant and his kin were predominantly Protestant. 
DPR 1584. SS, xxxviii, p. 136n; cxii, p. 111. CRS, liii, p. 152.

94. George Alder of Prendwick. d. 1585.  
His will is Protestant. Raine, op cit., i, 175.

95. Odnel Selby of Hulne Park. d. 1586.  
His will is Protestant. DPRW 1586(2). SS xxxviii, pp. 135-7.
   His will is Protestant. DPRW 1587(1).

   His will is Protestant. DPRW 1587(3).

   The Muschamps were predominantly Protestant and married into Protestant families, (no 71 is the only exception). His elder brother, George Muschamp of Barmoor, married Elizabeth Selby daughter of no 109. Robert's will is therefore Protestant. DPRW 1587(3). SS, xxxviii, pp. 304-05. CRS, liii, p. 152.

   He was a son of no 79. His will is Protestant. DPRW 1588(2). SS, xxxviii, p. 256.

100. John Carr of Hetton. d. 1589.  
    His will was not executed but it had a very Protestant invocation. John had fought overseas and died in Portugal. His family had probably conformed since the death of his grandfather (no 6). DPRW 1589(1).

    His will is Protestant. DPRW 1589(2).

    His will is Protestant. DPRW 1589(2).

    His will is Protestant and his daughter Providence married Ralph Selby of South Charlton, son of no 95. DPRW 1589(2). SS, xxxviii, p. 61n.

104. Thomas Forster of Adderstone, senior. d. 1589.  
    His son Thomas (no 33) was a Catholic but his will indicates Protestantism. DPRW 1589(1). SS, xxxviii, pp. 164-7.

    His will is Protestant. DPRW 1591.

    One of the few Collingwoods who were Protestant. DPRW 1590. SS, cxii, p. 149.

107. Thomas Manners of Cheswick. d. 1593.  
    His will is Protestant. DPRW 1593. SS, xxxviii, pp.218-19.

    His will is Protestant. His daughter Margaret married Henry Collingwood of Etal (no 115) and his daughter Isabel married Luke Ogle of Eglingham, (son of no 110). John Craster, his eldest son, married Margaret Carr of Ford, daughter of no 34. DPRW Reg, vi, ff. 219-20. NCH, ii, p. 178.
109. Sir John Selby of Twizel. d. 1596.

His will is Protestant. He married Isabel Craster of Craster, daughter of no 106. DPRW 1596(2). SS, cxii, pp. 160-1. NCH, xi, pp. 396-7.

111. M. Ingram Salkeld of West Park, Alnwick. d. 1599.
His will is Protestant. The Salkelds were stewards to Sir John Forster. His brother married an illegitimate daughter of Sir John. DPRW 1599. NCH, i, p. 156.

112. Sir John Forster of Bamburgh. d. 1602.
The invocation of his will is Puritanical. He had married firstly Jane Radcliffe, (aunt of no 74), whose family he later persecuted for their recusancy. His daughter married Francis Russell, third son of the Puritan earl of Bedford and his son Nicholas married a daughter of the Radcliffes of Blanchland who were also recusant, but he was described as a 'profane libertine' in 1606 so his wife presumably conformed. DPRW 1602. NCH, i, pp. 156, 158-9. CRS, liii, p. 152.

His will is Protestant. He had supported the 1569 Rebellion, but had conformed afterwards. DPRW 1603(2).

The invocation of his will is very Protestant. He had married Jane Collingwood of Eslington, daughter of no 39, but this was not an overtly Catholic marriage. He was described as a great libertine. His inventory included: in the great chamber 'a picture of Abraham offering up Isaac and a picture of the holy ghost descending on the Virgin Mary; in the gallerie chamber - a large bible, Mr Calvin's Commentary upon Job and Sleidan's Chronicles'. None of the other surviving inventories of the area lists religious works. DPRW 1604. SS, xxxviii, p. 268. CRS, liii p. 153.

He married Margaret Craster, daughter of no 108 and his daughter married John Muschamp of Lyham Hall, (see no 98). NCH, xi, pp. 178, 245.
The feuds of the Eastern Borders have been subdivided into these sections:

i. Bloodfeud - Scotland. nos 1 - 25.
iii. Property Disputes - Scotland. nos 39 - 159.
v. Miscellaneous Feuds - Scotland. nos 197 - 239.

This list of feuds consists of most of the quarrels that are traceable in surviving documentation. There may be a few that have unwittingly escaped notice as well as those now lost to the record.

i. BLOODFEUD - SCOTLAND

1. The Kers of Cessford and Ferniehirst with their kin and allies vs. the Scotts of Buccleuch and their followers, c. 1526-1598.

This was a traditional Border bloodfeud that endured for three generations and involved murders on both sides. It was not satisfactorily pacified until the end of the sixteenth century, despite many attempts made by the privy council. The initial cause of this feud is fairly obscure as both parties were local political rivals with numerous grudges held against each other. It typifies the divide between the East and West Borders with the support of each party coming from a distinctly eastward or westward direction.


2. The Kers of Cessford vs. the Rutherfords of Hunthill, Hundalee and the burgesses of Jedburgh (some of whom were Rutherfords), 1546, 1558, 1572, 1577-8, 1585-6 and 1590.
This feud was perhaps a side-issue of the Ker of Cessford vs. Ker of Ferniehirst feud (no 197), as the Rutherfords were allied to the Kers of Ferniehirst by bonds of manrent. There were murders on both sides. For instance John Ker of Corbethouse was murdered by John Rutherford of Hunthill in 1558, but after this the feud developed into a straightforward clash between the Kers of Cessford and the burgh of Jedburgh. It culminated in the Kers of Cessford trying to take the office of provost of Jedburgh in 1590 from the traditional holders, namely the Rutherfords and Kers of Ferniehirst, with the backing of James VI. The Kers of Ancrum and Ferniehirst naturally supported their allies the Rutherfords against their rivals the Kers of Cessford.


Ker killed Rutherford, possibly in connection with feud no 2 as Ker was a Cessford ally, or for another unknown and unconnected reason.

CS6/26 f. 129. RSS, iv, 1710.

4. The Kers of Cessford and the Ormistons of that ilk vs. the Kers of Ancrum, 1562-5.

This feud began with Cessford being ordered to stop molesting the tenants in Ancrum. Ker of Ancrum claimed the lands were being illegally occupied by Ormiston, who had Cessford's support. The allegiances of this feud were bizarre as Cessford and Ormiston were bitter enemies in feud no 1, but joined forces to oppose Ker, who was a descendant of Cessford's rival Ker of Ferniehirst. It developed into a bloodfeud when a servant of Ker of Ancrum was murdered, but unlike other Scottish bloodfeuds it was quickly and successfully pacified.

GD40/15/2/2. RPC, i, p. 206; ii, pp. 684-5. Fraser, Buccleuch, ii, pp. 445-50. See no 86.

5. The Brounfields vs. the Haitlies, 1562-c.1578.

This bitter feud began with a simple property transaction. John Haitlie of Mellerstain had perennial financial problems, therefore he sold the lands of Blassinbraid and Broomhill to Steven Brounfield of Greenlawdean for 800 merks. These lands were occupied by a Haitlie of Lambden at the time and he greatly resented the sale. Subsequent disagreements led to the murder of Steven Brounfield of Greenlawdean, younger, in 1565. In 1571 Archibald Haitlie, a younger son of Lambden, was murdered, and in 1574 John Haitlie of Mellerstain occupied part of Broomhill, expelling
Brounfield of Greenlawdean's tenants. Pacification was a long and complicated process as feelings were so strong between the two parties.

6. The Davidsons of Samieston and Fowmerton vs. the Davidsons of Marchcleuch, c. 1565.

George Davidson of Marchcleuch had been murdered sometime before 1565 by the first party for an unknown reason. This was a minor lairds feud not involving any major political action.

7. The Kers of Cessford, Faldonside and Ferniehirst vs. William Ker, commendator of Kelso and parson of Old Roxburgh, 1566.

The Kers murdered their kinsman William Ker for overtly political reasons. He had not been miserly with land grants from Kelso Abbey to his kin, but he was allied to their enemies, the earl of Bothwell and the cardinal of Guise. Guise was commendator of Kelso in 1561 and he had employed William as master almoner there. Moray and Argyll may have been involved in the plot as well, according to the Spaniard Guzman da Silva. Bothwell zealously sought out the murderers on the instructions of Mary, Queen of Scots. Court intrigue is therefore the most likely cause of this local kin feud.

8. Sir James Home of Cowdenknowes and David Home of Fishwick vs. the Lauders of that ilk, 1567.

Home murdered Richard Lauder of that ilk in 1567 for an unknown reason. It was probably a local power struggle that turned to violence as Sir James and the Lauders were landholders in Lauderdale. As the Homes were ascendant at court there was no retribution and they both received a pardon in 1574.

9. The Homes of Cowdenknowes vs. the Haitlies of Mellerstain, 1569 and 1603.

This feud erupted on two separate occasions. The wardship and failed marriage contract between Henry Haitlie and a daughter of Cowdenknowes
soured relations between them. There were also disputes over lands. In 1569 Mark Home murdered Alexander Haitlie, an illegitimate son of Mellerstain. A long peace existed after the marriage of Henry's widow to William Home of Bellitaw in 1576. It lasted until January 1603 when four sons of Sir James Home of Cowdenknowes (Eccles, Bassendean, Bellitaw and Graden) murdered John Haitlie of Mellerstain at the Salt Tron in Edinburgh. This was not settled until 1608.


10. The Pringles vs. the Elliots, 1569-75.

This feud was classified as a deadly feud by contemporaries. There were killings on both sides and like the Ker vs. Scott feud (no 1) there was a clear division of allegiance between the East and West Borderland. The privy council successfully pacified the feud after the personal intervention of the Regent, Morton and compensation payments were agreed.


11. The Rutherfords and Turnbulls vs. William Ker of Ancrum, 1573.

The Rutherfords and Turnbulls, who were usually enemies, joined forces to ransack the tower of Ancrum. They were pardoned as Ker was a declared rebel at this time (being a supporter of the Marian faction) and had been sheltering fellow rebels in his tower house. The Rutherfords and Turnbulls were motivated by the murder of a Rutherford by Ker. However this Rutherford had previously beaten the mother of another rebel, Ker of Ferniehirst, with the scabbard of his sword and Ancrum was a nephew of Lady Ferniehirst. The Rutherfords seem to have temporarily abandoned their loyalty to the Kers of Ferniehirst kin in this feud, which was not unusual in Border feuds and they did so again in 1581. The anti-Marian regent, Morton, naturally favoured the Rutherfords and Turnbulls' side of the argument and awarded the lands of Ancrum to Turnbull of Bedrule, but they were later returned to Ancrum's mother. Godscroft favoured the Kers' side in this feud as the Rutherfords and Turnbulls were mere 'infamous robbers' to him, but politics prevailed and Morton saw an opportunity of attacking his opponents through these reivers.


12. The Kers of Littledean vs. the Kers of Linton, 1582.

David Ker, uncle of Andrew Ker laird of Linton was murdered by Andrew Ker, younger son of the Kers of Littledean, assisted by George Davidson of Wooden, for an unexplained reason. They were outlawed by their own kinsmen in a bond of 1582 and Ker of Littledean was forfeited. A pacification was instigated by Sir Walter Ker of Cessford, who insisted
that his kinsmen subscribed the bond. However his claim to speak for 'the remanit surname of Kerris' would have displeased his rivals the Kers of Ferniehirst. Both Andrew Ker and George Davidson were pardoned in 1583.

RSS, viii, 668, 1487. HMC, Laing, i, p. 33.

13. Francis Stewart, fifth earl of Bothwell vs. the Homes of Manderston, 1583-90.

This feud began with property squabbles in 1583 that centred on Coldingham Priory. Both parties claimed the lands and teinds of the Priory (as did others including Maitland of Thirlestane and the sixth Lord Home), but Bothwell was also jealous of the Homes ascendency at Court. In 1584 Bothwell brutally murdered an unpopular younger son of Alexander Home of Manderston called 'Davy the Devil', better known as laird of Cranshaws. David had profited from the downfall of the eighth earl of Angus in 1581, who happened to be one of Bothwell's curators and had married the widow of John Swinton of that Ilk. David was also a supporter of the Arran faction at Court, which Bothwell opposed, so there was plenty of motivation for the killing. The feud would have been pacified more easily if Maitland had not manipulated it for his own devious purposes and if the sixth Lord Home had not been so inconsistent in his support for the Homes of Manderston, for he was an ally of Bothwell at the time of David's murder. The Priory was resigned by the Homes to Bothwell in 1587, but he lost it in 1592 to Lord Home. This was another version of a Court confrontation creating a local feud, like feud no 7. The Homes of Manderston remained embittered opponents of Bothwell and his allies. The feud had a divergent continuation in the murder of the Manderston branch's kinsman, George Home of Spott, by the Craws in 1591, who were supporters of Bothwell (see no 16) and in 1593 when William Home of Whitelaw, a younger son of Manderston, feared attack from Bothwell.


14. The Rutherfords vs. William Ker, younger son of Cavers, pre 1584.

Ker was murdered by the Rutherfords for an unknown reason.

T.I. Rae, op cit., p. 3.


Pringle was murdered by Andrew Ker of Linton for an unknown reason.


This began with a property dispute about Home of Spott's lands in Duns that became so violent that it led to the murder of George Home. The murderers were all supporters of the earl of Bothwell. It is unusual to find Homes fighting each other with such violent results, as they were generally the most peaceful of the Border lairds. They did argue frequently over property, but this murder was the result of political manoeuvring far removed from a simple property disagreement.

RPC, iv, pp. 478, 612-14, 616, 633, 677, 679, 694, 697, 706; v, p. 306. CSP Scot, x, nos 609, 612; xiii, pt 2, no 520. HMC, Salisbury, vi, p. 216. See nos 13, 137.

17. Sir Robert Ker of Cessford vs. the Kers of Ancrum, 1590-6.

These families had quarrelled in the 1560s (see no 4), so this feud was a renewal of an old political and religious rivalry. The Kers of Ancrum were descended from the Kers of Ferniehirst, who were often rivals of the Cessford branch and trouble flared when Ancrum would not accept Cessford as his chief, (see no 197). The feud culminated in the murder of William Ker of Ancrum, in 1590, by Sir Robert and Mungo Bennet of Chesters (who had settled a previous disagreement with Cessford to now oppose Ancrum - see no 86). There was no serious retribution against them as Sir Robert was a favourite of the King's and was a kinsman by marriage of the Chancellor Sir John Maitland of Thirlestane. James VI did outlaw him and search his house in 1592, but this was not carried out with any conviction. The unfortunate widow of William Ker had to wait until 1606 for compensation of 10,000 merks from Sir Robert.


18. The Pringles of Torwoodlee vs. the Pringles of Muirhouse, the Spottiswoodes of that ilk and the Lauders of Whitslaid, 1591.

The feud erupted in the churchyard of Stow parish church and a servant of Pringle of Torwoodlee was killed. The reason for the fight is unclear, but incidents in kirkyards were commonplace as there was an Act of parliament against fighting there in 1592. This feud was settled with the payment of blood money to the deceased's family.

APS, iii, p. 544. RPC, iv, pp. 574-5, 630, 669, 692, 720.

19. Alexander Spence, younger son of Chirnside Mains vs. Andrew Burnett in Caldside, 1592.

Spence murdered Burnet for some unknown reason. 800 merks compensation was ordered to be paid to Burnet's children. To pay for this Alexander's wife had to resign her liferent of four husbandlands in Whitsome.

Home killed Mr Alexander Dickson, a younger son of Hassington for an unrecorded reason.


This feud began with some Cranstons (who were traditional allies of the Lords Home) killing Gilbert Lauder in Linlithgow. William Lauder the burgess then murdered John Cranston in retaliation, but he did so in front of the Lady Marischal, who was a sister of Lord Home. This affront was revenged by Lord Home who burned down the Tolbooth of Lauder, in which Lauder was hiding at the time, to force him out. When Lauder fled from the flames he was killed by Lord Home and his companions. Lord Home regretted his action as he was subsequently excommunicated and had to leave the country to avoid embarrassing the King, who had previously tried to help Home avoid the wrath of the Kirk.

CSP Scot, xiii, pt 1, nos 156, 162, 164. Dalyell, Fragments, ii, p. 35. Chambers, Domestic Annals, i, pp. 300-01.

22. The Taits of Cherrytrees vs. James Tait in Kelso, younger son of Tait of Bearer, 1598.

James Tait, a younger son of Cherrytrees was murdered by the second party as part of a feud between these two branches of Taits.

Pitcairn, Trials, ii, p. 475.


These two Pringles were brothers-in-law and James's mother had been briefly remarried to George's father from 1586 until his death in 1587. Therefore they may well have argued over land or money. They fired pistols at each other near Blindlee, but went to arbitration to settle their various disagreements.

RD1/43 f. 230. RPC, v, p. 497; vi, p. 48.


There is only one reference to a murder between these two branches of Homes. It could be well founded as a marriage did take place between
these families in the early seventeenth century when Katherine Home of Cowdenknowes married John Home of Ayton. This may have been the cause or perhaps the means of a pacification of this feud.

CSP Scot, xiii, pt 2, no 497. SP, v, p. 476.

25. The Kers of Ferniehirst and Ancrum, the Ainslies and the Rutherfords vs. the Turnbulls, 1570s, 1596, 1601-02.

The Turnbulls seem to have aggravated most of the inhabitants of the Jedforest area. They were allied to Regent Morton in the 1570s, who was an enemy of Ferniehirst's, but they agreed a pacification in 1579 when Morton's influence was declining. In 1601 the Turnbulls charged the Kers of Ferniehirst with the murder of Robert Turnbull of Bewlie in 1601, but this was unproven and the Turnbulls instead found themselves charged with murdering Thomas Ker, a younger son of Ferniehirst. The feud ended with the Turnbulls being publicly punished by the power of central government, rather than being settled locally with no satisfactory retribution for the killing. The forces of central government had a better success rate in pacifying feuds towards the end of the sixteenth century and this feud is a good example.


ii. BLOODFEUD - ENGLAND

26. The Stories vs. the Hepburns, c. 1538, 1558.

The Stories were incomers to the English East March. They had moved from the English West March during the 1530s to avoid the wrath of the warden there for some evil deed. They were an upland surname group more accustomed to settling their differences by violent means unlike the gentry of the East March who were generally less violent, when settling their differences. There were murders on both sides, but there was a long peace between the parties when the payment of compensation seemed to satisfy the Stories. The feud renewed itself when one of the Stories died and new money was demanded, but this was quickly ended by peaceful means.


27. William Selby of Norham vs. the Reveleys, c. 1544-57.

Selby was pardoned for the murder of Edward Reveley in 1544. The two families were at feud at the time. There was a temporary pacification in 1551, but they were still feuding in 1553 when the Heron vs. Carr feud (no 28) broke out. In typical Border fashion they subdued their differences to join forces against the Carrs, but they were again fighting amongst themselves in 1557. Settlement was agreed in London.
28. The Herons of Chipchase vs. the Carrs of Hetton and Ford, 1551-83.

This was the most serious blood feud to effect North Northumberland in the sixteenth century. It began with the marriage of Elizabeth Heron, heiress of Ford to Thomas Carr, a younger son of John Carr of Hetton. The Ford estate was lucrative by Border standards so the Herons had obviously wanted Elizabeth, a distant kinswoman, to marry into their family. That a younger son of a minor gentleman married her outraged not only the Herons but many of the Northumbrian gentry as well. It divided the local gentry into two groups, but the majority supported the Heron's claim to Ford despite there being no legal entail of the estate to the Herons. Some of the local gentry were allied by marriage to the Herons, such as the Forsters and Grays of Horton, whilst others joined the feud in sympathy for the Herons, like the Reveleys, Selbies, Wallis's, Muschamps, Burrells and Rutherfords.

The feud began as a property dispute but developed into a blood feud when skirmishes led to deaths on both sides. Thomas Carr was murdered in 1558, but his claim to Ford was upheld as the property lawfully passed to his son William, (Elizabeth Heron also died in 1558). The feud was disrupting the entire county so the Queen entrusted the earls of Northumberland and Westmorland with the task of pacifying it. The murderers were apprehended, but the gentlemen involved were all pardoned. A proposed marriage between the two parties failed to materialize, but the Herons accepted the Carr's manor of Simonburn as compensation, although they had no legal claim to these lands. The Privy Council insisted on the gift as they recognized the strength of the Heron's support in the county. Nevertheless ill-feeling about the Carr's occupation persisted for many years.

In 1578 William Carr had to fight anew for the title of his mother's inheritance as the Herons occupied Ford. A costly four year legal battle then ensued at the Court of Chancery, with the ingenious Herons producing false deeds of entail and obstructing proceedings at every opportunity. The Heron's claim was utterly denounced in 1581, yet William was still complaining in 1583 that the sheriff had not evicted the Herons from Ford. However by the time of his death in 1589 William was again lawfully seized of Ford.

29. The Ellerkers and Lisles of Felton vs. the Herons of Bockenfield, c. 1563.
Richard Heron was murdered in Felton church by Ralph Ellerker, Robert and Ralph Lisle. presumably as a result of a feud. There had been a marriage between the Lisles and Herons before this incident and this may have been connected to the feud. These parties may well have been the feuding gentry encountered by Bernard Gilpin when he was preaching at Rothbury church, some eight miles from Felton. Gilpin's reputation would have brought together a congregation from a wide area. Robert Lisle was pardoned in 1571.


30. The Hoppens vs. the Gallons, 1568.

This feud began with a writ served on William Gallon by John Bradford, an ally of the Hoppens. The two sides met at Alnwick when they were paying their rent to the earl of Northumberland. They met up afterwards in the marketplace and in the ensuing fray John Ellerker, an ally of the Gallons, 'came behind the sayde John bradfurthe and wythe his sworde did cleve the backe of his heade...'. The Court of Star Chamber investigated the feud as Ellerker was found not guilty of Bradford's murder at the Newcastle Assizes.

STAC5 A35/28.


Bradford was the son of a prosperous Berwick merchant, who was presented to Ford by Elizabeth I in 1565, during the minority of William. They quarrelled over the tithes of Ford and in 1576 Robert Carr murdered Bradford near Alnwick. Carr had always over-zealously defended his family's entitlement to Ford, because of the Heron vs. Carr feud (no 28).

C78/54 (no 4). BRO C1/1 f.74. APC, ix, p. 291. CPR, 1563-6, p. 323. See chapter five, appendix no 46.

32. The Collingwoods of Eslington vs. the Selbies of Twizel, 1578- c. 1589.

There were political undertones in this bloodfeud as the Collingwoods were clients of the earl of Huntingdon, whilst the Selbies were allied to Sir Francis Walsingham and Lord Hunsdon at this time. This rivalry was a direct cause of their feuding over a ten year period. The worst outbreak occurred near Morpeth in 1586 when William Clavering of Duddo was killed in a skirmish. Clavering had been in Sir Cuthbert Collingwood's party and his death shocked the gentry community. The Selbies were later repentant as Clavering was a kinsman of theirs, but political allegiance had come before kinship considerations in this feud. By July 1587 the local gentry petitioned Lord Burghley to end the feud as it was disrupting the
administration of the county.

33. The Salkelds of Hulne vs. the Armorers, 1579.

Thomas Salkeld of Hulne was murdered by an Armorer, probably as the result of a property dispute, but possibly because the Salkelds were allies of the Forsters, who were not popular in the area.

SS, clxiii, p. 61. NCH, ii, p. 141.

34. The Wallises vs. the Grays, 1586.

The Wallises had killed a Gray and fled to Scotland. James VI asked for a pardon to be granted to them. The reason for the murder is unrecorded, as are the names of the offenders.

CSP Scot, ix, no 39.

35. The Grays of Chillingham vs. the Selbies of Twizel, 1586 - c.1603.

This feud may have began in the 1580s as part of a local power struggle between these two greater gentry families. It became a full scale bloodfeud in 1597 with the swearing of a bill at the Border Commission of 1597. The bill was lodged against a servant of the Grays and it was verified under oath by Ralph Selby. In revenge the accused filed (i.e. fouled) a fictitious bill against Selby. This led directly to a brawl in the churchyard at Berwick that resulted in murder. By 1601 the feud had not been settled, but the two sides were subduing their political and religious differences. In the summer of 1603 it had erupted into open conflict again as their tenants could not attend their sheiling grounds in the Cheviots, because Gray and Selby were neighbouring landowners in the area and violence was threatening anyone going up into the hills.


Selby murdered Horsley for an unrecorded reason. Selby was indicted in 1602 and was outlawed in 1605.

NRO QS1/1 f. 24. NCH, xv, pp. 424-5.
37. The Collingwoods of Etal and the Crasters of Craster vs. the Muschamps of Barmoor, 1601-02.

When George Muschamp had been high sheriff of Northumberland in 1601 the Collingwoods had obstructed him in his duties. In March 1602 the Collingwoods attacked Muschamp and in the fracas Luke Collingwood was fatally injured. Afterwards Muschamp dared not carry out his obligations as a local J.P. for fear of assasination at the hands of the Collingwoods. Muschamp charged his attackers at the Assizes, but the case was dismissed. The feud ended however, as the Collingwoods did not charge Muschamp with the murder of Luke Collingwood, which leads to the suspicion that they were guilty of starting the feud.

NRO QS1/1 f. 25. CBP, ii, nos 1470, 1477. HMC, Salisbury, xi, p. 585; xii, pp. 94, 225. Stone, op cit., pp. 229-238.

38. Henry Collingwood of Etal with his brother Oswald and Edmund Craster, a younger son of Craster (his brother-in-law) vs. Ralph Selby of Weetwood, 1602.

The cause of this feud is unknown, but Collingwood attacked Selby near Etal, threatening to kill him. Collingwood and his associates were not as fortunate as they had been in feud no 37, for this time they were all arrested and gaolled at Newcastle.

STAC5 S80/21. NRO QS1/1 f. 22.

iii. PROPERTY DISPUTES - SCOTLAND

39. George, fourth Lord Home vs. Adam Nisbet of that ilk's widow, 1540.

Concerned the lands of Bogend 'spoiled in the night' by Nisbet's men. Home proved his legal right to the land.

NRAS 859/32/1

40. William Ker, parson of Old Roxburgh vs. Andrew Ker of Ferniehirst, 1540.

William alleged that Ferniehirst owed him teinds, but the sheriff of Roxburgh rejected this claim. William suspected foul play as the sheriff. James Douglas of Cavers was married to a daughter of Ferniehirst. William was murdered by Kers in 1566 as a result of a separate feud (see no 7), but some bitterness could have persisted from this feud.

ADCP, p. 492.
41. Adam Grahamslaw of Newton vs. John Grahamslaw, his brother, 1541.

Concerned seven husbandlands in Little Newton. Adam tried to disinherit his brother from these lands by claiming that John was illegitimate and producing a charter in his own favour. However the Jedburgh Sheriff Court found Adam's charter to be 'pretendit' and John was declared the lawful possessor when he produced the real charter.

SC62/2/2 (18 Jan 1541).

42. Lancelot Ker of Gateshaw vs. Mark Ker of Dolphinston, 1542.

Both parties claimed the wardship of John Mow of that ilk. A settlement was proposed for Mark Ker to pay Lancelot Ker £200 p.a. as a rental of Mow's lands. However Mark Ker refused to pay this amount so Lancelot Ker and John Mow pursued him for this money at Jedburgh Sheriff Court.

SC62/2/2 (June 1542).

43. Sir Andrew Ker of Hirsel vs. Janet Pringle, prioress of Coldstream, John and Alexander Home of Huttonhall, 1543-52.

Concerned the lands and fishings of Coldstream Priory and its boundaries. A court of Justiciary was held on several occasions during 1550-1 to settle the matter, but the lands would remain contentious throughout the sixteenth century, (see feuds nos 74, 90, 92, 93 ).


44. The Homes of Carolside vs. the MacDougals of Makerstoun, 1544.

Thomas MacDougal allegedly stole £1666-13-4 worth of goods from Alexander's house of Brotherstone, but compensation had not been paid by 1577 when Home's children registered his will at the Commissary Court of Edinburgh.

CC8/8/5 f. 237.


Cockburn raided and spoiled Blackadder's house. The likely cause of this attack was that they were on opposite sides in the Anglo-Scottish wars known as the 'Rough Wooing'. Cockburn had assured to England, whilst Home had not. Similar attacks happened as part of the Ker vs. Scott feud (no 1), where the Kers were assured and the Scotts still loyal to Scotland.

ADCP, pp. 555, 587.

46. George, fourth Lord Home vs. Sir George Douglas of Pittendreich, 1547.
Concerned lands in Cockburnspath. Home was ordered to stop troubling Douglas. These lands had been in contention between the Crown and Lord Home in 1540, so Home was obviously keeping up his claim to the land.

NRAS859/6/3. ADCP, p. 485. RPC, i, p. 67. See also no 54.

Concerned the castle of Fastcastle and the Mains thereof. Home had liberated the fortress from the English occupation of the 1540s, but had held on to the fortress because it had belonged to his ancestors. Possession of the castle had legally passed to the Logans of Restalrig through an heiress. Home eventually agreed to infeft Logan in the castle and its lands for £700 Scots, in return for Logan waiving a bill he had presented to Home for the yield of the castle Mains.

CS7/10 f. 160.

Concerned the lands of Brockholes in Berwickshire. The quarrel concerned rent and timber.

GD150/1452. See also no 132.

49. Sir John Ker of Ferniehirst vs. Robert Ker of Ancrum, his brother, 1552.
Concerned the teinds of Oxnam, Crailing and Ferniehirst given to Robert by his mother. Settled by arbiters, who ordered Sir John to pay Robert 500 merks compensation.

CS6/27 f. 150. See also no 63.

50. The Homes of Blackadder, Ninewells and Reston vs. John Lumsden of Blanerne, 1554-60.
Concerned lands in Edrom. Lumsden had rightful possession, so the Homes were cautioned not to trouble him. They remained aggressive in their claim however, (see no 73).

CS7/10 f. 245. CS7/20 f. 176. See no 55.

51. Andrew Haig of Bemersyde vs. Melrose Abbey, 1555.
Concerned a boundary dispute between Haig's lands of Redpath and the Abbey's lands of Craig. Settled by 'eight discreet men' acting as arbiters.

Concerned the lands of the late Helen Rutherford of that ilk. She was a great-aunt of Stewart and a cousin of Rutherford. The feud was settled amicably with a division of her lands.


Concerned the lands of Clarabad in Berwickshire. Ramsay was ordered to pay Home compensation.

GD45/16/2754.

54. The fifth and sixth Lords Home vs. the seventh and eighth earls of Angus, 1556, 1582-6.

Concerned the teinds of Cockburnspath, that were long sought after by the Homes. In 1556 the Homes of Wedderburn, who were allied to the earls of Angus by bond of manrent, opposed Lord Home at a show of force over these teinds. Home retreated from an open conflict with his kinsmen and subdued his claim. However the sixth Lord Home took up his father's claim in the 1580s. Home now held a lease of the teinds from the prioress of Abbey St Bathans, but his father's downfall along with his own minority had allowed Angus and Regent Morton to plunder the teinds. The feud went before arbiters in 1586 and Angus conceded half of the teinds to Home since his father had been the original kindly tenant of them.


Concerned lands in Edrom and Broomhouse held by Logan's deceased mother. Lumsden won the case and Logan was publically accused of libel. Lumsden had earlier defended another claim to the lands of Edrom (see no 50).

56. Andrew Home, commendator of Jedburgh vs. Sir John Ker of Ferniehirst, 1558.

Concerned some of the Abbey's lands.

GD40/1/193.
57. George Ker of Cavers vs. Robert Ker in Newhall, 1558.

The properties of Cavers and Newhall in Roxburghshire were adjacent. A boundary dispute arose that was settled by arbiters, who recommended that two small plots of land should be exchanged between the Kers.

GD158/226. HMC, Marchmont, no 38.


Concerned the lands of Rawburn, near Longformacus in Berwickshire.

Pitcairn, Trials, i, pt 1, p. 413. Spottiswoode Misc, p. 21.

59. Alexander Home of North Berwick vs. the Cranstons of Corsbie, 1559-73.

Concerned the non-payment of a 300 merk entry fine by the Cranstons. Home had to resort to legal action to gain this money and this resulted in the Cranstons being put to 'horn'.

RD1/3/2 f. 246. RD1/5 ff. 86, 91. RSS, v, 553; vi, 650, 2045.

60. John Wolf of Waldelie, with his curators Alexander Cockburn of that Ilk and John Lisle of Stoneypath vs. Patrick Home of Polwarth, Jasper Graden of Langrig and Bartilmo Spence of Chirnside Mains, 1559-67 and 1586-97.

Concerned the lands of Hardens in Berwickshire. Wolf held the superiority of these lands and Home, Graden and Spence were leaseholders. The feud began when Wolf tried to evict these lairds' tenants. All three lairds proved their leases on this occasion so Wolf had to retract. The feud restarted in the 1580s with similar results. It ended with Wolf selling his rights to the Homes of Polwarth in 1597.

GD158/185 GD158/186 GD158/188 GD158/189 GD158/190. CS7/26 f. 81. RMS, iv, 2449; vi, 80. HMC, Marchmont, nos 62, 63, 65.

61. Patrick Sleigh of Cumledge vs. Andrew Redpath of Rowchester, 1561.

Concerned the teinds of Blackerstone in the parish of Abbey St Bathans. The lease of the land belonged to Sleigh, but the teinds were held by Redpath. Sleigh paid Redpath 180 merks to settle the dispute.

RD1/4 f. 99.


Concerned lands in Longnewton. Rutherford had held lands here from
both the earl of Bothwell and Douglas. Douglas tried to evict Rutherford, but he was extremely reluctant to leave and a long legal battle ensued. Rutherford received local sympathy, but he was eventually forced to leave.


63. Sir Thomas Ker of Ferniehirst vs. Dame Katherine Ker, his widowed mother and the fifth Lord Home, 1563-6.

Concerned the teinds of Bedrule, Innerleithen and Over Crailing that belonged to Jedburgh Abbey and were leased to Dame Katherine. Sir Thomas gathered these teinds, contrary to orders not to do so. Lord Home defended Dame Katherine as he was now the superior of the Abbey's lands and teinds.


64. Alexander, fifth Lord Home vs. Mr John Spence of Condie, 1564.

Lord Home withheld the teinds of Oldcambus, Reedylaws, Woodend, Chester Reidheuch and Windylaws from Spence, who was administrator of Coldingham Priory at the time. Home was perhaps staking his claim to the fruits of the Priory as the commendator, James Stewart, had recently died.


Concerned the boundaries of Wedderlie and Blythe, which belonged to Maitland. Settled by arbiters.

CS7/31 f. 182.


Concerned a two merkland and a three merkland in Greenlaw, held by Redpath's ancestors from the Lords Home. William refused to pay 40 merks reversion to Home and was therefore summoned to appear before the Lords in Council. He did not pay until 1569.

NRAS859/5/10 NRAS859/11/7. HMC, Home, no 175.

67. Sir Thomas Ker of Ferniehirst vs. John Grahamslaw of Newton, 1566.

Grahamslaw was put to horn at the instance of Ker for not paying him the teinds of Newton Kirk.
68. Alexander, fifth Lord Home vs. David Home of Wedderburn, 1567.

Concerned the lands of Upsettlington in Berwickshire. David Home refused to resign them to Lord Home for reinfeftment.

NRAS859/7/9. HMC, Home, no 284.

69. Margaret Home, daughter of the deceased Mr Andrew Home, parson of Lauder and Lord Home vs. Robert Home of Reidheuch, 1567-75 and 1581-4.

These teinds were originally claimed by Home of Manderston in 1562, but they rightfully belonged to Mr Andrew Home. Margaret had been given the teinds of Lauder Kirk (part of Dryburgh Abbey) by her father in 1566, but when he died in 1567 his executor Robert Home challenged her right to them. Both sides assiduously claimed they were the rightful inheritors of the lease. Margaret resigned her lease to the fifth Lord Home in 1570 for payment of 4300 merks, so he took up her case against Robert Home. They went to arbitration in 1575 and Lord Home won. However in 1581, both Reidheuch and Margaret deviously tried to reclaim the teinds from Lord Home's estate and this matter was unresolved in 1584. However her claim would have been quashed by the entrance of a newly interested party in the teinds, namely Sir John Maitland of Thirlestane.


70. The Homes of Cowdenknowes vs. the Hamiltons of Innerwick, 1567-99.

This was a very long and complicated dispute about the lands of Eccles Priory. There were contradictory charters issued in the 1560s and Hamilton's forfeiture further muddled this situation. The sixth Lord Home was also involved in this feud arguing with both parties for his right to Priory lands held by his father. In 1591 Hamilton was awarded 10,000 merks compensation and a lease of the lands from the Homes of Cowdenknowes, but this money and the tack had failed to materialize by 1596. It is not surprising that Hamilton's son and heir married a daughter of the rival Home branch of Manderston. The feud finally ended in 1599 when the Homes used their power at Court to force Hamilton to pay them 1000 merks. The Homes were to remain superiors of the Priory, but they had to concede a lease of the lands to Hamilton.

CC8/8/31 f. 382. RD1/13/f. 359 RD1/33 f. 33 RD1/40 ff. 143-8. RH15/19/3/1. NRAS859/7/7. CSP Scot, x, no 527. RMS, iv, 1797; vi, 1563. RSS, v, 3041; vi, 273, 1042, 2320, 2816; viii, 78. HMC, Home, nos T30-140.

71. James Seton of Touch (Greenknowe) vs. Alexander, fifth Lord Home, 1568.
Concerned the boundaries of West Gordon (Seton's land) and Rumbletonlaw (Home's land). Settled by arbitration.

NRAS859/8/4.

72. William Ormiston of Westhouses vs. Alexander Pringle, a servant of Sir Walter Ker of Cessford, 1568.

Ormiston was a pardoned rebel, yet he could not repossess his property owing to the obstructive tactics of Pringle. Ker no doubt encouraged his servant in this dispute, because he held the escheat of Ormiston's brother, James Ormiston of that Ilk (who was later executed for his part in Darnley's murder).

RPC, i, pp. 637-8. RSS, vi, 8.

73. David Home of Ninewells vs. George Home of Edrom and Archibald Carmichael of Edrom, 1568-76.

David Home was cautioned to desist from the lands of Edrom, but seems to have been a persistent aggressor of the Homes and subsequently the Carmichaels. David perhaps disliked the marriage of the heiress of Edrom to Carmichael, an outsider to the Merse, or this feud may just be a continuation of a previous dispute (see no 50). David was ordered to pay compensation of £1214 to George. The Carmichaels had been accepted in the area by 1590 as a kinsman married a daughter of Home of Huttonhall.

CS7/42 f. 44 CS7/63/2 f. 387. CC8/8/2 f. 302.

74. Sir Andrew Ker of Hirsel vs. Alexander Home of Huttonhall and Alexander Home of Manderston, 1569.

Concerned the teneinds of Darnchester (part of Coldstream Priory), which were near the Hirsel in Berwickshire. All three lairds were local landowners, hence the feud.

RPC, ii, p. 56. See nos 92, 93.

75. Andrew Pringle of Galashiels vs. David Pringle of Bondarroch, his brother, 1569.

Concerned the Mains of Smailholm. David eventually agreed to pay Andrew for redeeming a previous wadset of this land.

RD1/10 f. 137.

76. Alexander, fifth Lord Home vs. the Homes of Manderston, 1570.

Concerned the teneinds of Fastcastle and West Lumsdaine, which belonged to
Coldingham Priory. The Homes of Manderston greedily sought this valuable monastic property and fought off all opposition to their ambition, including Lord Home.

RMS, iv, 2177, 2178. HMC, Home, no 94. See no 78.


Concerned the lands of Ladyflat near Langton. Redpath appeared in person before the Lords in Council to quash Cockburn's allegations, so the feud ended.

RD1/12 f. 142.

78. David Home of Wedderburn vs. John Stewart, commendator of Coldingham, 1570.

Concerned the teinds of Kello (part of Coldingham Priory), but was really a move by the Home's rival Alexander Home of Manderston to cause trouble and assert his right to the Priory. (See no 76).

Godscroft, De Familia, p. 49. See no 76.

79. George and Robert Spottiswoode vs. Jane Brounfield their mother and widow of David Spottiswoode of that Ilk, 1571.

George and Robert objected to their mother gathering her legal third of their late father's property.

RPC, ii, pp. 81-2.

80. George Craw of Flemington-Fluris vs. Patrick Home of Renton, 1571-91.

Concerned the remarriage of Janet Ellem, widow of William Craw, to Patrick Home. Her son George contested their right to a half husbandland in Flemington-Fluris. In 1591 George was awarded 940 merks as compensation for being denied this land from 1571 onwards.

CC8/8/47 f. 229. GD242/52.


Concerned the teinds of Rumbletonlaw in Berwickshire that were part of Coldingham Priory and the lands there. The Cranstons were close allies of the rebellious fifth Lord Home, so the Homes of Manderston and Cowdenknowes exploited this position for their own purposes. They savagely attacked the Cranstons, spoiling their goods and refusing to let them farm the land by installing their own tenants. Cowdenknowes, for
instance put Brounfields in as his tenants. Thomas Cranston of Corsbie sued for £179-17-8 damages, but this claim received little sympathy from the Regent Morton, who was a sworn enemy of Lord Home and all those still loyal to him. Even the support of Home of Wedderburn did not help the Cranstons. However the feud looked to be over with the restoration of the sixth Lord Home, but even in 1579 William Home of Bassendean, a younger son of Cowdenknowes, chased the Cranston's hinds off the land under threat of murder.

CC8/8/5 ff. 35-7. RPC, iii, p. 130. CSP For, 1572-4, nos 347, 359. CSP Scot, iii, no 943; iv, no 313 (p. 292). Godscroft, De Familia, pp. 64-5.

82. James Pringle of Whytbank and his mother Margaret Ker (then wife of David Home of Wedderburn) vs. Robert Cairncross of Colmslie, 1572-3.

Concerned the lands of Langshaw in Lauderdale.

GD150/1471/a GD150/1471/c.

83. Dame Katherine Ker, widow of Sir John Ker of Ferniehirst vs. Janet Scott, wife of Sir Thomas Ker of Ferniehirst, 1574.

Concerned the second party's rights to the lands of St Thomas Chapel and Oxnam in Roxburghshire that were part of her marriage contract. The first party claimed these lands were hers. This argument arose because Sir Thomas Ker was a rebel at this time and Janet was subsequently impoverished. Both ladies had rightful possession to the lands so a diplomatic solution was needed.

GD1/33/31 GD40/3/403 GD40/15/2/3. RD1/11 f. 75. RPC, ii, pp. 320-1. See nos 114, 205.

84. James Cockburn of Choicelee vs. Ninian Spottiswoode of that Ilk, 1574-83.

Concerned a half husbandland in Rawburn in Berwickshire and a previous division of land there.

Laing Chrs, no 1061.

85. George Home of Wedderburn vs. Margaret Ker, his stepmother and widow of David Home of Wedderburn, 1576.

Concerned her terce of Wedderburn's property. She drew up an agreement for 800 merks to be paid to her, but George's signature was noticeably absent from the document. David Home of Godscroft greatly disliked Margaret and portrayed her as an archetypal 'wicked stepmother'.

86. Sir Walter Ker of Cessford vs. Sir Thomas Turnbull of Bedrule and Mungo Bennet of Chesters 1576-9.

Concerned part of the lands of Nether Ancrum, claimed by both sides. These lands had been argued over before (see no 4).

RPC, ii, pp. 522-3, 526-7; iii, pp. 100-01. See no 17.

87. Walter Ker of Littledean vs. the Ainslies of Falla, 1576-80.

William Ainslie had been forfeited and his escheat granted to Ker, his feudal superior. The Ainslies' tenants were reluctant to pay rent to Ker, so he harrassed them. The Privy Council decided in Ker's favour, but ill-feeling persisted and therefore it was not surprising that Ker's grandson was injured by the Ainslies in 1580. Ainslie reclaimed his lands after his pardon in 1581.

GD40/2/9/60  GD40/6/7/15. RPC, ii, pp. 570-1. RMS, iv, 489. RSS, vi, 2742; viii, 379.

88. George Cranston of Corsbie vs. Cuthbert Cranston of Thirlestane Mains, 1577.

Concerned the teinds of Corsbie Mains and Dods. An old deed of the late John Cranston of Corsbie was upheld so the feud ended peacefully.

RPC, ii, pp. 596-7.

89. Andrew Pringle of Galashiels vs. John Pringle of Wrangholm, 1578.

Concerned Smailholm Tower. Andrew tried to evict John from the Tower but failed.

CS7/71 f. 351.

90. George Home of Wedderburn vs. Alexander Home of Manderston, c. 1578.

Concerned the lands of Graden, near Coldstream in Berwickshire, where both Lairds had tenants. According to David Home of Godscroft's account the tenants fought amongst themselves, so he intervened and sent a trouble maker of Manderston's to Regent Morton, who promptly executed him.

Godscroft, De Familia, p. 65.

91. George Nisbet of that Ilk vs. Alexander Home, commendator of Coldingham (Manderston), 1579.

Unspecified property dispute that probably concerned Priory land.
92. The Kers of Littledean (Hirsel) vs. the Homes of Cowdenknowes and Huttonhall, 1579.

Concerned the lands of Coldstream Priory, which were already being contested by these parties. The Kers renewed an old enmity when they questioned the validity of the leases granted by the prioress to the Homes, but they were upheld. According to David Home of Godscroft, (who could exaggerate on occasion), the Kers' resentment was ameliorated by a proposed marriage between Julia Home of Wedderburn and Sir John Ker of Hirsel. George Home of Wedderburn was the principal mediator in this feud and this marriage did take place, but maybe not as a direct result of this feud.

93. The Kers of Littledean vs. the Homes of Manderston.

Similar to no 92. The Kers declared the Homes' charters invalid and demanded compensation, but they failed to prove their case.


Regent Morton had deliberately planted Auchinleck in the Merse, by giving him the ward and marriage of the heiress of Cumledge in 1575, whom he married himself. The Homes were used to dominating the Merse and disliked Morton's interference in their sphere, even though some of them were supporters of Morton outwith the Merse. The Auchinlecks found little support locally and there were several violent attacks against their property. The fact that the Auchinlecks had gained advancement with the forfeiture of the fifth Lord Home caused local resentment amongst those lairds still loyal to Lord Home's family. With the demise of Regent Morton the Auchinlecks lost their central support, yet they survived to be reasonably accepted by the 1590s, as Alexander Home of Huttonhall loaned them money.

95. George Home of Wedderburn vs. James Craw of Gunsgreen, c. 1580.

Both Lairds had built mills on the Eye Water in Berwickshire. As a result of this there was not enough water to supply both mills. Craw relented when Home mustered his men against him. Home had built his mill first, but his strong local support was enough to assure him a victory without any legal proceeding.

Concerned the lands of Prenderguest and Whiterig. The first party won the feud by legal action.

RH15/19/3


Concerned lands at Darnchester where both lairds had lands. Livingston was never a popular landlord as his corns were burned by local people in 1567. This feud was about ploughs. Livingston eventually exchanged his lands here in 1595.

RMS, iii, 2095; vii, 964. RPC, iii, p. 278. HMC, Laing, i, pp. 17-18.

98. David Home of Cranshaws vs. George Home of Wedderburn, c. 1580.

Concerned the lands of Simprim that belonged to Home and the late John Swinton of that Ilk (whose widow had remarried David Home). David Home of Godscroft took the lands by force on behalf of his brother Wedderburn.

Godscroft, De Familia, pp. 75-6.


John Haitlie had infefted his heir George in the lands of Mellerstain, but he died, so he infefted his second son Henry instead. However, his good intentions towards Henry backfired when he too predeceased John leaving his young son John, a minor, as heir to the lands. John junior's wardship was granted to Ker, but John senior strongly opposed this and repossessed the Tower of Mellerstain. Ker went to the privy council who ordered Haitlie to retract and also forfeited the Haitlies of Sneep for assisting him. It would have been easier if John Haitlie senior had been granted the wardship of his grandson, but the privy council refused to consider this.

RD1/20/2/2 f. 89. RPC, iii, pp. 299-300, 547-8, 552. RMS, iii, 2867. RSS, vii, 710, 714; viii, 1759.

100. William Douglas of Lochleven vs. Robert Ker of Ancrum, 1581.

Concerned lands in Longnewton. The result is unclear, but Douglas was an aggressive landlord, (see no 62).

GD150/1428.
101. Sir Thomas Ker of Ferniehirst vs. William Douglas of Bonjedward, 1581.

Concerned lands in Ulston, near Jedburgh that were occupied by Douglas illegally. Ker took legal recourse against him, so he vacated the lands.

GD40/1/201.


Concerned the lands of Netherbyres and Reidhall alias Flemington-Fluris. Logan was trying to evict Patrick Home, (who had married the widow of William Craw of Flemington-Fluris) from these lands. He also accused the Homes of stealing twenty bolls of oats, but they denied this. This was perhaps a small local power struggle as the Homes were commendants of the nearby Coldingham Priory, in which barony Logan held various pockets of land. Patrick was equally unpopular with his stepson George, (see no 80).

RPC, iii, pp. 419-21, 449-50. RMS, iv, 2178; vi, 1163.

103. George Home of Wedderburn vs. Jean Hepburn, his grandmother, widow of Sir George Home of Wedderburn, 1581.

George resented paying his grandmother's terce as well as a terce to his loathed stepmother. Jean had been widowed in 1547, so she must have been quite elderly in 1581. George was severely reprimanded and cautioned for £10,000 Scots not to harm her as well as being banished to the north of Scotland until he could be trusted to return.

RPC, iii, pp. 290-1, 373, 375.


Home had seized the lands of Mordington, which belonged to Douglas. Home had taken advantage of the fact that the Douglasses were out of favour at Court to press his claims to these lands.

CSP Scot, v, no 647.

105. Archibald Auchenleck of Cumledge vs. Lady Home of Wedderburn and the Cockburns of Langton, 1581.

Concerned the lands of Borthwick in the Merse. Cockburn evicted Auchenleck's tenants from the lands. This dispute may have been connected to feud no 94.

RPC, iii, pp. 418-19, 443.

Concerned the teinds of Whitslaid in the parish of Legerwood, claimed by both parties. The feud was settled in 1589 when Lauder paid Cranston 400 merks and promised not to molest him.

RD1/36 f. 18.

107. The Homes of Blackadder vs. the Homes of Wedderburn, 1582-91 and 1599-1601.

Concerned the lands and barony of Hilton in Berwickshire. The feud began with the issue of conflicting land charters that gave both parties the same lands. Their tenants fought and chased each others' ploughs off the lands. A bond of friendship signed by both parties in 1591 temporarily solved the problem as Wedderburn agreed to lease the lands to Blackadder. The old charters remained valid however, so another flare up was inevitable. Wedderburn won outright possession this time, but politely refused to claim damages from Blackadder to prevent further discontent.


Concerned unspecified land belonging to the Abbey.

RPC, iii, pp. 552-3.

109. Alexander, sixth Lord Home vs. the earl of Arran, 1584.

Concerned the teinds of Cockburnspath that had been previously argued over by Home's father and the earl of Angus (see no 54) and were still under contention between Home and the forfeited earl of Angus. Arran claimed Angus's share of these teinds whilst Lord Home claimed all the teinds for himself. They fought openly over this issue and Home was warded. The arbitration of 1586 split the teinds between Home and the restored Angus.

CSP Scot, vii, nos 26, 113, 304, 306.

110. The Homes of Blackadder vs. Thomas Trotter, tenant of Ker of Ancrum, 1584.

Unspecified property dispute.

RPC, iii, p. 669.
111. Robert French of Thornydykes vs. James French, his brother, 1584.

Concerned their mother's will. James was executor and had to seek arbitration to force Robert to pay out the bairn's portions allocated in the will to their brothers and sisters. The amount was £1467-13-4, to be split into eight parts.

CC8/8/13 ff. 366-8  CC8/8/27 ff. 120-1. RD1/44/2 f. 280.

112. The Homes of Wedderburn and William Ker of Ancrum vs. the Homes of Blackadder and Mr Peter Danielston, minister of Duns, 1585.

Concerned the parsonage of Duns which had been leased to a deceased younger son of the Homes of Blackadder, but now belonged to Danielston. The teinds were much sought after by the Blackadder's rivals the Homes of Wedderburn. To add weight to the Blackadder's case the Homes of Manderston (who were rivals of Wedderburn) backed their claim and they won a temporary legal right. However the Homes of Wedderburn obtained a lease from Danielston's son after his death in 1587. The Homes of Manderston then took up the challenge through their younger son John Home of Tinnis (see nos 138, 149, 239).


113. Andrew Ker of Ferniehirst vs. the eighth earl of Angus, 1585-8.

Concerned lands and the cutting of wood in Jedforest. The Kers of Ferniehirst were traditionally the baillies of Jedforest to the earls of Angus, but they continued to hold this office during the Angus forfeitures of the sixteenth century. The Crown may have sanctioned the wood cutting during this earl's forfeiture and he probably objected to it when he was restored to his lands, particularly as Ferniehirst had greatly advanced during his forfeiture, by being a close ally of the earl of Arran.


114. Andrew Ker of Ferniehirst vs. Dame Janet Scott, Lady Ferniehirst and Thomas Ker her son, his stepmother and stepbrother, 1585-95.

Concerned the lands of Oxnam and Crailing. Andrew objected to his stepmother's occupation of these lands. The fact that she was a Scott did not help this argument as the perennial Ker vs. Scott feud had recently flared up again (see no 1). Andrew and his wife had been granted these lands as part of their marriage arrangements, but they were always used for this purpose and quarrels had broken out before about which Lady Ferniehirst held them (see nos 63 and 83). In this instance it transpired that Andrew had been forced to sign a charter giving Crailing to Janet, when he was still a minor. When he reached his majority he challenged this charter in the regality court of St Andrews, but why he chose this particular court is a mystery.

Concerned the lands of Tenandry. Sir George had purchased land here from Redpath, but Brounfield refused to infeft Sir George, possibly because he was a tenant of Lord Home and resented a new landholder.


These lairds normally opposed each other, but they joined forces to dispute the te inds of Longnewton with the commendator. These teinds were particularly contentious in the 1580s and 1590s (see nos 131, 145).

117. The Homes vs. Sir John Edmonston of that Ilk, 1586-91.

Concerned the lands of Blackburn in Berwickshire. The Homes pursued their claim to the lands by stealing cattle and leaving it waste.

118. The Redpaths of that Ilk vs. Triamor Redpath of Crumrig and William Redpath of Greenlaw, 1587.

An unspecified property dispute amongst neighbours. Triamor was to be compensated, but William was fined by the Privy Council.

119. David Edington of That Ilk vs. Elizabeth Edington, his sister, 1587.

This feud revolved around a disputed inheritance. Elizabeth was an impoverished widow so she tried to claim that she was the nearest legitimate heir of the late John Edington of that Ilk and was actually served heir, but David proved that he was the legitimate heir before arbiters appointed to settle their quarrel. David did, however, give her sons some land as compensation.
120. The Brounfields vs. Thomas Cranston of Morriston, 1587.

The Brounfields stole Cranston's cattle on two occasions from the lands of Rumbletonlaw. This feud may be connected to no 81, when the Brounfields were evicted by the Cranstones from these lands.

HMC, Salisbury, iii, p. 246.

121. The Lumsdens of Blanerne vs. Archibald Inglis in Mordington, 1587-99.

Concerned some lands in Mordington. The Lumsdens seem to have held a peculiar grievance against Inglis as they arrested him in 1599 on false pretences and stole his goods whilst he was imprisoned.

RPC, iv, pp. 241, 262, 251; vi, p. 846.

122. Robert Lauder of that Ilk vs. William Lauder, his brother, 1588.

Concerned the lands of Caldshiel in Lauderdale. Robert had given William a nineteen year tack of half of these lands providing he did not trouble the other tenants and only took three dargs (days work) of turf (peat) a year. William may have countermanded these instructions.

RD1/46 f. 48. See no 150.

123. The Cockburns of Choicelee vs. William Methven, minister of Langton, 1588.

Concerned the glebe of Langton. Methven tried to evict Cockburn from the lands, so Cockburn persuaded Mark Ker of Gateshaw and William Ker of Hayhope to harrass Methven.

RPC, iv, pp. 352-3, 522, 717, 724.


Probably concerned the glebelands of Swinton.

RPC, iv, pp. 274, 284; v, p. 653.

125. George Cranston of Corsbie's tenants of Boon vs. Isobel Home, widow of Thomas Cranston of Corsbie, 1588.

The tenants were cautioned not to harm the recently widowed Isobel.

RPC, iv, p. 325.
126. Ferdinando Home of Broomhouse vs. the tenants of the countess of Angus, 1588.

Unspecified property dispute.

RPC, iv, pp. 323, 482.

127. Adam and John Cockburn, younger sons of that Ilk vs. Hercules Stewart, brother of the earl of Bothwell, 1588.

Concerned the lands of Hepburnsquarter in Whitsome. Both parties held land there.

RPC, iv, p. 272.

128. David Home of Ninewells vs. George Douglas of Parkhead, 1589.

Unspecified land dispute in Berwickshire.

RPC, iv, p. 414.

129. Walter and Sir John Ker of Littledean (Hirsel) vs. the Homes of Wedderburn, 1589-1600.

Sir John Ker had married Julia Home of Wedderburn in 1577, but he abandoned her in 1589 for Margaret Whitelaw of that Ilk (who deserted her husband Sir Alexander Hamilton of Innerwick). They divorced soon afterwards, so the Homes demanded the return of Julia's £2000 Scots dowry to support her children. Sir John refused to return this money and promised no help for the wronged Julia. The Homes were furious and mustered their kinsmen's support. Wedderburn, with the support of Lord Home, Home of Eccles, Home of Manderston and Home of Huttonhall went to Spylaw, near the Hirsel, and threatened to take all Ker's cattle in lieu of payment. Ker eventually backed away from an armed conflict, but a few shots were fired according to David Home of Godscroft (Julia's brother), who then occupied the Hirsel in Julia's name. A legal battle followed with Ker repeatedly failing to make payment. The godly Homes of Wedderburn ensured that their wicked former son-in-law was excommunicated for many years, by petitioning the Synod of Teviotdale. It is unclear if a proper settlement was ever made to the unfortunate Julia.


Concerned the teinds of Cumledge in the often contested parish of Duns (see nos 112, 138). Wedderburn claimed that Auchinleck had stolen the
teinds in 1590. Both parties claimed the teinds, but Home had the stronger title. Auchinleck was therefore ordered to pay £400 Scots compensation to Home.


131. Andrew Ker of Newhall vs. William, earl of Morton (formerly Douglas of Lochleven), 1590-98.

Concerned the sensitive teinds of Longnewton (see no 116). Ker was assisted by Sir Robert Ker of Cessford, who was also in dispute with the earl over the same teinds (see no 145). Mr John Knox, minister of Melrose was asked to mediate.


132. David Home of Godscroft vs. the tenants of the sixth Lord Home, 1590.

Concerned the lands of Wester Brockholes in Berwickshire. David held a lease of land here from the earl of Angus, but a third of the land belonged to Coldingham Priory, which Lord Home had an interest in.

RPC, iv, pp. 530-1. See no 48.

133. James Seton of Touch (Greenknowe) vs. the Homes of Carolside, 1590-1.

Concerned a quarter of the lands of Fans. Seton tried to evict John Home from here but he refused to leave. They went before the Privy Council who ordered Seton to pay 3500 merks compensation to the Homes.


Concerned lands in Rawburn, Berwickshire. These lands had been contested by different lairds in 1558 (see no 58).

RPC, iv, pp. 493, 701, 723; v, p. 571.


Concerned the lands of Slegden in the Merse. Pringle was ordered to infeft Home in the lands and pay him £40 rent p.a.

RD1/39 f. 38.

Concerned the mill of Lauder, which the tenants of Windpark were supposed to use. The Lauders had trouble with the same mill in 1586 when the baillies of Lauder refused to use it.

RPC, iv, pp. 62-3, 592, 595.

137. David Renton of Billie, William Home of Prenderguest, John Home of West Reston and William Home of Ayton vs. Sir George Home of Spott, the Homes of Manderston and the Chirnsides of East Nisbet, 1591.

Concerned the common land of Horsley that had recently been leased by Sir George. The first party demanded their rights of common pasture, but in reality this was just a fight between supporters of Bothwell and Lord Home.


Concerned the teinds of Duns, previously contested in 1585 (see no 112). Ayton gathered the teinds by force, whilst Wedderburn resorted to verbal argument. Tinnis had the lease, but Ayton and Wedderburn were substantial landowners in the parish.

RD1/45 f. 142. RPC, iv, pp. 677, 679, 689, 690, 693, 695; v, p. 666.


Concerned the ward and marriage of Patrick Cranston of Corsbie. It had been granted to Home, so the Cranstons were very resentful.

RPC, iv, p. 712.

140. Sir Robert Ker of Cessford vs. the duke of Lennox and Lord Home, 1592.

Concerned the teinds of Sprouston that had been held by the forfeited earl of Bothwell. Lord Home backed Lennox in hope of gaining the teinds, but Cessford wanted no outside interference in his domain and gathered the teinds by force.

CSP Scot, x, nos 730, 749. Moysie, Memoirs, p. 96.

Concerned the teinds of Lauder Kirk, fought over previously (see no 69). The teinds had been leased to Maitland in 1586 by the commendator of Dryburgh, during Lord Home's minority, but Maitland gave them to Home in 1587 in recognition that his father had held them in the 1570s. Maitland however disliked Home having property so near his domain of Thirlestane, so they eventually agreed a sale of the teinds back to Maitland for 6000 merks and ten chalders of victual p.a. This was a purely local power struggle that would have continued had Home not been so financially embarrassed at the time. James VI refused to intervene, to avoid partiality to either side.


142. Sir Robert Ker of Cessford vs. the earl of Bothwell, 1593.
Ker had been granted the lands of Kelso Abbey after Bothwell's forfeiture in 1592. Bothwell had a short-lived return to favour during 1593 when he demanded his lands back. Ker would have been naturally reticent to return such a lucrative monastic property.

CSP Scot, xi, no 186.

143. Lancelot Ker of Gateshaw and George Ker of Little Newton vs. Elizabeth Cranston, widow of Lancie Ker of Little Newton, 1593-5.
Concerned some unspecified property of Elizabeth's late husband.

RPC, v, pp. 586, 588, 650.

144. Thomas MacDougal of Makerstoun vs. Margaret Cairncross, his aunt and widow of William MacDougal (who remarried Mr William Hart, advocate), 1594.
Concerned a wadset given to Margaret of lands in the barony of Broxfield. Thomas's tenants objected to paying her.

RD1/44/2 f. 287.  RPC, v, p. 148.

Concerned the teinds of the consistently disputed Longnewton (see no 131).

146. The children of William Pringle of Torwoodlee vs. David Renton of Billie, 1596.
The children had to sue Renton for the rental of their late mother's lands. Their mother had remarried John Renton, David's father. Her
marriage contract had specified a rental of lands in East Lothian, but this had never been paid by a resentful stepson. The amount was now 6700 merks. Renton was forced to pay by the Lords in Council, so he agreed a wadset with the Pringles.

GD267/27/18  GD267/27/77. RD1/28 ff. 175, 392  RD1/33 f. 82. HMC, Milne-Home, no 396.

147. James Pringle of Galashiels vs. Mary Borthwick his mother, 1597.

Probably concerned property as she had been married twice and maybe connected to feud no 23.

RPC, v, pp. 681-2. See chapter one appendix (Pringle of Galashiels).

148. Philip Nisbet of that ilk vs. Robert Nisbet, his brother, 1597.

Robert attacked two of Philip's servants at Nisbethill and 'loosed the plough', which was a provocative indication that he had a claim to the land.

RPC, v, p. 395.


Concerned the teinds of Crumiecruke in Duns parish. George was a descendant of the Homes of Wedderburn who had contested the teinds in 1591 (see no 138). John claimed that George had not paid the teinds from 1592-4, perhaps in support of his kinsman.

RPC, vi, p. 58.

150. Robert Lauder of that Ilk's widow vs. William Lauder in Caldshiel, her brother-in-law, 1598.

They argued over the wardship of Robert Lauder of that Ilk and possession of the Tower of Lauder.

RPC, v, pp. 487, 691, 704. See no 122.


Concerned a division of the lands of Blackadder in Berwickshire, which had originally been divided between two heiresses in 1541. David had no male heirs, so he sold out to John after arbitration.

GD16/37/54  GD362/36/7/2  GD362/36/3.
152. Sir Walter Scott of Buccleuch vs. George Home of Wedderburn, 1598-1601.

Concerned the lands of Whitsome in Berwickshire. Buccleuch was feudal superior of these lands after the forfeiture of the earl of Bothwell. Wedderburn bought the whole town from Patrick Hepburn of Whitsome, but refused to pay Buccleuch's demand for a £1000 Scots alienation fee. A protracted legal battle followed.

GD267/31/22. HMC, Milne-Home, no 130.


The Kers destroyed Haig's newly built pew in Mertoun parish church, probably as a result of a localized feud over prominence within the kirk, where both lairds would have gone to worship.

RPC, v, pp. 534, 715. CSP Scot, xiii, pt 1, no 299.

154. John Haliburton of Mertoun vs. Margaret Grieve, his stepmother, 1601.

Presumably a property dispute as John's father Henry Haliburton had recently died.

SC62/2/1 (21 July 1601). RPC, vi, p. 693.


Concerned the lands of Ewingston, that belonged to Ker's widowed mother.

RPC, vi, p. 676.

156. Mr James Home of Hilton vs. David Home of Rollandstoun and the Cranstons of Corsbie, 1601-02.

Concerned the bairns portions of Mr James' late wife Isobel Home, a daughter of Wedderburn, sister of David and widow of Thomas Cranston of Corsbie. Mr James was reluctant to disperse the money.

GD158/334 GD158/427.


The Rutherfords attacked Laidlaw's servants as they were trying to sow grain and threw it into the Jedwater. They also burned his house on a separate occasion because he was allied to the earl of Angus, with whom
the Rutherfords were having a temporary disagreement.

RPC, vi, pp. 331-2, 765.


This feud was caused by conflicting rights to Mertoun Loch. Haliburton had eel nets on the loch, but Home built a mill nearby which was threatening the water level of the loch. The situation led to Home's brother-in-law John Sinclair attacking Haliburton. It was settled by arbiters.

GD157/300 GD157/301.

159. Robert Ker, Lord Roxburgh (formerly of Cessford) vs. the tenants of Lessuden (St Boswells), 1602.

Unspecified property dispute, but probably concerned land belonging to Melrose Abbey.

RPC, vi, p. 733.

iv. PROPERTY DISPUTES - ENGLAND

160. Edmund Lawson and Margery Swinhoe, his wife vs. Alexander Shaftoe, 1541.

Concerned a messuage in Scremerston that was part of Margery's inheritance.


Concerned the lands of Outchester near Bamburgh, which Sir Thomas Gray alleged Horsley held of his ward. However the case was thrown out of the Court of Wards and Liveries when Horsley showed a deed of release from Ralph Gray.

ADM75/1012 (18 November 3 Eliz).


Concerned the tithes of Bamburgh. Forster claimed that Horsley, as
captain of Bamburgh Castle, had failed to maintain cultivation of the surrounding lands owing to the intensity of Scottish raiding. Therefore Forster could not gather the tithes he held of these lands. The case was heard at York, perhaps because the tithes originally belonged to Nostell Priory in Yorkshire or possibly only to cause Horsley annoyance with the expense of travelling to York. Forster really wanted the captaincy of Bamburgh Castle for himself and was thus anxious to prove Horsley inefficient in the office.

SC6/Hen VIII/4579 m. 8. BIHR CP/G620.


Forster had recently purchased and taken up residence at Alnwick Abbey. He decided to seize the nearby mill as well, although it was leased to Ellerker. The same mill was later contested between Forster and the earl of Northumberland (see no 243). Forster clearly felt entitled to the mill, as it was located so near to his property.

SYON MS NII/6/1. HMC, Talbot, p. 22.

164. The Swinhoes, Forsters and Holburns vs. the Muschamps, Grays and Collingwoods, 1560.

This feud seemed to centre on a property dispute between Rowland Forster of Lucker and George Muschamp of Barmoor, but they pulled in the support of their local allies to enliven the feud. Gilbert Swinhoe of Cornhill had died in 1560 leaving his grandson as heir. Both Rowland Forster and George Muschamp claimed these lands during Swinhoe's minority. The feud was settled with a payment of money by the Muschamps to Forster.

SP59/3 ff. 221-6. CSP For, 1560-1, nos 570, 612, 735; 1562, no 289.


Concerned the tithes of Longhoughton.

SP59/6 f. 87.


Concerned the tithes of Fenham, in the parish of Holy Island. Muschamp held the lease of a deceased Thomas Sparke from the Dean and Chapter of Durham, but Haggerston had acquired a crown lease of the tithes. This was a typical example of the post-Reformation confusion of old monastic leases conflicting with new crown charters (see also no 181). The case was heard at length at the consistory court of Durham and also at the Court of the Exchequer in London.
167. The seventh earl of Northumberland vs. Robert Roddam of Roddam, 1566.

A house at Little Houghton had been demolished by Roddam without the earl's permission (the house was in the barony of Alnwick). The earl took his complaint to the Court of Star Chamber, as he could not settle the matter locally, owing to the strength of gentry opposition to him.

STAC5 N10/26.

168. John Horsley of Outchester vs. Oswald Horsley, his brother, 1566.

Concerned a messuage of Outchester owed to Oswald as part of a debt payment. Arbiters ended their quarrel by awarding in favour of Oswald.

ADM75/101 (21 March 1566).

169. Roger Rutherford and his brothers vs. John Rutherford of Middleton Hall, their uncle, 1567.

John Rutherford had successfully claimed that he was the legitimate heir to Middleton Hall, owing to Roger's bastardy. Roger rejected this and violently attacked his uncle, but he lost his case against John and had to pay costs.

NRO Delaval MS/Waterford Chrns, no 97. NCH, xiv, p. 295.

170. Ralph Gray of Chillingham vs. the heiresses of Sir Thomas Gray of Horton, his aunts, 1570-1.

Sir Thomas Gray of Horton had six daughters, but no male heirs. He therefore made Sir Ralph Gray of Chillingham his heir when he married his eldest daughter Isobel, but Sir Ralph predeceased him in 1564. Sir Thomas then decided in favour of his grandson Ralph, the second son of Sir Ralph and Isobel and he inherited in 1570 when Sir Thomas died. Isobel's five sisters and their husbands were naturally incensed by this action and challenged Ralph's entitlement to their father's substantial estates. Ralph, although he was a minor, hastily claimed possession of the estates in anticipation of his aunts' wrath. The Court of Chancery verified Ralph's legal right to the estates and Sir John Forster was then ordered to infeft Ralph in these lands by Sir William Cecil.

171. Sir John Selby of Twizel vs. the Strothers of Kirknewton, 1570-81.

The families of Selby and Strother were linked by marriage, but this feud was about the mortgaging and exchanging of lands. Selby gradually acquired the lands of Moneylaws in Norhamshire by non-payment of mortgage by the Strothers, who had not intended this to happen. Selby recompensed the Strothers by mortgaging the lands of Branxton to them, but they must have run into financial trouble for in 1579 the Strothers mortgaged all their lands to Selby.


172. Sir John Forster vs. Thomas Bates of Morpeth, 1573.

When Bates was being held in the Tower of London for his part in the Northern Rebellion, Forster took possession of his lands at Warkworth and Morpeth. Forster was probably anticipating a crown grant of these lands as Bates had been a steward to the rebel earl of Northumberland, but Bates was pardoned and returned to his lands. Forster was naturally reticent about returning them.

REQ2/178/25. Watts, From Border To Middle Shire, p. 57.


Concerned coal pits dug by Ord's tenants on Morton's lands. A survey of their lands was ordered to settle the dispute.

BRO Cl/l f. 78. Raine, ND, p. 254.

174. Janet Collingwood, widow of Ralph Collingwood of Titlington vs. Thomas Collingwood of Titlington, her brother-in-law, c. 1574.

Thomas tried to claim a 20 shilling lease of Rugley as a legacy from his late brother's estate, but Janet wanted this bequest to go to her sons Ralph and Roger. The will was questioned, but witnesses appearing at the consistory court at Durham verified the testament.


175. The earl of Northumberland vs. Sir Cuthbert Collingwood of Eslington, 1578.

Concerned the lease of a mill at Alnwick. Collingwood was a former adherent of the Percies, but he challenged them directly over this relatively small issue. Collingwood won and was paid £75-10-0 in arrears by the earl, who grudgingly re-employed him as constable of Alnwick afterwards.

Concerned the tithes of Eglingham, which were claimed by both parties. Both tried to gather the tithes by force and they clashed in the fields of Branton and Brandon.

STAC5 04/39 STAC5 08/6.

177. William Ilderton of London vs. Sir Thomas Gray of Chillingham, 1580.

Gray was an executor of Thomas Ilderton of Ilderton and therefore managed to acquire the title deeds of Ilderton. As Ilderton died without direct male heirs Gray attempted to gain immediate possession of Ilderton for his brother Henry, (Gray was already superior of the lands). William was the true heir to Ilderton so he had to go to the Court of Requests to reclaim his inheritance.

C142/186/47. REQ2/226/3.


Concerned a messuage in Burton. Both gentlemen claimed title of the land, Selby by lease and Ogle by tenant-right.

DL1/113/S15a.

179. Robert Lisle of Felton vs. Lancelot Lisle of Acton, his uncle, c. 1580.

Concerned a messuage called Elyhaugh, leased to Thomas Lisle at £2 p.a.

C3/244/42. WARD9/442.


This was a very complicated tithe dispute, concerning Chatton parish. The case was heard by the Council of the North, but the only evidence extant comes from a hearing at the Court of the Exchequer. The Reveleys had held a lease of the tithes in 1569, but had subsequently mortgaged them to Bradford. Two sudden Reveley deaths made the inheritance of the lease very confused, hence the dispute.

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Concerned the tithes of Holburn that had been granted to Holburn's father before the dissolution of the monasteries, by the prior of Holy Island. Holburn had continued in possession of the tithes afterwards, paying rent to the crown instead of the prior. The crown regranted the tithes to Reed without informing Holburn, so an argument ensued.


182. The Selbies vs. the Forsters, 1586.

Concerned the tithes of Middleton Hall, which were claimed by both sides and gathered by violent means. The case went before the Court of Star Chamber, but this was just a tactical manoeuvre by the Selbies to involve Forster in a costly journey to London, as they were claiming a mere 13s 4d compensation. William Selby held the lease of the tithes, but Forster had recently purchased the lands. The feud was really a side issue of an intense political rivalry between the two families for local domination.


183. Thomas Forster, younger of Adderstone vs. the Queen's tenant of Budle tithes, 1586.

Forster had gathered the tithes by force and was summoned to explain his behaviour.

E178/7353.


Concerned lands in Downham and West Lilburn. Luke evicted Katherine's tenants, but she had title deeds to these lands.

REQ2/93/28.

185. The earl of Northumberland vs. Ralph Gray of Chillingham, 1590-2.

Concerned financial matters and the wardship of Thomas Weetwood of Weetwood. Both parties claimed the wardship, but Gray succeeded in proving his right to it as feudal superior of Weetwood. The lands of Weetwood would appear to have been in both the baronies of Alnwick and Wooler, so Gray recorded quite a triumph over the earl in proving his
right as superior. The earl also lost all his other claims against Gray.

SYON MS EIV/6/a  EIV/3/h. CHL CAS DOCS, no 4.

186. Thomas Ord of West Ord and his wife Elizabeth Forster vs. Sir John Forster, her uncle, 1591.

Concerned the tithes of Learmouth, Warkworth, Mindrum and Carham (part of the rectory of Carham), which had been forcibly taken by Henry Collingwood on Forster's behalf. The dispute arose because the tithes had been held by Elizabeth's father Rowland Forster of Lucker, but they had been regranted to Sir John.

E134/33/Eliz/EASTER 27.

187. Thomas Ord of West Ord and Ralph Gray of Chillingham vs. Matthew Forster of Adderstone, 1591.

Concerned the tithes of Tuggal and Swinhoe. The lease was held by Ord, yet the tithes were gathered by Forster. The leases was subsequently regranted to Forster as a result of the dispute.


188. The Strothers of Kirknewton vs. the Fowberries of Fowberry, 1591.

Roger Fowberry had mortgaged Fowberry from 1583 onwards to the Strothers, on extremely favourable terms to the Strothers and against the advice of his friends. He tried to renegue their agreement in Court for its severity and tried to claim the Strothers had not kept their part of the bargain, but this action was doomed to failure. As Roger could not repay the Strothers he lost his ancestral lands to them.

REQ2/270/67  REQ2/64/70. SP15/28/95 v. Laing Chrs, no 1183.

189. Sir William Reed of Holy Island vs. Thomas Swinhoe of Cornhill, 1592.

Concerned lands called the prior's lands on Holy Island that were part of a marriage settlement between the two parties (Swinhoe's daughter having married Reed's daughter Mary). The lands were originally leased to Swinhoe, but he had mortgaged them to Reed. Hoping for friendly oversight Swinhoe continued to farm the lands, but Reed wanted possession and Swinhoe resisted his attempts with force.

STAC5 R32/38  STAC5 R10/20  STAC5 R21/20  STAC5 R18/34. DPRW 1604.

190. Sir William Reed vs. George Muschamp of Barmoor, 1593.
Concerned the tithes of Barmoor and Bowsden that had been granted to Muschamp's family for many years. Reed persistently tried to prove his right to the tithes at the consistory court of Durham and at the Queen's Bench in London. Muschamp appealed directly to the privy council to stop Reed's aggression.

D & Ch Reg, 3c, f. 39; 5e, f. 211. APC, xxiv, pp. 353-4.

191. Ralph Gray of Chillingham vs. Sir John Forster, 1594.

Gray held the lands of Elwick on lease, until they were bought by Forster, much to Gray's annoyance. However Gray had a chance to anger Forster when he acquired a crown lease of the tithes of Ross, Newstead, Easington, Middleton-by-the-Sea, Newham and Outchester, which Forster knew he had on lease from the crown for another twelve years. This confusion of tithe grants led to the appointment of arbiters to settle the dispute.

C66/1238 m. 6-7. CHL CAS DOCS, no 5. CSPDom Add, 1580-1625, pp. 367-8.


Concerned a 1514 deed of entail of Ord, Newbiggin and Burradon in Norhamshire that Bartharam claimed as heir male. Anderson's grandmother was Bartharam's great-aunt, but the claim proved to be invalid.


Concerned unspecified lands in Islandshire.

DDR iii, 5 (unfoliated).

194. Margaret Ord vs. George and Henry Ord of Longridge, 1599.

George and Henry were executors of Margaret's father and she felt that they were not honouring her property bequests.

DDR iii, 5 (unfoliated).


Reveley claimed the lands of Emmothills in Islandshire, which belonged to Selby. Reveley took the lands by force, digging ditches and expelling Selby's bailiff. Selby retaliated by entering Reveley's property of Allerden.
196. Ralph Gray of Chillingham vs. Thomas Ogle, 1601-02.

Concerned the title to the tithes of East Lilburn, Bassington, Titlington, West Lilburn, Old Bewick, Warton, Hedgeley, New Bewick, Harehope, Eglingham and Crawley. Ralph had bought Sir Henry Widdrington's half share of the tithe corn of East Lilburn and Harehope, but he anticipated trouble in gathering this grain and therefore took forty armed men with him to do so. Ogle held a crown grant of the other half of these tithes and he gathered them by force as well, much to Gray's apparent annoyance. They were probably helping themselves to more than their allotted share of the tithes. Gray went to the Court of Star Chamber and won his case, forcing Ogle (now deceased) to pay him £200 damages. Gray therefore had to claim this from Ogle's executor, John Horsley of Screnwood.

v. MISCELLANEOUS FEUDS - SCOTLAND

197. The Kers of Cessford vs. the Kers of Ferniehirst, 1540-1603.

This was a traditional rivalry that flared up with every generation. The Kers had mutual ancestors, but they were very competitive from an early stage and often had violent encounters (see nos 4, 17). There were temporary truces when they combined forces to oppose mutual enemies, such as the Scotts (see no 1), but at the end of a pacification of this particular feud it was significant that the two Kers took burden for their separate kinsmen instead of signing the bond as one. There was rarely any consistency of friendship or hatred in this feud. In the 1560s relative harmony persisted but by the 1570s they were opposing each other and had an equally acrimonious relationship in the 1580s. In 1582 Cessford claimed to be the chief spokesman for the surname of Ker (see no 12), but Ferniehirst utterly denied this. In fact their quarrelling led to the unusual decision to exempt Ferniehirst from Cessford's jurisdiction as warden of the Scottish Middle March, in 1584. The same situation occurred after the murder of Ker of Ancrum in 1590 by Sir Robert Ker of Ancrum (see no 17). The feud persisted into the early seventeenth century with their rivalry as intense as ever. In 1602 James VI personally intervened to try and end the feud.

Haitlie was ordered to pay Linlithgow 400 merks as compensation for raiding Drygrange in 1545. As the Haitlies had persistent financial troubles payment was delayed.


199. Alexander, fifth Lord Home vs the fourth earl of Bothwell, 1560s.

This began as a territorial rivalry, but Bothwell's marriage to Mary, Queen of Scots made Home very envious. Their mutual hatred was handed down to the next generation (see no 209).


200. Alexander, fifth Lord Home vs. the Homes of Blackadder, 1560s.

Unknown cause.

Godscroft, De Familia, p. 52.

201. Nicol Rutherford of Hundalee vs. the burgesses of Jedburgh, 1565.

Concerned the office of provost of Jedburgh. The Rutherfords of Hundalee normally expected to nominate a candidate of their choosing, (usually a kinsman). Both parties went to the privy council, but the Rutherfords won. The office of provost was the cause of later feuds (see nos 2, 207), but these parties were confusingly allies in these other feuds.

RPC, i, pp. 406-07.

202. David Home of Wedderburn vs. George Nisbet of that Ilk, 1568.

Home attacked Nisbet at Mungo's Walls in Berwickshire for an unknown reason.

RPC, i, pp. 631-2.

203. The Homes of Manderston vs. the Homes of Wedderburn, 1570-1602.

These Home lairds enjoyed a great ascendancy with the downfall of the fifth Lord Home in the 1570s. There was therefore a great amount of rivalry between the lairds both locally and nationally. David Home of Godscroft insists that the Manderston branch were the most aggressive social climbers, but as he was a younger son of Wedderburn his account is
rather biased. The feud was finally pacified with a marriage between the two houses in 1602.


Andrew had been hurt by Robert. Robert was therefore ordered to stay at least five miles away from Galashiels. This feud possibly concerned Andrew's wife, Marie Borthwick, for she remarried Robert when a widow in 1586. (See also nos 23, 147).

RD1/12 f. 145  RD1/13 f. 189.

205. Dame Margaret Ker, Lady Wedderburn vs. Jean Hepburn, old Lady Wedderburn, 1580.

Both ladies were widows and they quarrelled over certain jewels, gold and silver. Jean had to pay Margaret 100 merks to stop legal proceedings.

HMC, Milne-Home, no 104. See no 83 (a similar dispute).


Unknown cause. The Redpaths would quarrel over lands in 1587 (see no 118).

CS7/57 f. 526. RPC, iii, pp. 310, 317, 445-6, 532.

207. The Rutherfords vs. the Kers of Ferniehirst, 1571-2 and 1581-2.

Normally these lairds were allies, but political differences led to discord between Ferniehirst and the forfeited earl of Angus (see no 113), to whom the Rutherfords were bound in manrent. In the 1570s the trouble was due to Ferniehirst being a Marian and in 1581 the two sides unusually contested the office of provost of Jedburgh, but Ferniehirst won owing to the support of the regent Lennox. In typical Border fashion they later joined forces to expugn Cessford's claim to the office in 1590, (see nos 2, 201).

GD40/2/9/7  GD40/2/9/62  GD40/2/9/63  GD40/2/10/42. CSP For, 1569-71, no 1917; 1572-4, no 117. CSP Scot, iii, no 865. See chapter one pp. 82-83.


Home attacked Newton for an unknown reason.

RPC, iii, p. 560.
209. Alexander, sixth Lord Home vs. Francis Stewart, fifth earl of Bothwell, 1580s-1594.

This was a fragmentary feud that persisted in an on and off fashion for many years between two territorial rivals. There were political undercurrents involved in this feud as Maitland of Thirlestane, the Chancellor exploited it for his own purposes. However when Home and Bothwell realised this they turned on Maitland. Home only stopped supporting Bothwell when he realized the financial bonuses involved in returning to the Maitland camp. This sparked off their feud anew, but Home eventually triumphed over Bothwell with his predominance at Court. Their feud would have continued if Bothwell had not been exiled in 1593.


210. James Heriot of Trabrown vs. the Lauders of Halton and Whitslaid, David Sinclair of Blainslie and John Pringle of Muirhouse, 1584.

Unidentified feud in Lauderdale.

RPC, iii, p. 630.

211. Gilbert Lauder of Whitslaid and David Sinclair of Blainslie vs. James Heriot of Trabrown, 1584.

Probably part of feud no 210, although the parties have changed slightly.

RPC, iii, p. 701.


The cause of this feud between neighbours is unknown.

RPC, iv, pp. 228, 230, 694. Chambers, Domestic Annals, i, p. 267.

213. John Home of Crossrig vs. Peter Chirnside, a younger son of East Nisbet, 1587.

Home and his brother's cut the tails off two of Chirnside's horses and killed an ox. This may have been part of a property dispute, but there may well have been other causes for the Homes' spiteful behaviour.

RPC, iv, pp. 190-1, 200.

The cause is unrecorded.

**RPC, iv, pp. 240, 344, 431.**

**215.** The Homes of Ayton and Prenderguest vs. John Home of West Reston and the Craws, 1589.

Normally these lairds were all allies of Bothwell, so the reason for this feud is obscure.

**RPC, iv, pp. 395, 396, 399, 404.**

**216.** Andrew Ker of Linton vs. Thomas Ker of Mersington, 1590.

Unknown cause.

**RPC, iv, p. 527.**

**217.** Henry Haliburton of Mertoun vs. Ralph Erskine of Shielfield, 1590-1.

Unknown cause.

**RPC, iv, pp. 561, 567.**

**218.** Patrick Home of Renton and Gilbert Ellem of Renton vs. William Home of Ayton, 1591.

Unknown cause.

**RPC, iv, pp. 554, 563.**

**219.** The Dicksons of Herdrig, Newton and Fairnyrig vs. Thomas MacDougal of Stodrig, 1591.

Unknown cause, but probably connected to Dickson of Herdrig's having been a ward of MacDougal.

**RPC, iv, p. 676. RSS, v, 540.**

**220.** James MacDougal of Manorhill vs. Thomas MacDougal of Makerstoun, his brother, 1592.

The brothers may have been quarrelling over property, but the cause remains obscure.

**RPC, iv, p. 756.**
221. The Homes of Crossrig, Lawfield and Whiterig vs. Beatrix Home, daughter of the late Sir David Home of Fishwick, 1593.

Unknown cause.

_RPC, v, pp. 584-5.


Possibly a tenant dispute.

_RPC, v, p. 592.

223. Thomas Ker of Mersington vs. Thomas Ker of Dalcove, 1594.

Possibly a land dispute as Ker of Mersington had been the guardian of Thomas Ker and the families had been in conflict over ward's lands in the past.

_CC8/8/28 ff. 4-5. GD239/2/1/8. RMS, iii, 1364. RSS, viii, 534, 2673.


Spottiswoode was summoned by the privy council for his involvement in deadly feuds, but he was only recorded as being involved in one Border feud (see no 18), so the others are a mystery.

_RPC, v, p. 622.


Dickson owed £120 Scots to Edgar under caution.

_CC8/8/41 ff. 93-4.

226. Sir Robert Ker of Cessford vs. Sir John Ker of Hirsel, 1595.

There was a legal dispute between them. They brawled in public and were warned.

_CSP Scot, xi, no 448.


Unknown cause.

_RPC, v, p. 667.

William was cautioned not to harm James' tenants at Whiterig, where they both held lands. There had been a dispute over these lands in 1580 (see no 96).

RPC, v, pp. 685-6.


Unknown cause. They were distantly related as William was a son of James Pringle of Whytbank.

RPC, v, pp. 496, 709. See chapter one appendix.

230. Andrew Ker of Newhall vs. Lady Ker of Ferniehirst, 1598.

Andrew sued Lady Ferniehirst for three bolls bear at Jedburgh Sheriff Court.

SC62/2/1.

231. A son of Rutherford of Hunthill vs. a Ker, 1599.

Unknown cause.

CSP Scot, xiii, pt 1, no 329.

232. William Lauder of Whitslaid vs. Elizabeth Lauder, his mother and Thomas his brother, 1599.

Unknown cause, possibly concerned property.

RPC, vi, pp. 633, 634, 852.


Unknown cause.

RPC, vi, pp. 618, 632.

234. Hew Nisbet of Roishill vs. William Jaffray in Ramrig, a servant of Home of Wedderburn, 1601.
235. The Lauders of Whitslaid vs. Charles Cairncross of Birksneep, 1601.
Unknown cause.
RPC, vi, pp. 690-1.

236. The Youngs vs. the Rutherfords, 1601.
They decided to aggravate differences between themselves by letting off pistols at a horse race in Teviotdale. No specific individuals are recorded.
RPC, vi, pp. 259, 689. CSP Scot, xiii, pt 2, no 668.

Unknown cause.
RPC, vi, p. 262.

238. Sir John Ker of Hirsel vs. various Kers in Morebattle, 1602.
The Kers had stolen sheep from Sir John and this quickly developed into a feud.
RPC, vi, p. 387.

Possibly concerned a renewal of the teinds of Duns (see no 138).
RPC, vi, pp. 779-80.

vi. MISCELLANEOUS FEUDS - ENGLAND

240. Sir Thomas Gray of Horton vs. Sir John Forster, pre 1560.
Concerned the remarriage of Forster's mother to Sir Thomas in 1529. The marriage had obviously caused ill-feeling between the offspring of the two families. However that it was still contentious in the 1550s is due to Rowland Forster of Lucker's interfering.

CSP For, 1560-1, no 735; 1562, no 289.

241. Roger Widdrington of the Friars vs. the Horsleys, pre 1560.
This feud seems to have been caused by a servant of Widdrington's, exactly how is unrecorded.
CSP For, 1560-61, no 735.

242. The Reveleys vs. the Swinhoes, 1560.
Described as only a 'brabbling variance'.
CSP For, 1560-1, no 735.

243. Sir John Forster vs. the earls of Northumberland, c.1560-1602.
This was an intense political battle that lasted until Forster's death in 1602. The numerous quarrels centred on property claims, alleged theft and obstructive legal tactics. During the 1560s Forster cut the earl's timber probably in greater quantity than he had entitlement and quarried the earl's stone, although the lease of the quarry was to Forster's brother Thomas. The plundering of the rebel earl's castles of Alnwick and Warkworth after the 1569 Rebellion by Forster went unchecked. There were several violent incidents between Forster's men and the servants of the earl, including the theft of the earl's cattle from Hulne Park in 1574 and violent clashes in 1568 and 1581. They also had several boundary disputes throughout this period and the earl was once put to the expense of going to Star Chamber to retrieve a small debt of £16-5s from Forster.

244. Ralph Swinhoe vs. ? 1566.
Swinhoe is accused of murder, but the victim is unnamed.
CSP For, 1566-68, no 2524.

Concerned the payment of £51.

DDR iii, 3, f. 111.

246. Sir Cuthbert Collingwood vs. Sir John Forster, 1580s - 1597.

This was a political rivalry that usually ended up in a war of words, rather than in physical violence, but Forster still lost his office of warden of the English Middle March during 1587-8 because of Collingwood's accusations. The feud only ended with the death of Collingwood in 1596.

CBP, i, no 556, 646; ii, no 111. CSPDom Add, 1580-1625, p. 268. HMC, Salisbury, iii, pp. 290-1; v, p. 477. See chapter two pp. 190-99.

247. Sir Cuthbert Collingwood of Eslington vs. Edward Colston, vicar of Chatton, 1580.

Concerned the payment of £51, possibly connected to no 245.

DDR iii, 4 (unfoliated).

248. Phillis Forster, widow of John Forster of Newham vs. Richard Forster of Tughall, 1581.

Richard was the guardian of her children, but she successfully challenged this in the consistory court at Durham in 1582.


249. Clement Strother vs. William Wallis of Akeld, 1584.

Concerned a debt of £40.

DDR iii, 4 (unfoliated).


Concerned a marriage contract that had not been fulfilled between the two parties, despite a £50 payment to Collingwood. Ord could not get his money back so he resorted to the Court of Requests.

REQ2/162/119.


Clavering had not been paid his salary of £160-6-8 by Norton for being his deputy keeper at Norham Castle.

The origins of these feuds are unknown.

CBP, ii, no 815.

253. Thomas Gray of Kyloe vs. Ralph Gray of Chillingham, c. 1600.

Unspecified feud taken to the Council of the North.

CHL CAS DOCS, no 21.

vii. CROSS-BORDER FEUDS

254. The Kers of Ferniehirst vs. Sir John Forster, 1586.

Caused by the death of Lord Russell, Forster's son-in-law, who was murdered by Ker's allies in 1585.


255. The Burns of Teviotdale vs. the Collingwoods of Northumberland, 1586-8.

In June 1586 Sir Cuthbert Collingwood of Eslington openly challenged the Burns to a parley and they accepted. The fight did not take place as James VI specifically forbade the Burns to fight and Sir John Selby warned Collingwood likewise (though he actually turned up at the meeting point to find no opposition). A spirit of revenge persisted between the two parties for in 1587 Collingwood led a disastrous hot-trod into Teviotdale, that resulted in a serious skirmish and in 1588 his sons attacked the Burns. When Collingwood's political enemy, Sir John Forster threatened to deliver his sons to the opposite Warden, for Border justice, the feud died down.

APC, xxiv, pp. 53-4. CBP, i, nos 571, 646; ii, no 373. RPC, iv, p. 81. CSP Scot, viii, nos 452, 459, 460-1, 465, 512; ix, no 476. HMC, Salisbury, xiii, pp. 353-7.

256. Sir Robert Ker of Cessford vs. the Stories of the English East March, 1595.
The Stories had killed a shepherd of Ker's during a hot-trod and although he had been a notorious thief Ker promised to avenge his murder. The Stories were incomers to the March (see no 26) and this feud if more typical of the cross-border feuds found further west in the Borders. It is unclear if Ker ever caught up with the culprits.

CBP, ii, nos 77, 80.

257. Sir Robert Ker of Cessford vs. the Selbies, 1596.

The Selbies were strongly represented in the Berwick garrison, whose soldiers were actively pursuing Ker's reiving associates in the English East March.

CBP, ii, no 431.
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