

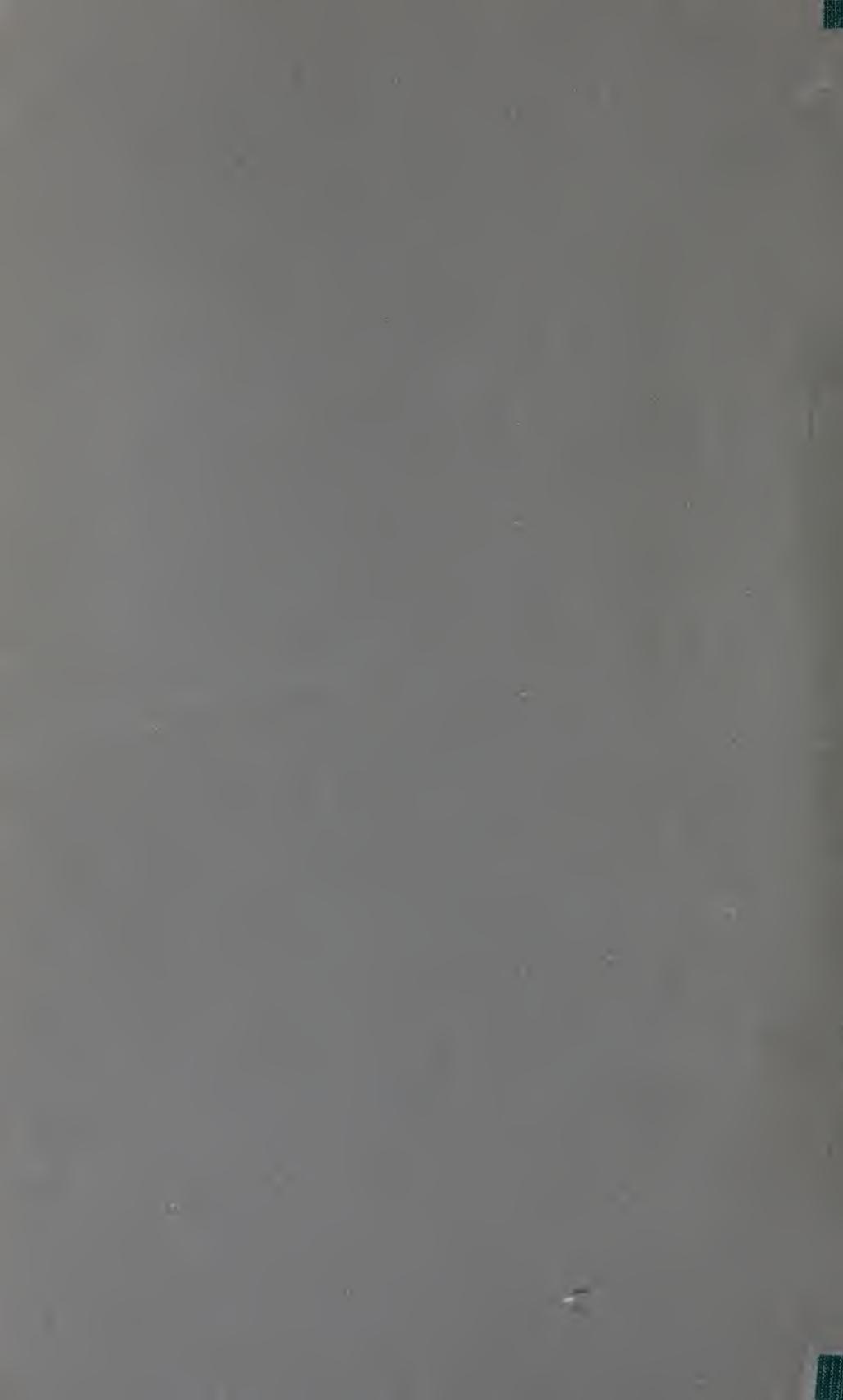
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(in some old Writs called HUNTERS OF THAT ILK).

THE earliest papers referring to the HUNTERS are in public records, extracts from some of which are here given. The name is spelt HUNTER, HWNTAR, HUNTARE, or more usually HUNTAR.

HUNTERSTON is usually spelt HUNTARSTOUN, but also HWNTERISTOUN, HWNTARISTOUNE, and other variants.

ARNELE and CAMPBELLTON have been in the possession of the family since early days. ARNELE is spelt ARDNEIL, ARNELL, ARNELE-HUNTER, ARNELE-HUNTARS-TOUN. CAMPBELLTON is usually spelt CAMPBELTOUN, and in some cases CAMPBELTONE, and other variants.

J.—AYLMER LE HUNTER.

Excerpt from Ragman Roll 1296.

August 28, 1296, Berwick-on-Tweed :

Roger de Crauford.
Huwe of the Blare.
Renaud de Crauford (Trauford).
Robert de Boyville.
William fiz Lorence.
Aleyn le Flemynge.
William Bule.
AYLMER LE HUNTER.
Thomas Galfagy.
Adam de Hom.
Rauf de Eglyntone.
Roger de Rathe.
Alisaundre de la Butelerie.
Thomas de Cregeyn.

Neel fitz Robert de Dunlop (Dullope).
 Robert de Pictone.
 Adam de la More.
 Aleyn le Barbur.
 Gilmor fitz Edward.
 Rauf Faireye.
 William de Crauford (Craunford).
 Wautier de Lynne.
 Thomas de Wyntone.
 James de Ros.
 John vicaire del eglise de Garvan.
 Murchauche de Montgomery.
 del counte de Are.

II.—The earliest Deed (1374) now remaining in the Hunterston Charter Chest concerns WILLIAM HUNTER and is in excellent preservation, viz. :—

1. (1374.) *Acquisition of Arnell.*

Charter by King Robert the Second to WILLIAM HUNTER, for faithful services rendered to him, of the lands of ARNELL, to be held by the said William Hunter and the heirs-male of his body of the Crown for payment of one penny of silver at Arnell at Whitsunday. The Charter is dated at Stirling the second day of May in the fourth year of the King's reign (1374).

The Charter No. 1 is in the following terms :—

Robertus dei gracia Rex Scottorum omnibus probis hominibus tocius terre sue clericis et laicis Salutem : Sciatis nos dedisse concessisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse dilecto et fideli nostro WILLIELMO HUNTER pro fideli servicio suo nobis impenso et impendendo totam illam terram de ARNELL cum pertinenciis que fuit Andre Cambell militis et quam idem Andreas non vi aut metu ductus nec errore lapsus set mera et spontanea voluntate sua nobis per fustum et baculum sursum reddidit pureque et simpliciter resignavit ac totum ius et clameum quod in dicta terra cum pertinenciis habuit seu habere potuit pro se et heredibus suis omnino quietum clamavit in perpetuum. Tenendam et habendam dicto Willielmo et heredibus suis masculis de corpore suo legitime procreatis seu procreandis de nobis et heredibus nostris in feodo et hereditate per omnes rectas metas et divisas suas cum omnibus et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus aysiamendis et iustis pertinenciis quibuscunque ad dictam terram spectantibus seu quoquomodo iuste spectare valentibus in futurum libere quiete plenarie integre bene et in pace. Reddendo inde annuatim nobis et heredibus nostris dictus Willielmus et heredes sui predicti unum denarium argenti apud dictam terram de Arnell ad festum Pentecostes nomine albe firme tantum pro wardis releviis maritagiiis oneribus et aliis serviciis quibuscunque. In cuius rei testimonium presenti carte nostre nostrum precepimus apponi sigillum. Testibus venerabili in Christo patre Willielmo Episcopo Sancti Andre Johanne primogenito nostro Comite de Carryk Senescallo Scocie Roberto Comite de fyff et de Meneteth filio nostro dilecto. Willielmo Comite de Douglas. Johanne de Carryk Cancellario nostro. Jacobo de Lyndesay nepote nostro et Roberto de Erskyne militibus. Apud Strivelyne secundo die Maij anno regni nostri quarto.

The following is a translation of the Charter No. 1 :—

Robert, by the grace of God, King of Scots, to all good men of his whole land, clerics and laymen, Greeting : Know ye that we have given, granted and by this our present charter have confirmed to our loved and faithful WILLIAM HUNTER, for his faithful service rendered and to be rendered to us, that whole

land of ARNELL with pertinents which belonged to Andrew Cambell, Knight, and which the said Andrew, not led by force or fear nor falling into error but of his own free and pure will, gave up and purely and simply resigned to us by staff and baton and wholly renounced in all time coming for himself and his heirs, with all right and title that he had or might have in the said land with the pertinents: To hold and have to the said William and his heirs male lawfully procreate or to be procreated of his body of us and our heirs in fee and heritage by all their right marches and bounds, with all and singular liberties, commodities, easements and just pertinents whatsoever belonging or in what manner soever shall be justly known to belong in future to the said land, freely, quietly, wholly well and in peace. The said William and his heirs foresaid rendering therefor yearly to us and our heirs one penny of silver only at the said land of Arnell at the feast of Pentecost in name of "blench ferme" for wards, reliefs, marriages, burdens and other services whatsoever. In testimony of which thing we have commanded our seal to be appended to our present charter. Witnesses, the venerable father in Christ, William Bishop of St. Andrews; John our first born Earl of Carryk, Steward of Scotland; Robert Earl of fyff and of Meneteth, our beloved son; William Earl of Douglas; John of Carryk our Chancellor; James of Lyndesay our nephew; and Robert of Erskyne; Knights. At Strivelyne (Stirling) the second day of May the fourth year of our reign (*i.e.* 1374).

III. — The next existing Deeds (1452) concern WILLIAM HUNTAR of Arnele (Hunterston) and Heleiss (Highlees), probably the grandson of William Hunter of the 1374 Charter.

2. (1452.) *Acquisition of Heleiss.*

Charter by Andrew Lyn of that ilk confirming to WILLIAM HUNTAR OF ARNELE, for his services rendered and to be rendered to him, the lands of HELEISS within the bailliary of Conyngham and the barony of Dalry; dated at Irvine the last day of February 1452.

The Charter No. 2 (which is torn as indicated by dots below) is in the following terms:—

Omnibus hanc cartam visuris vel audituris Andreas Lyn Dominus ejusdem salutem in domino sempiternam: Noveritis me dedisse concessisse et hac presenti carta mea confirmasse WILLIELMO HUNTAR DE ARNELE pro suo concilio mihi impenso et impendendo Totas et integras terras meas de HELEISS cum pertinen. jacentes in ballia de Conyngham infra baroniam de Dalry: Quequidem terre cum pertinentiis fuerunt hereditarie Johannis Ross Domini de Haukhed, et quas terras cum pertinentiis idem Johannes non vi aut metu ductus nec errore lapsus sed sua mera et spontanea voluntate sursum reddidit pro fustem et baculum apud Kilbarchan pureque et simpliciter resignavit, ac totum jus et clameum q . . . in . . . terris cum pertinen. habuit seu habere potuit pro se et heredibus suis omnino quietum clamavit imperpetuum: Tenend. et habend. dicto Willelmo et heredibus suis de me et heredibus meis in feodo et hereditate imperpetuum in boscis et planis, viis, semitis, in pratis et pasturis, in aquis stagnis piscariis, aucupationibus et venacionibus molendinis et multuris, cum curiis et eschaetis et eorum sequelis, tam subtus terra quam supra terram, tam procul quam prope cum libero introitu et exitu, ac cum omnibus aliis libertatibus commoditatibus aysiamentis ac justis pertinentiis quibuscunq; in omnibus et per omnia sicut dictus Johannes Ros dictas terras cum pertinentiis liberius tenuit seu . . . : Faciendo mihi et heredibus meis dictus W. . . . sui wardam et relevium dictarum terrarum cum contigerit. Et Ego dictus Andreas et heredes mei dictas terras de Heleiss cum pertinentiis predicto Willielmo et heredibus suis contra o . . . acquietabimus et in perpetuum defendemus. In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti carte mee sigillum meum est appensum apud Irwyn ultimo die mensis Feb. . . . quinquagesimo secundo.

Testibus Roberto W. . . . domino de Jonston, Archbaldo Craufurde de Priwyk, Alano Cochran, Willielmo Rose publico notario, Thom do, Alexro Huntar, cum multis aliis.

The following is a translation of the Charter No. 2 :—

To all who shall see or hear this charter Andrew Lyn, lord of that ilk, greeting in the Lord everlasting: Wit ye me to have given, granted and by this my present charter to have confirmed to WILLIAM HUNTAR OF ARNELE for his counsel rendered and to be rendered to me All and Whole my lands of HELEISS with the pertinents, lying in the bailliary of Conyngnam within the barony of Dalry, which lands with the pertinents pertained heritably to John Ross, lord of Haukhead; and which lands with the pertinents the said John, not led by force or fear nor falling into error, but of his own pure and free will, gave up by staff and baton at Kilbarchan and purely and simply resigned and wholly quitclaimed [renounced] for ever for himself and his heirs with all right and claim which he had or might have in the said lands with the pertinents; to hold and have to the said William and his heirs of me and my heirs in fee and heritage for ever in woods and plains, roads, paths, in meadows and pastures, in waters, pools, fishings, fowlings, huntings, milns and multure, with courts and escheats and their sequels, as well under the earth as above the earth, as well far as near, with free ish and entry and with all other liberties, commodities, easements and just pertinents whatsomever in all and by all like as the said John Ross freely held the said lands with the pertinents rendering to me and my heirs the said W. . . . & his ward and relief of the said lands when it shall happen. And I the said Andrew and my heirs shall acquit and for ever defend the said lands of Heleiss with the pertinents to the said William and his heirs against [all mortals]. In testimony of which thing to this my present charter my seal is appended at Irwyn the last day of February fifty-two. Witnesses, Robert W. . . . lord of Jonston, Archibald Craufurde of Priwyk, Alan Cochran, William Rose Notary public, Thom , Alexander Huntar, with many others.

3. (1452.) *Sasine Heleiss.*

Instrument witnessing that Andrew of Lyn of that ilk gave heritable sasine or possession to WILLIAM HUNTAR OF ARNELE of the lands of HELEISS, with the pertinents, 1452.

The Instrument No 3 is in the following terms :—

Sen it is merytabill to ber wytness till the suthfastness therfor I Andrew off Lyn of yat ilk beirs wytness be yis my leter yat I in propir person gaff heritabill state and sesing till WILZAM HUNTAR OF ARNELE of ye landis off the HELEISS with ye pertinentis liand wythin ye barony off Dalry efter ye tenour of his charter mad til hym yraupon; bfor yar wytness Jhon of Blar of Blakat le Jhon Gowan Robert his broyer Jhon Huntar and Thom of Watschaw wt oyar sindri And yis I ber wytness wndr my Sele at Irwyn ye fift day of Merch ye zer of our Lord jmcceccffiti. and twa zear.

IV.—DEED (1462) concerning ARCHIBALDE HUNTAR, Larde of Ardehill (in the Charter Chest of the Earl of Eglinton), married Mergarete Ker, daughter of Vilzame Ker of Kerislande.

(1462.) *Discharge with reference to the marriage of Archibalde Huntar.*

Discharge by Robert Craufurde of Achinhamis and Archibald Craufurde of Pryveke, to William Ker of Kerisland, 14th June 1462.

The Discharge is given as follows in "Memorials of the Montgomeries Earls of Eglinton."

Be it maide kennyt till all men be thir present letteris, ws Robert Craufurde off Achinhamis ande Archibalde Craufurde off Pryveke, coniunctly and seueraly,

till hafe resawyte and fully till haffe hade, be the handis off ane vorschipfull man, Vilzame Ker, Larde of Kerislande, in dawry, ane hundreth mark off vsuale mone off the kynric off Scotland, for all and hall the sovme acht till ws be the said Vilzam for the mariage off oure cusyng ARCHIBALDE HUNTAR, LARDE OFF ARDNEILL, perteneande till ws, the quhilik forsuth mariage we sellyt and gaffe to the saide Vilzame Ker, to his dochtir Mergarete Ker, for the sayde sovme of ane hundreth mark as sayde is : Off the quhilik forsayde sovme of ane hundreth mark, we halde ws weyll content ande payit, and in all thinge acht for the saide mariage fully assythit for euermar; and the forsayde Vilzame, his ayeris, and all vtheris quham it afferis, or may affer, for ws, our ayeris, and all vtheris quhilikis has or may haffe thar off be law or resoun ony interes, quhitclamys be thir oure presente letteris : In witnes off the quhilik thinge we the sayde Robert Craufurde and Archibalde Craufurde to thir oure presente letteris of quhitclame and discharge we haff hungyng oure propir seillis, at Achinhamys, the fortyn day off the moneth off June, the yher off oure Lorde a thousande four hundreth sixty ande twa yheris.

The following Extract from The Exchequer Rolls of Scotland, Vol. X, p. 5 shewing that the Hunters of Hunterston had the Offices of Forester of Arran and of Forester of Cumbrae is supposed to refer to John Hunter, uncle of Archibalde Hunter, who on the death of his brother William had succeeded to these offices in the minority of his nephew Archibalde.

1488.

Compotum Roberti Steuart camerarii de Bute.

Et (idem onerat se) de xxxs. de firmis unius mercate terrarum de Almolach et officio forestarie de Arane. Et de xxxs. iiii caldris avenarum de firmis officii forestarie de Cumra. Et de ii caldris avenarum ii d argenti per duplicionem albefirme dictorum officiorum regi debitam per Sasinam datam Johanni Huntar de eisden.

i.e.

1488.

Account of Robert Steuart chamberlain of Bute.

And (he charges himself with) 30s. being the rent of one mark of the lands of Almolach and for the office of Forester of Arran. And with 30s. and 3 chalders oats being the rent for the office of Forester of Cumbrae. And with 2 chalders of oats 2 pence silver for duplication of the blench ferm of said offices due to the King by Sasine of them given to John Hunter.

Note.—This excerpt shows that the Hunters of Hunterston were in the 15th Century the King's Foresters in Arran and Cumbrae. Earlier entries shew the dues paid by the Exchequer to the Hunters as keepers of the deer in the Island of Little Cumbrae, *e.g.*, to William Hunter in 1454.

"Almolach" is the Holy Island of Lamlash. The Island was so called because Saint Molaise of the 6th Century lived in a cave on it. It was "Eilean Molaise" or the Island of St. Molaise, or "Almolach." This name became further corrupted to "Almeslache" and was applied to the Bay and the adjoining lands hence "Lamlash."

V.—WRITS (1505-1511) concerning JOHN HUNTAR of Arnele (Hunterston), son and heir of Archibald Hunter and grandson of the William Hunter of 1452, married Margaret, daughter of John Lord Cathcart.

4. (1505.) *Confirmation that Arnele held in alba firma.*

Instrument, dated 13th June 1505, certifying that on that date JOHN HUNTAR OF ARNELE, with Constantine Dunlop of that ilk, his

Counsel, appeared at Ayr in the Court of the Justice Aire before Andrew Lord Gray, Justiciary of our supreme Lord the King on the south side of the Water of Forth, and produced a Charter by King Robert the Second to prove that his lands of ARNELE are held of the Crown for payment of one penny silver money in full of all duties and services, which holding was recognised and he was exonerated from all other claims.

The Instrument No. 4 is in the following terms:—

In Dei nomine Amen: Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat evidenter Quod anno incarnationis dominice millesimo quingentesimo quinto mensis vero Junij die decimo tertio Indictione Octava Pontificatus Sanctissimi in Christo patris et Domini nostri Domini Julij divina providentia pape Secundi Anno Secundo. In mei notarij publici et testium subscriptorum presentia Sedente pro tribunali in pretorio burgi de Aire, In curia Itineris Justiciarie tenta et inchoata apud burgum predictum die veneris decimo tertio die mensis Junij anno Domini Millesimo quingentesimo quinto Coram nobili et potenti Domino Andrea Domino Gray Justiciario Supremi Domini nostri Regis ex parte australi aque de Forth generaliter constituto: Quiquidem Dominus Justiciarius vocare fecit DOMINUM DE ARNELE ad presentandum in hujus modi curia Sectarorem pro terris suis de ARNELE; Comparebat in Judicio JOHANNES HUNTAR DE ARNELE una cum Constantino Dunlope de Eodem suo prelocutore, quiquidem Constantinus nomine quo supra dixit quod ipse Johannes non tenetur presentare Sectarorem in dicta curia pro eisdem terris, ex eo quod tenuit easdem de supremo domino nostro rege in alba firma; et desuper judicialiter ostendebat unam cartam confectam per quendam bone memorie Robertum regem Scottorum continen. in eadem clausulam sequentem: Reddendo inde annuatim Domino nostro regi et suis successoribus pro eisdem terris de Arnele unum denarium argenti apud dictam terram de Arnele ad festum Penthecostes tantum pro vardis, releviis, maritagiiis, oneribus et aliis servitiis quibuscunque. Quam quidem cartam idem Dominus Justiciarius judicialiter perlegi fecit, qua sic perfecta visa et considerata, easdem terras de Arnele de Supremo Domino nostro rege in alba firma tentas invenit: Qua propter eundem Johannem Huntar de Arnele ab omni presentatione Sectaroris in hujusmodi curia Justiciarie penitus et omnino liberavit et quietum clamavit ac exoneravit imperpetuum per presentes, quibus Sigillum officii Justiciarie antedictae apponi precepit et mandavit. Super quibus omnibus et Singulis prefate Constantinus nomine quo supra sibi fieri petiit hoc presens publicum instrumentum seu publica instrumenta: Acta erant hec in pretorio antedicto hora undecima ante meridiem sub anno mense die Indictione et pontificatu quibus supra, Presentibus ibidem Reverendo in Christo patre Willelmo Episcopo Abirdonensi, Matheo Comite de Levinax Jacobo Abbate de Dunfermlin Johanne Domino Cathcart Magistris Ricardo Lausone de Hieriggis clerico Justiciarie Domini nostri Regis, Jacobo Henrisone David Androsone et Johanne Lausone cum multis aliis Testibus ad premissa vocatis pariter et rogatis.

Et Ego Jasperus Mayne clericus Sancti Andree dioceseos publicus autoritatibus apostolica, imperiali et regali notarius Quia premissis omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premititur dicerentur agerentur et fierent una cum prenomminatis testibus presens personaliter interfui Eaque omnia et singula sic fieri dici vidi scivi et audivi ac in notam recepi Ideo hoc presens publicum instrumentum manu mea propria scriptum exinde confeci signoque nomine et subscriptione meis solitis et consuetis signavi Rogatus et requisitus una cum appensione sigilli officii Justiciarie antedicti in fidem et testimonium omnium et singulorum premissorum.

JASPERUS MAYNE.

The following is a translation of the Instrument No. 4:—

In the name of God, Amen. Be it clearly made known to all by this present public instrument that upon the thirteenth day of June in the year of the Lord

one thousand five hundred and five, in the eighth indiction of the Pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord Julius the Second by divine providence Pope the second year. In presence of me notary public and witnesses subscribing sitting for judgment in the Tolbooth of the burgh of Ayr in the Court of the Justice Aire held and begun at the burgh foresaid on Friday the thirteenth day of June the year of the Lord one thousand five hundred and five before a noble and potent Lord Andrew Lord Gray Justiciar of our Sovereign Lord the King on the south side of the Water of Forth generally constituted, which Lord Justiciar caused the LAIRD OF ARNELE to be called to present suit in this Court for his lands of ARNELE. Compeared in judgment JOHN HUNTER OF ARNELE together with Constantine Dunlop of that ilk, his prolocutor, which Constantine in name as above said that the said John is not bound to present suit in the said Court for the said lands because he held the same in blench farm of our Supreme Lord the King, and thereupon judicially showed a charter granted by the late Robert King of Scotland of blessed memory containing therein the following clause: paying thence yearly to our Lord the King and his successors for the said lands of Arnele one penny silver at the said land of Arnele at the feast of Pentecost for the wards, reliefs, marriages, burdens and other services whatsoever: which charter the said Lord of Justiciary caused to be read judicially; which being so read over, seen and considered he found the said lands of Arnele to be held of our Sovereign Lord the King in blench farm by reason whereof he wholly and entirely freed and relieved and exonerated the said John Hunter of Arnele for ever from all presentation of suits in this Court of Justiciary by these presents to which the seal of office of Justiciar foresaid is ordered and commanded to be appended; upon which all and whole the said Constantine in name as above asked this present public instrument or public instruments to be made to him. These things were done in the said Tolbooth the hour of eleven forenoon in the year, month and day indiction and pontificate as above. Before these witnesses, the Reverend Father in Christ William Bishop of Aberdeen, Mathew Earl of Lennox, James Abbot of Dunfermline, John Lord Cathcart, Mr. Richard Lausone of Hieriggis, clerk of Justiciary to our Lord the King, Mr. James Henrisone, Mr. David Androsone and Mr. John Lausone, with many other witnesses to the premises equally called and required.

And I Jasper Mayne, clerk, of the diocese of Saint Andrews by apostolic, imperial and royal authorities, notary public, Because I with the fore-named witnesses was personally present while all and sundry the premises as aforesaid were spoken, acted and done and all and sundry so done I saw, knew and heard and took a note thereof from which I have made this present public instrument written with my own hand and have signed it with my sign name and subscription used and wont being called and required, together with the appending of the seal of the office of Justiciary foresaid in faith and testimony of all and singular the premises.

JASPER MAYNE.

5. (1511.) *Sasine Heleiss.*

Instrument of Sasine, dated 9th April 1511, whereby it is witnessed that John Lyne of that ilk, superior of the lands of HELEISS, gave possession of the said lands to JOHN HWNTAR OF HUNTERISTOUN, son and heir of the deceased Archibald Hunter.

The Instrument No. 5 is in the following terms:—

In Dei nomine Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat evidenter quod anno incarnationis dominice millesimo quingentesimo undecimo die vero mensis Aprilis nono Indictione decima quarta pontificatus sanctissimi

in Christo patris et domini nostri domini Julij divina providencia pape secundi anno octavo : In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia constitutus honorabilis vir Johannes Lyne de eodem et superior terrarum de HELEISS personaliter existens apud principale messuagium et super fundum dictarum terrarum de Heleis Et ibidem de eiusdem cum pertinentiis jacentium infra balliam de Cunynghame et vicecomitatum de Air manu sua propria tradidit JOHANNI HWNTAR DE HUNTERISTOUN filio et heredi quondam Archibaldi Hunter statum et sasinam hereditariam per terre et lapidis tradicionem ut moris est secundum formam et tenorem sue primarie et antique infeodacionis earumdem : Super quibus omnibus et singulis sic premissis dictus Johannes Hunter per me notarium publicum subscriptum sibi fieri peccit publicum instrumentum : Acta erant hec apud principale messuagium dictarum terrarum sub anno die mense Indictione et pontificatu quibus supra : presentibus ibidem honorabilibus et probis viris Johanne Ker filio et apparenti herede Domini de Kerrisland Vi^o Ker germanis Villo Dunlop de Crag Hugone Flemyn Johanne Russel Matheo Thome Roberto Ross et Johanne Dunlop cum diversis aliis testibus ad premissa vocatis pariterque rogatis.

Et ego vero Vellelmus Mwre clericus Glasguensis diocesis Sacrae auctoritate apostolica notarius publicus Quia premissis omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur agerentur dicerentur et fierent unacum prenominatis testibus presens personaliter interfui eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi scivi et audiui ac in notam cepi Ex qua hoc presens publicum instrumentum manu mea propria scriptum confeci hic me subscribendo signoque et nomine meis solitis et consuetis signavi In fidem et testimonium veritatis omnium et singulorum premissorum rogatus et requisitus.

The following is a translation of the Instrument No. 5 :—

In the name of God, Amen, Be it clearly made known to all by this present public instrument that in the year of the incarnation of the Lord one thousand five hundred and eleven, the ninth day of the month of April, in the fourteenth indiction of the Pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord Lord Julius the second by divine providence Pope, the eighth year. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten compeared an honourable man, John Lyne of that ilk and superior of the lands of HELEISS personally at the principal message and upon the ground of the said lands of Heleis, and there with his own hand delivered to JOHN HWNTAR OF HUNTERISTOUN, son and heir of the late Archibald Hunter, heritable state and sasine of the same with the pertinents lying in the bailliary of Cunynghame and sheriffdom of Air, by delivery of earth and stone as use is according to the form and tenor of his prior and ancient infeftments thereof. Upon which all and singular the premises the said John Hunter asked a public instrument to be made to him by me notary public subscribing: These things were done at the principal message of the said lands in the year, day, month, indiction and pontificate as above in presence of honorable and prudent men, John Ker, son and apparent heir of the laird of Kerrisland, William Ker, (his brother) german, William Dunlop of Crag, Hugh Flemyn, John Russel, Mathew Thom, Robert Ross and John Dunlop, with divers other witnesses called and equally required to the premises.

And I truly William Mwre, clerk of the diocese of Glasgow by sacred apostolic authority, notary public, because while all and sundry these things were so acted, spoken and done as is above written I with the forenamed witnesses was personally present, and all and sundry so done I did see, know and hear and took note thereof, from which I have made this present public instrument written with my own hand, and have signed it, subscribing with my sign and name used and wont, in faith and testimony of the truth of all and singular the premises called and required.

VI. — WRITS (1514–1542) concerning ROBERT HWNTAR of Hunterstoun (son of said John Hunter) and Jonet Montgomery, his wife, daughter of John Montgomery of Giffen.

6. (1514.) *Sasine Heless.*

Instrument of Sasine, dated 6th May 1514, whereby it is certified that John Lyn of that ilk, as superior of the lands of HELESS, with his own hands gave possession to an honorable man, ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUNE, son and heir of the deceased John Hunter, of the said lands of Heless with the pertinents. John Blayr, Robert Caldu . . . , Jon . . . Dunlop, and Malcolm Makclellen, witnesses. John Wylson, N.P., Glasgow Diocese.

(1515.) *Forestar of the Ile of Litill Comeray.*

Grant by King James V. to Hugh, Earl of Eglintoun, of the office of Fiar of the Isle of Litill Comeray, 28th October 1515. In the Charter Chest of the Earl of Eglinton and given as follows in "Memorials of the Montgomeries, Earls of Eglinton":—

James be the grace of God King of Scottis, To all and sindryoure liegis and subditis quham it efferis, quhais knowlege thir our letteris salcum, Greting : Wit ze that forsamikle as we and our derrest cousing and tutour, Johne Duke of Albany, etc., protectour and governour ofoure realme, ar sikerlie aduertist that THE ILE OF LITILL COMERAY, liand within oure baillery of Cunynghame and schirefdome of Are, is waistit and distroyit be diuers personis, that slais the dere and cunyngis thairof, and pasturis bestis thairintill maisterfully be way of dede, without licence, tolerance, or consent of ROBERT HUNTARE OF HUNTARESTOUN, FORESTAR OF HERETAGE OF THE SAID ILE; the quhilk personis the said Robert may nocht resist, becaus he is nocht of substance nor power, without supple and help : Therefor we, with avise and consent of our said tutour and governour, for reformacioun, gud reule, and saufte of the said ile in tyme cummyng, hes maid, constitut, and ordanit, and be thir our letteris, makis, constitutis, and ordanis our louit cousing and counsalour, Hew Erle of Eglintoun, and his assignais, ane or maa, oure fearis, correkaris, and supplearis of oure said ile of Litill Comeray, ay and quhill owre lauchfull aige of fiftene zeris : Gevand and grantand to the said Hew and his assignais forsaidis, full and fre powar, all the personis occupyand, waistand, and distroyand the said ile, the wild bestis and grund of the samin, to correk, pvnis, and resist, and thare gudis being thairintill, be way of masterschip to eschete ; and als we will and ordanis, gif the said Robert Huntare of Huntarestoun baldis or imputtis nolt, cattall, and vtheris gudis, for the waisting and distroying of the said ile, dere and cunyngis being thairin, mair than his charter proportis, it salbe leiffull to our said cousing till eschete the samin to his avne vse ; and inlikwis, all vtheris gudis that he or his saidis assignais findis thairintill for the distructioun and hurting of the samin during the tyme forsaid : And als ane or ma persoun or personis to be our feare, kepare, suppleare, and correkare of the said ile, dere and cunyngis thairof, to deput and substitut for all the said tyme ; for the quhilkis thair salbe haldin to anser . . . Gevin vnder our priue sele at Edinburgh, the XXVIII day of October, the zere of God Im Vc xv zere, and of our regne the third zere.

Per signaturam manu dicti domini gubernatoris subscriptam.

7. (1522.) *Possession Hieleis.*

Instrument of Resignation narrating the giving possession to the said ROBERT HUNTAR and Jonet Montgomery, his wife, jointly of said

lands of HIELEIS which had been resigned into the hands of John Lyn of Bourtrehill, the superior, dated 7th November 1522. Henry Scott, burghess of Irvin, Robert Roiss, John Ross, Malcolm McClellane, Robert Russele and Mathew Brown, etc. Humphrey Blair, Notary Public, Glasgow Diocese.

(1527.) *Reacquisition of Little Cumray.*

Charter by King James V. to Robert Hunter of Hunterstoune, and spouse, of the island of Little Cumray, 31st May 1527. In the Charter Chest of the Earl of Eglinton and given as follows in "Memorials of the Montgomeries, Earls of Eglinton" :—

Jacobus Dei gracia Rex Scotorum, Omnibus probis hominibus tocius terre sue, clericis et laicis, Salutem : Sciatis nos, cum auisamento compotorum nostrorum rotulatoris, post dissolucionem per quondam nobilissimum patrem nostrum, Jacobum Quartum Dei gracia Scotorum Regem bone memorie, cuius anime propicietur Deus, cum auisamento trium regni nostri statuum in parlamento suo factam, de annexacionibus terrarum ad coronam suam, pro assecacione earundem in feodifirma, in augmentacionem rentalis sui, et proficuum patrimonii corone sue, dedimus, concessimus et ad feodifirmam dimisimus, ac tenore presentis carte nostre damus, concedimus et ad feodifirmam dimittimus hereditarie dilectis nostris, ROBERTO HUNTER DE HUNTERSTOUNE, et Jonete Montgumry, spouse sue, et ipsorum alteri diucius uiuenti in coniunctam feodacionem, et heredibus suis subscriptis, totam et integram INSULAM NOSTRAM ET TERRAS NOSTRAS DE LITTLE CUMRAY cum pertinenciis, jacentes infra riuum de Cluda : QUASQUIDAM INSULAM ET TERRAS CUM PERTINENCIIS DICTUS ROBERTUS ET PREDECESSORES SUI, DE NOBIS ET PREDECESSORIBUS NOSTRIS, IN CUSTODIA HEREDITARIE PRIUS HABUERUNT ; ET PRO CUSTODIA IPSARUM duas celdras auenarum annuatim habuerunt, per vicecomitem nostrum de Bute, nomine nostro, de firmis nostris terrarum et insule nostre de Bute, annuatim persolutas : Tenendas et habendas totas et integras predictas insulam et terras de Little Cumray cum pertinenciis dicti Roberto et Jonete, spouse sue, et ipsorum alteri diucius uiuenti in coniunctam feodacionem, et heredibus masculis inter ipsos legitime procreatis seu procreandis ; quibus deficientibus, legitimis et propinquiorebus heredibus masculis dicti Roberti ; quibus omnibus deficientibus, seniori heredum suarum feminearum, absque diuisione predictarum terrarum, de nobis et successoribus nostris, in feodifirma et hereditate imperpetuum . . . Reddendo inde annuatim . . . pro insula et terris antedictis cum pertinenciis, que in rentali nostro per prius non fuerunt, summam trium librarum sex solidorum et octo denariorum, vsualis monete regni nostri, ad duos anni terminos consuetos, festa videlicet Penthecostes et Sancti Martini in hyeme, per equales portiones, nomine feodifirme tantum, in augmentacionem rentalis nostri ad summam predictam annuatim ; cum exoneracione dictarum duarum celdrarum auenarum que dicto Roberto et predecessoribus suis, pro custodia dicte insule, annuatim per prius solute erant : acceciam heredes supradicti reddendo nobis et successoribus nostris duplum dicte feodifirme de vno anno ad primum introitum eorum ad prefatas terras, vt vsus est feodifirme : necnon dictus Robertus, et Joneta, sponsa sua, et ipsorum alter diucius uiuens, et heredes sui predicti, edificando et sustentando super dictis terris mansionem sufficientem, cum aula, camera, bostari, aliisque edificiis et polecia necessariis, et sicut solum dictarum terrarum ad hoc corrispondens fuerit ; In cuius rei testimonium huic presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus : Testibus, reuerendissimis reuerendisque in Christo patribus, Jacobo Sanctiandree et Gawino Glasguensi, Archiepiscopis, Gawino Episcopo Abiridonensi, nostrorum rotulorum, registri et consilii clerico, Henrico Episcopo Candidecase nostreque capelle regie Striuilingensis ; dilectis consanguineis nostris, Archibaldo Comite Augusie, Domino Douglas, Jacobo Comite Arranie, Domino Hammyltoun, Hugone Comite de Eglintoun,

Domino Montgumry ; venerabilibus in Christo patribus, Patricio Priore ecclesie metropolitanae Sanctiandree, Willelmo Abbate monasterii nostri Sancte Crucis, prope Edinburgh ; dilectis familiaribus nostris, Archibaldo Douglas, Preposito de Edinburgh, Theaurario nostro, Magistro Thoma Erskin, secretario nostro, et Jacobo Coluile de Vchiltre, nostrorum compotorum rotularie et nostre Cancellarie Directore, apud Edinburgh, vltimo die mensis Maii, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo vicesimo septimo, et regni nostri decimo quarto.

The following is a translation of the Crown Charter of Little Cunray of 1527 :—

James, by the Grace of God King of Scots, to all good men of his whole land, cleric and laic, Greeting. Know ye that we, with the advice of our Comptroller after the dissolution made by our late most noble father, James IV. by the Grace of God King of Scots of good memory, on whose soul may God have mercy, with the advice of the three estates of our realm in his parliament regarding the annexation of lands to his crown, for setting the same in feu farm in augmentation of his rental, and to the profit of the patrimony of his crown, have given granted and in feu farm disposed, and by the tenor of our present Charter give grant and in feu farm heritably dispone to our lovites ROBERT HUNTAR OF HUNTERSTOUNE, and Jonet Montgumry his spouse, and to the longer liver of them in conjunct fee and to their heirs underwritten All and Whole OUR ISLAND AND LANDS OF LITTLE CUMRAY with the pertinents, lying within the river Clyde ; WHICH ISLAND AND LANDS WITH PERTINENTS THE SAID ROBERT AND HIS PREDECESSORS HAVE FORMERLY HELD OF US AND OUR PREDECESSORS IN HEREDITARY CUSTODY ; AND FOR THE KEEPERSHIP THEREOF they have two chalders of oats annually, payable yearly by our Sheriff of Bute, in our name, from our fermes of our lands and island of Bute ; To be held and had All and Whole the foresaid Island and lands of Little Cumray with the pertinents by the said Robert and Jonet his spouse, and the longer liver of them in conjunct fee, and the heirs male lawfully procreated or to be procreated between them whom failing by the lawful and nearest heirs male of the said Robert, whom all failing, by the eldest of his heirs female without division of the foresaid lands, of us and our successors in feu-farm and heritage forever : paying yearly for the Island and the lands foresaid with pertinents, which were not formerly in our rentals, the sum of three pounds, six shillings, and eight pence, usual money of our realm, at the two usual annual terms of Pentecost and St. Martin in Winter, by equal portions in name of feu-farm only in augmentation of our rental to the foresaid sum yearly ; with a discharge of the said two chalders of oats which were formerly paid annually to the said Robert and his predecessors, for the keepership of the said Island ; and also the foresaid heirs rendering to us and our successors a double of the said annual feu-farm at their first entry to the said lands, as is the custom in feu-farm : Also the said Robert and Jonet his wife and the longer liver of them, and their foresaid heirs building and maintaining on the said lands a sufficient mansion with hall, chamber, byre, and other necessary buildings and policy and as the ground of the said lands may answer for this purpose. In testimony whereof we have ordered our great seal to be appended to this present charter ; witnesses, the most reverend and the reverend fathers in Christ, James, Archbishop of St. Andrews, and Gawin, Archbishop of Glasgow, Gawin, Bishop of Aberdeen, clerk of our Rolls, Register and Council, Henry, Bishop of Whithorn and of our Chapel of Stirling, our beloved cousins Archibald, Earl of Angus, Lord Douglas, James, Earl of Arran, Lord Hammyltoun, Hugh, Earl of Eglintoun, Lord Montgumry ; the venerable fathers in Christ, Patrick, Prior of the Metropolitan Church of St. Andrews, William, Abbot of our monastery of Holyrood, near Edinburgh ; Our beloved familiars Archibald Douglas, Provost of Edinburgh, our Treasurer, Master Thomas Erskin, our Secretary, and James Coluile of Uchiltre, our Comptroller and Director of Chancery ; at Edinburgh, on the last day of the month of May, in the year 1527, and in the fourteenth year of our reign.

(1527.) *Disposal of the Holy Island of Lamlash, Arran.*

Note.—In an old Inventory of the Writs of the Duke of Hamilton there is this entry under "Holy Isle in Arran":—"A Resignation of the merk land in Arran (old extent) called Holy Isle in Avinmillash made by Robert, Lord Hunterston, to his superior this James, Earl of Arran, *ad perpetuum remanentiam*. July 6, 1527." On the margin is written in pencil, "Wanting or not returned by J. H." The Receipt for the price dated 14th August 1527 is printed on p. 89.

8. (1535.) *Acquisition Annanhill.*

Charter by Hugh, Earl of Eglington, Lord Montgomery, in favour of the said ROBERT HWNTAR and Jonete Montgomery, his wife, and the longer liver, and their heirs and assignees, of the lands of ANNANHILL, within the lordship of Robertoun and bailliary of Cunynghame and shire of Ayr, for services, etc. and a sum of money fully paid to the said Earl, to be held of the King for services used and wont, dated at Irvine 25th February 1535.

The Charter No. 8 is in the following terms:—

Omnibus hanc cartam visuris vel audituris Hugo Comes Eglington et dominus de Montgomery salutem in domino sempiternam. Noveritis me utilitateque mea primitus preuisa et pensata concessisse vendidisse tituloque venditionis alienasse et hac presenti carta mea confirmasse necnon concedere vendere tituloque venditionis alienare et hac presenti carta mea confirmare dilectis meis ROBERTO HWNTAR DE HUNTARSTOUN et Jonete Montgomery uxori sue eorumque diutius viventi in coniuncta infeodatione heredibus suis et assignatis totas et integras illas quadraginta sex solidatas et octo denariatas terrarum mearum de ANNANHILL antiqui extentus quas nunc inhabitant occupant et ad firmam habent Jacobus Aitkyne Willelmus Aitkyn Johannes Wilsoun et Johannes Biggart cum pertinentiis jacentes in dominio meo de Robertoun infra balliam de Cunynghame et vicecomitatum de Air pro suis benemeritis gratuitis serviciis auxiliis et consiliis mihi multipliciter impensis et pro certa summa pecunie mihi per dictum Robertum premanibus grantanter et integre persoluta; de quaquidem summam pecuniam numerata teneor me bene contentum pacatum et plenarie persolutum prefatosque Robertum et Jonetam suam sponsam heredes suos executores et assignatos pro me heredibus meis executoribus et assignatis exinde quietos clamo de eadem et exonero imperpetuum tenore presentis carte mee. Tenendas et habendas totas et integras predictas quadraginta sex solidatas et octo denariatas terrarum mearum de Annanhill antiqui extentus cum pertinentiis a me et heredibus meis de supremo domino nostro rege et suis successoribus prefatis Roberto Hunter et Jonete Montgomery uxori sue eorumque diutius viventi in coniuncta infeodatione heredibus suis et assignatis in feodo et hereditate imperpetuum per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et diuisas prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine in domibus edificiis boscis planis moris marresis viis semitis aquis stagnis rivulis pratis pascuis et pasturis molendinis multuris et eorum sequelis acupationibus venationibus piscationibus petariis turbariis carbonibus carbonariis cuniculis cuniculariis columbis columbariis fabrilibus brasinis brueriis et genestis silvis nemoribus et virgultis lignicidiis lapicidiis lapide et calce cum curiis earum exitibus et amerciamentis hortis et pomeriis cum communi pastura liberis introitu et exitu Ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus proficuis et asiamentis ac justis suis pertinentiis quibuscunque tam non nominatis quam nominatis tam subtus terra quam supra terram tam procul quam prope ad predictas quadraginta sex solidatas et octo denariatas terrarum de Annanhill antiqui extentus cum pertinentiis spectantibus seu juste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum libere quiete integre honorifice bene et in pace Et adeo libere sicut alique terre infra regnum Scotie alicui concedentur venduntur aut alienantur concedi vendi aut alienari poterint in futurum sine impedimento reuocatione aut obstaculo

aliquali. Reddendo inde annuatim predicti Robertus aut Joneta sua sponsa. eorumque diutius viuenti heredes sui vel assignati supremo domino nostro regi et suis successoribus seruitia de dictis terris debita et consueta tantum pro omni alio onere exactione questione demanda seu seruitio seculari que de dictis terris cum pertinentiis per quoscunque iuste exigí poterint quomodolibet vel requiri. Et ego vero dictus Hugo comes Eglington heredes mei et assignati totas et integras prefatas quadraginta sex solidatas et octo denariatas terrarum mearum de Annanhill antiqui extentus cum pertinentiis predictis Roberto et Jonete uxori sue eorumque diutius viuenti in coniuncta infeodatione hereditibus suis et assignatis adeo libere et quiete in omnibus et per omnia ut premissum est forma pariter et effectu contra omnes mortales varantizabimus acquietabimus et imperpetuum defendemus. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum meum huic presenti carte mee unacum mea subscriptione manuali est appensum apud burgum de Irwin vicesimo quinto die mensis Februarii Anno domini millesimo quingentesimo trigesimo quinto Coram hiis testibus Johanne Hammiltoun de Colmiskeith Thoma Newin nuncio regio Willelmo Symontoun Willelmo Snypp dominis Johanne Megachand Willelmo Mure Georgio Baxtar notariis publicis capellanis Johanne Mure Roberto Scot burgensibus de Irwin et domino Johanne Campbell rectore de Kilmailze.

The following is a translation of the Charter No. 8 :—

To all who shall see or hear this charter Hugh, Earl of Eglington and Lord of Montgomery, greeting in the Lord everlasting : wit ye me my utility being first seen and considered to have granted, sold and by title of vendition alienated and by this my present charter to have confirmed likeas to grant, sell and by title of vendition to alienate and by this my present charter to confirm to my lovite ROBERT HWNTAR OF HUNSTARSTOUN and Jonet Montgomery his spouse and the longer liver of them in conjunct infeftment, their heirs and assignees, All and Whole that forty six shillings and eight penny lands of ANNANHILL of old extent which James Aitkyne, William Aitkyn, John Wilsoun and John Biggart now inhabit, occupy and have in farm, with pertinents, lying in my lordship of Robertoun within the bailliary of Cunynghame and sheriffdom of Air, for his good deeds, gratitudes, services, helps and counsils frequently rendered to me and for a certain sum of money kindly and willingly paid to me beforehand by the said Robert, of which sum in numerat money I hold me well contented freely and fully paid, and I quitclaim and discharge the foresaid Robert and Jonet his spouse, their heirs, executors and assignees, for me, my heirs, executors and assignees of the same for ever by the tenor of my present charter. To hold and to have All and Whole the foresaid forty six shillings and eight pennies of my lands of Annanhill of old extent with pertinents from me and my heirs of our Sovereign Lord the King and his successors to the foresaid Robert Hunter and Jonet Montgomery his wife and the longer liver of them in conjunct infeftment, their heirs and assignees in fee and heritage for ever, by all their right bounds and ancient divisions as they lie in length and breadth in houses, buildings, woods, plains, moors, marshes, roads, paths, waters, pools, rivers, meadows, grazings and pastures, mills, multurens and their sequels, fowlings, huntings, fishings, petaries, turbaries, coals, coalpits, rabbits, rabbit warrens, pigeons, dovescots, smithies, brewhouses, heath and brooms, woods, forests and growing woods, quarries, stone and lime, with courts, their exits and amerciaments, yards and orchards with common pasture, free entry and ish, and with all other and singular liberties, commodities, profits and easements and their just pertinents whatsoever, as well not named as named, as well under the earth as above the earth, as well far as near, belonging or that in any manner of way are known to pertain to the foresaid forty six shillings eight penny lands of Annanhill of old extent with pertinents in all time coming, freely, quietly, wholly, honourably well and in peace, and as freely as any lands within the realm of Scotland are granted, sold and alienated or can be granted, sold or alienated to any one in time coming, without impediment, revocation or obstacle whatsoever. Rendering therefor yearly the foresaid Robert or Jonet

his spouse and the longer liver of them, their heirs or assignees, to our Sovereign Lord the King and his successors the service of the said land used and wont, as for all other burden, exaction, question, demand or secular service which could be justly exacted or required in any way from the said land with the pertinents by anyone whomsoever. And I verily the said Hugh, Earl of Eglington, my heirs and assignees, shall warrand, acquit and defend All and Whole the foresaid forty six shillings and eight penny lands of Annanhill of old extent with pertinents to the foresaid Robert and Jonet his wife and the longer liver of them in conjunct infestment, their heirs and assignees, as freely and quietly in all and by all in the like form and effect as is premised against all mortals. In testimony of which thing my seal is appended to this my present charter together with my subscription manual at the burgh of Irwin the twenty fifth day of the month of February the year of the Lord one thousand five hundred thirty five, before these witnesses, John Hammiltoun of Colmiskeith, Thomas Newin, King's messenger, William Symontoun, William Snypp, Sirs John McGachand, William Mure, George Baxtar, notaries public, chaplains, John Mure, Robert Scot, burgesses of Irwin, and Sir John Campbell, rector of Kilmalze.

9. (1535.) *Precept Annanhill.*

Precept or Warrant following on said Charter by the said Hugh, Earl of Eglington, authorising John Hamiltoun of Colmisketh and Alexander Duncan as his baillies to give possession to the said ROBERT HUNTAR and Jonete Montgomery, dated 25th February 1535. The witnesses are the same as in No 8.

10. (1535.) *Crown Charter Annanhill.*

Charter by James V. confirming said Charter by Hugh, Earl of Eglington, of the said lands in favour of Robert Huntar and Jonete Montgomery and their heirs and assignees, dated at Craufurd Johne 16th March 1535. Witnesses—Gavin, Archbishop of Glasgow, our Chancellor; George, Bishop of Dunkeld; Henry, Bishop of Whithorn; Archibald, Earl of Ergile; George, Earl of Rothes; Malcolm, Lord Flemyng; Patrick, Prior of St. Andrews; David, Abbot of Abirbrothock; James Colville of Est Wemis and Mr. James Foulis of Colintoun.

11. (1535.) *Sasine Annanhill.*

Instrument of Sasine narrating the giving of possession of said lands to the said ROBERT HUNTAR and Jonete Montgomery, dated 22nd March 1535. John Hamilton of Colmiskeith is bailie for the Earl of Eglyntone; Wm. Hamilton attorney for Jonet Montgomery; John Dunlop, Glasgow Diocese, N.P. Witnesses—John Campbell of Glastre, Archibald Hamiltone of Lathame, John Powa of Siluerwod, James Auchinlek of Tuedie and John Wilson.

12. (1535.) *Sasine Campbeltoun.*

Instrument of Sasine, dated 21st April 1535, in favour of the said ROBERT HUNTAR and Jonet Montgomery narrating their being given possession of the lands of CAMPBELTOUN of old extent with the pertinents lying in the parish of Kilbride, bailliary of Cunninghame and sherifffdom of Ayr, in virtue of a Precept of Sasine by William Conighame, knight lord of the fee of the Earldom of Glencairne and Lordship of Kilmaurs. Alexander Duncane is baillie for Conighame. The witnesses are William Wallace, Adam Huntar, Malcolm Makclellane and others. John Hamilton, notary public, Glasgow Diocese.

13. (1535.) *Charter Campbeltoun.*

Charter of Sale by the said William Cunynghame of the said lands to the said ROBERT HUNTAR and Jonet Muntgumy and their heirs, to be held for the duties and services used and wont, dated at Cambuskethe 10th November 1535. Witnesses—John Fullartoun of Corsby, Robert Cunynghame of Aket, Alexander Dunlop of that Ilk, Mr. Robert Hammyltoun Vicar of Kilmarnok, William Hammyltoun his brother german and Sir Thomas Hammyltoun, Priest and Notary Public.

14. (1535.) *Precept Campbeltoun.*

Precept following on said Charter of same date and with same witnesses.

15. (1535.) *Confirmation Campbeltoun.*

Charter by James V. to the said ROBERT HUNTAR and Jonete Montgomery confirming the said Charter by William Cunynghame of the said lands of CAMPBELTOUN, dated at Streveling 29th December 1535.

The Charter No. 15 is in the following terms :—

Jacobus Dei gratia Rex Scotorum Omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis salutem Sciatis nos quandam cartam alienationis et venditionis factam per Willielmum Cunynghame militem domini feodi comitatus de Glencarne ac domini de Kilmawris ROBERTO HUNTAR DE HUNTARSTOUN et Jonete Mongomery eius coniugi et eorum alteri diutius viventi in conjuncta infeodatione et heredibus inter ipsos procreatis seu procreandis quibus deficientibus legitimis et propinquieribus heredibus dicti Roberti quibuscumque de omnibus et singulis terris de CAMPBELTOUN extendentibus ad quinque marcas terrarum antiqui extentus cum pertinentiis jacentibus in parrochia de Kilbride nostris balliatu de Cunynghame et vicecomitatu de Are de nobis et successoribus nostris tenendis de mandato nostro visam lectam inspectam et diligenter examinatum sanam integram non rasan non cancellatam nec in aliqua sui parte suspectam ad plenum intellexisse sub hac forma.

Omnibus hanc cartam visuris vel audituris Willelmus Cunynghame miles dominus feodi comitatus de Glencarne et domini de Kilmawris salutem in domino sempiternam : Noveritis me non vi aut metu ductum nec errore lapsum seu dolo aut fraude circumventum sed ex meis mera pura libera et spontanea voluntate utilitateque mea undique preuisa et pensata concessisse vendidisse tituloque venditionis alienasse et hac presenti carta mea confirmasse necnon per presentes concedere dare vendere alienare et hac presenti carta mea confirmare dilectis meis Roberto Huntare de Hunterstoun et Jonete Montgomery sponse sue heredibus suis et assignatis subscriptis Totas et integras terras meas de Campbeltoun extendentes ad quinque marcas terrarum antiqui extentus cum pertinentiis jacentes in parrochia de Kilbride ballia de Cunynghame et infra vicecomitatum de Are In quibus terris habitant Johannes Dunlop Archibaldus Dunlop Johannes Zoung senior Johannes Zoung junior Willielmus Zoung junior Thomas Syar Lucas Russale Joneta Syar Laurentius Davy et Malcolmus Maklellane tempore confectionis presentis carte pro quadam certa et numerate pecunie summa in mea magna et urgenti necessitate per dictum Robertum Huntare de Hunterstoun michi pre manibus gratanter et plenarie persoluta et in meos usus totaliter conuersa de quamquidem pecunie summa teneo me bene contentum pacatum et plenarie persolutum dictumque Robertum Huntar heredes executores suos et assignatos pro me heredibus executoribus et assignatis meis quitos inde clamo imperpetuum tenore presentis carte mee : Tenendas et habendas totas et integras prefasas quinque marcas terrarum de Campbeltoun antiqui extentus cum pertinentiis predictis Roberto Huntare de Hunterstoun et Jonete Montgomery coniugi sue et eorum alteri diutius viventi in conjuncta infeodatione heredibus suis et assignatis a me heredibus meis et assignatis de supremo domi

nostro rege et successoribus suis in feodo et hereditate imperpetuum per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et divisas prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine in domibus edificis boscis planis moris marresii viis semitis aquis stagnis rivolis pratis pascuis et pasturis molendinis multuris et eorum sequelis aucupationibus venationibus piscationibus petariis turbariis carbonibus carbocidiis carbonariis columbis columbariis ortis pomeriis silvis nemoribus virgultis brueriis et genestis cum curiis et earum exitibus ac americiamentis herezeldis bludewitis et marchetis mulierum fabrilibus brasinis lapidibus lapicidiis lapide et calce ferricidiis et ferro cum communi pastura libero introitu et exitu ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus proficuis et asiamentis ac iustis suis pertinentiis quibuscunque tam non nominatis quam nominatis tam subtu terra quam supra terram procul et prope ad predictas quinque marcas terras de Campbeltoun antiqui extentus cum pertinentiis spectantibus seu juste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace sine aliquo retinemento impedimento revocatione aut obstaculo aliquali: Reddendo inde annuatim dicti Robertus Huntar et Joneta Montgomery eius coniunx seu eorum alter heredes sui et assignati dicto supremo domino nostro regi et successoribus suis jura et servitia debita et consueta tantum pro omni alio onere exactione questione seruicio seculari seu demanda que de predictis quinque marcatis terrarum antiqui extentus de Campbeltoun cum suis pertinentiis per quoscunque exigi poterunt in futurum quomodolibet vel requiri: Et ego vero dictus Willelmus Cunynghame miles heredes mei et assignati totas et integras predictas quinque marcas terrarum antiqui extentus de Campbeltoun cum pertinentiis prefatis Roberto Huntar de Hunterston et Jonete Montgomery coniugi sue et eorum alteri diutius viuenti in coniuncta infeodatione heredibus suis et assignatis libere et quiete in omnibus et per omnia forma pariter et effectu ut premissum est contra omnes mortales varantizabimus acquietabimus et tenore presentis carte mee imperpetuum defendemus: In cuius rei testimonium sigillum meum proprium presenti carte mee manu mea subscripte est appensum Apud Commiskeith die decimo mensis Novembris anno domini millesimo quingentesimo trigesimo quinto Coram hiis testibus Johanne Fullartoun de Corsby Roberto Cunynghame de Aket Alexandro Dunlop de eodem Magistro Roberto Hammiltoun vicario de Kilmarnok Willielmo Hammiltoun eius fratre germano et domino Thoma Hammiltoun presbytero ac notario publico cum diversis aliis.

Quamquidem cartam ac alienationem et venditionem in eadem contentum in omnibus suis punctis et articulis conditionibus et modis ac circumstantiis suis quibuscunque in omnibus et per omnia forma pariter et effectu approbamus ratificamus ac pro nobis et nostris successoribus pro perpetuo vt premissum est confirmamus Saluis nobis et nostris successoribus juribus et seruiciis de dictis terris cum pertinentiis ante presentem nostram confirmationem nobis debitis et consuetis: Insuper pro bono fideli et gratuito seruicio nobis per prefatos Robertum et Jonetam impenso damus et concedimus eis eorum heredibus et assignatis omne jus titulum interesse et juris clameum tam petitorium quam possessorium proprietatem et possessionem que et quas nos nostri predecessores aut successores habuerunt habemus seu quouismodo habere vel clamare poterimus vel poterint in et ad predictas terras cum pertinentiis aut aliquam earundem partem firmas proficua et deuoria earundem de quibuscunque terminis preteritis et futuris ratione recognitionis forisfacture eschaete alienationis totius aut maioris partis purpresture disclamationis heredum nonintroitus aut alias quovismodo ob quamcunque actionem seu causam retroactam renunciando eiusdem pro nobis et nostris successoribus dictis Roberto et Jonete eorum heredibus et assignatis tenore presentium imperpetuum Ac omnibus processibus forisfacture inchoatis seu inchoandis per nos aut nostros successores aut alios quoscunque nostro aut eorum nominibus contra dictos Willielmum Robertum et Jonetam aut eorum heredes penes dictas terras ob quamcunque actionem seu causam retroactam dictis Roberto et Jonete eorum heredibus et assignatis antedictis imperpetuum cum supplemento omnium defectuum tam non nominatorum quam nominatorum quos pro expressis in prefata carta habere volumus: In cuius rei testimonium huic presenti carte nostre confirmationis magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus Testibus reverendissimo reverendisque in

Christo patribus Gawino Glasguensi Archiepiscopo cancellario nostro Georgio Episcopo Dunkeldensi Henrico Episcopo Candidicase nostreque capelle regie Striulingensis dilectis consanguineis nostris Archibaldo Comite de Ergile domino Campbell et Lorne magistro hospicii nostri Hugone Comite de Eglingtoun domino Montgomery Malcolmo domino Flemyng magno camerario nostro venerabilibus in Christo patribus Patricio priore ecclesie metropolitane Sancti Andree David Abbate monasterii nostri de Aberbrothok nostri secreti sigilli custode dilectis familiaribus nostris Jacobo Coluile de Estwemys milite nostrorum compotorum rotulatore et nostre cancellarie direttore et Magistro Jacobo Foulis de Colintoun nostrorum rotulorum registri et consilii clerico Apud Striueling vicesimo nono die mensis Decembris Anno domini millesimo quingentesimo trigesimo quinto anno regni nostri vicesimo tertio.

The following is a translation of the Charter No. 15 :—

James by the grace of God King of Scots, to all honest men of his whole land, clerics and laics, greeting : Know ye that we have fully understood a certain charter of alienation and vendition made by William Cunynghame, Knight, Lord of the fee of the Earldom of Glencarne and of the Lordship of Kilmawrs, to ROBERT HUNTAR OF HUNTARSTOUN and Jonet Montgomery his wife and the survivor of them in conjunct infeftment and the heirs procreated or to be procreated between them, whom failing to the lawful and nearest heirs of the said Robert whatsoever, of All and Whole the lands of CAMPBELTOUN extending to a five merk land of old extent with the pertinents lying in the parish of Kilbride, our bailliary of Cunynghame and sberiffdom of Are, to be held of us and our successors, at our command seen, read, inspected and diligently examined and found to be whole, sound, not erased nor cancelled nor in any part thereof suspect, under this form.

To all who shall see or hear this charter William Cunynghame, Knight, lord of the fee of the Earldom of Glencarne and Lordship of Kilmawrs, greeting in the Lord everlasting : Wit ye me, not led by force or fear nor falling into error or circumvented by fraud or guile but of my mere pure free and spontaneous will and my utility being always seen and considered, to have granted, sold and by title of vendition to have alienated and by this my present charter to have confirmed as also by these presents I grant, give, sell, alienate and by this my present charter confirm to my lovit Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun and Jonet Montgomery his spouse, their heirs and assignees underwritten, All and Whole my lands of Campbeltoun extending to a five merk land of old extent with pertinents lying in the parish of Kilbride, bailliary of Cunynghame and in the sberiffdom of Are, in which lands dwelt John Dunlop, Archibald Dunlop, John Young elder, John Young younger, William Young junior, Thomas Syar, Luke Russale, Jonet Syar, Laurence Davy and Malcolm Makclellane at the time of the making of the present charter, for a certain and numerat sum of money kindly and fully paid beforehand to me in my great and urgent necessity by the said Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun and wholly converted to my use, of which sum of money I hold me well contented satisfied and fully paid, and for me, my heirs, executors and assignees quitclaim the said Robert Hunter, his heirs, executors and assignees for ever by the tenor of my present charter. To hold and to have All and Whole the foresaid five merk lands of Campbeltoun of old extent with pertinents to the foresaid Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun and Jonet Montgomery his wife and the longer liver of them in conjunct infeftment, their heirs and assignees, from me, my heirs and assignees, of our Sovereign Lord the King, and his successors in fee and heritage for ever, by all their right bounds and ancient divisions as they lie in length and breadth in houses, buildings, woods, plains, moors, marshes, roads, paths, waters, pools, rivers, meadows, grazings and pastures, mills, multure and their sequels, fowlings, huntings, fishings, petaries, turbaries, coals, coalheughs, coalmines, pigeons, dovecots, yards, orchyards, woods, forests, bushes, heath and broom, with courts and their issues and amerciaments, herezelds, bladwits and merchets of women, smithies, brewhouses, stones, quarries, stone and lime, ironstone and iron, with common pasture, free entry and ish, and with all and singular other

liberties, commodities, profits and easements and their just pertinents whatsoever as well not named as named, as well under the earth as above the earth, far and near, belonging or that shall in any manner of way be known to belong to the foresaid five merk lands of Campbeltoun of old extent with pertinents in time coming, freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honorably, well and in peace without any retention, impediment, revocation or obstacle whatsoever. Rendering therefor yearly the said Robert Hunter and Jonet Montgomery his wife or either of them, their heirs and assignees, to our Sovereign Lord the King and his successors the rights and services used and wont, and this for all other burden, exaction, question, secular service or demand which from the foresaid five merk lands of old extent of Campbeltoun with their pertinents could be exacted or required by anyone whomsoever in time coming. And I verily the said William Cunynghame, Knight, my heirs and assignees shall warrant, acquit and by the tenor of my present Charter forever defend All and Whole the foresaid five merk lands of old extent of Campbeltoun with pertinents to the foresaid Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun and Jonet Montgomery his wife and the longer liver of them in conjunct infestment, their heirs and assignees, freely and quietly in all and by all in the like form and effect as is premised against all mortals. In testimony of which thing my proper seal is appended to my present charter subscribed with my hand at Commiskeith the tenth day of the month of November the year of the Lord one thousand five hundred thirty five before these witnesses, John Fullartoun of Corsby, Robert Cunynghame of Aket, Alexander Dunlop of that ilk, Mr. Robert Hammiltoun, vicar of Kilmarnock, William Hammiltoun, his brother german, and Sir Thomas Hammiltoun, presbyter and notary public, with divers others.

Which charter and the alienation and sale contained therein in all their articles, conditions and manners and circumstances whatsoever in all and by all in the like form and effect we approve, ratify and for us and our successors as is before premised for ever confirm, saving to us and our successors the rights and services used and wont due to us from the said lands with the pertinents before our present confirmation. Moreover for good, faithful and gratuitous service rendered to us by the foresaids Robert and Jonet we give and grant to them, their heirs and assignees, all right, title, interest and claim of right, as well petitory as possessory, property and possession which we our predecessors or successors had, have or in any way can have or claim in and to the foresaid lands with the pertinents or any part thereof, ferms, profits and duties of the same for whatsoever terms, past or future, by reason of recognition, forfeiture, escheat, alienation of all or the greater part, purpresture, disclamation, nonentry of heir or any other way from whatsoever action or cause in time past, renouncing the same for us and our successors to the said Robert and Jonet their heirs and assignees by the tenor of these presents for ever and from all processes of forfeiture led or to be led by us and our successors or any others whomsoever in our or their names against the saids William, Robert and Jonet and their heirs concerning the said lands from whatsoever action or cause in time past to the saids Robert and Jonet their heirs and assignees foresaid for ever, with supplement of all defects as well not named as named which we will to hold as expressed in the foresaid charter. In testimony of which thing we have commanded our Great Seal to be appended to this our present Charter of Confirmation. Witnesses, the most reverend and reverend fathers in Christ, Gawin, Archbishop of Glasgow, our chancellor, George, Bishop of Dunkeld, Henry Bishop of Whithorn and of our Chapel Royal of Stirling; our beloved cousins, Archibald, Earl of Argyle Lord Campbell and Lorne Master of our Household, Hugh, Earl of Eglington Lord Montgomery; Malcoln, Lord Flemyng our great chamberlain; the venerable fathers in Christ, Patrick, Prior of the Metropolitan Church of St. Andrews, David, Abbot of our Monastery of Aberbrothok, keeper of our Privy Seal, our lovite familiars, James Colville of Est Wemys, Knight, our Comptroller and Director of our Chancery, and Mr. James Foulis of Colintoun, Clerk of our Rolls Register and Council. At Stirling the twenty ninth day of the month of December the year of the Lord one thousand five hundred and thirty five, in the twenty third year of our reign.

(1536.) *Litil Cumray.*

Order by James Coluile, Comptroller, to the Sheriff of Bute, 28th November 1536; in the Charter Chest of the Earl of Eglinton and given as follows in "Memorials of the Montgomeries, Earls of Eglinton."

Schirreff of Bute: Ze sall ansuer and pay to my Lord of Eglintoun, twa chalder of aittis of this last zeir bigane, siclik as ze did to the LARD OF HUNTERSTOUN, for LITIL CUMRAY. And als that ze pay till him vther twa chalder of aittis for this instant zeir, viz. of the crop of the zeir of God I^m V^c and xxxvi zeiris: And the saidis four chalder of aittis salbe thankfullie allowit to zow in zour nixt comptis, ze bringand this precept and the said Erllis acquittance of the resauit of the samyn; becaus I haif resauit xvi merkis of money for the saidis aittis: and one na wyse this ze leif vndone: for the quhilkis four chalder of aittis our Souerane Lordis letteris ar direckit to schireffis in that pairt for payment of the samyn: Subscriuit with my hand, at Edinburgh, the xxviii day of Nouember, the zeir of God I^m V^c and xxxvi zeiris; And giff ze failze hereintill, I haiff ordanit to put ze to the horne, for I haiff resauit fra the said Erll payment as vse and wont is.

Ja. COLUILE.

16. (1541.) *Precept Annanhill.*

Precept or Warrant by Hugh, Earl of Eglinton, to give possession to ROBERT HUNTAR OF HUNSTARSTOUN and Jonete Montgomery his wife, and the longer liver of them, of the 46s. 8d. lands of ANNANHILL, dated 22nd November 1541.

The Precept No 16 is in the following terms:—

Hugo comes de Eglintoun et dominus de Montgomery dilectis meis Johanni Hunter Patricio Mungumry—et eorum cuilibet balliuis meis in hac parte coniunctim et divisim specialiter constitutis salutem Quia concessi vendidi et hereditarie confirmavi dilectis meis ROBERTO HUNTAR DE HUNSTARSTOUN et Jonete Montgomery vxori sue eorumque diutius viuenti in coniuncta infeodatione heredibus suis et assignatis totas et integras illas quadraginta sex solidatas et octo denariatas terrarum mearum de ANNANHILL antiqui extentus quas nunc inhabitant occupant et ad firmam habent Jacobus Aitkin Willelmus Aitkin Johannes Wilsoun et Johannes Biggart cum suis pertinentiis jacentes in dominio meo de Robertoun ballia de Cunnyghame et infra vicecomitatum de Air prout in carta mea desuper confecta plenius continetur Vobis igitur et vestrum cuilibet coniunctim et divisim precipio et firmiter mando quatenus vobis presentibus indilate statum sasinam hereditariam pariter et possessionem corporalem realem et actualem omnium et singularum predictarum quadraginta sex solidatarum et octo denariatarum terrarum de Annanhill cum pertinentiis antiqui extentus prefatis Roberto et Jonete vxori sue eorumque diutius viuenti in coniuncta infeodatione juste deliberetis et haberi faciatis seu alter vestrum faciat vel suis certis seu certo actornatis vel actornato latori vel latoribus p . . . secundum formam et tenorem carte mee quam de me inde habent et hoc nullo modo omittatis Ad quod faciendum vobis et vestrum cuilibet coniunctim et divisim balliuis meis in hac parte antedictis meam plenariam et irrevocabilem tenore presentium committo potestatem In cuius rei testimonium sigillum meum proprium presentibus est appensum una cum mea subscriptione manuali apud Irvin die vigesimo secundo mensis Nouembris anno domini millesimo quingentesimo quadagesimo primo Coram hiis testibus Magistro Archibaldo Craufurd rectore de Egilsame Hugone Mungumry meo nepote et herede ac Willelmo Snype cum diuersis aliis.

(Signed) ERL OF EGLINTOUN.

The following is a translation of the Precept No. 16:—

Hugh, Earl of Eglintoun and Lord of Montgomery, to my beloved John Hunter, Patrick Mungumry and each of them, my bailies in that part, con-

junctly and severally, specially constituted, greeting: Forasmuch as I have granted, sold and heritably confirmed to my beloved ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and Jonet Montgomery his wife, and the longer liver of them in conjunct infement, their heirs and assignees, All and Whole that forty six shillings and eight pennies of my lands of ANNANHILL of old extent which James Aitkin, William Aitkin, John Wilsoun and John Biggart now inhabit, occupy and have in farm with their pertinents, lying in my lordship of Robertoun, bailiary of Cunnygham and within the sheriffdom of Air, as in my charter made thereupon is more fully contained. Therefore I command and firmly charge you and each of you conjunctly and severally that these presents seen you or one of you justly deliver and cause to be given state heritable sasine and real, actual and corporal possession of All and Whole the foresaid forty six shillings and eight penny lands of Annanhill, with the pertinents of old extent, to the foresaid Robert and Jonet his wife and the longer liver of them in conjunct infement or to their certain attorneys or attorney, bearer or bearers of these presents, according to the form and tenor of my charter which they have of me, and this in no way you omit; the which to do I commit to you and each of you conjunctly and severally my bailies in that part foresaid my full and irrevocable power by the tenor of these presents. In testimony of which thing my proper seal is appended to these presents together with my subscription manual at Irvin the twenty second day of the month of November the year of the Lord one thousand five hundred and forty one, before these witnesses, Mr. Archibald Craufurd, rector of Egilsame, Hugh Mungumry, my grandson and heir, and William Snype, with divers others.

(Signed) ERL OF EGLINTOUN.

17. (1541.) *Confirmation Annanhill.*

Charter by James V. as Steward of Scotland confirming the Charter by Hugh, Earl of Eglington, of the lands of ANNANHILL in favour of the said ROBERT HUNTER and Jonete Montgomery, dated 1st January 1541-2.

(1542.) *Dispensation from going to the War.*

Licence by King James V. to ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN, dispensing with his attendance at the war, etc., on account of infirmity, 24th October 1542. In the Charter Chest of the Earl of Eglington and given as follows in "Memorials of the Montgomeries, Earls of Eglington":—

REX.

We, vnderstanding that oure louttis, Maister William Montgomery of the Stane, and ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN, ar now vaik and tender of complectioun, and trublit with seiknes and infirmite, and may nocht travell without grete danger of thair lyvis: Thairfore, and for certaine vtheris resonable causis and considerationis moving ws, be the tennour heirof, of oure speciall grace, gevis and grantis licence to remane and byde at hame fra this oure oist and assemble, and fra all vtheris oure oistis, raidis, assembleis, weiris and wappinschevingis to be maid be ws or oure lieutenanttis, within oure realme or vtouth, and dischargis thame thairfo; and will and grantis that thair sall incur na skaith nor danger thairthrow in their personis, landis, nor gudis, in ony wys in tyme cuming, nochtwithstanding ony oure actis, statutis, letteris, proclamationis, reuocationis, or chargis, speciall or generall, maid or to be maid in the contrare, or ony panis contenit thairintill; anent the quhilk we dispens with thame be thir presentis: Dischargeing all oure lieutenanttis, justices, justice clerkis, schireffis, stewartis, crownaris, baillies and all vtheris ouer officiaris, present and tocum, and thare deputis and schireffis in that part, of all calling, vnlawing, proceeding, attaching, arresiting, trubling, or intronetting with the saidis Maister William Montgomery and Robert Hunter, thair landis or gudis

therefore, and of thair offices in that parte be thir presentis foreuir : Prouiding always that the saidis Maister William and Robert send thair eldest sonnys, with thair men, tennentis, and seruandis, to this oure oist and weiris, and all vthiris oure oistis and weiris, to do ws seruice tharein : And als we, be the tennour heirof, gevis licence to Thomas Nevyn, seruand to oure cousing, Hew Erle of Eglintoun, to remane and byde at hame fra oure saidis oistis and weiris, and will that he incur na skaith nor danger thairthrow, in his persoun, landis, nor gudis ; as is abonewrittin : Subscriuit with oure hand, and gevin vnder oure signet at Edinburgh, the xxiiii day of October, and of our regnne the xxx zeir.

(Signed) JAMIS R.

VII.—WRITS (1537–1547) concerning KENTIGERN or MUNGO HWNTAR OF HWNTARSTOUNE otherwise called ARNEYLL; married Marioun Hammiltoune, daughter of James Hammiltoune of Torrance, and died 1547.

13. (1537.) *Sasine half Estir Arneyll.*

Instrument whereby it is certified that MUNGO HWNTAR, ELDEST SON AND APPARENT HEIR OF LYNE TO ROBERT HWNTAR OF HWNTARSTOUNE, "*alias* VOCAT ARNEYLL," and Marioun Hammiltoune, his wife, agree to accept an infetment in HALF OF THE FIVE MERK LAND OF ESTIR ARNEYLL in lieu and place of the five merk land of Cambletoune, except the eighth part of the same, which had been provided to them by the said Robert Hwntar in their Contract of Marriage, dated 1st August 1537.

The Instrument No. 18 is in the following terms :—

In Deïnomine Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat evidenter et sit notum quod anno incarnationis dominice millesimo quingentesimo tragesimo septimo die vero mensis Augusti primo anno indictione decima pontificatusque Pauli tercii anno tercio In mei notarii publici et testium ad hec vocatorum presentia exstat appunctuatum concordatum et fideliter promissum inter partes subscriptas prout in *in (sic)* lingua vulgari sequitur That is to saye ffor samekyll as MUNGO HWNTAR eldest soune and apperand ayire to ROBERT HWNTAR OF HWNTARSTOUNE *alias* VOCAT ARNEYLL wyth full consent and assent of Marioun Hammiltoune his spous ffor thame and the langar lewar of thame tua and thaire airis and assignais hes discharged and quytclemet and be the tenour aff thire presentes discharges and quytclemes the sayd Robert Hwntar of Estir Arneill his ffathire his airis and assignais of that part of the contract of mareage that quhair the sayd Robert Hwntar hes bwund and oblesit hyme his airis and assignais to have gevin the sayd Mungo and Marioun his spous and the langer lewar of thame tua and to thaire airis and assignais heretable stait and sesing of all and hail the five merkland of Cambletoune of auld extent wyth the pertence except the aucht part and the warde of the samyne lyand wythin the parrochyne of Kilbrid balzere of Conyghame and sherifdome of Ayire as at mayre lynth is contenyt in the forsaid contract of mareage mayd thairanent betuixt thame and in respek the forsaid Robert Hwntar hes heretabillie infest ws be sesing gewyne to ws the sayd Mungo and Marioun his spous and to the langer lewar of ws tua and to the airis to be gottin betwixt ws of all and hail the ayne half of the five merkland of Estir Arneyll wyth the pertence lyand wythin the parrochyne balzere and sherifdome ffor saidis nochtwythstanding we the saidis Mungo and Marioun wyll and granttis ffor ws and the langer lewar of ws tua and for oure airis and assignais byndis and oblesis ws and oure foirsadis that als lang as we the langer lewar of ws tua and our foirsadis maye

bruyk and joyis and occupe the five merkland of Campbletoun wyth the per-
tenence except the aucht part and ward of the samyne as was contract to ws of
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the landis of Estir Arneyll wyth the pertenance quhilk landis the sayd Robert
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and thaire forsadis wpone that ayne part and the said Robert and Jonet
Montgomery his spous wppone that wthire part byndis and oblesis thame ilk
ayne to wthir and thair forsadis that thaye nor non of thame sall requyr seyke
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ESTIR ARNEILL zeirle als profitabile to the saidis Mungo and Marioun and
to thair foirsaidis as the five merkland of CAMPBLETOUNE wyth the per-
tenence except befoir except quhilk half of Estir Arneill being mayd als proffet-
able as the landis of Campbletoun except befoir except and the sayd Mungo and
Marioun takand the samyne and intromettand wyth the proffet thairof thaine and
in that cais the said Mungo and Marioun for thame the langer lewar of thame
tua and for thair forsadis discharges the forsad landis of Campbletoun to the
said Robert Hunter and to Jonet Montgomery his spous and the langer lewar
of thame tua and thair forsadis and dissolwis and dischargis that part of the
contract of mareage simpliciter for ewir Super quibus omnibus et singulis pre-
scripte partes petierunt et eorum alter sibi fieri petiit vnum seu plura instru-
mentum et instrumenta Acta erant hec Apud mansionem et turrum ipsius
Roberti Hwntar horam circiter octava ante meridiem vel ea circa sub anno die
mense et indictione quibus supra Presentibus ibidem probis viris Johanne
Robertown de Ernok Jacobo Hammyltoun de Torrens Roberto Montgomery
Matheo Hammylton de Torrens Allano Hammylton et Johanni Wallace
testibus in premissis.

Et ego vero David Neyll clericus Glasguensis diocesis apostolica auctori-
tate notarius publicus quia premissis omnibus *omnibus (sic)* et singulis dum
sic ut premititur dicerentur agerentur et fierent unacum prenomiatis
testibus presens personaliter interfui *ac drentur (sic)*. Eaque omnia et
singula sic fieri vidi scivi et audivi ac in notam cepi ex qua hoc presens
publicum instrumentum manu mea fideliter scriptum exinde confeci . . .
publicam formam instrumentalem redegi signoque et nomine meis solitis et
consuetis signavi in fidem robur et testimonium veritatis omnium et singu-
lorum premissorum rogatus et requisitus.

DAVID NEYLL, *notarius*.

The following is a translation of the Instrument No. 18:—

In the name of God, Amen. By this present public Instrument be it clearly
made known that in the year of the incarnation of the Lord one thousand five
hundred and thirty-seven the first day of the month of August in the tenth
indiction and the 3rd year of the Pontificate of Pope Paul Third in presence of
me Notary Public and witnesses called for that purpose it was Appointed,
Agreed and Faithfully Promised between the parties underwritten as follows
in the common language, that is to say, For-as-much as Mungo Hwntar,
eldest son and heir apparent to Robert Hwntar of Hwunterstoun otherwise
called Arneyll, with full consent and assent of Marioune Hammiltoun
his spouse, for them and the longer liver of the two of them and their heirs and
assignees, has discharged and acquitted and by the tenor of these presents
discharges and acquits the said Robert Hwntar of Hwunterstoun of Estir
(Easter) Arneill his father, his heirs and assignees of that part of the Contract
of Marriage whereby the said Robert Hwntar has bound and obliged him, his
heirs and assignees to have given the said Mungo and Marioune his spouse
and the longer liver of the two of them and to their heirs and assignees heritable

possession of All and Whole the five merk land of Campbeltoun of old extent with the pertinents, except the eighth part of the ward of the same, lying within the Parish of Kilbride, Bailliery of Conynghame and Sherriffdom of Ayr as contained at more length in the said Contract of Marriage made concerning the same between them, and in respect the said Robert Hwntar has heritably infest us by Sasine given to us the said Mungo and Marioune his spouse and to the longer liver of the two of us and to the heirs to be born between us, of All and Whole one half of the five merk land of Estir Arneyll with the pertinents lying within the Parish, Bailliery and Sherriffdom foresaid, nevertheless we the said Mungo and Marioune agree for us and the longer liver of us two and for our heirs and assignes and bind and oblige us and our foresaids that so long as we and the longer liver of us two and our foresaids may possess and enjoy and occupy the five merk land of Campbeltoun with the pertinents except the eighth part and ward of the same as was formerly contracted to us, that we the said Mungo and Marioune and the longer liver of us two shall never trouble, molest, ask nor require any profit nor use of the half of the lands of Estir Arneyll with the pertinents, in which lands the said Robert has infest us and the longer liver of the two of us and our heirs in conjunct infestment as our Sasine bears. Further each of the said parties Mungo and Marioune for them and their foresaids upon the one part and the said Robert and Jonet Montgomery his spouse upon the other part bind and oblige them each to the other and their foresaids that neither they nor any of them shall require, seek nor ask use or profit of either of the foresaid lands of Campbeltoun or Estir Arneyll, but if the said Mungo and Marioune may not possess and enjoy the said lands of Campbeltoun with the pertinents then in that case the said Robert shall make the one half of the five merk land of Estir Arneill as profitable yearly to the said Mungo and Marioune and to their foresaids as the five merk land of Campbeltoun with the pertinents excepting the part before excepted, which half of Estir Arneill being made as profitable as the lands of Campbeltoun under exception before excepted and the said Mungo and Marioune taking the same and intronitting with the profit thereof then and in that case the said Mungo and Marioune for them and the longer liver of the two of them and their foresaids discharge the said lands of Campbeltoun to the said Robert Hwntar and Jonet Montgomery his spouse and the longer liver of the two of them and their foresaids and dissolve and discharge that part of the Contract of Marriage absolutely forever. Upon which all and singular the parties and each for themselves asked that one or more Instrument or Instruments be taken. These things were done at the mansion and tower of the said Robert Hwntar about the hour of 8 a.m. or thereby in the year, day of the month and indiction above in presence of honourable men John Robertown of Ernok, James Hammyltoun of Torrens, Robert Montgomery, Mathew Hammylton of Torrens, Allan Hammylton and John Wallace, witnesses to the premises.

And I truly David Neyll, Clerk of the Diocese of Glasgow by Apostolic Authority, Notary Public, because while All and Sundry the premises as aforesaid were so acted, spoken and done I with the forenamed witnesses was personally present and All and Sundry these things so done I did see, know and hear and took note thereof from which I have made and reduced into this public instrumental form this present public instrument faithfully written with my hand and have signed with my sign and name used and wont in faith and testimony of the truth of all and singular the premises called and required.

DAVID NEYLL, *Notary.*

19. (1540.) *Sasine Cambeltoun.*

Instrument of Sasine narrating the giving of possession to KENTIGERN HUNTAR, son and heir apparent of Robert Hwntar of Hunterstoun, of the five merk land of CAMELTOUN on Precept by James V., under reservation of the liferents of Robert Hwntar and Jonet Montgomery,

dated 15th March and 28th year of King's reign. This Instrument is dated die Sabbati, 3rd April 1540. James Montfoid of that ilk is baillie. The witnesses are James Auchinlos, James Wyly, Archibald Dunlop and Malcolm McClellane. Thomas Hamyltoun, Glasgow diocese, Notary Public.

20. (1541.) *Crown Charter Cambeltoun.*

Charter by James V. to KENTIGERN HUNTAR in fee and heritage and to Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun and Jonet Montgomery, his wife, and the longest liver of them, in liferent of the lands of CAMPBELTOUN, dated at Edinburgh 3rd January 1541. Witnesses—Gavin, Archbishop of Glasgow, our Chancellor; George, Bishop of Dunkeld; James, Earl of Moray; Archibald, Earl of Argyle; Malcolm, Lord Fleming; Thomas Erskin of Brechin; James Kirkcaldy of Grange; David Wod of Crag; Mr. James Foulis of Colintoun and Thomas Bellenden of Auchnoll.

21. (1542.) *Sasine Cambeltoun.*

Instrument of Sasine dated 25th May 1542 narrating the giving of possession to KENTIGERN HUNTAR in fee and heritage and Robert Hunter and Jonet Muntgunmry, his wife in liferent of the lands of CAMPBELTOUN on Crown Precept of James V. James Mufoid of that ilk is baillie. The witnesses are Mr. Archibald Craufurd, Rector of Egilshame, Robert Fergushill of that ilk, David Tempiltoun, Thomas Syar and Mathew Quhit. James Craufurd, Notary Public, Glasgow diocese.

22. (1546.) *Sasine Arneil Huntare.*

Instrument of Sasine narrating the giving of possession to KENTIGERN HUNTAR OF HUNSTARSTOUN and Mariot Hammiltoun, daughter of James Hammiltoun of Torrens, his wife, and the longer liver of them and their heirs, of the lands of ARNEIL HUNTARE with the pertinents, lying in the bailliary of Cunninghame and sheriiffdom of Ayr, dated 8th May 1546, following on Precept from Chancery of Queen Mary dated at Edinburgh May 1546. Robert Montgomery, Vicar of Ayr, is baillie. The witnesses are James Hammiltoun of Torrens, Mr. James Hammiltoun, his son, John Roger, messenger, William Hammliton and John Davidson. James Craufurde, Glasgow diocese, Notary Public.

23. (1547.) *Letter of Reversion Holhous, etc.*

Letter by William, Lord Semple, and Dame Marioun his spouse, undertaking on payment of a certain sum to reconvey to MUNGO HWNTAR OF HUNTERISTOUN the teyne shilling land of HOLHOUS AND BLAKFALD, the lands callit MYLNEAKYR and meadow callit QUHYTTOCH MEDOW, with the pertinents, in the lordschip of Hunterstoun, with Charter and Sasine maid to them thereupon by the said Mungo Hunter, dated and sealed by William, Lord Semple, and by Sir David Neill, Notar Public, for Dame Marioun Montgomery, Lady Semple, with her hand on the pen led by him, the 21st June 1547.

The Letter of Reversion No. 23 is in the following terms:—

To all and syndry qubais knowlage thire present lettres sall cum ws William lord Symple and Dayme Marioun our spous greting in God evirlesting wyt zour vniuersiteis that albeit ane honorable man MUNGO HWNTAR OF HUNTERISTOUN hes sald and annaleit to ws and to the langar levar of ws tua and to our airis and assignais heretabillic be chartour and sesing all and hail the

teyne schilling land of HOLHOUS AND BLAKFALD and the landis callit MYLNE AKYR Togidder wyth medow callyt the QUHYTTOCH MEDOW with thair pertinence now inhabit be Macolm McClelland Jonot McClellane and Johne Brovun lyand WITHIN THE LORDSCHIP OF HUNTERISTOUN balzere of Cunyghame and sherifdoun of Aire to be haldin of memyn airis in fre blanche as at mayr lynth is contenit in his chartour and sesing mayd to ws thairupoun Nevirtheles we will and grantteis and be the tenour of thir present lettres byndis and oblissis us oure airis and assignais that quhat tyme or how swyne it sall happin the said Mungo Hwntar his airis or assignais vpoun fortyr dayis warnyng maid to ws the langar levar of ws tua our airis or assignais personale or at oure duelling place being for the tyme or in oure parochie kirk on ane solempnit day in the tyme of the he mes in presens of ane notar and witness as efferis to content pay and deliver to ws the langar levar of ws tua to our airis or assignais the sovyn of ane hundreth pundis and ten pundis vsual mony of this realm hafand curs of payment for the tyme hail and togidder in nwmeryt mony wpoun ane day betwixt the rysing of the soum and downyne passing of the samyn vpoun the he alter of the paroch kirk of Kylbryd than to resigne ourgif frelie quytclayme discharge and deliuer fra ws oure airis and assignais to the said Mungo his airis and assignais all and hail the teyne schilling land of holhous and blakfald the landis callyt myle akyr togidder with the medow callyt QUHYTTOCHE with the pertinence inhabit be the personis aboun writtin Togidder with all chartour precept instrument of sesing and all vthir evidentes mayd to ws thairupoun Swa that the saydis payment being maid we nor our airis nor assignais nor non vder in our nayme in tyme to cum sall ask clayme rycht properte nor possessioun in nor to the landis and medow aboun writtin or to ony part of tham bot to be excludyt thairfra aluterle for ewyr fra the ressayt of the quhilk soum aboun writtin we the langar levar of ws tua oure airis nor assignais sall nocht wilfull nor fraudfulle absent ws eftyr that we or thai be lauchfulle warnyt thairto as is aboun writtin The quhilk gif we or thai fraudfulle and wilfulle we will and granttis that it be lefull to the said Mungo his airis and assignais to have full and ffre regres in and to the said landis and medow aboun writtin with ther pertinence and to all part of tham but ony judiciall proces The soum nevirtheles being pwt and deliuerit wndir swyr keping to the utilite and profet of ws oure airis and assignais but frad or gyill In wyntes heirof to thir oure present lettres of reuersioun subscrivit be me William lord Symple with my *(sic)* propyr seill of armis is hingyt togidder with the subscriptionn of daym Marioun Montgomery my spous with hyr hand on the pene led be the notar wndir writtin hyr seyll is appendyt at Kyrluschane the twenty ane day of Juni the yeir of God j^m v^c fortyr and sevin yeris befor thir wyntes Barte boyd Robert Dyke David Wrych and Schir David Neyll notaris public and Schir Robert Allansoun.

(Signed) WYLLIAM LORD SYMPL.

I dayme Marioun Montgomery lady Symple with my hand on the pen led be Schyr David Neill notar public.

VIII.—WRITS (1548–1581) concerning ROBERT HWNTAR of Hwntaristoune, succeeded 1547, married Margaret Craufurd, daughter of Thomas Craufurd of Auchinames, and died 9th August 1581.

24. (1548.) *Sasine Campbletoun.*

Instrument of Sasine dated 8th November 1548 narrating the giving of possession to ROBERT HWNTAR as son and heir of Kentigern Hwntar of Hwntaristoune, who died at the Battle of Falsyde,¹ of All and Whole his lands of CAMPBLETOUNE, which had been in

¹ Falsyde was a skirmish prior to the Battle of Pinkiecleuch.

nonentry for one year in the hands of the Steward of Scotland, on Precept dated at Edinburgh 15th October 1548.

The Instrument No 24 is in the following terms :—

In Dei nomine Amen per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat evidenter et sit notum quod anno incarnationis dominice millesimo quingentesimo quadragésimo octavo mensis vero Nouembris die octavo Indictione septima pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris ac domini nostri domini Pauli divina providencia pape tercii anno decimo quinto in mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Jacobus Dyke actornatus nobilis viri ROBERTI HWNTAR filii et heredis quondam Kentigerni DE HWNTARISTOUNE quoddam sasine preceptum pergaminum scriptum more Capille regie alba cera inclusum vicecomiti et ballivis suis de Aire presentavit et hujusmodi executionem petiit Quiquidem vicecomes deputatus dictum sasine preceptum reverenter accepit et apparuit illud que mihi notario publico subscripto tradidit perlegendum exemplandum et in publicam instrumentalem formam redegendum Cuius vero precepti forma sequitur et est talis Maria Dei gratia vicecomiti et ballivis suis de Aire Salutem quia per inquisitionem de mandato nostro per vos factam et ad capellam nostram retornatam compertum est quod quondam Kentigernus Hwntar de Hwntaristoun pater Roberti Hunter latoris presentium obiit ultimo vestitus et sasitus ut de feodo ad pacem et fidem nostram sup[er] ve[x]illo nostro] in BELLO DE FALSVD de totis et integris quinque mercatis terrarum antiqui extentus de CAMPBLETOUNE in proprietate cum pertinentiis jacentium in comitatu nostro de Cunyghame et infra balliam vestram Et quod dictus Robertus est legitimus et propinquior heres eiusdem quondam Kentigerni sui patris de dictis terris cum pertinentiis et quod est legitime etatis ratione acti dispensationis apud dictum bellum confectum: Et de nobis ut Senescalla Scocie tenentur in capite Vobis precipimus et mandamus quatenus prefato Roberto vel suo certo actornato latori presentium Sasinam predictarum terrarum cum pertinentiis juste haberi faciatis et sine delatione salvo jure cuiuslibet Capiendo securitatem de decem libris de relevio earundem nobis tanquam Senescalle antedictæ debitis Et de decem libris de firmis dictarum terrarum cum pertinentiis existentibus in manibus nostris tanquam Senescalle Scocie per spacium unius anni ultimo elapsi Sasina nondum recuperata Et hoc nullo modo omittatis presentibus post proximum terminum minime valeturis teste me ipsa apud Edinburgh die decimo quinto mensis Octobris anni regni nostri sexto Deinde dictus Jacobus Dyke litteras actornatorias supreme domine nostre regine ex parte dicti Roberti Hwntar impetratas in medium produxit quarum literarum tenor sequitur et est talis Maria Dei gratia regina Scotorum omnibus probis hominibus suis ad quos presentes littere pervenerint salntem Sciatis quod suscepimus Jacobum Dyke vel eorum aliquos vel aliquem actornatos vel actornatum dilecti nostri Roberti Hwntar filii quondam et heredis Kentigerni Hwntar de Hunteristoune in omnibus negotiis et loquelis placitis et querelis motis seu movendis ipsum Robertum tangentibus seu tangere valentibus quibuscunque diebus et locis contra quoscunque et coram quibuscunque Quare vobis precipimus et mandamus quatenus dictum Jacobum Dyke vel eorum aliquos vel aliquem presentes vel presentem ut contigerit tanquam actornatos vel actornatum dicti Roberti in premissis recipiatis p[re]sentibus post annum minime valituris In cuius rei testi[monium] litteras nostras] sibi fieri fecimus patentes apud Edinburgh decimo quinto die mensis Octobris anni regni nostro Quibusquidem precepto et actornatoriis visis lectis et in vulgari expositis Idem Johannes Layng vicecomes deputatus de Aire virtute sui officii sasinam hereditariam necnon realem actualem ac corporalem possessionem totarum et integrarum prefatarum quinque mercatarum terrarum de Campbletoun in proprietate cum pertinentiis earundem dicto Jacobo Dyke tanquam actornato sive actornatorio et eo nomine dicti Roberti Hunter tanquam herede dicti quondam Kentigerni Hunter de Hwntaristoune personaliter presenti et acceptanti per terre et lapidis ut moris est traditionem hereditarie dedit et deliberavit salvo jure cuiuslibet Super quibus omnibus et singulis dictus Jacobus Dyke actornatus et eo nomine actornatorio dicti Roberti Hunter ut supra sibi dari ac fieri petiit hinc inde instrumentum [vel] instrumenta A me notario

publico subscripto vnum seu plura publica seu publica Acta erant hec super solum seu fundum dictarum terrarum de Campbletoun horam circiter secundam post meridiem vel ea circa sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem probis et discretis viris Archibaldo Dyke Roberto Pawtoun et David Tempiltoun testibus.

Et ego vero David Neill presbiter Glasguensis diocesis sacra Ap[ostolica] auc]toritate notarius publicus quia premissis omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur dicerentur agerentur et fierent [unacum pre]nominatis testibus presens personaliter interfui eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi scivi et audivi ac in[notam cepi] Ex qua hoc presens publicum instrumentum manu mea fideliter scriptum exinde confeci et in h[anc] publicam formam instrumentalem redegi signoque et nomine meis solitis et consuetis signavi In fidem robor et testimonium omnium et singulorum rogatus et premissorum cum instantia requisitus.

DAVID NEILL, *notarius.*

The following is a translation of the Instrument No. 24:—

In the name of God, Amen, Be it clearly made known by this present public instrument that in the year of the incarnation of the Lord one thousand five hundred and forty eight the eighth day of the month of November, in the seventh indiction of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord Paul the third, by divine providence pope, the fifteenth year, in presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared an honourable man James Dyke, attorney of a noble man ROBERT HWNTAR, son and heir of the late KENTIGERN (Mungo) OF HWNTARISTOUNE, and presented a certain precept of sasine written on parchment according to the custom of the royal chapel sealed with white wax addressed to their sheriff and bailies of Air and asked the same to be executed, which sheriff depute reverently received the said precept of sasine and produced and delivered it to me notary public underwritten to be read, exemplified and put in form of public instrument, of which precept the form follows and is thus. Mary, by the grace of God, to her sheriff and bailies of Air, greeting: Because by inquest made by you at our command and retoured to our chapel it is known that the late Kentigern Hwntar of Hwntaristoun, father of Robert Hwntar, bearer of these presents, died last vest and seised as of fee at our faith and peace under our banner in the BATTLE OF FALSVD in all and whole the five merk lands of old extent of CAMPBLETOUNE in property with pertinents lying in our Earldom of Cunynghame and within your bailliary, and that the said Robert is lawful and nearest heir of the said late Kentigern his father in the said lands with the pertinents, and that he is of lawful age by reason of the act of dispensation made after the said battle, and (that said lands) are held of us in chief as Steward of Scotland, we charge and command you therefor that ye make and justly cause sasine of the foresaid lands with pertinents to be given to the said Robert or his certain attorney bearer of these presents without delay saving the rights of all others, taking security for ten pounds of relief thereof due to us as Steward foresaid and for ten pounds of the fermes of the said lands with pertinents being in our hands as Steward of Scotland by the space of one year last by past sasine having not yet been taken. And this in no way ye omit these presents not to be valid after the next term; Witness myself at Edinburgh the fifteenth day of the month of October in the sixth year of our reign. Thereafter the said James Dyke produced in public letters of attorney of our sovereign lady the queen obtained on behalf of the said Robert Hwntar, of which letters the tenor follows and is thus:—Mary, by the grace of God Queen of Scots, to all prudent men to whom these present letters shall come greeting: Know ye that we have received James Dyke, or one or other of them attorneys or attorney to our lovit Robert Hwntar, son and heir of the late Kentigern Hwntar of Hwntaristoun, in all matters and discussions, pleas and quarrels moved or to be moved concerning or that shall be known to concern the said Robert, whatsoever days and places, against whomsoever and before whomsoever, wherefore we command and charge you that ye receive the said James Dyke or one or other of them who

shall happen to be present as attorneys or attorney of the said Robert in the premises, these presents not being valid after one year. In testimony of which thing we have caused our letters patent to be made to him at Edinburgh the fifteenth day of the month of October in the sixth year of our reign: Which precept and letter of attorney being seen, read and in the common tongue expounded the said John Layng, Sheriff depute of Air, by virtue of his office gave and delivered heritable sasine together with real, actual and corporal possession of all and whole the foresaid five merk lands of Campbletoun in property with pertinents thereof to the said James Dyke as attorney or attorneys and in name of the said Robert Hunter as heir of the said late Kentigern Hunter of Hwntaristoune, personally present and accepting, by delivery of earth and stone as use is, saving the rights of all others: upon which all and sundry the said James Dyke, attorney and in name of the said Robert Hunter as above, asked to be made and given to him thereupon one or more public instrument or public instruments from me notary public underwritten. These things were done on the land or ground of the said lands of Campbeltoun about the second hour afternoon or thereby year, day, month, indiction and pontificate as above in presence of prudent and discreet men, Archibald Dyke, Robert Pawtoun and David Tempiltoun, witnesses.

And I verily David Neill, presbyter of the diocese of Glasgow by sacred apostolic authority, notary public, because while all and singular the premises were spoken, acted and done as is premised, I together with the forenamed witnesses was personally present and all and sundry these things so done I did see, know and hear, and took a note thereof from which I have made and reduced it into this public form of instrument, this present public instrument faithfully written with my hand, signed with my sign and name used and went in faith, strength and testimony of all and singular the premises called and instantly required.

DAVID NEILL, *Notary.*

25. (1548.) *Instrument re Helis Duties.*

Instrument, dated 21st January 1548, whereby John Lyn of that ilk and Bowtrehill disposes and makes over the ward, nonentry and relief duties of HELIS to Archibald Crawford, parson of Eglisheim, pertaining to him as superior by the decease of Jonet Montgunny LADY HUNSTARSTONE, or her spouse, ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNSTARSTONE until the heir of Hunterstone is of complete age. The witnesses are, John Maxwell, John Blair and Robert Broun. Robert Howstone, Notary. The deed is signed by John Lyn, Thomas Hammyltoun, notary, Alexander Craufurd, notary, John Brydyn, notary. [The price was 167 merks and "ane gray hors for twenty crownis of wecht." A receipt of 7th July 1549 for the last instalment is endorsed—Sir Bartholomew Simson is a witness.]

(1551.) *Tenancy of the Holy Isle, Lamblash, Arran.*

In a Decree registered in the Register of Acts and Decrees 6th March 1594, obtained by Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun (son and heir of this Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun) and his Curators against John Crawford of Crawfordland and others for recovery of writs there is mentioned:—

"Ane precept direct be James Duik of Chatteltraut to James Hammiltoun his chalmerlane to ressaue ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNSTARSTOUN TENNENT TO THE YLE OF LAMLACHE off the dait the xxij day of Aprile the zeir of God fiftie ane zeiris."

(1551.) *Lands in lordship of Crawfordland.*

The above Decree of 1594 mentions a Sasine of April 1551 in favour of Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun in lands within the lordship of Crawfordland, John Hunter being Attorney and Thomas Hamiltoun Notary.

(1562.) *Bond in defence of the Reformed religion.*

A copy of the Principal Bond subscribed be the Noblemen and Gentry of Kyll Caricke and Cuninghame, for mentinance of religion, 1562, is in the Charter Chest of the Earl of Eglinton and is given as follows in "Memorials of the Montgomeries, Earls of Eglinton."

Wee quhais names are underwreaten doe promise, in the presence of God, and in the presence of his Sone, our Lord Jesus Christ, that we and evrie one of us will mentain and assist the preatching of this holy evangell, now of his free mercie offred unto this realme; and also will maintaine the ministers of the samin against all persones, power and authoritie that will oppone thair-selves unto the doctrine now proponet, and be us receavet: And farder, withe the said solemnitic, we protest and promise, that we, and evrie one of us, schall assist, hazard, yea, and the quhole bodie of the Protestants within this realme, in all lauffull and just action against all persones; so that quhatsumever schall hurt, molest or trowble any of our bodies sall be reputed done to the quhole, except that the offender will be content to 'submitt himselfe to the judgment of the kirke now established among us: and this we doe as we desyre to be accepted in favour of the Lord Jesus, and reckonet worthie of credite and honestie in the presence of the godlie: at the bruche of Air, the fourt of September, the year of God ane thousand five hundreth thriscore and tua yeares. Sic subscribitur—

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Eglingtowne.
Glencairne.
Robt. Lord Boyde.
Mathew Campbell of Lowdoun.
Allane Lord Cathcart.

* * *

ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOWN.

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26. (1568.) *Instrument re Heleis Duties.*

Instrument following on Discharge by John Lin of that ilk in favour of ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOWN of the ward relief and nonentries of HELEIS, dated 8th February 1568. The witnesses are Robert Fergushill of that ilk, Andrew Crawford of Badelane, Laurence Lin of Bourtrehill and Alexander Crawford in Girthill. Gavin Nasmyth, notary, Glasgow diocese.

27. (1568.) *Sasine Heleis.*

Instrument of Sasine narrating the giving of possession to ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOWN as heir of Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, his grandfather, of HELEIS, to be held of John Lin of that ilk as superior, dated 8th February 1568. Witnesses and notary same as in No. 26.

28. (1567.) *Sasine Annanhill.*

Instrument of Sasine dated 6th November 1567 narrating the giving of possession to ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOWN, as grandson and heir of Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, of ANNANHILL, which had been twenty years and one term in nonentry; on Crown Precept by James VI., dated 3rd November of 1st year of his reign. The witnesses

are Charles Mout of Busbie, Robert Fergushill of that ilk, James Aaikheid in Corshous, William Stevinstoun, Thomas Robeson, tenant in Annanhill Hunter, and Sir Adam Wallace, notary, John Mur, notary, Glasgow diocese.

(1569.) *Annualrent out of Kilcusche.*

In the before-mentioned Decreet of 1594 there are specified :—

“Item ane chartour of ane annualrent of xx merks zeirle out of the landis of KILCUSCHE sould be Jon Blair of that ilk of the dait the xx day of November the zeir of God thriescoir nyne zeiris to ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN his airis and assignes subscribit be Blair of that ilk, ane Instrument of the foirsaid annualrent under the signum and subscription of Robert Crawford nottar publict the day abone written ane copy of the reversioun of the samyn.”

(1571.) *Annualrent out of Knokintiber.*

In the before-mentioned Decreet of 1594 there are specified :—

Ane Chartour of ane annualrent of xxxvj merks sould be Charlis Mowat of Busbie to the said Umqle ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and Margaret Crawford his spous to be upliftit furth of the landis of KNOKINTIBER subscribit be the said Umqle Charlis of the dait at Irwing the xxxij day of July the yeir of God 1^m v^c lxxi zeiris togidder with ane contract maid betwix the saidis parteis anent the securities of the foirsaid annualrent of the dait at Knokintiber the xx day of July the yeir of God foirsaid with sesing of the foirsaid annualrent under the signum and subscription manuale of Jon Mur nottar publict of the dait the xx day of July the zeir of God foirsaid.

29. (1581.) *Testament-Dative and Inventar (registered in the Books of the Commissariat of Edinburgh 24th September 1583).*

The Testament-Dative and Inventar of the goods geir soumes of money and dettis pertaining to Umquhile ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN within the Sherefdom of Air the tyme of his deceis quha deceist upoun the nynt day of August the yeir of God 1^m v^c lxxxj yeirs Faythfullie made and gevin vp be Margaret Craufurd Lady Hunterstoun his relict In name and behalf of Jane Marioun Katherine Elizabeth and Hew Hunteris y^r lauchtfull barnes by the air and executours Dativis decernit to their said Umqle. father be decret of the Commissars of Ed^r. as the samyn decret of the dait the first day of December the yeir of God 1^m v^c lxxxj yeirs at lenth proportis.

In the first the said Umqle Ro^t. Hunter of Hunterstoun had the guds geir soumes of money & dettis of the avale & prices eftir following pertening to him the tyme of his deceis foirsaid viz. Ane gray hors by the airschip hors price xx merk. Item sevin auld ky price of the pece v lib. summa xxxv lib. Item thrie young quoyis of thrie yeir aulds price of the pece iij lib. summa ix lib. Item ane young stot of thrie yeir auld price iij lib. Item ane young stot & tua quoyis of tua yeir aulds price of the pece xl s. summa vj lib. Item viij young stirkis of ane yeir aulds price of the pece xx s. summa vij lib. Item xiiij schepe price of the pece xvj s. summa x lib. vij s. Item sawin on the grund thrie bollis aittis estimat to the thrid corne extending to nyne bollis aittis price of the boll with the fodder xxxij s. iij d. summa xv lib. Item mair vij firloittis beir sawin estimat to the ferd corne extending to vij bollis beir price of the boll with the fodder iij merk summa xxvij merk. Item mair thrie firloittis quheit savin estimat to the ferd corne extending to iij bolls quheit price of the boll with the fodder iij lib. summa ix lib. Item ane hay stak estimat to xx lib. Item in vtencilis & domicillis with the abulzementis of his bodie by the airschip estimat to ane hundreth merk.

Summa of the Inventar ijc^c xiiij lib. xvj d.

Followis the dettis awand to the deid.

Item thair wes awand to the said-Umqle. Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun be the tennentis of ANNANIILL of the lxxx yeirs crope ij bolls beir price of the boll iij lib. summa xij lib. Item be the tennentis of CUMBREY ij bolls beir of the said crope price of the boll iij lib. summa viij lib. Item be Malcum M'Clellane in CAMPBELTOUN vj firlots beir of the said crope price vj lib. Item be Johne M'Clellane yr j boll beir of the said crope price iij lib. Item be Ar^d. Dunlop yr half ane boll beir price xl s. Item be William Young yr half ane boll beir price xl s. Item be Robert Young yr half ane boll beir price xl s. Item awand be his gude mother & hir gudedochter half ane boll beir price xl s. for the qlk. the said Ro^t is souertie. Item be Alex^r. M'Clellane yr iij firlots beir price iij lib. Item be Johne Wilson yr vj firlots beir price vj lib. Item be Andro Craufurd yr half ane boll beir price xl s. Item be Johne Young yr j boll beir price iij lib. Item be James Farie in THRID PART half ane boll beir price xl s. & Johne M'Clellane souertie thairfore. Item be James Davie in Thrid part half ane boll beir price xl s. & Johne Thomsoun in Hunterstoun souertie for him. Item be David Stevinsoun half ane boll and iij peks beir for his ferme price lv s. Item be Johne Blakshew in HUNTERSTOUN 1 firlot beir price xx s. Item be Johne Hegyne thair 1 firlot beir price xx s. Item be James Wodsyd thair half ane boll beir price xl s. Item be Robert Thomestoun thair ij bolls ij firlots beir price foirsaid summa x lib. Item be Johne Tarbet thair of his awne ferme 1 boll beir price iij lib. Item be Johne Tempiltoun thair 1 firlot beir price xx s. Item be Johne Symsoun younger in FERNELIE half ane boll beir price xl s. Item the said John Tempiltoun is souertie thairfore. Item be Johne Montgumrie in CUMBRAY half ane boll beir price xl s. Item be Ro^t. Gemmill in Hunterstoun 1 firlot beir price xx s. Item be the widow Marioun Broun in KEPANE BURNE 1 firlot beir price xx s. Item mair be the said Robert Gemmill vj peccis beir price xxx s. Item be Johne M'Clellane & James M'Clellane his sone xiiij peccis beir price iij lib. x s. Item awand be Alex^r. Young v firlots beir price v lib. Item be James Hunter of his ferme beir x peccis beir price 1 s. Item be Ar^d. Broun in POCARF 1 firlot beir price xx s. Item be Alex^r. Stevinsoun v firlots beir price v lib. and the said Ar^d. Broun caution thairfore. Item awand be Johne Thomesoun of his ferme beir xiiij peccis beir price iij lib. x s. Item awand be Alex^r. Boyd in BAWLIE 1 boll beir price iij lib. Item be laird of Auchynnames 1 firlot beir price xx s. Item awand be Johne Boyd in Glentoun 1 firlot beir price xx s. Item be Johne Quhyt in Mosglen half 1 boll beir price xl s. Item be Patrik Craufurd in Auldmure 1 boll beir price iij lib. Item be Umqle. Johne M'Clellane & Jonet Broun in HOILHOUS 1 firlot beir betuix thame price xx s. Item be Jonet Hunter spous to W^m. Trane in Irrwine ij bolls aittis of the said lxxx yeris crope price of the boll xl s. summa iij lib. Item be the lady Sympill his gudemoyer ij bolls aittis price of the boll xl s. summa iij lib. Item be W^m. Hunter and Johne Hunter his bruyer soun in CUMBRAY viij lib. money for the rest of the prices of corne. Item be Gilbert Mychell in Cumbray ij bolls aittis price foirsaid summa iij lib. Item be Johne M'Call thair vj firlots aittis price ij lib. and the said Gilbert souertie thairfore. Item be Johne Symsoun elder in FAIRINLIE iij firlots aittis price xxx s. and the lady Fairinlie souertie thairfore. Item be Johne Symsoun younger in FARYNLIE & Johne Tempiltoun half 1 boll aittis price xx s. Item awand be Andro Sempill of Fairnelie 1 firlot aittis price x s. and David Stevinsoun souertie for the samyn. Item be Ro^t. Thomesoun in Hunterstoun x peccis of wark corne price of the boll ij merk summa xvj s. viij d. Item be Johne Montgumrie in Cumbray xvij s. Item be Johne Quhyt in MOSGLEN xxix s. viij d. Item be Hew Craufurde in Campbeltoun for his entres silver xj merk. Item be Ro^t. Gilleis in Hoilhous vj lib. Item be Johne Wilsoun in Campbeltoun for his entres silver x merk. Item be Johne Fynlay in Ladysyd xx merk Lent money and W^m. Rysyd in HELEIS souertie. Item be Alex^r. Boyd in Baley xx merk. Item be Lyoun Thome in Quhytsyd x merk Lent money. Item be George Hunter in Richartoun ten pund of Lent money. Item be Charles Boyd in Busbie of the loubkismes dett viij lib. money. Item be David Stevinsoun in Hunterstoun v lib. Item be Patrik Craufurd in Auldmure of

Lent money xij lib. Item be Johne Thomesoun xx lib. qlk. he ressauit quhen he tuk the Manis of Hunterstoun. Item awand be him for ane broun mer xiiij merk vj s. viij d. Item be James Mowat now of Busbie for the Witsunday termes annuell in anno lxxxi yeris ten pund. Item be Dame Marioun Montgumrie lady Sempill ane hundreth merk. Item mair be hir of Lent money fiftie merk and Johne Gray in Corsbie myln and Thomas Scyir in Corsbie caution thairfore. Item mair be the said Dame Marioun Montgumrie lady Sympill tua hundreth and fiftie merk qlk. soum she confest befor witnesses. Item be David Stevinsoun tua peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be Johne Roger tua peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be Alex^r. Young tua peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be James Hunter tua peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be Johne Quhyt in Mosglen half 1 boll mele price xxxij s. iiij d. Item be W^m. Young half 1 boll mele price xxxij s. iiij d. Item be Alex^r. M'Clellane tua peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be Andro Craufurd tua peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be Katherine Nevene in POCARF iij firlots mele price 1 s. Item be David Stevinsoun half ane boll mele price xxxij s. iiij d. Item be Johne Thomesoun half ane boll mele price xxxij s. iiij d. Item be the said Alex^r. M'Clellane ii peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be Johne Hegyne half ane boll price xxxij s. iiij d. Item be Johne Gemmill & Ro^t. Gemmill betuix thame ane firlot mele price xvj s. viij d. Item be Andro Craufurd tua peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be Thomas Flois tua peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be Archibald Dunlope ij peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be James Hunter ij peccis mele price viij s. iiij d. Item be his tennentis of Annanehill tua bolls mele at v merk the boll summa x merk. Item be the tennentis of Annanehill for the half fermes in anno lxxxi yeris xvj bolls victuell thair of xij bolls mele at xl s. the boll tua bolls beir at iij merk the boll and tua bolls qubeit at iij lib. the boll summa xxxv lib. vj s. viij d. Item awand be the tennentis of Campbeltoun for the half fermes in anno foirsaid viij bolls beir at iij merk the boll summa xxxij merk. Item be the tennentis of SOUTH KAMES in the MEKILL ILE OF CUMBRAY for thair half fermes in anno foirsaid tua bolls mele at xl s. the boll & ij bolls beir at iij merk the boll summa ix lib. vj s. viij d. Item awand be the tennentis of Hunterstoun for thair half fermes of the land of Hunterstoun in anno lxxxi yeris xix bolls ij firlots victuall tua part mele at xl s. the boll and third part beir at iij merk the boll summa xliij lib. vj s. viij d. Item awand be the tennentis of Hunterstoun & Campbeltoun for thair males of the Witsunday terme in anno lxxxi yeris the soum of xxij lib. Item awand be Jonet Hunter lady Fergushill the soum of ane hundreth thriescoir merk. Item mair be the said Dame Marioun Montgumrie lady Sympill of byrun annuellis ane hundreth merk mair be hir of lent money ane hundreth merk.

Summa of the dettis awand to the deid lx^c xxxvij lib. xv s. iiij d.

Summa of the Inuentar w^t the dettis 1m 1^c lj lib. xvj s. viij d.

Follows the dettis awand be the deid.

Item thair wes awand be the said Umqle. Ro^t. Hunter of Hunterstoun to Jane Hunter his lauchfull dochter for ane yeris annuelrent furtht of the lands of Annanehill the soum of viij lib. Item restand awand to the Abbot of Kilwyning for teinds in anno lxxx yeris xxvj s. viij d. Item to Thomas Stewart servend for ane termes fie xl s. Item to Gelis Craufurd for ane termes fie tua merk. Item to the Chalmerlane of Castell Sempill for the thrid of the TEINDS OF CORSBIE in anno lxxx yeris xxiiij lib. xij s. iiij d.

Summa of the dettis awand be the deid xxxvij lib. vj s. viij d.

Restis of frie geir the dettis deducit 1m 1^c xij lib. x s.

To be devidit in thrie partis the deid part is iij^c lxxj lib. iij s. iiij d.

Quhair of the quot is componit for x lib.

We Mess^{rs}. Eduard Henrysoun doctor in the laws Alex^r. Sym & Johne Prestoun advocattis Commissars of Ed^r. specialie constitut for confirmatioun of testamentis Undirstanding that eftir dew summonding & lauchfull warning maid be forme of edict oppinlie as effeirs of the exer^s & intromett^s w^t the gudis & geir of the said Umqle. Ro^t. Hunter and of vy^{rs} havand interes to compeir indicialie befor us at ane certane day bipast to heir & se exe^r dativis decernit to be gevin admittit and confirmit be us in & to the gudis & geir qlk. iustlie

pertenit to him the tyme of his deceis or ellis to schow ane caus quhy etc. We decernit thairintill as our decret gevin thairupoun beris Conforme to the qlk. we in our Souerane Lordis name and autoritie makkis constitutis ordanis & confirmis the saidis Jane Marioun Katherine Elizabeth & Hew Hunteris in exer^s. dativis to the said Umqle. Ro^t. Hunter thair father With power to thame to intromet uptak follow and persew as law will the gudis & geir abonespecificit and to outred dettis to creditors and generalie all & sundrie thingis to do exerce and use that to the office of executrie dative is knawin to pertene Providing that the saidis exer^s. shall ansuer & render compt upoun thair intromissioun quhen & quhair the samyn salbe requirit of thame and that the saidis gudis salbe fur^t cumand to all parteis havand interes as law will Quhairupoun caution is fundin as ane act maid thairupoun beris.

Ane eik maid to this testament the thrid day of September 1586 for xxxvj s. of quot.

We Mess^{rs}. Johne Prestoun etc. be the tennour heirof ratifeis appreis & confermis the saidis JANE MARIOUN KATHERENE ELIZAT AND HEW HUNTERIS exer^s dativis to the said Umqle. Ro^t. Hunter thair fader in & to the dettis underwrittin restand awan to the said Umqle. Ro^t. the tyme of his deceis be the persounes eftir following and newlie cumin to the saidis executoris knowlege that is to say Item awin be James Movat of Busbie of byrun annuellis out of the land of xxxiiij bollis victuall meill at xls. the boll summa xlviij lib. Item awin be the tennentis of Hunterstoun for thair half fermes of the lands of Hunterstoun in anno 1^m v^c lxxxii xxxiiij bollis victuall quhair of thair is alreddy confermit nyetene bollis sua now to be eikit & confirmit xv bollis victuall tua part meill at xls. the boll and thrid part beir at iij merks the boll summa xxxiiij lib. vjs. viij d. Item awin be the tennentis of Hunterstoun for thair maillis the Witsounday terme 1^m v^c lxxxi lib. quhair of thair is alreddy confermit xxij libs. sua nov to be confermit and eikit thairto xxviij libs. and gevis & committis the intromissioun w^t the samyn to the saidis executoris foirsaidis w^t power to thame to intromet uptak follow and pursew thairfoir as law will and dispone thairupoun at thair plesour reservand compt to be maid be thame thairfoir as accords of the law.

IX.—WRITS (1594-1616) concerning ROBERT HUNTAR OF HUNTARSTOUN, succeeded 1581, married 1594 Margaret Peblis, daughter of Patrick Peblis of Broomlands, and died 1616.

30. (1594.) *Decreet regarding Writs.*

Decreet ROBERT HUNTAR OF HUNTARSTOUN and Others *v.* Johne Crawford of Crawfordland and Others, registered in the Register of Acts and DECREETS 6th March 1594. (Vol. 153, fol. 359.)

In the Actioun and caus persewit at the instance of ROBERT HUNTAR OF HUNTARSTOUN sone & air of Umqle. Robert Huntar of Hunterston his father and oy and air at the least apparand air to Umqle. Mongow Huntar of Hunterston his gudschir And Robert Master of Eglintoun Johne Stewart Shreff of Bute, Thomas Newing youngar of Monkriding his curators for thair entress Aganis Johne Crawford of Crawfordland Margaret Crawford relict of Umqle. Robert Huntar of Hunterston and Robert Stewart burges of Glesgow hir spous for his entres Makand mentioun that quhair the said Robert as air at the least apperand air to his saids Umqle. father & gudschir hes gude & undoubtit ry^t to the evidentis and writtis particularc eftirspecifiet pertening to his said Umqle. predicessouris Thay ar to say in the handis & keiping of the said Johne Crawford of Crawfordland Ane Chartour the saidis persewaris compeirand be Mr. Johne Russell thair procuratour and the saidis defendaris being laufulle summonsd to this actioun oftymes callit & nocht compeirit The Lordis of Counsale decernis and ordanis litters to be

direct simpliciter chargeing the saidis Joⁿ Crawford of Crawfordland Margaret Crawford relic foirsaid & hir said spous for his entres hauearis of the writtis & euidentis particulare abouewrittin to giff and delyuer the samyis to the saidis Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun apperand air foirsaid and to his abonewrittin curatouris for thair entress to the effect abonespecificet Becaus the said Joⁿ Crawford of Crawfordland & Margaret Crawford & hir said spous for his entres war lauffulle chargit be vertew of our Soueran lordis letteres past pouon ane act of the lordis of Counsale to haue brocht & exhibit befor the saidis lordis all and syndre the writtis & euidentis particulare abonewrittin to haue bene sene and considerit be thame to the effect foirsaid With certificatioun to thame & thai failzet thairin the saidis lordis wald decerne as said is and thai being lawfulle summond to that effect failzeit thairintill lykas wes cleirle understand be the saidis lordis and thairfoir thai decernit in maner foirsaid.

31. (1594.) *Sasine Arneill Hunter.*

Instrument of Sasine narrating the giving of possession to the said ROBERT HUNTER as heir of Quintigern Hunter of Hunterstoun, his grandfather, who died at the faith and peace of Queen Mary under her standard in the Battle of Pynkieclewcht, of ARNEILL HUNTER mansion house, garden and pertinents, taken at the FORTALICE OF HUNSTARSTOUN on 10th November 1594, and proceeding on Precept by Henry, Prince and Steward of Scotland, dated at Edinburgh 5th November 1594.

The Instrument No. 31 is in the following terms:—

In Dei nomine Amen Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat euidenter et sit notum quod anno domini millesimo quingentesimo nonagesimo quarto die vero mensis Novembris decimo In nostrorum notariorum publicorum et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir ROBERTUS HUNTER DE HUNSTARSTOUN habens et tenens suis in manibus quoddam sasine preceptum nobilissimi excellentissimique principis Henrici principis et senescalli Scotie Ducis de Rothesay Comitis de Carrick domini insularum et barronis baronie de Ranfrow alba cera clausum Balliuo de Conyngame et deputatis suis ad effectum subscriptum directum Quodquidem sasine preceptum dictus Robertus Hunter de Hunterstoun reverentia qua decuit honorabili viro Wilielmo Montgomerie scribe rectori de Air balliuo deputato de Conyngame presentavit et deliberavit ipsum balliuum deputatum humiliter requirendo quatenus eiusmodi precepti mandatum debite executioni demandaret dictumque Robertum in terris et aliis subscriptis sasivet et investiret Qui vero balliuus predictum preceptum ad manus recepit apperuit legit perlegit et in vulgari exposuit Cuius tenor sequitur sub hac verborum forma et est talis Henricus princeps et Senescallus Scotie dux de Rothesay Comes de Carrick dominus insularum ac barro baronie de Renfrow balliuo nostro de Conyngame et deputatis suis salutem quia per inquisitionem de mandato charissimi nostri patris per vos factum et ad capellam sue maiestatis retornatam compertum est quod quondam Quintigernus Hunter de Hunterstoun avus Roberti Hunter de Hunterstoun latoris presentium obiit ultimo vestitus et sasitus ut de feodo ad pacem et fidem quondam charissime avie nostre Marie Scotorum regine sub eius vexillo ad BELLUM DE PYNKIECLEWCHT In totis et integris terris de ARNEILL HUNTER cum mansione hortis et suis pertinentiis extendentibus ad quinque libratas terrarum antiqui extentus cum pertinentiis jacentibus infra balliam vestram et vicecomitatum nostrum de Air Et quod dictus Robertus Hunter de Hunterstoun est legitimus et propinquior heres eiusdem quondam Quintigerni Hunter sui avi de totis et integris predictis terris de Arneill Hunter cum suis pertinentiis extendentibus ut supra Et quod est legitime etatis Et quod de nobis principe tanquam Senescallo Scotie tenentur in capite Vobis precipimus et mandamus quatenus dicto Roberto Hunter de Hunterstoun vel suo certo actornato latori presentium sasina totarum et integrarum predictarum terrarum de Arneill

Huntar cum suis pertinentiis juste haberi faciatis et sine delatione salvo jure cuiuslibet Ac Capiendo securitatem de j^m ijc xv libris de firmis dictarum terrarum cum pertinentiis existentibus in manibus nostris charissime nostri patris et quondam charissime nostre avie respective per spatium quadraginta annorum et unius termini aut eacirca ultime elapsi sasina non recuperata que firme extendunt annuatim ad xxx. libris et de ij denariis argenti per duplicationem albe firme earundem nobis debite tanquam principi et Senescallo Scotie Et hoc nullo modo omittatis presentibus post proximum terminum minime valituris teste meipso Apud Edinburght quinto die mensis Novembris anno domini millesimo quingentesimo nonagesimo quarto Post cuiusquidem precepti perlectionem et publicationem prefatus Wilielmus Montgomery ballivus deputatus de Conynghame antedictus existens in fundis dictarum terrarum de Arneill Huntar Et ibidem de totis et integris dictis terris de Arneill Huntar cum mansione hortis et suis pertinentiis extendentibus ad quinque libratas terrarum antique extensus cum pertinentiis jacentibus in balliatu de Conynghame et infra vicecomitatum de Air Et ibidem propriis suis manibus statum et sasinam hereditariam necnon realem actualem et corporalem possessionem prefato Roberto Huntar de Hunterstoun tanquam vero legitimo et propinquiore heredi dicti quondam Quintigerni Huntar de Hunterstoun per terre lapidis et fundi earundem traditionem ut moris est in similibus salvo jure cuiuslibet Secundum forman et tenorem dicti precepti exhibuit tradidit et deliberavit Super quibus omnibus et singulis sic premissis dictus Robertus Huntar A nobis notariis publicis subscriptis sibi fieri petiit instrumenta unum seu plura Acta erant hec super solo dictarum terrarum Apudque dictum FORTALICIUM DE HUNSTARSTOUN hora duodecima in meridiem sub anno die mense quibus supra Presentibus ibidem Joanne Montgomerie de Auchinbothie Hugone Montgomerie juniore de Smythstoun Wilielmo Galstoun in Newtoun Eglintoun Roberto Thomesoun in Hunterstoun Wilelmo Myllar in Mylnhill Killwynninge Jacobo Maklenand in Hoilhous Hunterstoun Hugone Parkar servitore dicti ballivi Archibaldo Montgomerie famulo Roberti Magistri de Eglintoun Hugone Mur seriando ballivus de Conynghame et Joanne Michell in Dykes Ardrossane notario publico ac meoque in hac parte collega.

Et ego vero Joannes Mur clericus Glasguensis diocesis publicus sacra auctoritate Apostolica notarius Quia premissis omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur dicerentur agerentur et fierent Unacum prenominitis testibus presens personaliter interfui Eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi scivi et audivi ac in notam cepi Ex qua hoc presens publicum instrumentum manu aliena fideliter scriptum exinde confeci et in hanc formam publicam instrumentalem redegii Signoque nomine et subscriptione meis solitis et consuetis signavi In fidele testimonium veritatis omnium et singulorum premissorum rogatus et requisitus.

Ita est Johannes Michell notarius collega in premissis.

The following is a translation of the Instrument No. 31 :—

In the name of God, Amen, By this present public instrument be it clearly made known and noted that in the year of the Lord one thousand five hundred and ninety four the tenth day of the month of November, in presence of us, notaries public and witnesses underwritten, personally compared an honourable man ROBERT HUNTAR OF HUNSTARSTOUN, having and holding in his hands a certain precept of sasine of the most noble and excellent prince Henry, Prince and Steward of Scotland, Duke of Rothesay, Earl of Carrick, Lord of the Isles and Baron of the barony of Renfrew, closed with white wax, directed to the bailie of Conynghame and his deutes to the effect underwritten, which precept of sasine the said Robert Huntar of Hunterstoun reverently as became presented and delivered to an honourable man William Montgomerie, writer, rector of Ayr, bailie depute of Conynghame, humbly requiring the said bailie depute to put the command of the said precept to due execution and to infeft and seise the said Robert in the lands and others underwritten : Which foresaid precept the bailie received in his hand, opened,

read, perused and in the common tongue expounded, of which the tenor follows under this form of words and is thus: Henry, Prince and Steward of Scotland, Duke of Rothesay, Earl of Carrick, Lord of the Isles and Baron of the barony of Renfrew, to our bailie of Conynghame and his deputies greeting, because by inquest made by you at command of our dearest father and returned to His Majesty's Chapel it is found that the late Quintigern Hunter of Hunterstoun, grandfather of Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, bearer of these presents, died last vest and seised as of fee at the peace and faith of our late dearest grandmother Mary Queen of Scots under her banner in the battle of PYNKIE-CLEWCHT, in all and whole the lands of ARNEILL HUNTER with mansion, yards and their pertinents, extending to a five pound land of old extent with pertinents lying within your bailliary and our sheriffdom of Air, and that the said Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun is lawful and nearest heir of the said late Quintigern Hunter his grandfather in all and whole the foresaid lands of Arneill Hunter with their pertinents extending as above, and that he is of lawful age, and that they are held of us as Prince and Steward of Scotland in chief. We command and charge you therefore that ye justly cause sasine to be given to the said Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun or to his certain attorney bearer of these presents of all and whole the foresaid lands of Arneill Hunter with their pertinents, without delay saving the rights of anyone whomsoever, and to take security for one thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds of fermes of the said lands with pertinents, being in the hands of us, of our dearest father and our late dearest grandmother respectively by the space of forty years and one term or thereby last by past sasine not being recovered, which ferme extends yearly to thirty pounds and of two pennies silver by duplication of the blench ferme thereof due to us as Prince and Steward of Scotland; and this on no wise ye omit these presents to be in no wise valid after the next term. Witness myself at Edinburgh the fifth day of the month of November the year of the Lord one thousand five hundred ninety four. After the reading and publication of which precept the said William Montgomerie, bailie depute of Conynghame foresaid, being in the ground of the foresaid lands of Arneill Hunter there of all and whole the said lands of Arneill Hunter with mansion, yards and their pertinents extending to a five pound land of old extent with pertinents lying in the bailliary of Conynghame and within the sheriffdom of Air, with his own hands presented, gave and delivered state heritable sasine together with real actual and corporal possession to the said Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun as lawful and nearest heir of the said late Quintigern Hunter of Hunterstoun by delivery of earth and stone of the ground thereof as use is in like cases, saving the rights of anyone whomsoever, according to the form and tenor of the said precept. Upon which all and sundry the premises the said Robert Hunter asked from me, notary public underwritten, instruments one or more to be made to him. These things were done upon the ground of the said lands and at the said FORTALICE OF HUNSTARSTOUN the hour of twelve midday, year, day and month as above, there being present John Montgomerie of Auchinbothie, Hugh Montgomerie, younger of Smythstoun, William Galstoun in Newtoun Eglintoun, Robert Thomesoun in Hunterstoun, William Myllar in Mylnhill Killwynninge, James Maklenand in Hoilhou Hunterstoun, Hugh Parkar, servitor to the said bailie, Archibald Montgomerie, servant to Robert, Master of Eglintoun, Hugh Mur, sergeant of the bailliary of Cunynghame, and John Michell in Dykes Ardrossane, notary public, and my colleague in that part.

And I truly John Mure, clerk of the diocese of Glasgow, notary public by sacred Apostolic authority, because while all and sundry the premises were so spoken, acted and done I together with the forenamed witnesses was personally present, and all and sundry these things so done I saw, knew and heard, and took a note thereof from which I have made and reduced into this form of public instrument this present public instrument, faithfully written by the hand of another, and I have signed my sign name and subscription used and wont in faithful witness of the truth of all and singular the premises called and required.

So it is. John Michell, notary colleague, in the premises.

32. (1594.) *Sasine Campbeltoun.*

Instrument of Sasine, dated 8th December 1594, narrating the giving of possession to the said ROBERT HUNTER as heir of the said Robert Hunter, his father, in CAMPBELTOUN, reserving to Margaret Crawford, his mother, relict of the said deceased Robert Hunter, her terce out of the lands, proceeding on Crown Precept or Warrant by Henry, Prince and Steward of Scotland, dated at Edinburgh 21st November 1594. The witnesses to the giving of possession are James Mowet of Busbie, Hugh Montgomery of Braidstane, Robert Montgomerie, Junior, of Heissilheid, Andrew Newing of Monkriding, Robert Fergushill of that ilk, Daniel Ker of Kerrisland, John Michell in Dykes and William Stevistoun, notary. William Montgomerie is notary.

33. (1594.) *Sasine Annanhill.*

Instrument of Sasine, dated 26th December 1594, narrating the giving of possession to ROBERT HUNTER as heir of Robert Hunter of Hunterston, his father, in ANNANHILL, reserving the terce of Margaret, his mother, out of the said lands, following on Crown Precept by Henry, Prince and Steward of Scotland, dated 21st November 1594. The witnesses are Thomas Robesoun in Annanhill, Wynin Robesoun, his son, indweller there, Hugh Parker, servant to the Bailie (William Montgomerie, Rector of Air, Bailie Depute of Conyngame), James Myller, servant to Robert Hunter of Hunterston, and Hugh Mure, sergeant to the Bailliary of Conyngame. John Mur, notary.

34. (1602.) *Renunciation of Wadset Hoilhouse, etc.*

Renunciation by Marioun Montgomry, relict of umqle. Patrick Piblis, burges of Irweine, to ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN on payment of £110 Scots, of a wadset or bond with possession over the lands of Hoilhouse and Blackfauld with the aiker of myneland and quhytichemedow which are PART OF HUNTERSTOUN, dated penult of April 1602. Written by Gilbert Garven, servitor to Hew Garven, Court clerk of Irwin, and signed at Irweine. The witnesses are Mr. Alexander Scrymgeour, minister at Irwin, and the said Hew and Gilbert Garvens.

In contemporary backing of deed quhytichemedow is called "quhythauchmedow."

35. (1608.) *Renunciation Annualrent Annanhill-Hunter.*

Renunciation by Jeane Hunter, spouse to Mr. Alexander Skrymgeour, minister at Irvine, in favour of ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN, her brother, of an ANNUALRENT of 100 merks out of ANNANHILL-HUNTER, dated 16th July 1608. The witnesses are Thomas Boyd, Provost of Irvine, Hew Skrymgeour, son of the said Mr. Alexander Skrymgeour, etc.

36. (1609.) *Resignation of Arneil Hunter, Campbeltoun and Annanhill.*

Procurator of Resignation in the hands of the Crown of the lands of ARNEIL HUNTER, CAMPBELTOUN AND ANNANHILL HUNTER in favour of the said ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and his heirs, dated 1st February 1609. The witnesses are Robert Montgomerie of Hessilheid, Thomas Boyd, Provost of Irwing, Archibald Boyd in Underhil, and Laurence Scott, Advocate.

37. (1609.) *Crown Charter South Cames, Arneil Hunter, Campbeltoun and Annanhill-Hunter.*

Charter by James VI. to ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and Margaret Piblis, his wife, and the longer liver of them, in conjunct

fee, and the heirs of their bodies, whom failing the heirs whomsoever of the said Robert Hunter, of the £5 land of old extent of SOUTH CAMES with pertinents, lying in the Isle of Cumray, as also the lands of ARNEILL-HUNTER extending to a £5 land of old extent with Tower, etc., the five merk land of old extent of CAMPBELTOUNE with pertinents, the 46s. 8d. land of old extent of ANNANHILL-HUNTER with pertinents, lying within the barony of Robertoun, dated 5th April 1609.

The Charter No. 37 is in the following terms :—

Jacobus Dei gratia Magne Britannie Francie et Hybernie Rex fideique defensor Omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis Salutem Sciatis nos pro nobis ac tanquam legitimum administratorem rectorem ac gubernatorem Henrico Dei gratia principi Magne Britannie Francie et Hybernie ac Senescallo Scotie nostro filio legitimo natu maximo dedisse concessisse disposuisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse dilectis nostris ROBERTO HUNTER DE HUNTERSTOUN et Margarete Peblis eius coniugi eorumque alteri diutius viuenti in coniuncta infeodatione et heredibus inter ipsos legitime procreatis seu procreandis Quibus deficientibus dicti Roberti propinquieribus et legitimis heredibus et assignatis quibuscunque hereditarie Totas et integras quinque libratas terrarum antiqui extentus de SOUTH CAMES cum partibus pendiculis et earundem pertinentiis jacentes INTRA ILAM DE CUMRAY et vicecomitatum nostrum de Bute Ac etiam dedisse concessisse disposuisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse dicto Roberto Hunter de Hunterstoun heredibus suis et assignatis quibuscunque hereditarie Totas et integras terras de ARNEILL HUNTER ad quinque libratas terrarum antiqui extentus extendentes CUM TURRE FORTALICIO maneriei loco hortis ac earundem pertinentiis jacentes intra balliatum de Cuninghame et vicecomitatum nostrum de Air Totas et integras quinque mercatas terrarum antiqui extentus de CAMPBELTOUNE cum pertinentiis jacentes intra balliatum et vicecomitatum nostrum predictum Totas et integras quadraginta sex solidatas et octo denariatas terrarum antiqui extentus de ANNANHILL HUNTER cum pertinentiis jacentes intra baroniam de Robertoune balliatum et vicecomitatum nostrum suprascriptum Quequidem tote et integre predicte terre de South Cames cum pertinentiis perprius hereditarie ad dictum Robertum Hunter pertinuerunt Et quas ipse cum consensu dicte Margarete Peblis eius coniugis per eorum legitimos procuratores ipsorum nominibus ad hunc effectum specialiter constitutos et patentes literas in manibus dominorum nostri secreti Consilii regni nostri Scotie nostram plenariam potestatem et commissionem habentium resignationes nostro nomine recipendi Tanquam in manibus nostris ipsorum immediati superioris earundem terrarum cum pertinentiis pure et simpliciter per fustim et baculum (ut moris est) resignavit Apud Edinburgh cum omni iure titulo interesse et iurisclameo que dictus Robertus Hunter eius coniux eorumve heredes aut assignati habuerunt habent seu quovismodo habere vel clamare potuerant vel poterint in et ad predictas terras de South Cames cum pertinentiis aut aliquam earundem partem in futurum In favorem proque novo hoc nostro infeofamento per nos nostro sub magno sigillo dicto Roberto Hunter eiusque coniugi predicti eorumque antedictis in debita forma desuper dando et concedendo Quemadmodum omnes et singule cetera terre particulariter suprascript cum earundem pertinentiis similiter perprius hereditarie ad dictum Robertum Hunter de Hunterstoun pertinuerunt Et quas ipse per suos legitimos procuratores ipsius nomine ad hunc effectum specialiter constitutos et patentes literas in manibus dominorum nostri secreti consilii predicti regni nostri Scotie nostram plenariam potestatem et commissionem habentium ut dictum est Tanquam in manibus nostris pro nobis ac tanquam legitimo administratore dicto nostro charissimo filio immediato superiori omnium et singularum earundem terrarum cum pertinentiis pure et simpliciter per fustim et baculum ut moris est resignavit Apud Edinburgh cum omni iure titulo interesse et iurisclameo que dictus Robertus heredes sui aut assignati habuerunt habent seu quovismodo habere vel clamare potuerant in et ad easdem aut aliquam earundem partem in futurum In favorem proque novo hoc nostro infeofamento per nos nostro sub magno sigillo dicto Roberto

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antiqui extentus de South Cames cum partibus pendiculis et earundem pertinentiis antedictis et cum privilegiis pisciarum et lie wair suprescriptis intra bondas huiusmodi terrarum dicto Roberto Hunter eiusque coniugi predicte eorumque alteri diutius viuenti in coniuncta infeofatione suisque heredibus et assignatis antedictis de nobis et successoribus nostris in feudifirma et hereditate imperpetuum Ac etiam tenendas et habendas totas et integras predictas quinque libratas terrarum antiqui extentus de Arneill Hunter cum turre fortalicio maneriei loco domibus edificiis hortis partibus pendiculis omnibusque et singulis earundem pertinentiis supraspecificatis cum predictis privilegiis et libertatibus pisciarum ac lie wair supramentionatis dicto Roberto Hunter heredibus suis et assignatis suprascriptis de prefato Henrico principe Magne Britannie Francie et Hybernie ac Senescallo Scotie et successoribus suis principibus et Senescallis Scotie in libera alba firma feodo et hereditate imperpetuum Necnon tenendas et habendas totas et integras predictas quinque mercatas terrarum antiqui extentus de Campbeltoun Ac totas et integras predictas quadraginta sex solidatas et octo denariatas terrarum antiqui extentus de Annanhill Hunter cum omnibus et singulis turribus fortaliciis manerierum locis domibus edificiis hortis pomariis annexis connexis lie outsettis dependentiis tenentibus tenandriis libere tenentium seruiciis partibus pendiculis omnibusque et singulis pertinentiis earundem terrarum supra specificatarum respective ut supra iacentes cum predictis privilegiis et libertatibus pisciarum et lie wair ut dictum est prefato Roberto Hunter heredibus suis et assignatis predictis de dicto Henrico principe Magne Britannie Francie et Hybernie et Senescallo Scotie suisque successoribus principibus et Senescallis Scotie In feodo et hereditate imperpetuum per omnes rectas metas dictarum terrarum antiquas et diuisas prout iacent in longitudine et latitudine in domibus edificiis boscis planis moris marressiis viis semitis aquis stagnis riuilis pratis pascuis et pasturis molendinis multuris et eorum sequelis acupationibus venationibus piscationibus petariis turbariis carbonibus carbonariis cuniculis cuniculariis columbis columbariis fabrilibus brasinis brueriis et genestis siluis nemoribus et virgultis lignis tignis lapicidiis lapide et calce cum curiis et earum exitibus herezeldis bludewitis et mulierum merchetis cum communi pastura libero introitu et exitu et cum omnibus et singulis aliis commoditatibus libertatibus proficiis et asiamentis ac iustis suis pertinentiis quibuscunque tam non nominatis quam nominatis tam subter terra quam supra terram procul et prope ad predictas terras cum pertinentiis spectantibus seu iuste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace sine aliqua reuocatione contradictione impedimento aut obstaculo aliquo Reddendo annuatim prefatus Robertus Hunter eiusque coniugis eorumque alter diutius vivens heredes sui et assignati prescripti Nobis et successoribus nostris pro totis et integris quinque libratibus terrarum antiqui extentus de South Cames cum domibus edificiis hortis partibus pendiculis et pertinentiis earundem et cum priuilegiis pisciarum et lie wair earundem terrarum supra specificatarum summam sex librarum octo solidorum sex denariorum usualis monete regni nostri Scotie septem bollas ac dimidium unius bolle ordei unam martam lie mairt ac dimidium unius marti tanquam antiquam feudifirme firmam et deuoriam pro predictis terris cum pertinentiis perprius solui solitam et consuetam Unacum summa duorum solidorum monete antedictae in augmentationem nostri rentalis dictarum terrarum plusquam vnquam pro eisdem terris perprius persoluebatur ad duos anni terminos festa viz: Pentecostes et Sancti Martini in hyeme per equales portiones Necnon heredes dicti Roberti Hunter eiusque sponse duplicando integram dictam feudifirme firmam deuoriam et augmentationem primo anno eorum introitus ad predictas terras prout usus est feudifirme Et similiter dictus Robertus eiusque sponsa heredes sui et assignati predicti tenebuntur obseruare et perimplere omnes alias condiciones prouisiones capita articulos et clausulas (si que sint) in antiquis infeofamentis assedationibus aut rentalibus dictarum terrarum contentas Quas pro expressis in hac presenti carta nostra haberi volumus Necnon dictus Robertus Hunter heredes sui et assignati antedicti Reddendo annuatim prefato Henrico principi ac Senescallo Scotie suisque successoribus antedictis pro totis et integris predictis quinque libratibus terrarum de Arneill Hunter antiqui extentus cum turre fortalicio maneriei loco

domibus edificiis hortis ac earundem pertinentiis supraspecificatis ac cum predictis priuilegiis et libertatibus piscariarum et lie wair respectiue supramentionatis unum denarium argenti super solo dictarum terrarum annuatim ad festum Pentecostes si petatur tantum Ac etiam dictus Robertus Hunter heredes sui et assignati supraspecificati Reddendo annuatim prefato Henrico principi et Senescallo Scotie suisque successoribus principibus et Senescallis Scotie pro totis et integris quinq; mercatis terrarum antedictis antiqui extentus de Campbeltoun cum pertinentiis Et pro totis et integris predictis quadraginta sex solidatis et octo denariatis terrarum antiqui extentus de Annanhill Hunter cum domibus edificiis hortis pomariis partibus pendiculis ac earundem pertinentiis suprascriptis et cum predictis priuilegiis piscariarum et lie wair supramentionatis iura et seruitia ante predictam resignationem debita et consueta tantum In cuius rei testimonium huic presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus Testibus predilectis nostris consanguineis et consiliariis Jacobo Marchione de Hammiltoun Comite Arranie domino Evan etc. Georgio Mariscallo Comite domino Keith etc. regni nostri Mariscallo Alexandro Comite de Dumfermling domino Fyvie etc. Cancellario nostro dilectis nostris familiaribus consiliariis domino Richardo Cokburne juniore de Clerkingtoun milite nostri secreti sigilli custode Magistro Jacobo Skene nostrorum rotulorum registri ac consilii clerico domino Joanne Cokburne de Ormestoun milite nostre justiciarie clerico Et Magistro Willielmo Scott de Elie nostre Cancellarie directore Apud Edinburgh quinto die mensis Aprilis anno domini millesimo sexcentesimo nono Regnorumque nostrorum annis quadragesimo secundo et septimo.

(Seal.)

The following is a translation of the Charter No. 37 :—

James (*i.e.* James VI.), by the grace of God King of Great Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, to all honest men of his whole land, clerics and laics, greeting : Witt ye that we for ourself and as lawful administrator, guide and governor to Henry, by the grace of God Prince of Great Britain, France and Ireland and Steward of Scotland, our eldest lawful son, to have given, granted, disposed and by this our present charter to have confirmed to our lovite ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and Margaret Peblis his wife and the survivor of them in conjunct fee, and the heirs lawfully procreated or to be procreated between them, whom failing to the nearest and lawful heirs and assignees of the said Robert whatsoever heritably all and whole the five pound land of old extent of SOUTH CAMES, with parts, pendicles and pertinents of the same lying within the ISLE OF CUMRAY and our sheriffdom of Bute, and also to have given, granted, disposed and by this our present charter to have confirmed to the said Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, his heirs and assignees whatsoever heritably, all and whole the lands of ARNEILL HUNTER extending to a five pound land of old extent, with TOWER, FORTALICE, MANOR PLACE, yards and pertinents of the same, lying within the bailliary of Cuninghame and our sheriffdom of Air, all and whole the five merk lands of old extent of CAMPBELTOUNE with pertinents lying within our bailliary and sheriffdom foresaid, all and whole the forty six shilling and eight penny lands of old extent of ANNANHILL HUNTER with pertinents lying within the barony of Robertoun, our bailliary and sheriffdom above written, all and whole which foresaid lands of South Cames with pertinents formerly pertained heritably to the said Robert Hunter, and which he with consent of the said Margaret Peblis his wife by their lawful procurators in their names specially constitute to that effect and by letters patent purely and simply by staff and baton (as use is) resigned at Edinburgh in the hands of the Lords of our Secret Council of our Kingdom of Scotland, having our full power and commission to receive resignations in our name as in our hands their immediate superiors of the same lands with pertinents, with all right, title, interest and claim of right which the said Robert Hunter, his spouse, their heirs or assignees had, have or might in any way have or claim in and to the foresaid lands of South Cames with pertinents or any part thereof in time coming, in favour and for this our new inefterment by us under our Great Seal to be given and granted to the said Robert Hunter and

his spouse and their foresaids in due form thereupon : In like manner all and whole the rest of the lands particularly abovementioned with their pertinents likewise heritably pertaining of before to the said Robert Hunter of Hunterston, and which he by his lawful procurators in his name specially constituted to that effect, and by letters patent purely and simply by staff and baton as use is resigned at Edinburgh in the hands of the Lords of our Secret Council of our foresaid Kingdom of Scotland having our full power and commission as said is as in our hands for us and as lawful administrator to our dearest son immediate superior of all and singular the said lands with pertinents, with all right, title, interest and claim of right which the said Robert, his heirs and assignees had, have or might in any way have or claim in and to the same or any part thereof in time coming, in favour and for this our new infeftment to be given and granted by us under our Great Seal to the said Robert Hunter and his spouse foresaid and their foresaids in due form thereupon. Moreover we for us and as lawful administrator to our said dearest son for good, faithful and gratuitous service performed and rendered in times past to us and the said prince and our most renowned progenitors by the said Robert Hunter and his predecessors, and for certain sums of money paid to our treasurer in our name by way of composition and also for divers other good causes and considerations moving us from our certain knowledge and proper motive, of new have given, granted, disposed, set and in feuferm given and by the tenor of our present charter give, grant, dispone, set and in feuferm give to the foresaid Robert Hunter of Hunterston and Margaret Peblis his wife and the survivor of them in conjunct fee and the heirs lawfully procreated or to be procreated between them, whom failing to the lawful and nearest heirs of the said Robert and his assignees whatsoever heritably, all and whole the foresaid five pound land of old extent of SOUTH CAMES, with houses, biggings, yards, parts, pendicles and their pertinents whatsoever lying within the Isle of Cumray and our sheriffdom of Bute foresaid, and also of new have given, granted and disposed and by the tenor of our present charter of new give, grant and dispone to the said Robert Hunter, his heirs and assignees whatsoever heritably all and whole the foresaid five pound land of old extent of ARNEILL HUNTER, all and whole the foresaid five merk land of old extent of CAMPBELTOUN, and all and whole the foresaid forty six shillings and eight penny land of old extent of ANNANHILL HUNTER, with all and singular their towers, fortalices, manor places, yards, orchards, annexes, connexes, "outsettis," dependencies, tenants, tenandries and services of free tenants, parts, pendicles and pertinents thereof whatsoever lying as said is, together with the privilege and liberty of salmon fishings and white fish with boats, nets and all other engines in the sea within the bounds of all and whole the lands above written with pertinents ; also with the privilege and liberty of cutting, winning, transporting and carrying away wair from the sea to any part or parts of the lands above written with pertinents, and using and disposing thereupon for the benefit of the said lands in all time coming, and with all right, title, interest and claim of right as well petitory as possessory which we the said prince our predecessors and successors had, have or in any way might claim or pretend in and to the said lands and others before written with pertinents or any part thereof in time coming, or to the rents, ferms, profits and duties of the same of any years or terms bygone by reason of ward, relief, nonentry, escheat, forfeiture, recognition, alienation of all or the greater part, not shewing of holdings, non payment of feuferm, ferms and duties of the foresaid lands of South Cames with pertinents of whatsoever years or terms bygone, or for nonexhibition and production before the treasurer of our new augmentation and his deputes of the ancient infeftments, tacks or rentals of the said lands of South Cames according to the tenor (of the Acts) of our Parliament made thereupon, diminution of rental or defect of confirmation in time of purchase, disclamation, bastardry, *ultimus heres*, and by whatever other right or title, or by virtue of annexation of the temporal lands of all benefices within our Kingdom of Scotland to the patrimony of our crown, or by virtue of whatsoever Acts of Parliament, laws, statutes or constitutions of our said Kingdom of Scotland made or to be made in the contrary, or from whatever other cause, crime or occasion bypast preceding the day of the date of this our present

charter, renouncing, transferring and overgiving the same with all action and instance thereof for us and the said prince and our successors in favour of the said Robert Hunter and his wife and their foresaids for ever, *cum facto de non retendo* and with supplement of all defects and imperfections as well named as not named which we wish to be held as expressed in this our present charter To hold and to have all and whole the foresaid five pound land of old extent of South Cames, with parts, pendicles and pertinents foresaid, and with privileges of fishings and wair abovewritten within the bounds of these lands to the said Robert Hunter and his wife foresaid and the survivor of them in conjunct fee and their heirs and assignees foresaid of us and our successors in feufarm and heritage for ever and also to hold and to have all and whole the foresaid five pound land of old extent of Arneill Hunter with tower, fortalices, manor place, houses, biggings, yards, parts, pendicles and all and singular the pertinents thereof above specified, with the foresaid privileges and liberties of fishings and "wair" above mentioned to the said Robert Hunter, his heirs and assignees abovewritten, of the foresaid Henry, Prince of Great Britain, France and Ireland and Steward of Scotland, and his successors Princes and Stewards of Scotland, in free blench ferm, fee and heritage for ever also to hold and to have all and whole the foresaid five merk land of old extent of Campbeltoun and all and whole the foresaid forty six shilling and eight penny land of old extent of Annanhill Hunter, with all and singular towers, fortalices, manor places, houses, biggings, yards, orchards, annexes, connexes, "outsettis," dependencies, tenants, tenandries, services of free tenants, parts, pendicles and all and singular pertinents of the said lands above specified respectively lying as above, with the foresaid privileges and liberties of fishings and "wair" as said is to the foresaid Robert Hunter, his heirs and assignees foresaid, of the said Henry, prince of Great Britain, France and Ireland and Steward of Scotland, and his successors Princes and Stewards of Scotland, in fee and heritage for ever by all righteous bounds of the said lands ancient and divided as they lie in length and breadth in houses, biggings, woods, plains, moors, mosses, ways, paths, waters, pools, streams, meadows, grazings and pastures, mills, multure and their sequels, fowlings, huntings, fishings, petaries, turbaries, coals, coalheuchs, rabbits, warrens, doves, dove-cotes, smithies, breweries, heath and broom woods, groves and thickets, timber beams, quarries, stone and lime, with courts and their issues, herezelds, bludewitis and merchets of women, with common pasture, free entry and ish and with all and singular other commodities, liberties, profits and easements and their just pertinents whatsoever as well not named as named as well under the earth as above the earth far and near belonging or that shall be justly known to belong to the said lands with pertinents in any way in time coming, freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honourably well and in peace without any revocation, contradiction, impediment or obstacle whatever. Rendering yearly the foresaid Robert Hunter and his wife and the survivor of them, his heirs and assignees before written to us and our successors for all and whole the five pound land of old extent of South Cames, with houses, biggings, yards, parts, pendicles and pertinents thereof, and with privileges of fishings and "wair" of the said lands above specified, the sum of six pounds eight shillings six pennies usual money of our Kingdom of Scotland, seven bolls and half a boll of barley, one "mairt" and half a mairt as the old feufarm, ferm and duty formerly used and wont to be paid for the foresaid lands with pertinents, together with the sum of two shillings money foresaid in augmentation of our rental of the said lands more than was formerly paid for the said lands at two terms in the year, the feasts, viz., Pentecost and Saint Martin in winter, by equal portions, also the heirs of the said Robert Hunter and his spouse doubling the whole said feufarm, ferm, duty and augmentation the first year of their entry to the foresaid lands as use is of feufarm. And likewise the said Robert and his spouse, his heirs and assignees foresaid shall be held to observe and implement all other conditions, provisions, heads, articles and clauses (if any be) contained in the ancient infeftments, tacks or rentals of the said lands which we wish to be held as expressed in this our present charter; also the said Robert Hunter, his heirs and assignees foresaid rendering yearly to the foresaid Henry, Prince and

Steward of Scotland, and his successors foresaid for all and whole the foresaid five pound lands of Arneill Hunter of old extent with tower, fortalice, manor place, houses, biggings, yards and pertinents thereof above specified, and with the foresaid privileges and liberties of fishings and "wair" respectively above mentioned, one penny silver upon the ground of the said lands yearly at the feast of Pentecost if asked only; and also the said Robert Hunter, his heirs and assignees above specified rendering yearly to the foresaid Henry, Prince and Steward of Scotland, and his successors princes and stewards of Scotland for all and whole the five merk land foresaid of old extent of Campbeltoun with pertinents and for all and whole the forty six shilling and eight penny land of old extent of Annanhill Hunter, with houses, biggings, yards, orchards, parts, pendicles and pertinents thereof abovementioned, and with the foresaid privileges of fishings and "wair" above mentioned, the rights and services used and wont before the foresaid resignation. In testimony of which thing we have commanded our Great Seal to be appended to this our present charter. Witnesses, our lovite cousins and counsellors James Marquis of Hamilton, Earl of Arran, Lord Evan, etc, George Earl Marishall Lord Keith, etc. Marshall of our Kingdom, Alexander Earl of Dunfermling Lord Fyvie our chancellor, our lovite familiar counsellors, Sir Richard Cokburne younger of Clerkingtoun, Knight, Keeper of our Privy Seal, Master James Skene, Clerk of our Rolls Register and Council, Sir John Cockburn of Ormestoun, Knight, Clerk of our Justiciary, and Master William Scott of Elie, Director of our Chancery. At Edinburgh the fifth day of the month of April the year of the Lord one thousand six hundred and nine, and of our reign the forty second and seventh years.

38. (1609.) *Precept subjects in No. 37.*

Crown Precept or Warrant following on No. 36 of same date directing possession to be given.

39. (1609.) *Sasine subjects in No. 37.*

Instrument of Sasine narrating the giving of possession to the said ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and Margaret Peblis (per Thomas Hunter her Attorney) and their heirs of the said several lands, dated 3rd May 1609. The witnesses are Patrick Craufuird of Auchinnares, Archibald Kelso, junior, of Kelsoland, Bartholomew Broun in Harthraig, John Steinstoun, officer of the bailiary of Cunynghame, and Archibald Broun in Southennane; also Allan Steinstoun in Milnetoun of Roberton, Peter Bankheid in Corshous, John Thomsoune in Dunanhill and Matthew Hopkin, miller. William Cauldwell, notary.

40. (1611.) *Procuratory subjects in No. 37.*

Procuratory of Resignation by the said ROBERT HUNTER (signing "Hunter") in the hands of the Prince and Steward of Scotland of ARNELL HUNTERSTOUN, CAMPBELTOUN, ANNANHILL-HUNTER AND SOUTH CAMES, dated 19th September 1611. The witnesses are Thomas Neving of Monkridding, Laurence Scott of Harperrig, advocate, John Blair and James Blair, merchants, burgesses of Irwing, and William Cauldwell, notary.

41. (1611.) *Resignation subjects in No. 37.*

Instrument of Resignation following thereon in the hands of the Prince and Steward of Scotland of the several lands of SOUTH CAMES, ARNEILL-HUNTERSTOUN, CAMPBELTOUN AND ANNANHILL-HUNTER for new infeftment in favour of the said ROBERT

HUNTAR and the heirs male of his body, whom failing to the eldest heir female without division, WHOM FAILING TO PATRICK HUNTAR, SON LAWFUL TO WILLIAM HUNTAR IN BENE-BERRIE YAIRDS, and the heirs male of his body procreat betwixt him and Jean Cunynghame, his spouse, daughter lawful to Jean Huntar, sister german to the said Robert Huntar; whom all failing to the said Patrick Huntar's nearest heirs bearing the name and arms of Huntar, reserving always the liferent of Margaret Peblis, spouse to the said Robert Huntar in Arneill-Huntarstoun and South Cames, dated 27th September 1611. The witnesses are Henry Wardlaw of Balmull, James Baillie, sometime servitor to the late George, Earl of Dunbar, Mr. William Broune, treasurer's clerk, and James Primrois, Clerk of Secrett Counsell, etc.

42. (1611.) *Regrant South Cames, Arnell Huntarstoun, Campbelltoun and Annanhill.*

Charter by James VI. as administrator for Henry, Prince and Steward of Scotland, following on the said Procuratory and Instrument of Resignation in the said several lands of SOUTH CAMES, ARNELL HUN-TARSTOUN, CAMPBELTOUN AND ANNANHILL in favour of the said ROBERT HUNTAR and the heirs male of his body, whom failing the heirs female of his body without division, etc. etc., dated at Edinburgh 27th September, written to the Seal 28th, and presented and sealed at Edinburgh 29th October 1611.

43. (1611.) *Duplicate of No. 42.*

Duplicate of the said Charter "doublit at the writing to the Great Seal 19th June 1616," and presented and sealed "being doubled out of ye Register the 19th of June 1626."

44. (1611.) *Precept subjects in No. 42.*

Precept of Sasine or Warrant to give possession following thereon, dated 27th September 1611.

45. (1611.) *Sasine subjects in No. 42.*

Instrument of Sasine or possession following on the foresaid Precept to the said ROBERT HUNTAR dated 5th November 1611. The witnesses are Patrick Crawford of Auchinnames, Robert Conynghame, senior, of Walkerstoun, William Hunter in Beneberriezeardis, Patrick Hunter, his son, within mentioned, Mr. John Harper, minister at Kilbryd, Robert McClune in Fairlie, and Gilbert Kyle, servant to William Cauldwell, the notary.

46. (1611.) *Sasine subjects in No. 42.*

Instrument of Sasine in the same terms and of same date as No. 45.

47. (1615.) *Charter of Arneil-Hunter, Robert Hunter to his wife.*

Charter by ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN to Margaret Peblis, his wife, of ARNEIL-HUNTER on Contract of Marriage entered into by him with consent of Robert, Master of Eglintoun, Hugh Montgomerie of Braidstane and Thomas Neveine, junior, of

Monkridding, his curators for the time, on the one part, and Mariot Montgomerie, relict of the deceased Patrick Peiblis, burges of Irwin, and the deceased Hugh Montgomerie of Hessilheid, her brother, on the other part, of date at the burgh of Irwing 9th November 1594, and registered in Books of Council and Session 24th February 1613. Signed and sealed at Irwin 12th March 1615 by Robert Hunter of Hunterstoune. The witnesses are Mr. Robert Peiblis, burges of Irwing, Robert Broun, notary, and Hew Lin, merchant, burges of Irwing.

48. (1615.) *Redemption of Annualrent—Annanhill Huntar.*

Instrument taken on the Consignation by ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN of 1000 merks for redemption of an annualrent payable furth of the lands of ANNANHILL HUNTAR due to Ninian Garven, eldest lawful son of the deceased Hugh Garven, Court clerk of Irwin, dated 11th November 1615. The witnesses are John Peblis of Knogetherhill, Andrew Rae, late burges of Irwin, James Patoun, mariner, and Robert Fergushill of that ilk. Robert Broun, notary.

49. (1616.) *Decreet Redemption, Annualrent Annanhill.*

Decreet of Redemption at the instance of ROBERT HUNTAR OF HUNSTARSTOUN against Ninian Garven, son and heir of Hew Garven, Court clerk of Irvine, of an ANNUALRENT OUT OF ANNANHILL, constituted on 14th November 1606, in favour of the said Hew Garven, dated 6th February 1616.

50. (1616.) *Cancelled sale of Annanhill-Hunter.*

Charter of Alienation and Sale by Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun of his lands of Annanhill-Hunter to his kinsman Robert Fergushill of that ilk, dated at Hunterstoun 4th May 1616 and marked as "given back to Hunterstoun qu he bought back the land to be cancelled." The witnesses are Robert Cunyngham of Auchinhervie, John Michel of Dykis, Ardrossan, Mr. John Harper, minister at Kilbryd, and Robert Broun. Signed, "R. Hunterstoun," "R. Auchinhervie," etc.

51. (1616.) *Sasine on No. 50.*

Instrument of Sasine following thereon of same date and with same marking. The witnesses are John Wilsoun in Annanhill, John Thomsoun, senior, and Colin McAlexr. there, and William Calderwod in Knokintiber.

52. (1616.) *Crown Charter confirming No. 50.*

Charter by James VI. confirming the Disposition of the lands in No. 50 to the said Robert Fergushill, dated 22nd May 1616.

53. (1616.) *Conveyance Hileis.*

Precept or Warrant by ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN for infesting Katherine Hunter, widow of Hugh Garven, common clerk of Irvine, and Ninian Garven, her son, in the lands of HILEIS, dated 4th May 1616. The witnesses are Robert Cunyngham of Auchinhervie, Mr. John Harper, minister at Kilbryd, John Couper in Eister Brigend, Kilwyning, and Robert Broun, common clerk of the Burgh of Irwin.

X.—WRITS (1616–1662) concerning **PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN**, born about 1591, succeeded 1616, married 1611 Jean Cunynghame, elder daughter of the Rev. Robert Cunynghame, Barnwell, and of Jean Hunter, eldest sister of the late Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, and died about 1665.

54. (1616.) *Precept Arneill-Hunterstoun and Campbeltoun.*

Precept by Charles, as Prince and Steward of Scotland, in favour of PATRICK HUNTER as nearest and lawful heir of provision and taillie of the deceased Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, his cousin, in the lands of ARNEILL-HUNTERSTOUN and CAMPBELTOUN, dated 3rd August 1616.

55. (1616.) *Sasine Arneill-Hunterstoun and Campbeltoun.*

Instrument of Sasine in favour of the said PATRICK HUNTER, dated 9th August 1616. The witnesses are William Hunter in Hunterstoun, Mr. John Harper, minister at Kilbryd, James Scott, notary, and John Wilsoun, messenger. William Cauldwell, notary.

56. (1618.) *Provision to wife.*

Charter, dated at Hunterstoun 31st January 1618, by PATRICK HUNTER of HUNTERSTOUN giving to Jean Cunynghame, his wife, a liferent in the lands of CAMPBELTOUN in lieu of an annual rent out of HUNTERSTOUN provided to her by her Marriage Contract.

The Charter No 56 is in the following terms :—

Omnibus hanc cartam visuris vel auditoris PATRICIUS HUNTER DE HUNTERSTOUN hereditarius proprietarius terrarum aliarumque particulariter subtus specificatarum salutem in domino sempiternam Noueritis me pro singularibus amore gratia et fauore quos erga dilectam meam sponsam Jeannam Cunynghame habeo et gero Necnon pro observatione et implecione cuiusdam clause sive prouisionis contente in carta tallie et prouisionis terrarum de Hunterstoun facta per quondam Robertum Hunter de Hunterstoun in meum fauorem sub magno sigillo S.D.N. Regis virtute cuiusquidem clause sive prouisionis expresse prouidetur quod si contigisset me meosque heredes ad dictas terras de Hunterstoun aliaque in dicta carta tallie virtute eiusdem succedere Quod tunc et in eo casu dictam Jeannam meam sponsam in vno annuo redditu quinquaginta bollarum victualium bine partis farine et tercię partis ordeı annuatim leuando inter festa natiuitatis domini et purificationis beate Marie virginis de totis et integris predictis terris de Hunterstoun Campbeltoun South Caymes et aliis in dicta carta contentis seu de aliqua earundem parte In vitali redditu pro omnibus illius vite diebus infeodarem prout in dicta prouisione tallie latius fit mentio: Igitur et in loco vnus annui redditus viginti octo bollarum ordeı annuatim tanquam partis annui redditus predicti dedisse concessisse et hac carta mea confirmasse tenoreque presencium dare concedere et hac presenti carta mea confirmare prefate Jeanne Cunynghame mee sponse in vitali redditu pro omnibus dicte Jeanne vite diebus totas et integras illas meas Quinque mercatas terrarum antiqui extensus de CAMPBELTOUN cum domibus edeficiis hortis pomariis toftis croftis annexis connexis lie outsettis dependenciis tenentibus tenandriis et libere tenentium seruiciis earundem partibus pendiculis et singulis suis pertinentiis quibuscunque jacentes in parochia de Kilbryd balliutu

de Cunynghame et infra vicecomitatum de Air Vna etiam cum priuilegio scindendi lucrandi auerchendi et transportandi lie wair a mari ad aliquam partem seu partes predictarum terrarum de Campbeltoun cum pertinentiis ac desuper pro melioratione earundem terrarum omni tempore futuro durante vita dicte Jeanne desuper vtendi et disponendi ac etiam cum priuilegio et libertate plena prefate mee sponse eiusque tenentibus dictarum terrarum fodendi vincendi et transportandi cespites et glebas e glebario vulgo lie mos de Hunterstoun ad quantitatem dictarum terrarum de Campeltoun correspondentes ac lucvsque solitis et consuetis Tenendas et habendas totas et integras prefatas illas meas quinque mercatas terrarum antiqui extentus de Campbeltoun cum domibus edeficiis hortis pomariis toftis croftis annexis connexis lie outsettis dependenciis tenentibus tenandriis et libere tenentium seruiciis earundem cum singulis suis pertinentiis quibuscunqve vt supra iacentes cum priuilegiis et libertatibus respectiue antedictis prefate Jeanne Cunynghame mee sponse In vitali reddito pro omnibus sue vite diebus a me heredibus et successoribus meis de serenissimo excellentissimo et potentissimo principe Carolo principe et senescallo Scotie duci de Rothesay et Cornwell domino Insularum et Chester et baroni baronie de Renfrew etc. suisque successoribus principibus et senescallis Scotie meis superioribus earundem Per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et diuisas prout eodem jacent in longitudine et latitudine in domibus edeficiis hortis toftis croftis boscis plainis moris marresiis viis semitis aquis stagnis rivolis pratis pascuis et pasturis moleninis multuris et eorum sequelis aucupationibus venationibus piscationibus petariis turbariis carbonibus carbonariis cuniculis cuniculariis columbis columbariis fabrilibus brasinis brueriis et genestis siluis nemoribus et virgultis lignis tignis lapicidiis lapide et calce cum curiis et earum exitibus herezeldis bluidwets et cum communi pastura libero introitu et exitu ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus proficuis asiamentis ac justis suis pertinentiis quibuscunqve tam non nominatis quam nominatis tam subtus terra quam supra terram procul et prope ad predictas terras cum pertinentiis spectantibus seu iuste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bere et in pace sine aliquo impedimento revocatione contradictione aut obstaculo aliquali. Reddendo inde annuatim prefata Jeanna mea sponsa pro omnibus et singulis predictis quinque mercatis antiqui extentus de Campbeltoun cum domibus edeficiis hortis pomariis toftis croftis annexis connexis lie outsettis dependenciis tenentibus tenandriis libere tenentium seruitiis earundem et singulis suis pertinentiis quibuscunqve ut supra iacentibus vnacum predictis priuilegiis respectiue superscriptis durante vita sua prefato principi suisque successoribus principibus et senescallis Scotie jura et seruicia prius inde debita et consueta tantum pro omni alio onere exactione questione demanda seu seruitio seculari que de predictis terris aliisque prescriptis vel de aliqua earundem parte per quoscunqve iuste exigii poterint quomodolibet vel requiri Et ego vero heredes successores et assignati mei quicunqve totas et integras prefatas illas meas quinque mercatas antiqui extentus terrarum de Campbeltoun cum singulis suis pertinentiis et priuilegiis particulariter supra recitatis In omnibus et per omnia forma pariter et effectum ut premissum est et signanter ab omnibus wardis releuiis non introitibus dominarum terciis conjunctis infeodationibus aliisque vitalibus et annuis redditibus alienationibus et dispositionibus priuatis et publicis sasinis inhibitionibus interdictionibus euictionibus appretiationibus infeofamentorum seu retornatum reductionibus eschaetis forisfacturis bastardiis recognitionibus et ab omnibus aliis periculis damnis et inconuenientiis quibuscunqve quibus prefata mea sponsa durante vilo tempore vite sue In pacifica fruitione et gausione earundem impediri poterit contra omnes mortales warrantizabimus acquietabimus et imperpetuum defendemus Et quod eodem terre cum priuilegiis prescriptis ac quotidianis seruiciis dictarum terrarum per tenentes earundem debitis aliisque deuoriis per eos solutis valebunt in integro et in annuali reddito prefate mee sponse durante sua vita soluent viginti octo bollas bene et sufficientis ordeii et quod de eodem pro eisdem bene et gratanter annuatim persoluta fuerit In cuius rei testimonium huic presenti carte mee ex chyrographo Roberti Broun communis scribe burgi de Irwing manuqve mea subscripte Sigillum meum proprium prescribitur est appensum. Apud locum de Hunterstoun vltimo die mensis Januarii anno domini millesimo sexcentesimo decimo octavo coram

his testibus Niniano Garven scriba, Jacobo Miller in Hunterstoun Alexandro Hunter meo seruitore et prefato Roberto Broun, etc.

P. HUNTERSTOUN.

Niniane Garven, *witnes.*

James Miller, *witnes.*

R. BROUN, *testis.*

The following is a translation of the Charter No. 56:—

To all who shall see or hear this charter, PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN, heritable proprietor of the lands and others particularly under specified, greeting in the Lord everlasting: Wit ye me for the singular love, grace and favour which I have and bear to my beloved spouse Jean Cunynghame also for observation and implement of a certain clause or provision contained in a charter of taillie and provision of the lands of Hunterstoun made by the late Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun in my favour under the Great Seal of our sovereign lord the King, in virtue of which clause or provision it is expressly provided that if it shall happen me and my heirs to succeed to the said lands of Hunterstoun and others in the said charter of taillie by virtue thereof, then and in that case I shall infest the said Jean my spouse in an annualrent of 50 bolls of victual two parts meal and the third part barley yearly, to be uplifted between the feast of the nativity of our Lord and the purification of the blessed Virgin Mary, furth of all and whole the foresaid lands of Hunterstoun, Campbeltoun, South Caymes and others contained in the said charter or from any part thereof, in liferent for all the days of her life, as is more fully mentioned in the said provision of taillie. Therefore and in place of an annualrent of twenty eight bolls barley yearly as part of the foresaid annualrent I have given, granted and by this my charter have confirmed and by the tenor of these presents give, grant and by this my present charter confirm to the foresaid Jean Cunynghame my spouse in liferent for all the days of the life of the said Jean, all and whole those my five merk lands of old extent of CAMPBELTOUN with houses, buildings, yards, orchards, tofts, crofts, annexes, connexes, outsetts, dependencies, tenants, tenandries and services of free tenants thereof, parts, pendicles and their whole pertinents whatsoever lying in the parish of Kilbryd, bailliary of Cunynghame and within the sheriffdom of Air, together with the privilege of cutting, winning, carrying away and transporting "wair" from the sea to any part or parts of the foresaid lands of Campbeltoun with the pertinents, and to use and dispone the same thereon for the improvement of the said lands in all time coming during the life of the said Jean, and also with the full privilege and liberty to my foresaid spouse and her tenants of the said lands of digging, winning and transporting feal and divot from the "mos of Hunterstoun" corresponding to the quantity of the said lands of Campbeltoun hitherto used and wont. To hold and have all and whole these my foresaid five merk lands of old extent of Campbeltoun with houses, buildings, yards, orchards, tofts, crofts, annexes, connexes, outsetts, dependencies, tenants, tenandries and services of free tenants thereof, with all their pertinents whatsoever lying as above with the privileges and liberties respectively foresaid to the said Jean Cunynghame my spouse in liferent for all the days of her life from me, my heirs and successors of the most serene excellent and potent Prince, Charles, Prince and Steward of Scotland, Duke of Rothesay and Cornwall, Lord of the Isles and Chester and Baron of the barony of Renfrew, etc., and his successors princes and stewards of Scotland, my superiors thereof, by all their right bounds ancient and divided as the same lie in length and breadth in houses, buildings, yards tofts, crofts, woods, plains, moors, marshes, roads, paths, waters, pools, streams, meadows, grassings and pastures, mills, multurets and their sequels, fowlings, huntings, fishings, peatmosses, turbaries, coals, coalheughs, rabbits, rabbit warrens, pigeons, dovecots, smithies, brewhouses, heath and broom woods, groves and thickets, logs, beams, quarries, stone and lime, with courts and their issues, herezelds, bludwits and with common pasture, free entry and ish, and with all and sundry other liberties, commodities, profits, easements and their just pertinents whatsoever as well not named as

named, as well under the earth as above the earth, far and near, belonging or justly known to belong to the foresaid lands with pertinents in any manner of way in time coming, freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honourably well and in peace without any impediment, revocation, contradiction or obstacle whatsoever. Rendering therefor yearly the foresaid Jean my spouse for all and sundry the foresaid five merk lands of old extent of Campbeltoun with houses, buildings, yards, orchards, tofts, crofts, annexes, connexes, outsettis, dependencies, tenants, tenandries, services of free tenants thereof and their whole pertinents whatsoever lying as above, together with the foresaid privileges respectively above written, during her life to the said prince and his successors princes and stewards of Scotland the rights and services therefor formerly used and wont as for all other burden, exaction, question, demand or secular service which may be justly exacted or required in any manner from the foresaid lands and others above written or any part thereof by any one whatsoever. And I truly, my heirs, successors and assignees whomsoever all and whole these my foresaid five merk lands of old extent of the lands of Campbeltoun, with their whole pertinents and privileges particularly above recited, shall warrant, acquit and for ever defend against all mortals in all and by all in form and effect as is premised, and particularly from all wards, reliefs, nonentries, lady's terces, conjunct infeftments and others, liferents, annualrents, alienations and dispositions, private and public sasines, inhibitions, interdictions, evictions, apprisings, reductions of infeftments or retours, escheats, forfeitures, bastardies, recognitions and from all other dangers, skaiths and inconveniences whatsoever which can hinder my foresaid spouse during all the time of her life in the peaceable enjoyment and contentment thereof, and that the said land with the privileges before written and the daily services of the said lands due by the tenants thereof and other duties paid by them shall be worth altogether and they shall pay in annualrent to my foresaid spouse during her life twenty eight bolls good and sufficient barley which have been well and thankfully paid by them for the same yearly. In testimony of which thing to this my present charter in the handwriting of Robert Broun, common clerk of the burgh of Irwing, subscribed with my hand my proper seal is appended at the place of Hunterstoun the last day of the month of January the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred eighteen before these witnesses, Ninian Garven, writer, James Miller in Hunterstoun, Alexander Hunter, my servitor, and the foresaid Robert Broun, etc.

P. HUNTERSTOUN.

Ninian Garven, *witnes.*

James Miller, *witnes.*

R. Broun, *witness.*

57. (1618.) *Sasine in wife's provision.*

Instrument of Sasine following thereon in favour of the said Jean Cunyng-
ham, dated 31st January and registered at Irvine on 26th March 1618.
The witnesses are James Miller in Hunterstoun, James Crawford there,
Robert Young and Andrew Wilsoun in Cambeltoun, and Ninian Garven,
writer. Robert Broun, N.P.

58. (1624.) *Reacquisition Hileis.*

Charter by Ninian Garven, son and heir of Hugh Garven, town clerk of
Irwin, with consent of Jean Cunyngam, his wife, to PATRICK HUNTER
OF HUNTERSTOUN and Jean Cunyngam, his wife, and their heirs
of the lands of HILEIS, under reservation of the liferent of Katherine
Hunter, his mother, therein, dated 30th June 1624. The witnesses are
Robert Cunyngam of Auchinhervie, Robert McClun of Holmes, Adam
Cunyngam, Bailie of Irvine, and John Broun, servitor to Robert Broun,
the notary.

59. (1624.) *Reacquisition Hileis.*

Precept following thereon directed to Robert Macclone of Holmes for infefting the said PATRICK HUNTER and Jean Cunyngham in said lands, of same date at Irwin. The witnesses are Robert Cunyngham of Auchinhervie, Adam Cunyngham, his brother german, Robert Broun, notary, and John Broun, his servitor, and Robert McClune of Holmes.

60. (1624.) *Reacquisition Hyleis.*

Charter of Confirmation by Jean Hunter, relict of the deceased Alexander Scryngeour, minister at Irvine, Katherine Hunter, relict of the deceased Hugh Garven, town clerk of Irvine, then spouse of Robert Cunyngame of Auchinhervie, sisters german of the deceased Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, and by Mr. Robert Peblis, minister at Kirkmichael, son and heir of Robert Peblis, one of the bailies of Irvine and Mariot Hunter, third sister german of the said Robert Hunter, and as such his heirs portioners, confirming the Charter No. 58 in favour of the said PATRICK HUNTER and Jean Cunyngame, of the lands of HYLEIS, dated at the burgh of Irwin 30th June 1624. The witnesses are Robert McClun of Holmes, Adam Cunyngham, merchant burges of said burgh, Robert Broun, notary, and John Broun, his servitor.

61. (1624.) *Reacquisition Hyleis.*

Disposition by the said Ninian Garvane, with consent of Jeane Cunyngame, his spouse, and of Jeane Hunter, then relict of Mr. Alexander Scryngeour, minister of Irving, "ane of the tua sisters germanes now on lyf and ane of the thrie aires portioneres of umqle ROBERT HUNTAR OF HUN-TARSTOUN," Katherine Hunter, mother of the said Ninian Garvane, then spouse of Robert Cunyngame of Auchenhervie, "the other of the tua sisters germanes now on lyf of the said umqle Robert and ane other of the thrie aires portioneres to him," Mr. Robert Peibles, minister at Kirk-michael, eldest son of the deceased Robert Peibles, bailie of Irving, and the deceased Mareoun Hunter, his spouse, "quba was the third sister germane of the said umqle Robert and sua representand his said mother's place the thrid air portioner of the said umqle Robert," being or representing the three sisters and heirs portioners of the said deceased Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, in favour of PATRICK HUNTAR OF HUNTARSTOUN, heir of taillie and provision of the said deceased Robert Hunter, and Jeane Cunyngame, his spouse, and the longer liver of them, and their heirs male, of the LANDS OF HYLEIS with the pertinents, dated 30th June 1624. Witnesses as in No. 60.

62. (1624.) *Reacquisition Hieleis.*

Precept of Clare Constat by John Lyn of that ilk addressed to John Hervie of Braiddie to give possession to the said Jean Hunter and Katherine Hunter and Mr. Robert Peblis, son of Mariot Hunter, AS HEIRS PORTIONERS OF THE DECEASED ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN, of the lands of HIELEIS, dated at Badinhaithe 3rd August 1624. The witnesses are Robert Boyd of Twirgill, Mr. James Boyd, John Campbell and James Conyngame, servitors to a noble lord, Robert, Lord Boyd.

63. (1624.) *Reacquisition Hieleis.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 62 dated 19th August 1624, recorded in register for Air on 25th September 1624. Robert McClune of Holmes is

attorney for Jean Hunter, etc. John Hervie of Braidlie is baillie for Lyn. The witnesses are William Kelsow in Mylneous Dogatland, Patrick Hutar of Hunterstoun, and John Quhyt at the Church of Dalry. Robert Broun, notary.

64. (1624.) *Reacquisition Hileis.*

Instrument of Sasine in HILEIS in favour of PATRICK HUNTER and spouse proceeding on Nos. 58 and 59, dated 19th August and recorded 28th September 1624. The witnesses are John Hervie of Braidlie, John Lyn of that ilk, William Kelsow in Mylnhous Dogatland, and John Quhyt at the Church of Dalry. Robert Broun, notary.

65. (1624.) *Reacquisition Hileis.*

Charter of Resignation of HILEIS by John Lyn of that ilk in favour of PATRICK HUNTER and his wife, dated at Hileis 19th August 1624. The witnesses are John Hervy of Braidlie, William Kelso in Mylnhous Dogatland, Robert McClwne of Holmes, John Quhyt at the Church of Dalry, and Robert Broun, notary.

66. (1624.) *Reacquisition Hileis.*

Instrument of Sasine or possession following thereon dated 19th August and recorded 28th September 1624. The witnesses are the said John Hervie, William Kelsow and John Quhyt. Robert Broun, notary.

67. (1634.) *Reacquisition of Annanhill-Hunter.*

Instrument taken on the Resignation by Robert Fergushill of that ilk and Mareoune Porterfield, his spouse (Mr. William Dowglas, one of the macers of Secret Council, being their procurator), of the lands of Annanhill, commonly called ANNANHILL HUNTER, in favour of PATRICK HUNTER and Jean Cunynghame, his spouse, dated 25th January 1634. The witnesses are James Durehame and Mr. William Strang, clerks of Exchequer, Mr. Johne Olyphant, Advocate, Mr. Patrick Browne, presenter of signatures, and James Crawford, servitor to James Campbell, W.S. James Campbell, notary.

68. (1634.) *Charter Annanhill Hunter.*

Charter of Resignation following thereon by Charles I. in favour of the said PATRICK HUNTER and Jean Cuninghame and their heirs of ANNANHILL HUNTER, dated 25th January 1634.

The Charter No. 68 is in the following terms:—

Carolus dei gratia magne Britannie Francie et Hibernie rex fideique defensor Omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis salutem Sciatis nos pro nobis metipsis et tanquam pater et legitimus administrator charissimi nostri filii Coroli Principis et senescalli Scotie Principis Vallie Ducis Rothesaie Albanie Cornubie et Eboraci Comitis de Carrike Kyle et Cunynghame domini Insularum ac Baronis baronie de Renfrew charissimi nostri filii superioris terrarum aliorumque subscriptorum cum auisamento et consensu predilecti nostri consanguinei et consiliarii Willielmi Comitis de Mortoun domini Dalkethe et Abirdour nostri magni thesaurarii computorum nostrorum rotulatoris collectoris generalis regni nostri Scotie Necnon predilecti nostri consanguinei et consiliarii Joannis Comitis de Traquair domini Lyntoun et Caberstoun nostri thesaurarii computorum nostrorum rotulatoris et collectoris deputati huius regni nostri Scotie et dominorum scaccarii eiusdem regni nostri commissionerum

nostrorum dedisse concessisse disposuisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse tenoreque eiusdem dare concedere disponere ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo confirmare dilectis nostris PATRICIO HUNTER DE HUNTERSTOUN et Jeanne Cunynghame eius sponse eorumque alteri diutius viuenti in conjuncta infeodatione et heredibus masculis inter eos legitime procreatis seu procreandis Quibus deficientibus legitimis et propinquiorebus heredibus masculis dicti Patricii et assignatis suis quibuscunque hereditarie Totas et integras quadraginta sex solidatas et octo denariatas terrarum antiqui extentus de ANNANHILL HUNTER cum domibus edificiis hortis annexis connexis partibus pendiculis et pertinentiis earundem quibuscunque jacentes infra baroniam de Robertum balliatum de Cunynghame et vicecomitatum nostrum de Air. Quequidem terre cum pertinentiis ad Robertum Fergushill de eodem et Mariotam Porterfeld eius sponsam per prius hereditarie pertinuerunt, et per eos per eorum legitimos procuratores eorum nominibus ad hunc effectum specialiter constitutos et literas parentes in manibus dictorum dominorum nostri scaccarii dicti regni nostri Scotie nostrorum commissionerum predictorum plenariam potestatem a nobis habentium resignationes terrarum aliorumque de nobis aut de principe et senescallo Scotie tente recipiendi et nova infeodamenta desuper dandi habentium tanquam in manibus nostris pro nobismetipsis ac tanquam patre et legitimo administratore dicti nostri charissimi filii Caroli principis et senescalli Scotie immediati legitimi superioris earundem predicti pure et simpliciter per fustim et baculum vt moris est. Apud Edinburgum vnacum omnibus jure titulo interesse jurisclameo proprietate et possessione que seu quas dictus Robertus Fergushill de eodem eiusque sponsa et eorum predicti in et ad dictas terras aut aliquam earundem partem habuerunt habent seu quouis modo habere clamare vel pretendere poterint in futurum Resignate sursum reddite extradonate fuerunt In favorem proque nouo hoc nostro infeodamento hereditario earundem per nos nostro sub magno sigillo pro nobis metipsis et tanquam patrem et legitimum administratorem dicti charissimi nostri filii principis immediati legitimi superioris earundem predicti prefatis Patricio Hunter de Hunterstoun et Jeanne Cunynghame eius sponse eorumque alteri diutius viuenti in conjuncta infeodatione heredibus suis et assignatis supraspecificatis hereditarie et irredimabiliter in debite et competenti forma vt congruit danda et concedenda prout autentica instrumenta desuper suscepta in manibus Jacobi Campbell notarii publici latius porportant Tenendas et habendas totas et integras dictas quadraginta sex solidatas et octo denariatas terrarum antiqui extentus de Annanhill Hunter cum domibus edificiis hortis annexis connexis partibus pendiculis et pertinentiis earundem quibuscunque vt dictum est jacentes prefatis Patricio Hunter de Hunterstoun et Jeanne Cunynghame eius sponse eorumque alteri diutius viuenti in conjuncta infeodatione heredibus suis et assignatis predictis de prefato Carolo principe et senescallo Scotie et suis successoribus principibus et senescallis Scotie pro tempore immediatis legitimis superioribus terrarum aliorumque predictorum In feodo et hereditate imperpetuum per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et diuisas prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine In domibus edificiis boscis planis moris marresiis viis semitis aquis stagnis riolis pratis pascuis et pasturis molendinis multuris et eorum sequelis aucupationibus venationibus piscationibus petariis turbariis carbonibus carbonariis cuniculis cuniculariis columbis columbariis fabrilibus brasinis brueriis et genestis syluis nemoribus et virgultis lignis tignis lapidiciis lapide et calce cum curiis et earum exitibus herezeldis bludewitis et mulierum merchetis cum communi pascura liberoque introitu et exitu Ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus proficuis asiamentis ac justis suis pertinentiis quibuscunque tam non nominatis quam nominatis tam subtus terra quam supra terram procul et prope ad predictas terras aliaque prescripta cum pertinentiis spectantibus seu iuste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace sine reuocatione contradictione impedimento aut obstaculo aliqui Reddendo inde annuatim prefati Patricius Hunter de Hunterstoun et Jeanna Cunynghame eius sponsa eorumque alter diutius viuenti sique predicti prefato Carolo principi et senescallo Scotie et suis successoribus principibus et senescallis Scotie pro tempore superioribus earundem predictis

jura et servitia dictarum terrarum cum pertinentiis principi et senescallo Scotie et suis predecessoribus pro eisdem ante dictam resignationem debita et consueta tantum In cuius rei testimonium huic presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precipimus Testibus predilectis nostris consanguineis et consiliariis Jacobo Marchione de Hammiltoun comite Arranie et Cantuarie (*sic*) domini Aven et Innerdail Geoigio Comite de Kynnoull vicecomite de Duplin domino Hay de Kynfaunis nostro cancellario Willielmo Mariscalli Comite domino Kethe regni nostri Mariscallo Thoma Comite de Hadingtoun domino Bynning et Byres nostri secreti sigilli custode Willielmo Comite de Sterling vicecomite de Canada domino Alexander de Tullibody nostro Secretario principali dilectis nostris familiaribus consiliariis dominis Joanne Hay de Barro nostrorum rotulorum registri et consilii clerico Geoigio Elphinstoun de Blythiswode nostre justiciarie clerico et Joanne Scott de Scottstaruett nostre cancellarie direttore militibus Apud Edinburgum vigesimo quinto die mensis Januarii Anno domini millesimo sexcentesimo trigesimo quarto et anno regni nostri nono.

The following is a translation of the Charter No. 68 :—

Charles, by the grace of God King of Great Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, to all prudent men of his whole land, clerics and laics, greeting : Know ye we for ourselves and as father and lawful administrator to our dearest son Charles, Prince and Steward of Scotland, Prince of Wales, Duke of Rothesay, Albany, Cornwall and York, Earl of Carrick, Kyle and Cunynghame, Lord of the Isles and Baron of the barony of Renfrew, our dearest son, superior of the lands and others underwritten, with advice and consent of our beloved cousin and counsellor William, Earl of Mortoun, Lord Dalkeith and Aberdour, our great treasurer, comptroller and collector general of our Kingdom of Scotland, also of our beloved cousin and counsellor John, Earl of Traquair, Lord Lyntoun and Caberstoun, our treasurer, comptroller and collector depute of this our Kingdom of Scotland, and of the Lords of Exchequer of our said kingdom our Commissioners, have given, granted, disposed and by this our present charter have confirmed and by the tenor thereof give, grant, dispone and for us and our successors for ever confirm to our lovite PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and Jean Cunynghame his spouse and the longer liver of them in conjunct infefment, and the heirs male lawfully procreated or to be procreated between them, whom failing to the lawful and nearest heirs male of the said Patrick and his assignees whatsoever heritably, all and whole the forty six shilling and eight penny land of old extent of ANNANHILL-HUNTER, with houses, buildings, yards, annexis, connexis, parts, pendicles, and pertinents thereof whatsoever lying within the barony of Robertoun, bailliary of Cunynghame and our sherrifdom of Air. Which lands with the pertinents formerly pertained heritably to Robert Fergushill of that ilk and Marion Porterfield his spouse, and by them by their lawful procurators in their names specially constituted by letters patent to that effect were resigned surrendered and overgiven in the hands of the said Lords of our Exchequer of our said kingdom of Scotland our Commissioners foresaid, having full power from us to receive resignations of lands and others holding of us and of the Prince and Steward of Scotland and to give new infefments thereupon as in our hands for ourselves and as father and lawful administrator of our said dearest son Charles, Prince and Steward of Scotland, immediate lawful superior of the same foresaid, purely and simply by staff and baton as use is at Edinburgh, together with all right, title, interest, claim of right, property and possession which the said Robert Fergushill of that ilk and his spouse and their foresaids had, have or in any manner could claim or pretend to have in and to the said lands or any part thereof in favour and for this our new heritable infefment thereof to be given and granted by us under our Great Seal for ourself and as father and lawful administrator to our said dearest son the prince, immediate lawful superior thereof foresaid, to the said Patrick Hunter of Hunterstoun and Jean Cunynghame his spouse and the longer liver of them in conjunct infefment, their heirs and assignees above specified, heritably and irredeem-

ably, in due and competent form as accords as authentic instruments taken thereupon in the hands of James Campbell, notary public, more fully set forth. To hold and to have all and whole the said forty six shilling and eight penny land of old extent of Annanhill Hunter with houses, buildings, yards, annexes, connexes, parts, pendicles and pertinents thereof whatsoever lying as said is to the foresaid Patrick Hunter of Hunterston and Jean Cunynghame his spouse and the longer liver of them in conjunct infestment, their heirs and assignees foresaid, of the foresaid Charles, Prince and Steward of Scotland, and his successors, princes and stewards of Scotland for the time, immediate lawful superiors of the lands and others foresaid, in fee and heritage for ever by all their right bounds ancient and divided as they lie in length and breadth in houses, buildings, woods, plains, moors, marshes, roads, paths, waters, pools, streams, meadows, grazings and pastures, mills, multures and their sequels, fowlings, huntings, fishings, peatmosses, turbaries, coals, coalheughs, rabbits, rabbit warrens, pigeons, dovescotes, smithies, brewhouses, heath and broom woods, groves and thickets, logs, beams, quarries, stone and lime, with courts and their issues, herzelds, bludwits, and merchets of women, with common pasture and free entry and ish, and with all and sundry other liberties, commodities, profits, easements and their just pertinents whatsoever as well not named as named, as well under the ground as above the ground far and near, belonging or justly known to belong to the foresaid lands and others above-written with the pertinents in any manner of way in time coming, freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honourably well and in peace, without revocation, contradiction, impediment or hindrance whatsoever: Rendering therefor yearly the said Patrick Hunter of Hunterston and Jean Cunynghame his spouse and the longer liver of them and their foresaids to the said Charles, Prince and Steward of Scotland, and his successors princes and stewards of Scotland for the time, superiors of the same foresaid, the rights and services of the said lands with the pertinents due and wont to the Prince and Steward of Scotland and his predecessors for the same before the said resignation. In testimony of which thing we have commanded our great seal to be appended to this our present charter. Witnesses, our beloved cousins and counsellors James, Marquis of Hammiltoun, Earl of Arran and Canterbury (*sic*) Lord Aven and Innerdaill, George, Earl of Kynnoull, Viscount of Duplin, Lord Hay of Kynfauns, our Chancellor, William, Earl Marshall, Lord Kethe, Marshall of our kingdom, Thomas, Earl of Hadingtoun, Lord Bynning and Byres, keeper of our Privy Seal, William, Earl of Stirling, Viscount of Canada, Lord Alexander of Tullibody, our principal secretary, our beloved familiar counsellors Sirs John Hay of Barro, Clerk of our Rolls Registers and Council, George Elphingstoun of Blythiswode, our Clerk of Justiciary, and John Scott of Scottstarvett, director of our Chancery Knights. At Edinburgh the twenty fifth day of the month of January the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and thirty four, and of our reign the ninth year.

69. (1634.) *Precept Annanhill Hunter.*

Precept of Sasine following on No. 68 of same date.

70. (1634.) *Sasine Annanhill Hunter.*

Instrument of Sasine following on the said Precept dated 18th and recorded at Edinburgh 20th March 1634. The witnesses are John Wilsoun in Annanhill, John Thomson, junior, there, William . . . , servitor to Robert . . . , and . . . Mitchell, servitor to Patrick Hunter of Hunterston, Robert Broun, notary.

Note.—In 1662 PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN granted the Charters Nos. 81 and 97.

MISCELLANEOUS WRITS.

71. (1621.) *Hunterstoun and Campeltoun Teinds.*

Receipt by Sir Thomas Boyd of Bonshawe, knight, to PATRICK HUNTER of HUNTERSTOUN for the teinds of Hunterstoun and Campeltoun, dated 14th January 1621. The witnesses are Thomas Boyd in Bellchakett and Robert McClune of Holmes.

72. (1626.) *Hunterstoun and Cambelltown Teinds.*

Receipt by Lord Boyd to PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN for the parsonage teinds of the lands of Hunterstoun and Cambelltown, dated 28th April 1626. The witnesses are Alexander Cuningham of Waterstoun, Mr. John Harper, minister at Kilbryde, and Hew Harper, writer of the receipt.

73. (1633.) *Hunterstoun and Campbelton Teinds.*

Receipt by the Earl of Eglintoun to PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN for the vicarage teind of Hunterstoun and Campbelton, 14th January 1633. The witnesses are Mr. George Crawffurd, minister at Kilbryd, and Mr. Alexander Waelttoun.

74. (1639.) *Taxation.*

Receipt by Gabriel Porterfield of Halpland, collector of the tent-pennie of rent in the Presbytery of Irvine of 1639, in favour of PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN for 110 merks as his share, dated 28th August 1640.

75. (1653.) *Marriage of Jeane, daughter of Patrick Hunter.*

Obligation by David Kennedy of Barclannoquhan in implement of Marriage Contract betwixt him, on the one part, and PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN, as burdener for Jeane Hunter, his youngest lawful daughter and future spouse of the said David Kennedy, and her, on the other part, whereby he agrees to take certain assignations therein mentioned in lieu of 7000 merks of tocher for which the said Patrick Hunter had become bound by the said Marriage Contract, dated at Irvine 29th August 1653. Witnesses, Robert Hunter, younger of Hunterstoun, and James Montgomery of Dalduff, etc.

76. (1664.) *Marriage of Jeane, daughter of Patrick Hunter.*

Part of a Deed signed by David Kennedy of Barclannoquhan on . . . 1664 in presence of James Montgomerie of Daldufe, Mr. Hendrie Hunter, son of PATRICK HUNTER of Hunterstoun, and James Hunter, writer in Edinburgh, with note on the back dated 16th March 1664 that sasine in the lands within written was given to Mr. Hendrie Hunter as attorney for Jeane Hunter, Lady Barclannoquhan.

XI.—WRITS (1635–1674) concerning ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN, married (first) 1635 Elizabeth Crawford, daughter of Patrick Crawford of Awchnames, and (second) Mariot Cunyngham, daughter of James Cunyngham of Aikett, and died 1679.

77. (1635.) *Contract of Marriage.*

Contract of Marriage between Patrick Hunter of Hunterston, as taking burden on him for ROBERT HUNTER, APPERAND OF HUNTERSTOUN, his eldest lawful son, on the one part, and Patrick Crawford of Awchnames, taking burden on him for Elizabeth Crawford, his eldest lawful daughter, and with him William Crawford, apparent of Awchnames, as cautioner, on the other part, whereby the said Robert Hunter and Elizabeth Crawford took each other as lawful spouses. The tocher with the bride is 5000 merks. Dated 29th August 1635. Witnesses, Mr. George Craufurd, minister at Kilbryde, Robert Cunynghame of Drumeling, Mr. William Craufurd, brother germane to the said Patrick, Robert McClun of Holmes, Mr. William Cauldwell of Antonhill, etc.

78. (1658.) *Marriage Contract Jeane Hunter.*

Contract of Marriage between Mr. John Spalding, minister at Dreghorn, on the one part, and Jeane Hunter, only lawful daughter of ROBERT HUNTER, younger of Hunterston, with consent of the said Robert Hunter, dated 3rd November 1658. [*Deed imperfect.*]

79. (1658.) *Charter Arneill Hunterston, Campbelltoun and Annanhill-hunter.*

Charter by Richard, Lord Protector, to ROBERT HUNTER, YOUNGER OF HUNTERSTOUN, and the heirs male of his marriage with Elizabeth Crawford, his first spouse, whom failing to his heirs male, whom failing to Patrick Hunter, elder of Hunterston, if he be in life at the decease of his son the said Robert Hunter, and if not, to Robert's own heir male and successors bearing the surname and arms of Hunter, of ARNEILL HUNTERSTOUN, CAMPBELLTOUN AND ANNANHILL-HUNTER, dated 19th November 1658.

The Charter No 79 is in the following terms:—

Richard be the Grace of God Lord Protector of the Commonwealth of England Scotland and Ireland and dominionnes thairto belonging To All Men to whose knowledge this our present Chartour shall come Greiting Be it knowne that wee with advyce and consent of our commissioners of Exchekker have givin granted disponned and perpetuallie confirmed Lykas wee be the tennour hereof Gave Grannt and Disponne and for us and our successours perpetuallie confirme To ROBERT HUNTER YOUNGER OF HUNTERSTOUN and to the heirs maill lawfullie procreat betuixt him and the deceit Elizabeth Crawford his first spous, whilkis failzeing to the said Robert his others ayrs maill lawfullie procreat or to be procreat of his oune bodie whilkis also failzeing to Patrick Hunter elder of Hunterston if hee sall happin to be on lyffe the tyme of the deceisse of the said Robert Hunter his soune his airs maill and successours and if the said Patrick Hunter shall not be on lyffe the tyme of the deceis of the said Robert Hunter his soune, then to the said Robert his owne neirest air maill and successours bearing the surname and armes of Hunter and to his assigneyis whatsumever heretable All and Hail the fyve pund land of auld extent of ARNEILL HUNTERSTOUN All and Hail the fyve merk land of auld extent

of CAMPBELLTOUN and all and haill the fourtie sex shilling eight pennie land of Annanhill called ANNANEHILL-HUNTER with all and sundrie toures fortalices manerplaces housses biggings yards orcheyards milnes milne lands multures annexis connexis woods fishings outsettis dependances tennants tennandries service of frie tennants pairts pendicles and pertinents of the saids lands all lyand within the Bailiarie of Conynghame and Shirrefdome of Ayr Together with privileged and libertie of fishing of Salmound and others fishes with Boattis nettis and all other Ingynes and instruments in the sea within the haill bounds of the saids Lands of Arneillhunterstoun and Campbelltoun with their pertinentis Together also with privileged and libertie of cutting wining transporteing and carying of wrack and wair fra the sea to any pairt or pairts of the foirsaid Lands with the pertinents and to vse and dispone thairupoun for gudeing and bettering of the samyn lands in all tym coming Reserving alwayes to the said Patrick Hunter elder of Hunterstoun his lyfrent off all and haill the said Fyve pund land of Arneillhunterstoun and the said fyve merk land of Campbelltoun with the toures fortalices manerplaces housses biggings yards orcheyards milnes milnelands multuris fishings pairts pendicles and pertinents thairof dureing all the dayes of his lyfytyme And als reserving to Jeane Conynghame spous to the said Patrick Hunter elder of Hunterstoun efter the deceis of her said husband her lyfrent of the saids lands of Annanhill callit Annanhillhunter with the pertinents dureing all the days of her lyfytyme efter the deceis of the said Patrick Hunter her husband allannerlie If it shall happin hir to survive him and na otherwayes And sycklyk Have Givin granted dispouned and confirmed Lykas we be the tennour hereof for vs and our successouris confirme to Marion Conynghame present spouse to the said Robert Hunter younger of Hunterstoun in lyfrent dureing all the dayes of her lyfytyme All and Haill the said fourtie sex shilling eight pennie land of Annanhill called Annanhill-hunter with housses biggings yards orcheyards pairts pendicles and pertinentis thairof whatsumever Lyand as said is Reservand alwayes to the said Jeane Conynghame spous to the said Patrick Hunter elder of Hunterstoun her lyfrent of the saidis Lands of Annanhill with the pertinents dureing all the days of her lyfytyme efter the deceis of the said Patrick Hunter of Hunterstoun her husband allannerlie lff it shall happin her to survive him and na otherwayes as Said is And in respect of the foirsaid Reservatioun swa made In favours of the said Jeane Conynghame Have Given granted dispouned and confirmed Lykas we hereby Give grant dispone and confirme to the said Marion Conynghame All and Haill the said Fyve pund land of auld extent of Arneill-Hunterstoun with the pertinentis in sua far allannerlie as may be extended to thretteine ane bolls half boll ait meill and foure score pundis Scottis money of Silverdewtie to be yeirlye uplifted furth thairof and all and haill the said Fyve merk land of auld extent of Campbelltoun with housses biggings yards fishings privileged pairts pendicles and pertinents thairof whatsumever And that for the said Marion her securitie of the saids lands of Annanhill with the pertinents and of the twintie shilling land of Hileis with the pertinents lyand within the parochin of Dalry Bailiarie of Conynghame and Shirrefdome of Air foirsaid and of the housses biggings and yards within the burgh of Irwing commonlie called the chappell with the banks and pertinents thairof provyded to the said Marion in lyfrent conforme to the contract of Mariage affected with the said Jeane Conynghame her lyfrent yrof and in rowme and place of the samyn to the said Marion efter the deceis of the said Patrick Hunter elder of Hunterstoun and of the said Robert Hunter his soune lff so be that baith the saids Jeane and Marion Conynghames shall happin to outleive the said Patrick and Robert Hunters their husbands and that allannerlie indureing the said Jeane Conynghame her lyfytyme and ay and while the said Marion Conynghame atteene to the actual fruitioun and enjoying of her owne lyfrent lands affected with the said Jeane Conynghames lyfrent thairof as said is efter the forme and tennour of the said Marion Conynghame her said Contract of Mariage Qubilks Lands and others abon writtin with their pertinents Perteened heretable of before To the said Patrick Hunter elder of Hunterstoun holdin be him immediatlie off us And wer resigned surrendered up givin and over givin be him be his lawful procurators in his name speciallie constitute be him for that effect be

vertew of his powers and procuratories of resignatioun conteined in the Contract of Mariage made betuixt him and the said Robert Hunter his eldest lawfull sounne on the ane part and the deceist Patrick Crawford of Auchnames and the said deceist Elizabeth Crawford his eldest lawfull daughter first spouse to the said Robert Hunter on the other part dated the Twintienyth day of August Ane thousand sex hundredth threttiefve yeirs and in ane other Contract of Mariage made betuixt the saids Patrick and Robert Hunters on the ane part and the said Marion Conynghame second lawfull daughter to Wmgle James Conynghame of Aikett present spouse to the said Robert Hunter with consent of her freinds thereinmentonat on the other part daitit the twelff of Junii ane thousand Sex hundreth fourtie nine yeirs In the hands of our saids commissioners of Exchekker haveing our full power to receive resignatiouns of lands and others holden of us and to grant new infetnents theruppon as in our oune hands now imediat lawfull Superiours thairof as become in vice and place of the late prince and Stewart of Scotland who was immediat lawfull Superiour of the samyn purelie and simplie be staffe and bastoun as use is at Edinburgh Together with all right title enteres and clame of right which the said Patrick Hunter elder of Hunterstoun hes or may pretend thairto In favours and for new heretable infetment to be made and granted of the samyn To the said Robert Hunter younger of Hunterstoun his airis maill successours and assigneys abone specified heretable and to the said Marion Conynghame his present spous in lyfrent in forme and maner as is abone-mentionned in sick dew and competent forme as effeirs and upon the provisious and conditiones specified and sett down in the saids Contracts of Mariage which are holdin as exprest herein as authentick instruments takin upon the said resignation in the hands of Johne Conynghame Notar Publict at mair lenth beirs Attoure wee will and grant and for us and our successours decerne and ordayne that ane Seasine now to be takin be the said Robert Hunter younger of Hunterstoun and Marion Conynghame his spous and be the airis maill successours and assigneys of the said Robert Hunter in all tyme coming at the maner place of Hunterstoun Shall stand and be ane valid and sufficient Seasine for the hail lands milnes fishings priviledges and others abonwrittin with their hail pairs pendicles and pertinents without any other several or particular Seasine to be takin at any other parts or places notwithstanding of the severall denominatiouns of the saids lands and that the samyn ly not contigue together whairanent wee for us and our successours have dispensed and be the tennour of this our Chartour dispensis for ever To be holden and to be held the lands and others abonwrittin with their hail pairs pendicles and pertinents lyand as said is To the said Robert Hunter younger of Hunterstoun and Marion Conynghame his spouse in forme and maner as the samyn are hereby dispouned to them as is abone-mentonat and to the said Robert his airis maill successours and assigneys abone specified heretable Off us and our successours in fie and heritage forever be all richt meiths and marches thairof auld and divyded as the samyn lyes in lenth and breidth In houssis biggings feilds bounds planes muirs marressis rods hieways waters stanks burns brooks stryps strands meidowes feedings pastures leisuris milnes multure and sequellis thairof hostings huntings fishings peittis turffis coalls coalleughis cunings cuningairs doves dowcats orcheyards smiths smiddies brewers brewhoussis broome woods forrests busses and shawes of woods with quarrellstane and lyme with courts plaints and americiaments of court herezelds bludwettis; Together with all and sindrie others liberties commodities priviledges proffeits easments and richteous pertinents of the samyn as weill not named as named as weill under the earth as above the earth far and neir belonging or that is justlie knoune to apperteene to the saids lands milnes fishings and others abonwrittin with the pertinents in ony maner of way in tymcoming; Frielie queyettie fullie whollie honorable weill and in peace but any revocatioun contradiction impediment or obstacle whatsumever Givand yeirle the said Robert Hunter younger of Hunterstoun and Marion Conynghame his spouse and the airis maill successours and assigneys abone specified of the said Robert To ws and our successours For all and hail the said fyve pund land of auld extent of Arneill-hunterstoun with toure fortalice maner place houssis biggings veards orcheyards milnes milne lands

multures liberties and priviledge of fishing and of wrack and wair abone specified and pertinents thair of ane Scots pennie at the feist of Whitsunday upoun the ground of the saids lands in name of blensherme if the samyn be asked allannerlie And for the remanent lands and others abonewrittin with their pertinents richts and services aught and wont to vs and our predicessours for the samyn before the said resignation allannerlie Moreover to the Shirreff of the Shirrefdome of Ayr and his deputtis and als to Ffrances Hunter lawfull sone to Patrick Hunter elder of Hunterstoune or any of them our Shirreffis of the said Shirrefdome in that part conjunctlie and severallie speciallie constitute greeting we command and charge that in continent thir presents seene yee passe and Give to the said Robert Hunter heritable state and Seasine and to the said Marion Conyngname lyfrent state and Seasine during all the dayes of her lyftyme or to their certane attorney or attorneyis beirers hereof off all and sindrie the lands milnes fishings priviledges and others particularlie abone-mentionat with all and sindrie toures fortalices maner places houssis-biggings yards orcheyards milnes milne lands multures annexis connexis woods fishings outsettis dependances tennants tennandries service of frie tennants pairts pendicles and pertinents of the samyn whatsumever lyand as said is in maner as the samyne is abondisponned and distinguished (Reserving as is abon reserved) efter the forme and tennour of this our Chartour and dispensation abonewrittin in all poynts without delay and this on nawayes yee leave wndone The which to doe wee commit to yow or any of yow our Shirreffs in that part of the said Shirrefdome conjunctlie and severallie as said is our full and irrevocable power be the tennour of thir presents In testimonie whair of we have caused append our great seale to this our present Chartour at Edinburgh the nyntene day of November ane thousand sex hundred fiftie eight yeiris.

80. (1658.) *Sasine subjects in No. 79.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 79 in favour of the said ROBERT HUNTER and the series of heirs before named, reserving to Patrick Hunter, elder of Hunterstoun, his liferent of Arneill Hunterstoune and Campbelltoun, and to Jean Cunyngname, his wife, after his death, her liferent in ANNANHILL called ANNANHILL HUNTER, and giving sasine to Marion Cuninghame, wife of the said Robert Hunter, in her liferent of ANNANHILL, dated 7th December 1658, recorded at Irvine the same date. Possession was given at the "outter zett of the maner place of Hunterstoune" before Patrick Hunter, elder of Hunterstoune, Robert Boyd, John Sachie, Robert Miller, younger, and Thomas Broun, all indwellers in Hunterstoune.

81. (1662.) *Charter of Heilus, etc., to wife.*

Charter by PATRICK HUNTER, ELDER OF HUNSTARSTOUN, in favour of Mariot Cunyngnam, eldest daughter of the deceased James Cunyngnam of Aikett, SPOUSE OF ROBERT HUNTER, YOUNGER OF HUNSTARSTOUNE, in the lands of HEILLEIS and SUBJECTS IN IRVINE, under reservation of his own and Jean Cunyngnam his wife's liferent thereof, dated at Hunterstoun 20th August 1662. The witnesses are Robert Broun, clerk of the bailyary of Cunyngnam (whose servitor Robert Service writes the deed), and Francis Hunter, lawful son of the granter.

82. (1662.) *Sasine on No. 81.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 81, dated 20th August 1662, recorded at Ayr 11th October 1662. The witnesses at HEILLEIS are John Knoks in Cunyngnam Baidland, William Knocks there, William Willsoun there and George Plowright there; and at the CHAPEL, IRVINE, John Montgomerie, sometime junior of Langshaw, James Cunyngnam, brother german of John Cunyngnam, senior of Baidland, Robert Neill, servitor to

Mr. John Cunyngham, junior of Baidland, sheriff-depute of Ayr and depute-bailie of the bailliary of Kyle Stewart, and Robert Service, servitor to the notary. Robert Broun, notary.

Note.—In 1662 Robert Hunter granted the Charter No. 95.

83. (1666.) *Subtack Teinds Hunterstoune and Campbeltoune.*

Subtack by Hugh, Earl of Eglintoune, titular of the teinds of Kilbryde, with consent of Alexander, Lord Montgomerie, his son, to ROBERT HUNTER, ELDER OF HUNTERSTOUNE, IN LIFERENT, AND PATRICK HUNTER, YOUNGER THEREOF, his eldest son and apparent heir, of the TEINDS OF HUNTERSTOUNE AND CAMPBELTOUNE for the lifetime of umquhile Sir William Seatoune of Kylsmuir and his two successive heirs male and 5 nineteen years thereafter, dated April 24, 1666. The witnesses to the lessors' signatures at Irvine are David Montgomerie of Langshaw, Mr. Johne Cunynghame of Baidland, George Montgomerie of Neyr. Broome-lands, and Arthur Hamiltoune, toune clerk of Irvine; and to Robert Hunter's signature at Hunterstoune, Ffrancis Hunter, second son to umquhile Patrick Hunterstoune, and Robert Simpstone, notary at Kilbryde.

84. (1666.) *Disposition Teinds Hunterstone aud Campbelltone.*

Extract disposition by Hugh, Earl of Eglintone, as titular of the teinds of Kilbryde, of the teind sheaves and other TEINDS, parsonage and vicarage, of HUNTERSTONE AND CAMPBELLTONE in favour of the said ROBERT HUNTER, ELDER OF HUNTERSTONE, AND THE SAID PATRICK HUNTER, YOUNGER OF HUNTERSTONE, under reservation to the minister at Kilbryde of 7 bolls victual furth of the said teind, dated at Irvine 24th April 1666 and recorded at Ayr 11th May 1784. Same witnesses to granter's signature as in No. 83.

85. (1668.) *Confirmation Hileis.*

Precept of Clare Constat by Andrew Lyn of that ilk for giving possession to ROBERT HUNTER as heir of his father, Patrick Hunter of Hunters-toune, in HILEIS, dated 1668. The witnesses are Patricke Montgomrie and Robert Macklien.

86. (1669.) *Resignation Hielies.*

Instrument on the Resignation by ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERS-TOUN and Marion Cunynghame, his wife, of the lands of HIELIES, dated 9th August 1669. Alexander Wintoun, indweller in Irwing, is procurator for Andrew Lin. The witnesses are William Montfood of that ilk, and John Boill, youngar of Kelburne. George Garven, notary.

87. (1669.) *Charter Hielies.*

Charter of Resignation following thereon by William Blair of Blair in favour of ROBERT HUNTER and Mariot Cunynghame in said lands of HIELIES, dated 9th August 1669. The witnesses are John Boill, youngar of Keilburn, William Montfode of that ilk, and George Garven, notary.

88. (1669.) *Sasine Hielies.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 87 dated 19th and recorded at Ayr 21st August 1669. Mr. Robert Hunter, son of MR. ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTONE, is attorney for Mariot Cunynghame, spouse of

the said Robert, and Patrick McGinnies in Baidlan Mylne is baillie for William Blair. The witnesses are John Blair, blacksmith in Windyage, John Knock in Baidlan Craufurd, James Miller, servitor to the said John Blair, and John Broun in Hielies. George Garven, notary.

MISCELLANEOUS WRITS.

89. (1674.) *Service as heir to Mr. Henry Hunter.*

Extract Retour of the General Service of ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN as heir of Mr. Henry Hunter, minister of the Gospel at Drumore in Ireland, his immediate younger brother, dated 11th June 1674. The inquest is held at Irwing before a venerable man, George Montgomerie of Nather Broomelands, baillie-depute of the bailliary of Cunynghame, by Robert Shaw, son of the late James Shaw of Belligellie, John Cauldwell in Stane, John Galt in Leigoit, Wm. Thomeson, armourer in Irwing, John Reid, senior, and Allan Cunynghame, merchants, Wm. Swyntoun, saddler, George Erskene, tailor, burgesses of Irwing, George Garvan, writer, David Auld, wright, David Dunlop and Alexander Shaw, mealdealer there, James Ffultoun in Kilmarnock, James Glasgow in Didup, and Robert Miller in Muresyde of Warrickhill.

90. (1673.) *Bond to Mr. Robert Hunter.*

Heritable Bond by MR. ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNSTARSTOUNE in favour of Mr. Robert Hunter, his lawful son, of an annualrent of eight score pounds upliftable out of his lands of HUNTERSTOUNE, CAMPBELTOUNE AND HELEIS, dated 6th December 1673, with note annexed signed "Pa : Hunterstoune" that the Deed was delivered up to Patrick Hunter of Hunterstoun on 20th March 1680 to be destroyed, conform to Discharge and Renunciation of that date by Mr. Robert Hunter, his brother, to him, and Instrument of Resignation dated and registered 22nd March and year foresaid.

91. (1674.) *Sasine on Bond No. 90.*

Instrument of Sasine in favour of MASTER ROBERT HUNTER, YOUNGER SON LAWFUL TO ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUNE, in an annualrent of eight score pounds Scots, or such sum as shall correspond to the principal sum of 4000 merks Scots upliftable out of HUNTERSTOUNE, CAMPBELTOUNE AND HELEIS, dated 30th June 1674. Hendrie Cunynghame of Carlung is baillie for Robert Hunter the granter. The witnesses are Robert Hunter in Greenhead of Hunterstoune and Robert Hunter, his lawful son, Robert Melvine, younger there, and John Deans, servitor to the said Robert Hunter, elder of Hunterstoun. Robert Allan, notary.

92. (1680.) *Discharge of Bond No. 90.*

Instrument on Resignation by MR. ROBERT HUNTER in the hands of his elder brother, PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNSTARSTOUNE, of the annual rent of eight score pounds Scots mentioned in No. 91, in implement of his Discharge and Renunciation thereof, dated within the Hall of Hunterstoun 20th and recorded at Ayr 22nd March 1680. The witnesses are Mr. Alexander Craufurd of ffergushill, Mr. John Spalding, minister at Dreghorn, Mr. John Echesone, schoolmaster at Killbryde and David Raesyd, servitor to Mr. Robert Hunter.

XII.—WRITS (1662–1699) concerning **PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN AND OF THAT ILK**, married 1662 **Marion Cunynghame**, daughter of **John Cunynghame of Langmure** and **Dorathie Cunynghame**, his wife, then spouse of **Johne Cunynghame of Baidland**, and died 1699.

93. (1662.) *Marriage Contract.*

Contract of Marriage between **PATRICK HUNTER, ELDEST LAWFUL SON OF ROBERT HUNTER, FIAR OF HUNTERSTON**, and **Marion Cunynghame**, daughter of the said **Dorathie Cunynghame**, dated 15th August 1662. Witnesses, **Patrick Hunter**, elder of **Hunterstoun**, **James Cunyngham of Aiket**, **Hugh Cunynghame**, one of the bailies of the burgh of **Irvine**, and **James Montgomerie of Dalduff**, etc. [*The commencement of this deed is wanting.*]

94. (1662.) *Acquisition of Longmoore.*

Procuratory of Resignation by **Marioun Cunynghame**, eldest lawful daughter of the deceased **John Cunynghame of Longmoore**, and **Dorathie Cunynghame**, his last spouse, in favour of the said **PATRICK HUNTER**, her husband, of the lands of **LONGMOORE** in implement of their Marriage Contract, dated 13th October 1662. Witnesses, **James Cunynghame**, son to **John Cunynghame of Baidland**, **Allan Cunynghame**, son to umqle **Robert Cunynghame**, merchant, burgess of **Irvine**.

95. (1662.) *Family Conveyance Annanhill, Hieleis and Campbeltoun.*

Charter by **ROBERT HUNTER, FIAR OF HUNTERSTOUN**, to **PATRICK HUNTER, HIS ELDEST SON**, and **Mariot Cunynghame** (eldest daughter of the deceased **John Cunynghame of Langmure** and **Dorothea Cunynghame**, his last wife, afterwards spouse of **John Cunyngham of Baidland**), of **ANNANHILL**, one half of **HIELEIS**, with an annualrent of eight bolls of barley out of **CAMPBELTOUN**, dated at **Irvine** 15th August 1662. The witnesses are **John Cunyngham of Baidland**, **Mr. John Cunyngham, junior**, of the same, and **Robert Broun**, common clerk of **Irvine**.

96. (1662.) *Sasine on No. 95.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 95 dated 20th and 21st August 1662. **Mr. John Cunyngham, junior**, of **Baidland**, sheriff-depute of sheriffdom of **Ayr**, baillie-depute of **Kyle Steuart**, is attorney. Possession is given on the ground of the lands of **Arneill Hunterstoun** at the **TOWER AND FORTALICE OF HUNTERSTOUN** and within the **Mill of Hunterstoun**, and on the ground of the lands of **ANNANHILL**. The witnesses at **Hunterston** are **Francis Hunter**, brother german to **Robert Hunter**, fiar of **Hunterstoun**, **Adam Wyllie** in **Campbeltoun**, **Robert Millar** in **Hunterstoun**, **Robert Boyd**, shoemaker there, and **John Gilleis**, miller at the **Mill of Hunterstoun**; and the witnesses at **Annanhill** are **John** and **William Thomsouns** in **Annanhill**, **John** and **James Wilsouns** there. **Robert Broun**, notary.

97. (1662.) *Family Conveyance Hieleis and houses in Irvine.*

Charter by **PATRICK HUNTER, ELDER OF HUNTERSTOUN**, in favour of **PATRICK HUNTER**, his grandson, and **Mariot Cunynghame**, his future wife, of **HIELEIS** and **HOUSES IN IRVINE**. Signed at the burgh of **Irvine** and the place of **Hunterstoun** 20th August 1662. The witnesses are **Robert Craufurd**, eldest lawful son of **Robert Craufurd**,

portioner of Nethrmains, and Robert Service, servitor to Robert Broun, clerk to the bailliary of Cunyngham; fir Hunter also signs as a witness. There is endorsed on this deed a Confirmation by William Blair of that ilk, the superior, dated at Irvine 5th February 1680. The witnesses are Walter Blair, his uncle, William Blair, his brother, and George Garvin, writer in Irvin.

98. (1662.) *Sasine on No. 97.*

Instrument of sasine following on No. 97 dated 20th August 1662. Recorded at Ayr 8th October 1662. The witnesses at Heileis are John Knoks in Cunyngham, William Knocks there, William Wilsoun there and George Plewright there: and at the Chapell, Irvine, John Montgomerie, sometime junior of Langschaw, James Cunyngham, brother german of John Cunyngham, Robert Neill, servitor to Mr. John Cunyngham, and Robert Service, servitor to the notary. Robert Broun, notary.

99. (1677.) *Charter Hielies.*

Charter by William Blair of Blair to PATRICK HUNTER OF THAT ILK of the lands of HIELIES, dated 1st May 1677. Signed "at my Castle of Blair." The witnesses are John Blair, junior, of that ilk, my lawful son, Mr. John Mitchell, my servitor, and William Stevinsone, writer in Irvin (whose servitor John Matheson writes the deed).

100. (1680.) *Service in Ardnell-Hunterstoune, Campbelltoun,
Annanhill-Hunter and Hielies.*

Extract Retour of the Service of PATRICK HUNTER as heir of his father, Robert Hunter of Hunterstone, in ARDNEILL-HUNSTARSTOUNE, CAMPBELLTOUNE, ANNANHILL-HUNSTAR, and HIELIES, dated 29th January 1680, in which it is stated that the deceased Robert Hunter died in the month of December 1679. The inquest is held at the burgh of Irvine before Henry Lyne, bailie-depute of the bailliary of Cunynghame, by James Cunynghame of Aikhead, Allan Cuming, lately Provost of Irvine, John Park of Dubbs, Mr. Alexander Cunyngham of Chirrilands, John Crawford, junior, of Birkhead, Mr. Wm. Scot of Cloubeith, Ninian Hunter, portioner of Warrops, Robert Cunynghame of Weirsholme, James fullartone of Bartanholme, Wm. McTagart of Annanhill, Thomas Biggar, sometime bailie of the burgh of Irvine, Alexander Cochran, Allan Cumming, junior, Alexander Dyet and Thomas McGowne, merchants, burgesses of the burgh of Irvine.

101. (1680.) *Duplicate of No. 100.*

Extract Retour of do. of same date.

102. (1680.) *Crown Precept—subjects in No. 100.*

Crown Precept following on No. 100 dated 23rd February 1680.

103. (1680.) *Sasine subjects in No. 100.*

Instrument of Sasine in favour of the said PATRICK HUNTER as heir of his father in ARDNEILL-HUNSTARSTOUNE, etc., dated 20th and recorded at Ayr 22nd March 1680. Mr. Alexander Crawford of fiergus-hill is bailie-depute of the bailliary of Cunynghame. The witnesses are, at Ardnell Hunterstoun, etc., Mr. John Spalding, minister of the Word of God at Dreghorne, Mr. Robert Hunter, brother german of the said Patrick Hunter, Mr. John Echesone, schoolmaster at the village of Killbryde, David Rasyde, servitor to the said Mr. Robert Hunter, John Gillies,

miller in the mill of Hunterstoun, and Thomas Garven, servitor to the said baillie-depute. The witnesses at Annanhill Hunter are said Mr. John Spalding, Thomas Wilsoun in Annandail, James Wilsoune and John Bankheid, indwellers there. Wm. Francis, notary.

104. (1696.) *Resignation Campbelltoun and Annanhill.*

Instrument on Resignation of CAMPBELLTOUN and ANNANHILL by PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN in the hands of the Crown, dated . . . January 1696.

105. (1698.) *Crown Charter Campbelltoun and Annanhill.*

Charter by King William III. following thereon in favour of PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN, of CAMPBELLTOUN and ANNANHILL, dated at Kensington on 27th June, and written to the Seal and sealed at Edinburgh 23rd August 1698.

106. (1698.) *Ratification of Charter No. 105.*

Extract Ratification by the King and Estates of Parliament whereby, in consideration of the good and faithful services done and performed to His Majesty and his Royal progenitors by PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and his predecessors, they ratified and approved of the Charter (No. 105) made under His Majesty's great Seal at Kensington on 27th June 1698 of the lands of CAMPBELLTOUN and ANNANHILL HUNTER and pertinents, and of new disposed the said lands to Patrick Hunter and the same series of heirs, dated at Edinburgh 31st August 1698.

107. (1698.) *Sasine on No. 105.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 105 in favour of the said PATRICK HUNTER, dated 14th and recorded at Ayr 18th October 1698. James Bankhead in Corsehouse, is bailie of the bailliary of Cunningham in that part, and William Wilsone in Annanhill is attorney for Patrick Hunter of Hunterstoun. The witnesses are John Gemmill, writer at Irving, John Thomson, candlemaker there, Robert Hay, officer there, and John fergusson, servitor to the notary. George Munro, notary.

MISCELLANEOUS WRITS.

108. (1681.) *Obligation re Marches.*

Mutual Deed of Obligation by PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and Robert Boyd of Portincross declaring the marches between their lands as adjusted in a Court held by Robert Simpson, writer in Kylbride, dated 7th October 1681, with what may be Minutes of Proof taken before said Court, but are much torn and defaced.

The Deed is in the following terms :—

Be it kent till all men be thire present letters that I PATHRICK HWNTER OF HWNTERSTOUN heiritour of the fyve mark land of CAMPLETOWNE and I ROBERT BOYD OF POTTINCROS heritour of the fyve markland of South and North THIRD PARTS having upon the second day of Julij jai vie & auchtij ane years mett upon the march upon the sds lands of Campbelltoun and Thridparts accompanijed with severall of the tennants of the fords lands and some others of the most knowing neighbours ffor cleiring of the Marches betwixt the fords lands we both with one consent appoynted Robert Sympsoun Wryter at Killbryd to be our bayllij their for holdijg of ane Court anent cleiring of the sd marches and the court being fenced in both our names and our barron officers present we both

with on consent did nominat & pitch upon John Watt in Campbelltown & John Tarbert elder in Ardneill as the most knowing persons to wittnes and pass upon the meiths and marches betwixt the forsd two lands & after they had given ylk aue of them their solemne oath that they should declare trewlij to their knowledg without feid ore favoure in the marches forsd to their knowledg the qlk they presentlij did and gave both of ws and all others present cleir evidences and tokens of the sd marches as they had sein them sighted and condeshendit upon be our predisosors to witt Pathrick Hunter then of Hunterstoun and Robert Boyd of Portin Cros our deceised Grandfathers and that for the space of fyftij years since or theirby with one consent as to their knowledge and both heritours above desyngned being weill & rpyly advyded and fully perswaded of ye eqwitij of the fornamed mens declarationes And the Informations of divers others who accompanijed ws And their we the sd Pathrick Hwnter and Robert Boyd heritours desyred our forsd desyngned bayllij to pitch upon the severall fitt places for setting of march stons betwixt ws and our lands fornamed which accordingly he did & cawsed pwt in everij hollow two or thre & some four stons together to be sure firme and standing marches betwixt the two fyve mark lands of Campbelltown and Thrid parts for ever beginning the first march stons upon the head of the bank upon the hinging brae betwixt the march bank-dyke and the standing man thenc to the head of the brown-hill to the head of the heathrij rigs in the long glack at the head of the sixteine ridges or theirby thenc alongest the face of the hill be the grein skirts and down the foot of the grein rode at the head of the Murij glene besyd the hempdwbe wher both heritours manured lands begins being eightein severalls marches sett at distance aue from another as follows the first fortij pace or theirby the thrid is seventij from the second the fourth is from the thrid seventy pace the fyfth march is about sixtij from the fourth the sixt is about sixtij from the fyfth the seventh is about nyntij pace from the sixt the eight is about eightij pace from the seventh the nynth is about thretij sixt pace frome the eight the tenth march is about eightij pace from the nynth the eleventh march is about seventij pace from the tenth the twelth march is about fortij awght pace from the eleventh the threiteine march is about is about sixtij pace from the twelth the fowrteine march is about fortij pace from the threiteine the fyfteine march is about fyftij pace from the fowrteine the sixteen march is about fyftij pace from the fyft fyfteine the seveinteine march is about fortij fyve pace from the sixteine the Awghtein & last & eastmost march is about fortij pace from the seveinteine which is about stons sett in on hollow a litle above the hempdwbe at the ffoot of the grein rod & head of the murij glene qlk marches & meiths before desyngneyed We the sd Pathrick Hwnter & Robert Boyd heritours befor mentioned declares to be the just trew wndowbted and irevocable marches betwixt ws our lands tennants and pososors in all tyms heirafter And ffaithfullij binds ws our ayrs successors Intrometers with our goods lands or heritages whatsoomever or our asigneys to the sds lands to stand manteine and defend the sd marches to be the onlij lawfullij marches of our land in that part & place so fare as they extend And declares all other pretendit marches in that place voyd newll & of no effect in all tyms heirafter And both the sd Pathrick Hwnter of Hwnterstoun and Robert Boyd of Portin Cros asked and took Instruments in the hands of me the said Robert Sympsone noter under subscriyver of assent & adherance to the wholl premisses this was acted & done upon the ground of the sd lands betwixt ten howrs in the fornoon & fowr howrs in the afternoone befor Rot Boyd son & appeiring ayre to the sd Robert Boyd of Portin Cros Williame ffairij in Thridpart Thomas Tarbert in Ardneill John Moor their James Wyllij in Campbelltown David Resyd their John McClelan servitour to the sd Pathrick Hwnter witness called and requyred to the premisses day yeare & place forsd And for the more secwritij we are content and consents Thir pnts be insart & registrat in the books of Cownsell & Session or anij other Jwdges books wtin this kingdome their to remain in aue perpetwall memorandome for ever & if neid beis that ltrs & exlls of horning may pass heirupon aue simple charg of six dayes only and constitwts

Our prors In wittnes wherof thir presents wryten be Thomas Sympsoun, son to the forsd Robert Sympsoun, both parties hath subscriyved the samein with

our hands at Killbryd the seventh day of October jai vic & awghtie ane years befor thir wittness Goarg Mealmont, merchant in Air & the sd Thomas Sympsoun.

Signed Pa hunterstoune, R. Boyd of Portincrosse, George Mealmont wittnes,
Thomas Sympsoun wittnes. (Notary's docquet.)

109. (1699.) *Provision for son John Hunter.*

Bond of Provision by PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNSTARSTOUNE to his son John Hunter of 2500 merks, dated at Hunterstoune 25th August 1699. (*Signature torn off.*) The witnesses are James Cuninghame of Carlung and Francis Miller. There is written on this Bond a Discharge of it by John Hunter, he having received complete payment from his brother Patrick Hunter, now of that ilk, dated at Irvine 5th July 1703. The witnesses are Henry Hunter, the granter's brother german, John Hay, collector at Irvine, and Moses Crawford, writer in Irvine.

WRITS (1514-1659) of LANGMUIR, etc., belonging to MARION CUNYNGHAME, wife of PATRICK HUNTER.

110. (1514.) *Sasine Langmurs of that Ilk.*

Instrument of Sasine, dated 12th October 1514, in favour of Janet Langmur, Agnes Langmur, Margaret Langmur, Arabella Langmur, Agnes Langmur, junior, Mariot Langmur and Allison Langmur, sisters german, granddaughters and lawful heirs of the deceased ROBERT LANGMUR OF THAT ILK, in all and whole the HALF LANDS OF LANGMUR with the pertinents lying within the lordship of Kilmauris and bailliary of Cuninghame and shire of Ayr, following on Precept of Clare Constat by Cuthbert, Earl of Glencarne, Lord Kilmauris, the liferent proprietor of the lordship thereof, and William Conyghame, his son and heir, fiar of the said earldom and lordship of Kilmauris, dated said Precept at Irvine 10th October 1514 and addressed to Thomas Conyghame in Kilmauris, Alexander Langmur and John Langmur. The witnesses to the Precept are Robert Boyd of Portincorse, John Mowat of Busbie, James Mure, Archibald Mure, and Thomas Boyd of Kilmarnok. The witnesses to the Sasine, Nicholas Edzard, "dominus" of Inglistone, John Edzard, his son, Henry Galt, William Howe, John Speyr and Edward Mure. John Langmur acts as baillie and George Baxter, Glasgow Diocese, is notary.

111. (1514.) *Duplicate of No. 110.*

Instrument of Sasine in same terms as No. 110.

112. (1514.) *Duplicate of No. 110.*

Instrument of Sasine in same terms as No. 110.

113. (1552.) *Charter Langmure.*

Charter by Alexander, Earl of Glencarne, Lord of Kilmawris, in favour of WILLIAM CUNYNGHAME OF AIKHEID, his servitor, his heirs and assignees, of the five merk land of old extent of LANGMURE with pertinents, now occupied by said William and by John Bard, James Gibsoun and Margaret Begart, in the barony of Kilmawris. Signed at Irwyn 18th November 1552 before John Cunyngame of Caprintoun, Adam Cunyngame, his son, Thomas Fairlie in Langlandis, John Cunyngame, burghess of said burgh, Patrick Mowet, George Kessane and Henry Prestoun, notary public, etc.

114. (1562.) *Sasine Langmuir.*

Instrument whereby ALEXANDER CONYNGHAME, son and heir apparent of William Conyngame of Aiket, and far of the lands of LANGMUIR, gave infeftment in a liferent right in said lands now occupied by John Auld, James Gibsone, Adam Barnard, John Park, Robert Thomsone, John Armwre in Quhytrig, John Armour, Thomas Or, Matthew Conyngame, Andrew Smyth, John Armour in Mossyd, Thomas Rankin, William Kendye, William Hall and William Or, to Thomas Baillie of Rawinscrag, as attorney for Catherine Bailze, daughter of the late Alexander Bailze of Carfyne, dated 19th February 1562. Witnesses, James Warnok, Thomas Quhyt and William Cuning and others. David Hamyltoun, notary.

115. (1605.) *Charter Langmuir.*

Charter by James, Earl of Glencairne, Lord of Kilmairs, confirming a Charter by JAMES CUNNINGHAME, NOW OF AIKAT, with consent of his curators, to Jean Conyngame, his future spouse, daughter of Alexander Conyngame of Corshill, in liferent, of the FIVE MERK LAND OF LANGMURE, signed by James Cunninghame at Edinburgh 7th June 1605 before Alexander Conyngame, N.P., Donald Conyngame, his (A. C.'s) servitor, William Ker, N.P., writer of the Charter, and Robert Boyd in Clarkland, etc., Patrick Cuninghame of Halplandis being named as bailie; dated said confirming Charter at Edinburgh 8th June 1605 before William, Master of Glencairne, John Crawford of Kilbirnie, William Conyngame, the Earl's brother, John Lokhart of Boighall, John Belches, servitor to Mr. Thomas Craig, advocate, Alexander Conyngame, N.P., said William Ker, N.P., writer of the deed, and William Spier, writer, subscribing witnesses.

116. (1644.) *Disposition Langmuir.*

Disposition by WILLIAM CUNYNGHAME OF AIKET, with consent of Anna Inglis, his spouse (who does not sign), and by both, with consent of Alexander Porterfield of that Ilk, to JOHNE NEWTOUN in the countie of Doun, and the heirs of him and Dorathie Cunyngame, his spouse, whom failing as therein mentioned, of the five merk land of LANGMURE, dated 8th and 31st May 1644. Signed at Irvine and Cruissis in the Mure. Witnesses, Frederick Cunyngame of Southhoek, David Cunyngame of Dankeith, Robert Brown, bailie, George Garvan, servitor to Robert Brown, John Crawford of Crawfordland and David Blair, younger of Adamtown.

117. (1659.) *Sasine Brothoklie.*

Instrument of Sasine recorded in the burgh register at Ayr on 1st September 1659 in favour of DORATHIE CUNYNGHAME, RELICT OF THE DECEASED JOHN CUNYNGHAME OF LANGMUR, then the future spouse of John Cunyngame of Baidland, in the 20s. land of old extent of BROTHOKLIE, presently occupied by James Rasyd, elder and younger, Thomas Caderwood and John Black, lying in the parish of Dalry; Mr. Robert Kelso, now residenter in Kirkland of Dalray, being attorney; proceeding on Charter by John Cunyngame of Baidland in her favour dated at Eglintoun 5th August 1659, Robert Broun, town clerk of Irwing, and James Finlay, his servitor, being the witnesses, and John Rasyd in Hullerhirst being named as bailie for Cunyngame. The Sasine is dated 19th August 1659, the witnesses being Hew Bar in Brunntounges, John Boyle, servitor to Robert Russele in Windiege, John Greg in Gefertland Mylve and William Rasyd in Hieles. The notary is Robert Brown in the sheriffdom of Ayr.

XIII.—WRITS (1702-1737) concerning **PATRICK HUNTER** of Hunterstone and of that ilk, married 1704 Marion Craufurd, eldest daughter of Thomas Craufurd of Craufurdsburne, and died Nov. 1738, and concerning his eldest son, Patrick Hunter, to whom he conveyed the estate in 1711 and who predeceased him in 1732.

118. (1702.) *Sasine Hunterstone, Campbeltone and Annanhill.*

Instrument of Sasine in favour of **PATRICK HUNTER OF THAT ILK** as heir of his father, Patrick Hunter, in **HUNTERSTONE, CAMPBELTONE AND ANNANHILL**, dated 1st September and recorded at Ayr 18th September 1702. The witnesses are John Gemmill, Francis Miller in Hunterstone, Robert Craufurd, N.P. in Kilbryde, and James Stevinson in Hunterstone.

119. (1704.) *Contract of Marriage.*

Contract of Marriage between **PATRICK HUNTER OF THAT ILK** and "Marion Craufurd, eldest lawful daughter to Thomas Craufurd of Craufurdsburne, procreat betwixt him and unqll Rebecca Barnes, his first spous," with consent of her father: Patrick Hunter obliges himself to make resignation of **HUNTERSTOUN, CAMPBELTOUN, ANNANHILL, CALLED ANNANHILL HUNTER, HEILIES**, "with the houses, and yairds and bank yrto belonging, commonly called the **CHAPPELL**, lyand within the territorie of the burgh of Irvine, neer and forgainst the Backsyd of the Churchyaird yrof," and his five merk land of old extent of **LANGMUIR**, into the hands of his superiors for new infestments to him and the heir male of the marriage, etc. etc.; an heir female succeeding is to marry "ane gentleman of the surname of Hunter att leist ane gentleman who shall assume the sd surname of Hunter And wear bear and Cary the Armes of the ffamilie of Hunter in all tym coming"; Patrick Hunter obliges himself to infest his wife in an annuity of 1200 merks Scots yearly out of said lands, to be restricted to 1000 merks if an heir male of the marriage is alive at his decease, but if such heir male dies before her unmarried, she is to have the full annuity: If she outlives Patrick Hunter she is to get "The Ane just and equall half of the Insight and plenishing of his hous whilk it shall happen him to have pertaining and belonging to him the tyme of his deceis, Whensoever the samen shall happen (The Airship being excepted)," which half he obliges himself to free of debts: which provisions she accepts in full of legal rights; if no heir male of the marriage the daughters are to get, if one 9000 merks, if two 12,000 merks, and if three or more 15,000 merks Scots; he obliges himself to educate and entertain said daughters at school and "to entertain ym in Aliment and Abulzient." Thomas Craufurd pays to Patrick Hunter 9000 merks Scots as tocher good, which Mareon accepts as in full of legal rights on her father's estate, and particularly of £10,000 Scots provided to her as eldest daughter by her parents' Contract of Marriage. Dated at Glasgow 3rd May 1704 before John Craufurd of Milntoun, Mr. George Craufurd, son to deceased Thomas Craufurd of Craufurdsburne, John Simpoun, merchant in Glasgow, and John Smyth, writer in Glasgow. Signed "HUNTER OF YT ILK."

120. (1707.) *Regrant Hiellies.*

Precept of Clare Constat by William Blair of that ilk in favour of **PATRICK HUNTER OF THAT ILK**, as heir of his father, Patrick Hunter of that ilk, in **HIELIES**, dated at "my Castle of Blair" 24th April 1707.

121. (1707.) *Sasine Hiellies.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 120, dated 30th April and recorded at Ayr 6th June 1707.

122. (1707.) *Sasine Hiellies.*

Instrument of Sasine in favour of PATRICK HUNTAR in said lands proceeding on Charter of Resignation, dated 1st May 1707, by William Blair of that ilk (John Blair, junior, of that ilk, his lawful son, being one witness). Sasine dated 1st May and recorded at Ayr 6th June 1707. Witnesses to Sasine are James Stevinsone in Hunterstone, James Finlay in Cunninghame Baidland, David McKleiry, blacksmith at the Church of Dalray, and Robert Crawford, son of William Crawford in Blies of Dalray. Wm. Stevinsone, Glasgow Diocese, is notary.

123. (1711.) *Family Conveyance of Hunterstoune, Campbeltoun and Hiellies.*

Disposition by PATRICK HUNTAR OF THAT ILK to PATRICK HUNTAR, HIS ELDEST SON, and the heirs male of his body, "whilkis failzieing to his nearest airs male All whilkis failzieing to the said Patrick Hunter his nearest airs & assigneys whatsomevir," of HUNTERSTOUNE, CAMPBELTOUN, salmon fishing in the sea, wrack and wair from the sea, the superiority of HIELEES, "lately ffewed by me to ffrancis Miller portioner of Dycks," reserving to himself his liferent right and to Marion Craufurd, his spouse, her liferent right of the annuity provided by her Contract of Marriage should she survive the granter, "As Also in caise That I shall survive the sd Marion, and shall happen to a mary," reserving power to burden with a liferent right of 500 merks Scots to "any such person that I shall happen to mary," power to create children's burdens not exceeding 5000 merks Scots, power to friends to get such a burden imposed if he does not do it before his decease, the said disponee to be liable for 5000 merks Scots in a heritable security granted by the disponer to James Montgomery of Over Perstoun on the same date, & the disponee to be liable for disponer's debts at death not exceeding 2000 merks Scots, "Also in caise the sd Patrick Hunter shall happen to be lawfully married before the Decease of me the sd Patrick Hunter his father in that caise By his acceptation hereof, he shall be bound & obliged to make paytt to my self allenarly of the one just & equall half of his Tocher And that within ane year & ane half after his sd marriage as sd is": Reserving power to set tacks. Signed at Cartsburn 10th January 1711 before Thomas Zuille of Darleith, John Peebles of Crawfield, William Zuille, brother german to said Thomas, and John Alexander, writer in Greenock, writer of the deed. Signed "HUNTER OF YT ILK."

124. (1711.) *Sasine on No. 123.*

Extract from the Protocol Book of John McUre, notary and clerk to the Register of Sasines at Glasgow, of the Sasine following on No. 123, dated 17th January 1711.

125. (1711.) *Sasine on No. 123.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 123 in favour of PATRICK HUNTER, ELDEST LAWFUL SON procreat betwixt PATRICK HUNTER OF YT ILK AND MAREON CRAWFURD, his spouse (Thomas Ross, miller at Hunterstoun, bailie, Hew Morreis, smith in Hunterstoun, attorney), dated 17th January 1711 and recorded. Mr. George Rennie, minister of the Gospel at Killbryd, Robert Kennedy of Ballmaclonochan, James Gilchreist (signing "James Gilkison") in Hillhouse, and Alexander floester (signing "Alexander Foster") in Hunterstoun are the witnesses. John McUre, notary.

126. (1711.) *Sasine in Heritable Bond.*

Instrument of Sasine in favour of James Montgomery of Over Perstoun, dated 17th January and registered at Ayr 5th March 1711, proceeding on Heritable Bond by PATRICK HUNTER OF THAT ILK, with consent of Mareon Craufurd, his spouse, for an annualrent of 250 merks Scots, being 5 per cent. on a principal sum of 5000 merks payable out of HUNTERSTOUN AND CAMPBLETOUN, dated said Bond at Cartsburn 10th January 1711.

127. (1711.) *Assignment of Bond.*

Assignment by Alexander, Earl of Eglintoun, to James Montgomerie of Overpearstoun, late bailie and merchand in Glasgow, of a Heritable Bond, dated 3rd December 1708, by PATRICK HUNTER OF THAT ILK for 4500 merks Scots, and of an annual rent of £180 Scots payable furth of ANNANHILL HUNTER, dated at Eglintoun 15th May 1711.

128. (1729.) *Factory to eldest son Patrick.*

Extract Factory by PATRICK HUNTER, elder of Hunterstoun, to his eldest son, Patrick Hunter, younger of Hunterstoun, dated 3rd and recorded in the Commissary Court Books of Glasgow 30th January 1729.

The Factory No. 128 is in the following terms:—

I, PATRICK HUNTER, ELDER OF HUNTERSTOUN, have for the preservation of my family assigned the yearly rents ferm and silver to and in favour of Marion Craufurd my spouse during our Conjoint Lifetime together, reserving alwayes to my self the rents ferm and silver of the Lands off HOLLHOUSE and NEITHERTOUN for my own Cloathing and Pockett expenses, I being also mentained in bed and board and washing as the circumstances of the family will allow. And in caice at the pleasure of God my said wife Marion Craufurd should be removed by Death, I the said Patrick Hunter elder of Hunterstoun, out of the intire confidence I repose in my eldest son Patrick Hunter younger of Hunterstoun, and out of the sincere regard I have to the preservation of my family, failzing of my sd wife by decease I hereby assign the haill rents ferm and silver of my LANDS OF HUNTERSTOUN, to and in favours of the sd Patrick Hunter my eldest son, with full power to him his heirs and successors, to ask, crave, receive and uplift the sds rents ferm and silver, and employ the samen for the best uses of mentaining and preservation of the memory of the family and all movables to sell and dispose to the best advantage as he shall think necessary with power to him to outputt, and putt in Tennents, at there pleasure, having alwayes a due regard to the diminution of the present rental. Reserving alwayes to me during all the days of my lifetime the haill rents ferm and silver of the saids Lands of Hollhouse and Nethertoun and grassums that may arise out of the samen for my Cloathing and pockett Expences, and Reserving alwayes to me, to be mentained in the house of Hunterstoun in bed and board and washing as the circumstances of the famly will allow, And I Declare this factory Power and Commission, to my son after my wife's decease, to continue during all the dayes of my lifetime, Declaring That my sd son's Receipts and Discharges, to the haill tennents of Hunterstoun, and all my lands in Kilbride, except the tennents of hollhouse and Nethertoun reserved to my self as aforesaid shall be as valid and sufficient as to all intents and purposes as if I had subscribed the samen myself And for the more security I am content and consents to the Registration hereof in the books of Councill and Session or any other Judges' books compitent Therein to Remain for Conservatione ad futuram rei memoriam, for which effect I constitute the said James Bryce my pror. In witness whereof, Thir presents written by David Earle of Glasgow I have subscribed the samen att Kelburnhouse this Third day of January ane thousand seven hundred and twenty nine years before these witnesses, The said David, Earle of Glasgow, and James Lesly and Archibald McKinlay his Lordship's

servants. (Sgd.) Hunter of yt Ilk, Glasgow, witness, James Leslie, witness, Archibald McKinlay, witness.

Note.—In 1737 Patrick Hunter of that Ilk renounced in favour of his son Robert his reserved liferent of Hunterstoun, Campbletoun and Hieleis by No. 133 hereof.

XIV.—WRITS (1733-1774) concerning ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN AND OF THAT ILK, succeeded his brother Patrick in 1732, married Janet Atchison, daughter of Mathew Atchison, Merchant, Glasgow, and died 28th April 1796, aged 86.

129. (1733.) *Service as heir to his brother Patrick.*

Extract Retour of the General Service of ROBERT HUNTER as heir of Patrick Hunter, junior, of Hunterstoun, his immediate elder brother, dated 27th December 1733. (His father was still alive.)

130. (1734.) *Sasine Hunterstoun and Campbelltoun.*

Instrument of Resignation in favour of ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN in the lands of HUNTERSTOUN and CAMPBELLTOUN, following on Nos. 123 and 129, dated 12th February 1734.

131. (1734.) *Charter Hunterstoun and Campbelltoun.*

Charter by Frederick, Prince of Great Britain and Wales, as Steward of Scotland, in favour of ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and the heirs male of his body, whom failing to his nearest heirs male, whom all failing to his nearest heirs and assignees, of the Lands of HUNTERSTOUN and CAMPBELLTOUN, confirming Disposition No. 123, Sasine thereon No. 125, with General Service No. 129, dated 12th February 1734 and written to the Seal, registered and sealed 13th March 1734.

132. (1734.) *Sasine on No. 131.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 131, dated 22nd March and registered at Ayr 25th March 1734. Witnesses, Robert Dickie in Hunterstoune, John Osburn in Hunterstoune Miln, and Robert Ewing in Hunterstoune.

133. (1737.) *Renunciation of liferent.*

Renunciation by PATRICK HUNTER OF THAT ILK to his son Robert Hunter of his liferent of HUNTERSTOUN and CAMPBLETOUN and superiority of HIELEES, reserving to himself HOLLHOUSE and NETHERTON to furnish himself in abullziements and pocket expenses. This deed narrates the Disposition and Assignment No. 123, and that Patrick Hunter, his eldest son, was then dead, and that Robert, his second son, was therefore his heir, dated at Kilbryde 17th February 1737. Witnesses, Mr. John Adam, minister of the Gospel in Kilbryde, Robert Hunter of Kirkland and David Bigger, schoolmaster, Kilbryde. (Signed) Hunter of yt Ilk.

134. (1740.) *Children's provisions.*

Deed by Robert Hunter of Kirkland and Thomas Craufurd of Cartsurne narrating that the late PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN had died a little before Martinmas 1738 without exercising a power of

dividing among the children of his marriage with Marion Craufurd a provision of 5000 merks, whereby to prevent pleas amongst said children, they, as of the nearest of kin on father's and mother's sides, with consent of ROBERT HUNTER OF THAT ILK, thereby divided the same amongst Thomas, Henry and David, the second, third and youngest surviving sons, and Elizabeth Hunter, the eldest daughter, spouse to John Hyndman, merchant, Largs, Marion Hunter, the second daughter, spouse to Hugh Moore, farmer or merchant in Southennan, Dorothy Hunter, the third daughter, and Margaret Hunter, the youngest daughter, dated 18th and 20th March 1740. (Archibald Craufurd, then only son in life of the said Thomas Craufurd, is a witness.)

135. (1750.) *Confirmation of Security* (No. 126).

Charter of Confirmation and Precept of Clare Constat by ROBERT HUNTER OF THAT ILK confirming a Disposition by James Montgomery of Over Pearston to the deceased William Cunningham of Ashinyards, dated 28th May 1715, of an annualrent of 250 merks Scots from HUNTERSTOUN and CAMPBELTOUN (see No. 126), and Sasine thereon, etc., with precept for infefting John Cunningham, son of Adam Cunningham, Comptroller of H.M. Customs at Fort William, son and heir served to said William Cunningham 3rd August 1731, dated 22nd January 1750. (Robert Ewing, merchant in Hunterston, is a witness.)

136. (1750.) *Sasine in Security referred to in No. 135.*

Instrument of Sasine thereon dated 22nd January and recorded at Edinburgh 2nd February 1750. James Dickie, son of Robert Dickie, farmer in Hillhouse of Hunterston, is a witness.

137. (1763.) *Provision for wife.*

Agreement, dated 5th October 1763, between ROBERT HUNTER OF THAT ILK and Mrs. Janet Atchison, his wife, whereby he binds himself to infest her in an ANNUITY OF £75 STG. OUT OF HUNTERSTON, to be reduced to £50 in the event of her marrying a second time, with one half of the household furniture; during her lifetime she is to have free liberty of the mansion house and offices of Hunterston, with two horse and six cows' grass, for the maintenance of herself and his children.

138. (1783.) *Sasine in wife's provision.*

Instrument of Sasine, dated 20th December 1783, following on Post-Nuptial Contract of Marriage entered into between ROBERT HUNTER OF THAT ILK on the one part and Janet Atchison, daughter of the deceased Mathew Atchison, merchant in Glasgow, on the other part, dated 7th October 1774, whereby he provided to his said spouse a yearly annuity of £75, to be restricted to £50 in the event of her second marriage, payable furth of his lands of HUNTERSTON.

139. (1735.) *Burgess Ticket.*

Burgess and Guild Ticket of Mathew Atchieson, merchant in Glasgow, second son of Mathew Atchison, merchant, Glasgow, dated 29th August 1735.

140. (1764.) *Sasine on Heritable Bond.*

Instrument of Sasine, dated 3rd and registered at Glasgow 8th March 1764 on Heritable Bond, dated 16th February 1764, by Helen McGilchrist relict of John Bryce of Bankeir, to ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTER

STOWN of an annual rent of £20 (£400 principal) payable furth of her equal half of the three pound six shilling and ten penny land and TEMPLELANDS OF SOUTHFIELD, Renfrewshire.

141. (1766.) *Confirmation Highlees.*

Precept of Clare Constat by Major Hamilton Blair of Blair to ROBERT HUNTER OF THAT ILK, as heir to his father, Patrick Hunter of that ilk, in the lands of HIGHLEES and houses and pertinents therein mentioned, dated 12th February 1766.

142. (1766.) *Sasine Highlees.*

Instrument of Sasine on No. 141 in favour of the said Robert Hunter, dated 1st and registered at Ayr 5th March 1766.

143. (1774.) *Deed of Settlement.*

Extract Registered Deed of Settlement by ROBERT HUNTER OF THAT ILK in favour of Orby Hunter, his eldest son, Patrick John Hunter, his youngest son, and Helen (or Eleanora), Marion and Elizabeth Hunter, his daughters, dated at Hunterston 7th October 1774 and recorded in the Sheriff Court Books of Ayr on 23rd March 1796.

XV.—WRITS (1796–1810) concerning Mrs. ELEONORA or HELEN HUNTER of Hunterstoun, born 1764, succeeded 1796, married 1796 her cousin, ROBERT CALDWELL HUNTER of Hunterstoun (born 1763, died 22nd August 1826), and died 24th December 1851.

144. (1796.) *Service as heir.*

Extract Retour of the General Service of HELEONORA HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOWN as heir of her father, Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, dated 28th April 1796.

145. (1796.) *Family Disposition on marriage.*

Supplementary Disposition by Mrs. ELEONORA HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN and ROBERT CALDWELL HUNTER, her spouse, whereby they disposed to themselves as spouses in conjunct fee and liferent for the liferent use allenary of her the said Eleonora Hunter, and to the heirs of their marriage, whom failing as therein mentioned, but always with and under the conditions and provisions contained in the Marriage Contract between the said spouses dated 28th May 1796, the lands of HUNTERSTOUN AND CAMPBELLTOUN, dated 27th November 1797 and judicially ratified by Mrs. Hunter.

146. (1797.) *Resignation Hunterstoun and Campbelltoun.*

Instrument of Resignation, dated 20th December 1797, of the lands of Hunterstoun and Campbelltoun, in the hands of the Crown for new infestment thereof in favour of ROBERT CALDWELL HUNTER, Esquire of Hunterstoun, and Mrs. ELEONORA HUNTER, his wife, in conjunct fee and liferent, and the heirs of the marriage in fee, proceeding on Procuratory of Resignation contained in their Marriage Contract, dated 28th May 1796.

147. (1797.) *Charter Hunterstoun and Campbelltoun.*

Charter of Resignation following on the said Instrument by the Prince of Wales and Steward of Scotland in favour of ROBERT CALDWELL HUNTER, NOW OF HUNTERSTOUN, and Mrs. ELEONORA HUNTER, his wife, in conjunct fee and liferent for the liferent use allanarly of the said Mrs. Eleonora Hunter and the heirs of the marriage, whom failing as thereinmentioned, of the lands of HUNTERSTOUN AND CAMPBELLTOUN, dated 20th December 1797, and written to the Seal and registered 2nd February 1798.

148. (1797.) *Charter Hunterstoun and Campbelltoun.*

Charter of Adjudication in implement by the Prince and Steward of Scotland in favour of HELEN or HELEONORA HUNTER, eldest lawful daughter of Robert Hunter, Esquire of Hunterstoun, now deceased, and WIFE OF ROBERT CALDWELL HUNTER, Esquire, merchant in Greenock, and their heirs and assignees whomsoever, of the lands of HUNTERSTOUN AND CAMPBELLTOUN, which lands formerly pertained to the said deceased Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun or to Patrick Hunter, merchant in London, his heir male, and were adjudged from the said Patrick Hunter as heir male by Decree of Adjudication in implement obtained by the said Heleonora Hunter with consent of her said husband before the Lords of Council and Session 31st May 1797, and that in implement of a Disposition and Deed of Settlement by the deceased Robert Hunter, dated 7th October 1774, whereby he disposed the said lands to Orby Hunter, his eldest lawful son, and the heirs of his body, whom failing to Patrick John Hunter, his youngest lawful son, and the heirs of his body, whom failing to the heirs male of the body of the said deceased Robert Hunter, whom failing the heirs female of the body of the said deceased Robert Hunter, the eldest heir female succeeding without division, dated the 5th, and written to the Seal and registered the 27th and sealed the 28th days of July 1797.

149. (1797.) *Sasine Hunterstoun and Campbelltoun.*

Instrument of Sasine dated 8th and recorded at Ayr 16th August 1797.

150. (1798.) *Sasine Hunterstoun and Campbelltoun.*

Instrument of Sasine dated 7th and recorded at Ayr 16th February 1798.

151. (1808) *Confirmation Highlees.*

Precept of Clare Constat by William Blair of Blair in favour of Mrs. ELEANORA HUNTER as heir of her father Robert Hunter of that ilk in the lands of HIGHLEES in property and tenandry, dated 19th September 1808.

152. (1809.) *Sasine Highlees.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 151 dated 4th May and recorded at Ayr 6th June 1809.

153. (1810.) *Entail Hunterstoun and Campbelltoun.*

Disposition and Deed of Entail by ROBERT CALDWELL HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOWN, with consent of Mrs. ELEONORA HUNTER

OF HUNTERSTOWN, his spouse, and by both with joint consent and assent, whereby they disposed to Robert Hunter, their eldest son, and the heirs whatsoever of his body, whom failing to other heirs of tailie therein particularly specified, the lands of HUNTERSTOWN and CAMPBELLTON with the teinds and the privilege and liberty of fishing salmon and other fishes with nets and all other engines and instruments in the sea within the bounds of the said lands of Hunterston and Campbelltown, providing, *inter alia*, that the whole heirs of entail, including the husbands of female heirs, should use and bear the surname of Hunter and coat armorial of the family of Hunterston, dated at Edinburgh and judicially ratified by the said Mrs. Eleonora Hunter the 2nd day of April 1810 years, and recorded in the Register of Entails the 22nd day of February 1838.

XVI.—WRITS (1829–1880) of ROBERT HUNTER, 25th Laird of Hunterston, born 1799, succeeded his mother 1851, married November 1836 Christian Macknight Crawford, eldest daughter of William Crawford of Cartsburn (she was born 1817 and died 1891), and died 14th March 1880; and Writ (1887) of said Mrs. Hunter.

154. (1829.) *Charter Hunterstoun and Campbeltoun.*

Charter of Resignation by King George IV., as Prince and Steward of Scotland, in favour of ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUN, eldest lawful son of the deceased Robert Caldwell Hunter, in the said lands and estate of HUNTERSTOUN and CAMPBELTOUN, proceeding on Procuratory of Resignation contained in the foresaid Disposition and Deed of Entail, dated 3rd February, and written to the Seal, registered and sealed 11th March 1829.

155. (1829.) *Sasine Hunterstoun and Campbeltoun.*

Instrument of Sasine following on No. 154, dated 13th July and recorded in the General Register of Sasines at Edinburgh the 12th August 1829.

156. (1836.) *Marriage Contract.*

Contract of Marriage between ROBERT HUNTER, Esquire of Hunterstoun, and Miss CHRISTIAN MACKNIGHT CRAWFURD, eldest daughter of William Crawford, Esquire of Cartsburn, with consent of her said father, dated at Edinburgh 21st November 1836, having annexed thereto relative Deed by the said Robert Hunter, dated at Weymouth 7th April 1849.

157. (1861.) *Confirmation Highlees Midsuperiority.*

Writ of Clare Constat by James McCosh, writer and banker, Dalry, in favour of ROBERT HUNTER, Esq. of Hunterstone, as heir of his mother, Mrs. Eleanora Hunter, in the superiority of HIGHLEES, dated 6th and recorded in the General Register of Sasines on 15th, both days of November 1861.

158. (1880.) *Will.*

Copy registered Testament by ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTER whereby he bequeathed to his wife, Christian Macknight Crawford or

Hunter, his whole means and estate, under burden of debts and implement of obligations contained in the Marriage Contracts of himself and of his two daughters, dated at Hunterston 25th February and recorded in the Books of Council and Session on 23rd March, and in the Sheriff (Commissary) Court Books of Ayrshire on 28th April, all in the year 1880.

159. (1887.) *Will, Mrs. Hunter.*

Copy Holograph Testamentary Writing by Mrs. CHRISTIAN MAC-KNIGHT CRAWFURD or HUNTER, widow of Robert Hunter of that ilk, whereby she left her estate, subject to certain legacies, to Eleanora Agnes Cochran Patrick, her granddaughter, and Reginald Hugh Hunter-Weston, her grandson, dated 25th February 1887 and recorded in the Court Books of the Commissariat of Ayrshire on 13th June 1892.

XVII.—WRITS (1865-1911) of Mrs. JANE HUNTER or HUNTER-WESTON OF HUNTERSTON, born 27th December 1837, married 1863, succeeded 1880 and died 20th October 1911, and her husband, **Lieutenant-Colonel Gould Read Weston**, afterwards **Hunter-Weston** (born 16th April 1823 and died 12th August 1904).

160. (1880.) *Service as heir in Hunterstoun and Campbelltown.*

Extract Decree of Service of Mrs. JANE HUNTER-WESTON as nearest and lawful heir of tailzie and provision in special of her father, the deceased Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, in the lands of HUNTERSTOUN and CAMPBELTOWN, and as nearest and lawful heir of tailzie and provision in general of the said Robert Hunter, dated 14th and recorded in Chancery and extracted 17th, both days of June, and recorded in the Division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Ayr on 10th July, all in the year 1880.

161. (1907.) *Acquisition of Highthorn.*

Disposition by Sir Archibald Hunter, K.C.B., D.S.O., General Commanding H.M. Forces (Western Command), India, and stationed at Poona, India, of the house and lands of HIGHTHORN, West Kilbride, in favour of Mrs. Jane Hunter-Weston of Hunterston, dated 21st September 1907 and recorded in the Division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Ayr on 6th February 1908.

162. (1908.) *Entail Highthorn.*

Disposition and Deed of Entail of the house and lands of HIGHTHORN by Mrs. JANE HUNTER-WESTON in favour of herself and her heirs of entail in Hunterston, dated 16th May and recorded in said Division of the General Register of Sasines on 6th June, both in the year 1908, and in the Register of Entails on 17th July 1909.

MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS.

163. (1863.) *Marriage Contract.*

Extract Registered Contract of Marriage between Lieut.-Colonel GOULD READ WESTON, on the retired list of H.M. Indian Army, and Miss

JANE HUNTER, elder daughter of Robert Hunter, Esquire of Hunterston, with consent of the said Robert Hunter, dated 7th July 1863 and recorded in the Books of Council and Session 14th August 1905.

164. (1880.) *Surname "Hunter-Weston."*

Royal Licence superscribed by Queen Victoria on 10th May 1880 and recorded in the College of Arms, London, pursuant on Warrant from the Earl Marshal of England to Lieut.-Colonel GOULD READ WESTON and JANE, his wife, elder of the two daughters and co-heirs of Robert Hunter, late of Hunterston, that they may assume and use the surname of "HUNTER" before that of "Weston" and that he may bear the arms of Hunter quarterly in the second quarter, and that said surname and arms may in like manner be taken and used and borne by their issue.

165. (1902.) *Will of Colonel Hunter-Weston.*

Extract Registered Trust-Disposition and Settlement by the said Lieut.-Colonel Gould Read Weston, commonly called GOULD HUNTER-WESTON OF HUNTERSTON, dated 5th June 1902 and recorded in the Books of Council and Session 17th August 1904.

166. (1906.) *Will of Mrs. Hunter-Weston.*

Extract Registered Trust-Disposition and Settlement by Mrs. JANE HUNTER-WESTON OF HUNTERSTON, dated 14th May 1906 and recorded in the Books of Council and Session 13th November 1911.

MID-SUPERIORITY OF HIGHLEES.

167. (1894.) *Title of Miss Cochran-Patrick and Reginald Hugh Hunter-Weston.*

Notarial Instrument in favour of Miss Eleanora Agnes Cochran-Patrick and Reginald Hugh Hunter-Weston in the mid-superiority of HIGHLEES, proceeding on Nos. 157, 158 and 159 hereof, recorded in the Division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Ayr on 20th January 1894.

168. (1894.) *Disposition.*

Disposition by Miss ELEANORA AGNES COCHRAN-PATRICK, with consent of her father, Robert William Cochran-Patrick of Woodside, formerly Under-Secretary of State for Scotland, and by REGINALD HUGH HUNTER-WESTON, residing at Hunterston, in favour of Mrs. JANE HUNTER or HUNTER-WESTON OF HUNTERSTON, of the mid-superiority of HIGHLEES, dated 27th and 29th January and recorded in the Division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Ayr on 20th October, all in the year 1894.

169. (1912.) *Title of Mrs. Hunter-Weston's Trustee.*

Notarial Instrument in favour of the Rev. William Leslie Low, Canon of Cumbrae and Rector of St. Columba, Largs, sole TRUSTEE OF THE LATE MRS. JANE HUNTER-WESTON, in the MID-SUPERIORITY OF HIGHLEES, recorded in the General Register of Sasines, Ayrshire Division, 7th August 1912.

170. (1912.) *Entail.*

Disposition and Deed of Entail by (Canon Law) the TESTAMENTARY TRUSTEE of the said Mrs. JANE HUNTER-WESTON OF HUNTERSTON and by COLONEL AYLMER HUNTER-WESTON OF HUNTERSTON in favour of the said COLONEL AYLMER HUNTER-WESTON OF HUNTERSTON and his heirs of entail in Hunterston, of the MID-SUPERIORITY OF HIGHLEES, dated 3rd and 17th September, and recorded in the Register of Entails 5th November and in the said Division of the General Register of Sasines on 14th November, all in the year 1912.

XVIII.—WRITS (1905-) of Lieutenant-General Sir AYLMER HUNTER-WESTON OF HUNTERSTON, K.C.B., D.S.O., M.P., etc., born 23rd September 1864, married 5th December 1905 Grace Strang Steel (born 25th November 1884), only daughter of William Strang Steel of Philiphaugh, Selkirkshire.

171. (1905.) *Marriage Contract.*

Extract Registered Contract of Marriage between AYLMER GOULD HUNTER-WESTON, YOUNGER OF HUNTERSTON, D.S.O. and Brevet Lt.-Col. in the Corps of the Royal Engineers, with the concurrence of his mother, Mrs. Jane Hunter-Weston of Hunterston, and Miss Grace Strang Steel, only daughter of William Strang Steel, Esquire of Philiphaugh, in the county of Selkirk, with consent of the said William Strang Steel, dated 4th and recorded in the Books of Council and Session on 20th December 1905.

172. (1911.) *Service as heir Hunterston and Campbellton.*

Extract Decree of Service of Colonel AYLMER HUNTER-WESTON as nearest and lawful heir of tailzie and provision in special of the deceased Mrs. Jane Hunter-Weston, his mother, in the lands of Hunterston and Campbellton, and as nearest and lawful heir of tailzie and provision in general and nearest and lawful heir in general to his said mother, dated 12th and recorded in Chancery and extracted 15th, both days of December 1911.

APPENDIX of MISCELLANEOUS WRITS,
LETTERS, etc.

1. Copy Instrument of Sasine in favour of John Lyn as heir of his father. Andrew Lyn, in the lands of Lyn and Heleis, dated 31st May 1508, John Muntgomerie, baillie for Hugh, Earl of Eglington. John Skeocht, notary.
2. Discharge by Thomas, Lord Boyd, "tackisman of the teynds of Hunterstoun and Cambelltoun of Kilbryde in Cunynghame," to Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun, dated 2nd July 1606. Signed at the Brewlands of Kilbryde. The witnesses are Patrick Craufurd of Awchinems, Mr. John Harper, minister at the Kirk of Kilbryde, and Thomas Boyd in Brewlands there.
3. Discharge by Hew Garvin, Court clerk of Irvine, to Robert Hunter of Hunterstoun of the ward of the Hielies, dated 9th October 1606.
4. Inventory of Titles of Arneill Hunterstoune, Campbeltoun, Annanhill-Hunter and Southcamis, made in the beginning of the seventeenth century.
5. Discharge by Thomas, Lord Boyd, to the said Robert Hunter of Hunters-toun, dated at Glasgow 4th November 1609. The witnesses are John Boyd, his son (who does not sign), William Wallace, burges of Glasgow, and James Boyd, servant to Lord Boyd.
6. Letters of Legitimation by King Charles I. in favour of John Cunynghame, bastard son of the deceased James Cunynghame of Holme Mylne, dated 26th June 1628.
7. Discharge by Adam Sympsone, notary, having power and commission from Sir Wm. Conynghame of Conynghameid, and James Chalmers of Gath-girth, commissioners at the last Parliament for the sherriffdom of Air "for inbringing of the monyes dew to thame for thair foot mantals and charge "at the said Parliament," to PATRICK HUNTER of Hunterstone for 16 merks, dated 22nd March 1635.
8. Obligation by Mathew Lewers, beucher in Newtoun, and Mathew Thomsoune, weaver, both freemen in Newtoun, to Johne Cunninghame of Newtoun aforesaid, mairchand, all within the county of Doune, for £3: 9s. old currant money of and in Ingland, dated at Newtoun 13th February 1640.
9. Obligation by Alexander Porterfield of that Ilk, John Craufurd of Crawford-land and David Cunyngham of Dankeith to John Cunyngham, merchant, sometime provost of Newtoun in Ireland, dated 27th August 1644.
10. Contract between John Cunynghame of Langmuire, on the one part, and Dorathie Cunynghame, his spouse, with consent of Alexander Cunynghame of Corshill and ROBERT HUNTER, younger of Hunterstoun, on the other part, dated 2nd August 1651. The witnesses are Patrick Pebles, portioner of Corshill, Robert Naesmyth, wricht, burges of Irving, John Wisheart, son to William Wisheart, Dean of Guild of Irving, and Allane Thomsonsone, wrycht in Irving.

11. Testament by William King, merchant, burges of Glasgow, in favour of his brother, Johne King, in Fairlie in the Largis, and Andrew Clark, merchant, burges of the said burgh (Glasgow), dated at Glasgow 1651.
12. Fragment of a Parchment Writ granted by the Earl of Eglinton marked on back "1651."
13. Letters of Horning and Poinding, Hew Lyne, merchant, burges of Irving, and Jonet Weir, his spouse, against Mr. David Cunynghame, sometime minister of Perstoun, for sums due under a Bond granted on 2nd October 1648 by the said Mr. David and Katherine Crawford, his spouse, dated said Letters 14th June 1653.
14. Execution by a messenger on said Letters arresting in the hands of PATRICK HUNTER of Hunterston, dated June 1653.
15. Precept running in the name of OLIVER, LORD PROTECTOR, charging Johne Thomsoun in Annanhill as principal and PATRICK HUNTER of Hunterston, his cautioner, in whose hands £100 Scots due to Maister David Cunynghame, sometime minister of Pearstoun, was arrested, to make said sum furthcoming to Hew Lin, merchant, Irvine, dated at Air 24th January 1654.
16. Testament-Testamentar and Inventory of the goods, etc. of umqle John Cunyngham of Langmuir at time of his decease, who died in March 1654. His will is dated 4th March 1654, confirmed 15th February 1655. His executrix is Dorathie Cunynghame, his relict.
17. Contract of Marriage between Johne Cunynghame of Baidland, on the one part, and the said Dorathie Cunynghame, relict of the deceased John Cunynghame of LANGMUIRE, on the other part, dated 16th July 1659. Witnesses, John Crawford of Crawfordland and James Cunynghame of Aiket, etc.
18. Receipt for Court Money and Locality for HUNTERSTOWN'S lands for September and October 1654, extending to £12 : 8 : 4 Scots, being on ilk £100 of valuation in the two months 2s. 8d., dated 21st October 1659.
19. Extract of Sasine in favour of the said Dorathie Cunynghame, then spouse of John Cunynghame of Baidland, and Mariot and Elizabeth Cunynghame, daughters of her first marriage with John Cunynghame of LANGMUIRE, of an annualrent payable out of the lands of Netherborland to herself in liferent and her said daughters in fee, dated 9th and recorded at Ayr 16th May 1661. (Mr. Robert Hunter, lawful son of Robert Hunter, younger of Hunterston, is baillie.)
20. Certificate and Declaration by Johne Chalmer of Gaitgirth, commissioner of the Earl of Loudoun, for uplifting of the annuity within the shire of Ayr, that the LAIRD OF HUNTERSTOWN'S valuation within Kilbryde parish as it stands is valued and approved of, of the date 19th June 1634, and is not reducible, etc., dated at Irvine 20th February 1662.
21. Letters of Apprizing and Claim and Acts of Court in Apprizing at the instance of ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTONE against Agnes Cunynghame, relict of umqle. William Wallace of Prestockshaws, daughter and heir of umqle. Joseph Cunynghame in Saltcoates, dated respectively 10th March and 5th May 1668.
22. Letter from the Rev. Henry Hunter, son of Patrick Hunter and Jean Cunynghame, addressed to "My worthy nephew Patr. Hunter of Hunterston, yr., at the church yard of Irvin, These," dated Edinburgh, August 31st, 1670:—

"Loveing Nephew

"These are desyreing that yow wold receive my two coffers

from this carrier John Nisbit and pay for me sex shillings and eight pence for his cariage whill I returne. Our cited ministers wer at conference wt the commissioner the rest of our nobles and Lighton yesterday. Yr is a new conference apoynted agst fryday. Mr. Heugh Peebles wt the rest of the not preaching ministers are to compar befor the council this afternoon.—I ame, Yor loveing uncle
HEN HUNTER.”

23. Extract Decreet in action at the instance of John Boyl, younger of Kelburne, as assignee to a sum of 1200 merks contained in a Bond by Robert Fairlie of that ilk and David Boyle of Kelburne and Robert M'Lellane of Holmes, his cautioners, in favour of the deceased Patrick Hunter of Hunterston for himself and in name and behalf of his sons, Mr. Harie and Francis, dated 14th October 1656, which was paid by the said cautioners and duly discharged, and thereafter assigned by the said Patrick Hunter to the pursuer by Assignment dated 24th February 1665, against Mr. Harie Hunter, then in Ireland, as son and heir to umql. Patrick Hunter, elder of Hunterstoun, his father, at least as intromitter with his goods, dated 17th February 1672.
24. Letter from the said Rev. Henry Hunter, dated Drumore, Decr. 4th, 1672, to his nephew Patrick Hunter, addressed “For the Right Worthy PATHRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTOUNE, younger, These,” having thereon Receipt dated 26th December 1672 by Isobell Cunyngname and Receipt dated 14th Jany. 1673 by James Hunter:—

“Drumore, Decr. 4. 72.

“Worthy Nephew

I receaved yors of the 18 of Octr. qrin yow acquaint me of that affaire relateing to Barclonoqhuen qr yow tell yt yow have passed yt confirmation, bot hath not reserved so much money as to doe it with, bot is 40 lib Scott . . . qch yow are either to recover by law or yow and I to pay it. ffor the first yow pass . . . confirmation it was desired for the 2d. I never thought that you wold have so much oversein . . . selfe as in the least to have put yorselpe to the trouble of seikeing money from one of qm it cannot be had especially since you had it in yor oune hand and wtal hath never remembered of that thrie pound sterl he was indebted qch was also to be allowed and reckoned up wt yt busines of the infestment as yow promised me as for the last yor recovering of it by law or . . . I desyre yt he may be payed & so I hop I ame frie of his debt & may conclude wt yt saying of old baron McClune of his sone in law Rot Cuninghame alludeing to it David Kenedy qr ever thou be many a penny hast thou gottin fro me and yet thou lives in misery. for McNears papers I got them at old Skeldon Campbel his house qr . . . they wer lyeing at this tyme and have cost me more searcheing and seikeing yn ordinary. let me know qt shal be done wt ym for the truth is I know not he liveing at such a vast distance from me. I received the inclosed qch did furnish me wt mater of information, as also of reproofe because of my harboring some weak and mean thoughts of launcheing into the same depths of affliction and misery ffor my Aunt wt old James let ym have yr pensions because I hop it ingadges others of yr relations to mind ym. Al friends heir are in health we blisse the lord yor broyr is heir wt me in health but is not as yet settled, for newes all things are very calme & quiet wt us as to the general and although we have not yt great word of (indulgence) amongst us, yet we have better. Remember me in a word to all my dear friends wt you & let me hear how they are Rot remembers you all also the spiritual and bodily advantage of you and yor family is the desire of him qo is.—Yor loveing uncle

“HEN. HUNTER.

“I desyre that if yow could get me a good new knock that you wold buy and send it over in a box wt the first occasion.”

25. Letter, dated Irvine, 4th February 1673, addressed "For the Right worthy the Laird of Hunterstoun, Elder, These," from Bryce Muir as to tax collection.
26. Account of Patrick Hunter of Hunterstoun's intronissions under a Factory from Mr. Henry Hunter, his uncle, dated 24th September 1670. Account brought down to Martinmas 1673, "at qch tym Mr. Hendrie died" . . .

"In expenses for my brother Mr Robert and my self qn I went to Irland in Nover 1673 being written for by Mr. Hendrie to cume conform to his letter daited the 13 Nover 1673 and yrefter by Mr. Robert Cuninghame conform to ane particular account theirow we being eight weiks in going and returning £268 : 16 : 00"

The following entry doubtless refers to the "knock" mentioned in the P.S. to No. 24 :—"Itt :—conform to his order sent to Irland to him ane lairge hous-clok qch coast for herself, strings, paices, a box to cary herin, cariag from edinbrugh to Irland, custom and fraught 43 pund 18 sh : reecat daited 26 Julli 1673."

27. Latin Poem and Epitaph in English on the death of PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNTERSTON written on one sheet, supposed to be the composition of the Rev. Henry Hunter :—
(LATIN POEM.)

In obitum vere generosi pii et prudentis viri Patricii Hunterii domini de Hunterstoune.

Miraris forte hac carmen cur cernitur urna
Appage, nam meruit versibus ecce tegi
Hunteridum antiquæ gentis nuperrime ducem
culmen et hunc habuit pene ruenda domus
Concilium candor virtus prudentia census
quæque homines capiunt, quæ que dedere dii
Unus cuncta fuit : quid multis hei mihi in ipso
Hunteridesque jacent, Hunteridumque pater
Post bis lustra novem, sponsam liberosque nepotum
spexit, et annorum maxime plenus obit
Nunc super astra deo cantum modulator et agno
Nectare perfusus plenus et ambrosia
I venerande senex felix per secula festum
Concelebra immenso sic satiare deo
Ei age nunc hæres mores gressusque paternos
Consequere, et stirpes præmia digna ferēs.

Aliud de venatore, tore, ore, re
cognomine comprehensis
Credite (venator magnus cælesti (toreque cunctus
(ore beano christum (re benedictus obit.

(Translation.)

On the death of the truly noble, pious and sagacious Patrick Hunter, laird of Hunterston.

You wonder perhaps why verses are seen on this tomb.

Away ! for lo ! he deserved to be read in verse.

The house of the ancient race of the Hunters, to be brought almost to a close,

Had him recently as its head and mainstay.

Judgment, frankness, virtue, wisdom, wealth,

What men take, and what the gods have given,

Were all in him : What many have, alas ! in him alone.

And the Hunters lie buried, and The Father of the Hunters

After twice nine lustrres (90 years), saw his wife and the children of his grandsons' and full of years he died—

Now above the stars a singer of songs to God and the Lamb,
Steeped in nectar and full of ambrosia.

Go reverend old man, happy through the ages, solemnize
The festival, so to satisfy the Great God.

Alas! Come now, thou his heir, follow thy father's
Character and steps, and thou wilt have offspring, a great reward.

Further, on venator^æ, tore, ore, re expressed in the surname.

Trust my word (*a hunter*, great to the Deity (and *with
a chain*, whole

(*with his lips* pleasing Christ (*in fact*, blessed he died.

EPITAPHE.

On the death of that very worthie gentleman the Laird of
Huntarstoune.

Loe heir a cedare lys that seventie four yeers stood
By Neptune strande, spreading his blossums fair
Feiding and shelltring Huntars in the wood
Bravely outdarring the cold winters air

But sie how subtil Tyme that spoils all things
Hathe sliye cathe (catht) him in the autum's fall
And quickly leipts our all his pleasant springs
To bring doune blossom fruit tree leavs and all

Bot tree and fruit and leavs shall grow again

And now sleepe winters sadd ensewing raine

I smyle to sie tyrd tyme sitt doune to breathe
Reasting his wearied limms sharpening his knife
For seaventie four years he hath chased to death
This worthie man and now cutt doune his life
Yet cease thy triumphe Tyme for now he's cround
A conquerour oer pale faced death and the
Your both owrcrom for death in lyfe is dround
And Tyme is sunck in vast eternitie

Yet in despyt your long continued chase

he saw his childrings childrings childrings face

Foule conquering sinn and satan filled withe rage
cry ruin ruin to his soul weel have

Nor wealthe nor wisdome policie nor age

Shall shellter him from what by Law wee crave

Bot hark how captives boasts and prisoners talks

And men disarmed ther conquerour abuses

By Manuell's blood on sinns proud neck he walks

Throw Salems king the serpents head he bruises

and therefor now in heavenly notts doeth sing

hell whers thy triumphe death qr is thy sting

Bot can we cease to sighe qn we do mynd

How thow repaïrd our Huntars ancient towne

How Jugment witt and righteousnes combind

to make thy grate old age a glorious croune

and thoe we heer in sable weed doe murne

Wee are solacd throw lustre of his name

which momus cannot carp thoe he would spurne

Thow soars too hie uppon the wings of fame

Thy sones the world the heavens and the grave

Thy wealth thy praise thy soul and body have.

28. Testament-Dative and Inventory of the debts and sums of money pertaining to the said Mr. Henry Huntar at the time of his death, who died in

Ireland in the month of November 1673, given up by Patrick Hunter, yr. of Hunterston, dated 4th June 1674.

29. Discharge by John Boyll of Kelburne, whereby on the narrative of certain sums paid to him by Robert Hunter of Hunterstoune and Patrick and Mr. Robert Hunter, his sons, and Henry Cunyngham of Carlung, he discharged them and the representatives of the deceased Patrick Hunter of Hunterstoune and Mr. Henry Hunter and Francis Hunter, his sons, of the said Decreet No. 23 hereof against the said Mr. Henry Hunter, dated 27th April 1674. Witnesses, Thomas Crawford of Welstoune, Robert Bartle and John Anderson, servitors to the said John Boyll.
30. Extract Registered Disposition and Assignment, Donald M'Gilchrist of Northbarr, merchand, lait baillie of Glasgow, with advice and consent of his mother-in-law, Margaret Patersone, relict of unquhil Mathew Aitkine, merchant there, in favour of Jonnet Elizabeth Margaret Christian Eupham Issobell and Jean Aitkines, her daughters, in liferent and their bairns her oyes thereinmentioned in fee of subjects in the Bridgegate and Saltmercat Street, Glasgow, dated 25th April 1681 and recorded in the town Court Books of Glasgow on 7th May 1685.
31. Receipt, David Boyle of Kelburn to Patrick Hunter of Hunterstoun for £96 Scots, being three years' annualrent of 800 merks, dated at Kelburn 6th March 1695.
32. Instrument of Resignation and Sasine in favour of William Smith, merchant, in subjects in the burgh of Glasgow, dated and registered in the Particular Register of Sasines at Glasgow 21st March 1696.
33. Discharge by David Boyle of Kelburn of a Bill for 600 merks drawn by him upon Charles Dalrymple in Kilmarnock and received by PATRICK HUNTER of Hunterstoun in November 1696, dated said Discharge 30th November 1698; with note thereon that the Bill was allowed to Kelburn in a Bond for £1000 Scots Hunterstoun gave to him, Hunterstoun being due 900 merks before the 600 in the Bill, making together the £1000 Scots in the Bond.
34. Letter, dated Kelsoland 11th July 1689, from Mr. Crawford of Kilbyrne addressed "For the Laird of Hunterstoune" as to Hunterston's having owned King James' interest :—

"Kelsoland, 11 July 89.

"Sir,—The kindnesse I have for yow and yor family forced me to informe yow wt very much trouble yt yor Son had the misfortune yesterday to oune King James's interist, and to quarrell wt the gentlemen yt wer witnesses to it who urge me mightily to acquaint the publick wt it, which I must doe for my own safty if yow gett it not prevented being engaged in the service of the jurisdictione and therefor my best advice to yow is yt you would come to the Largs about four a'clock in the afternoon and to try if you can prevail wt the gentlemen yt yor Son be not represented in which I will doe yor son all the kindnesse I can as I did yesterday though I was forced to break his sword to prevent his greater danger. Let non know yt I have given you this advertiment.—I am Sr Yor humble Servt.
J. C. KILBIRNY."
35. Letter by PATRICK HUNTER OF HUNSTARSTOUNE to the minister of Dalry [John King] regarding the expense of building the manse, dated 18th November 1698, with receipt thereon by the minister to James

Harvie, the tenant of Hieless, for 50s. Scots, the Laird of Hunterstoun's proportion of said expense.

The letter No. 35 is in the following terms :—

Kilbrid Kirktoon,
18 Nov. 1698.

Reverand Sir,—I am Ignorant of the affair bot am sure I heave already peyed my proportion of all can be required by act of Parliament for building a manss houever seing It Is your so earnest desir, I yet order my tenant James Harvie In Hillies to give you on your receat fiftie shillin Scots with the Certification that I will pey no farder on that account for If It wer not my singular respects to you (qch I carie to all of your station) I wald not heave peyed this for no Law could heave obliged me bot I will not be ane ill example for so small a matter so this letter with your receat shall be a warrand for my tenant for getting allouanc of the fiftie shillin Scots qch with my servic Is all from

Your reall freind & sert

PA HUNSTARSTOUNE.

Sir,—Excuse my want of paper & wax being abroad.

36. Tack of Milne of Hunterston by Patrick Hunter of that Ilk to Alexander Lith, dated at the place of Hunterstoune 1st August 1701. Signed "Pa Hunter of yt Ilk." Patrick Hunter, eldest lawful son to the Laird of Hunterstoune, is a witness.
37. Registered Indenture between Hew Hunter, chirurgion apothecary in Kilmarnock, and John Hunter, lawful son of Patrick Hunter of that ilk, dated 13th and 14th May 1702; with Discharge endorsed thereon by the said Hew Hunter of the penalties incurred through the said John Hunter deserting his service before the expiration of the Indenture, dated 27th August 1709.
38. Letter, dated Hunterston, 29th September 1704, by Patrick Hunter of that Ilk to William Simson at Kilbrid asking a loan, with Receipt thereon by Simson, dated 14th December 1704.
39. Burgess Ticket of the burgh of Ayr in favour of Patrick Hunter of that ilk, dated 13th September 1705.
40. Bond, Patrick Hunter of that Ilk to William Fairie in Grinhead in Hunterstoune for 100 merks, dated 8th December 1707. [*Signature torn off.*]
41. Receipts by George Rennie to Patrick Hunter of that Ilk for teind for years 1707 and 1708, dated at Kilbride, 24th August and 12th November 1708.
42. Receipt by David Boyle, Earl of Glasgow, discharging Patrick Hunter of that Ilk of the sum of £248 Scots (price of hay sold by Hunter to the Earl) in payment of the annualrent for 10 years to Marts. 1713 and part payment of the principal of Hunter's Bond to the Earl, dated at Kelburn, 15th March 1714, with farther Receipt endorsed dated 16th April 1716.
43. Letter dated Greenock, 2nd May 1715, addressed "To the Laird of Crawfordsburn at his lodgings in Glasgow" by "your most humble servant and most affectionate son Tho Fleming," in which he states, "My wife returned from Hunterstoun on Saturday, when she left your daughter in a fair way of recovery, but says few have the opinion that the child will live long."
44. Letter, Marion Craufurd to her father, "The Laird of Craufords Burn," dated "Hunterstoun ye 7 of Julay 1716," enclosing "a Cherg which Hunterstoun heth got at the Eierl of Glesgou's orders which I am afried will pruf very dengrus without spidy reliif the sum bieng fave hundrith

marks and thertien yiers. anduellrent oieng. The which soum I sie no emediat uay to py it without your aed and asistens."

45. Letter from David, Earl of Glasgow, addressed "To the Laird of Hunterstoun att Hunterstoun," dated Kelburn the 22nd of March 1717 :—

... "I have adjusted yt affair of yours wth John Wilson Susanna Orrs husband both for your advantage and conveniency in Every respect." ... "I give my humble service to your Lady and you and she may bilev yt I ever am Sir Your affectionate nightbur & humble sertt. GLASGOW."

46. Instrument of Resignation and Sasine in favour of John McGilchrist, Writer in Glasgow, in subjects in that burgh in security, dated and registered in the Particular Register of Sasines at Glasgow on 12th March 1720.

47. Tack between PATRICK HUNTER OF THAT ILK, and John Broun, kindly tenant in Hillhouse, and Janet Hunter, his spouse, of half of that thirty penny land or thereby of HILLHOUSE OF HUNTERSTOUN, the equal half of that rude of land or thereby called Templetons Delves, with the equal half of the Muckle Loch with the Moss at the Blackburnside, with moors, etc. as presently possessed by the said John Broun and Janet Hunter. Rent £2 : 3s. Scots, 10 pecks of oat meal 3 firlots bear, "to be laid in to the place of Hunterstoun ilk year betwixt yeul and Candlemas with the seven seven full of stroke measure with two hundred and ane half of good north sea herring ilk year to be paid in betwixt Lambmas and Martinmas with two good and sufficient killing fish To be paid in betwixt yeul & Saint Patricks day yearly with two hens at fastens even yearly with Eight pennies Scots of vicarage teind yearly with the Equal half of all publick burdens with multurens and services to the miln of Hunterstoun conform to the rest of the ground of Hunterstoun and present use and wont which is the Sixteen peck of Multer and bannock accordingly as others payes and to keep and observe the acts and statutes of the Courts of Hunterstoun made and to be made," dated November 1724.

48. Letters from the Earl of Eglintoun addressed to the Laird of Hunterstoun of that ilk, the first, dated Eglintoune, the 20th June 1721, regarding a seat in Kilbride Church, and the second dated Eglintoun, 28th April 1726. The first is as follows :—

"Sir,—I am informed that you have at your own hand thrown out a seat of the church of Killbryd belonging to My Lord Dundonald's tenants; pretending, that the place where The seat was set up belongd to you I cannot determine without takeing information from all hands who has best right to the place where the said seat was set up; but this I know that its A Considerable riote for you to throw out aney seat of the Church without a legall warrand; and therefor I think myself obliged to advise you as your friend that you imedeatly cawse set up the seat in the place where you toke it out otherwayes it will not be in my power to hinder My Lord Dundonalds ffreinds from doeing themselves justice in a legall way: which will both put you to Expence and oblige you to put up the seat again; and a ffyn also imposed upon you for breach of the peace; and if you think yourself wronged in not having your proportion in the Church according to your valowation, I shall as patron get a visitation and the Church divided according to each heritors valowation; this is the only Legall way and which cannot fail to give satisfaction to all concerned: And therefor I expect you will comply with it; ffor I should be sorey that you were put to aney neidless trouble being trewly one That wishes well to you and all my Nighbours and I am Sir Your Humble Servant EGLINTOUNE."

"Eglintoune ye 20th June 1721."

49. Letter, dated Kelburn, June 14th, 1728 from Patrick, second Viscount Garnock, addressed "To the Laird of Hunterstoun younger."
50. Letter, dated Cartsburne, December 2nd, 1731, addressed "To Patrick Hunter Younger of Hunterstoune, att Hunterstoun," and signed "Your loving Grandfather Tho Craufurd."
51. Letter, dated Hunterstoun, January 31st, 1732, "To the Laird of Crafourdsburn to be found at his own house in the Brigget of Glasgow," and signed "Your real welwisher and affectionat grandson Patt Hunter younger."

52. Letter, dated August 1732, by Patrick Hunter, younger of Hunterstoun, written during his last illness and addressed "To the Lady Hunterstoun," his mother:—

"Dear Mother,—Inform my Brother Robert to give to Rebecka a Hunder Pound Scots money above what she should have by right in her patremoney. This is on the account that she hath had a grat care of me in my sekness and much trouble I hope he will not disobey my will (The Papers are nailed in the Inside of the long press In the Room off the Hall beneth a little hollow bord The Silver Spoons are in the same Press as you put up your hand to the Camesillane Give my wach to Thomas) (and my buckels to Hay) (and any ready money give it amongst Rebeck Elisabeth Marion Hary and David Any other thing is at my brother Roberts disposal this is if God shall please Remove me tell my Brothers and Sisters to fear God which is the begining of wisdom.

" Lord Grant the reformation of this Family.

" PATT: HUNTER, Younger.

" *Augt. 1732.*"

53. Letter, dated Hunterstoun, 17th February 1737, by Patrick Hunter of that Ilk addressed "To Mr. Robert Hunter Shipmaster at Bolston Thes," signed "Your affectionate father Hunter of that Ilk."
54. Letter, dated Hunterstone, November 21st, 1738, addressed "Mr. Robert Hunter, mariner in New England, Lodging at Hendry Sinklars in Boustone New England," and signed "your affectionate Mother and wellwisher Marion Crauford," informing him of his father's death on the 9th November and asking him to come home.
- " *P.S.*—I hope you will not delay to write to Hendry and bring him home with you if possible."
55. Bond for 1000 merks by ROBERT HUNTER OF HUNTERSTONE to John Thomson, farmer in Shawhead in the barony of Hunterstone, dated 11th March 1742 (Robert Euing, sailer in Hunterstone, and William Tayr, weaver there, witnesses), with receipt and discharge endorsed thereon by William Thomson, only son and heir to the said John Thomson, 11th September 1745.
56. Letter, dated at Stirling, 17th December 1745, from the Earl of Glencairn addressed "To Adam Hunter of Hunterstoun Esq. Kilbreid," written by General Blackney's order, and requesting Hunter to send what men he could raise to Glasgow:—

" *Stirling 17th Decemr. 1745.*

" Sir,—As we have Reason to believe that the Rebels are approaching towards Scotland in my Lord Homes absence I am ordered by Genll. Blackney to Desire you without Loss of time to send what men you Can possibly Raise to Glasgow Be sure they bring what arms they have alongst with them and the Genll. will have arms and ammunition to supply what is wanting.—I am Sir Your most obedt. humle Servant

" GLENCAIRN.

" Hunter of Hunterstoun Esqr."

57. Letter addressed "To the Reverend Mr. John Adam at Kilbryde" from Alexander Henry giving an account of the battle of Prestonpans:—

"Reverent Sir,—I am sorie at the melencolie news they wer ane Ingedment yesterday in which the Ribels his Got the Beter having killed 600 of our men and taken the most peart of the Remender prisoner Except 4 Compinis of the Blak horse which flead and Cornel Gerdner is sed to be deed and Genrall Cop prisoner it is sead he is gon for England I would have sent to Beadlen but he was at Dalry with the rest of the Gentlemen it is sead they fired Onley once I shal I have it wt its partickwalers to Morrow morning.—I am Sir Yours

"ALEXR. HENRY."

"Sir,—By furder accounts this day the above account is confirmed this onley I add, that the Heghlanders were firing all night, and at break of day they rushed sword in hand upon Cope and put all of them to rout in five minutes. The Highlanders had twenty big guns which they got planted on the town walls, and carryd off—Cope had some great guns but were so surprisd yt they were not in readiness, nor had the dragoons got their horses mounted when they were attackd. J. A."

58. Letter, dated Kelbornfit, July 17th, 1753, from the Earl of Loudoun addressed to "Robert Hunter Esqr. of Hunterston."

59. Letter, dated Eglintoun, August 15th, 1760, from Alexander Cuninghame addressed "To Hunterstoun of that ilk at his House of Hunterstoun":—

"Dr Sir,—Lord Northumberland is to Dine with Lord Eglintoun to Morrow being Munday, Eglintoun begs the favour if a kid can be gott in your part of the Country, that youle cawse send it by a Man and a horse Express in the morning.—who shall be Payed anything he asks—My Lord asks you a thousand Pardons for taking so much freadum—and would have wrote you himself—but is bad of sore eyes—he wishes much you would Come to Eglintoun when convenient.—I am Dr Sir Your most humble servant and Cousin.

ALEX. CUNINGHAM.

"Eglintoun *Agust 15 1760.*"

60. Letter, dated Irvine, 17th January 1766, from Ro. Crawford "To Robert Hunter, Esqr. of Hunterstoune," regarding Major Blair's Precept of Clare Constat in Mr. Hunter's favour in Highlees.

61. Letter, dated Glasgow, 14th July 1767, from Willm. Watt addressed "To Robert Hunter, Esqr. of Hunterstoun at Hunterstoun," regarding the Hunters of Polmood.

62. Receipt (referred to on page 12) by Johane of Hammyltoun of Conskycht on behalf of ROBERT HUNTER LARDE OF HUNTERISTOUN to James Hammyltoun of the Burntcastell as factor to my Lorde of Arran (James Hamilton Earl of Arran) in Kyll, for 80 marks Scots being the price payable by Lord Arran to Robert Hunter of Hunteristoun for the IILL OF AMLASCH (*i.e.* the Holy Island Lamlash Arran), dated 14th August 1527. This Receipt was found amongst the Hamilton Papers after the foregoing Inventory had been prepared for printing, and is printed here by permission of the Duke of Hamilton.

"I Johane of Hammyltoun of Conskycht grantts me to haif rasavit fra James Hammyltoun of the burntcastell factor and servand to my lorde of arran in Kyll the sowm of four scor of maks of gude and usuall mone of the ream of Scotland for the landeys of THE IILL OF AMLASCH the quhilk sowm the said John of Hammyltoun larde of conskeyth hais rasavit in naym and behawf of ROBERT HUNTER LARDE OF HUNTERISTOUN of the quhilk Iill and landys of Amlasch the said John sall causse Robert Hunter larde of Hunteristoun for to renownns and geifour all rychts he hais had or mahaif chartors

sesyngs and instruments preceppys with all uder documentts that pertenis to the said lands And geif sua beis that the said Robert Hunter of Hunteristoun hais maid na resyngnatoun the said John of Hammiltoun larde of Conskeyth byndds and oblessis him to causs the said Robert to mak resyngnatioun in our suverand lorde the Kyngs hand or in till his awyn hand the quhilk the said James erll of arran thynks maist expedyent And I als thesaid Johne of Hommyltoun larde of Conskeyth holds me in the naym and behawf of Robert Hunter of Hunteristoun weill content sysyt and pait of the forsaidd sowm of fourscore of marks, And quhit clemess and Dischargs the said Jamess Erill of Arran and his factor James Hammyltoun of Burntcastell now and for ever. In witness herof I haif subskrit my acquitenss wyth my hand at Monkton the Xiiij day of August the yer of Im. v.c. XXVij yers before the witness Willzem Cambell, Alexander Dwnkane, and Sir David Wilsoun wyth uder dyvers.

“ John Hamyiltoun of Conskyt witt my hand.”

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