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ORKNEY SASINES.

Edward Stewart, natural son of Robert, Earl of Orkney, in the tenandry of Brugh, South Ronaldsay.

1. At Kirkwall, 1st September 1617, is registered a Sasine, dated 29th August 1617, given by Edward Inksetter in Burweik as sheriff in that part to Edward Stewart, natural son of the deceased Robert, Earl of Orkney, proceeding upon a PRECEPT from CHANCERY narrating that the deceased George Stewart, natural son of the deceased Robert, Earl of Orkney, and Edward Stewart, also his natural son, and heir of provision of the said George, were heritable tenants and vassals of Patrick, sometime Earl of Orkney, and his predecessors, in the lands following which are now in the King's hands by reason of the forfeiture of the said Patrick, Earl of Orkney, for lese majesty; and in terms of the acts of Parliament for securing in their lands the vassals of those persons convicted of such a crime who were not accomplices therein, granting to the said Edward Stewart, as brother and heir foresaid, the 18d. lands of Silliebuster with the towmells thereof commonly called Peterkirkbrek, and Scharpay, with the scatland of the Gardemales otherwise called Mariekirk, 18d. lands of Scabray, with the towmells thereof, 18d. lands of **Langtas** in Sellibuster, with the 16d. lands of Arstis, the 8d. land tilthe *alias* Kingis land, with pertinents, all lying in the island of Sanday and parish¹ thereof; also the 3d. and a farthing land called Wydwall benorth the burn, with five merks of utheall land in the town of Brakis, and six merks of King's land there; the 7½d. lands of Brugh with the pertinents, in the island of South Ronnaldscha; the 6d. lands of Tingwall in the parish of Rendell; the 6d.

¹ Lady Parish.

lands called lie Grind Bishop's land, with the pertinents, in the parish of St. Ola, Mainland and sheriffdom of Orkney; the lands of the Bull of Brugh in Sanday extending to 18d. lands; the $5\frac{1}{2}$ d. lands in Hermonsgarthe there, and $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. lands in Symbuster there, all King's land, with the pertinents. All these lands formerly belonged to the said Edward Stewart and the deceased George Stewart his brother, held of the said deceased Patrick, sometime Earl of Orkney, and of the foresaid Robert, Earl of Orkney, his father, and they are now of new granted to the said Edward Stewart as above, and erected into a free tenandry called the tenandry of Brugh, of which the principal messuage is appointed to be on the $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. land of Brugh in South Ronnaldschay, where Sasine may be taken for all the other lands. The Precept is dated at Edinburgh 30th March, 1616; and Sasine is accordingly taken at the foresaid messuage in presence of these witnesses, Matthew Sinclair in Brugh, David Stewart, brother of the said Edward Stewart, Patrick Mowat in Linkleter, Edward Irland in Lyquoy, William Gray in Lawlie, Magnus Gariauch, son of Nicolas Gareoche in Kirkwall, and Andrew Gadie, servitor to David Heart, of the diocese of St. Andrews, who is notary.

Malcolm Mowat in Sangar in Stronsay, in $1\frac{1}{4}$ farthing land in Knarstane in Rowsay, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ farthing land there.

2. At Kirkwall, 8th September 1617, is registered a Sasine dated 27th August 1617, given by Robert Stewart, wright in Kirkwall, as bailie, to Matthew Murray, indweller in Kirkwall, as attorney for Malcolm Mowat in Sangar in Stronsay, on a CHARTER to the said Malcolm and his heirs and assignees irredeemably granted by Robert Hamiltoun, son and heir of the deceased John Hamiltoun in Faray, of a $1\frac{1}{4}$ farthing land lying in Knarstane in Rowsay, with the pertinents, sold and disposed to the said deceased John by the deceased Eliza-

beth Dick with the consent of the deceased John Craigie, her spouse, and William Craigie, her eldest son, heritable titulars thereof; also a $1\frac{1}{2}$ farthing land in the said town in Knarstane in Rowsay, disposed by the said Robert Hamiltoun to Gilbert Blak in Faray and disposed to him [Hamilton] by Andrew Sabistane and Elizabeth Craigie his spouse, sometime heritable titulars thereof. The Charter is written by Gilbert Doonet, and dated at Kirkwall 10th November 1614; witnesses, Harie Stewart, apparent of Gramesay, Patrick Stewart his brother, and Hew Sinclair, son of James Sinclair of Maill. It is signed by the said Robert Hamilton, and also for the said Gilbert Blak by David Heart, notary. Sasine is taken on the ground of the "said thrie farding land in Knarstane" at 7 a.m.; witnesses, Robert Menteithe of Egilscha, Andrew Dingwall, his servitor, and Edward Alschunder in Knarstane, John Yorstoun, John Clerk, David Leask, Magnus Smythe, all indwellers in Kirkwall, and Andrew Gadie, servitor to the said David Heart, of the diocese of St. Andrews, who is notary.

Patrick Stewart, son of James Stewart, of Gramsay, in $2\frac{1}{2}$ merk land in Irland, Stanehous.

3. At Kirkwall, 14th October 1617, is registered a Sasine dated at Irland in the parish of Stanehous, 23rd August 1617, given by James Menteithe, as bailie, to Patrick Stewart, lawful son of James Stewart of Gramesay, personally, on a CHARTER by Magnus Lowtit in Bea, to him and his heirs irredeemably of his $2\frac{1}{2}$ merk land, with houses and pertinents, lying in the said town of Irland, for a certain sum of money, to be held of the immediate superiors thereof or of the said Magnus and his heirs at the option of the said Patrick for yearly payment of the scatis and other accustomed duties, with 1d. Scots on Whitsunday even on the ground of the lands if required only. The Charter is dated at Claistrene, 23rd August, 1617; witnesses, Andrew Murray, Oliver Gude and James Skaitheway. Sasine was given upon one of

the rigs of the said land and within the house pertaining to the said land, about 1 p.m.; witnesses, John Willox, James Skethowie, and Thomas Firth. William Fermor of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Alexander Flet in How, and Hallow Flet, his spouse, in $\frac{1}{4}$ d. land in Nether Brugh, $\frac{1}{4}$ d. land in Bea there, and $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Brugh, Harray.

4. At Kirkwall, 15th October 1617, are registered three Sasines, all dated 19th August 1617, and all given by Magnus Sinclair in Gorn, as bailie, to Alexander Flet in How, personally, of the lands following, (1) proceeding on a CHARTER by Andrew Flet in Redland to him irredeemably of his farthing udal land in Nether Brugh, with houses and pertinents, in the parish of Harray, Mainland and shire of Orkney; which Charter is dated at Kirkwall 5th August 1616, witnesses being James Midhous, Magnus Howrie, and Robert Flet in Ramisgairth. Witnesses to this Sasine were Andrew Linkleter in Bea, Andrew Flet in Nether Burgh, Andrew Flet, younger there, and Magnus Sinclair in Ovirbrugh, and others: (2) Proceeding on a CHARTER by John Hourstane in that Ilk in favour of the said Alexander and Hallow Flet, his spouse, and their heirs, of his one farthing land in Bea lying in Nether Brugh in the parish of Harray; which is dated at Kirkwall 6th December 1616, witnesses thereto being Oliver Houstoun in Evie, John Diksone in Kirkwall, William Covintrie there, and John Robiesone, messenger, and Arthur Sinclair in Kirkwall. The witnesses to the Sasine are as above: (3) Proceeding on a CHARTER of WADSET by William Brugh in Harray for wadsetting to the said Alexander and his said spouse and their heirs his halfpenny land in Brugh beside St. Mitchellis kirk in Harrow, in the parish of Harray; dated at Kirkwall 25th April 1617, and written by James Jack, notary, who also signs for the granter, who cannot write; witnesses thereto being Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, Alexander Baxter, armourer there, John Diksoun

there, Thomas Traill there, and others. Witnesses to the Sasine were James Sinclair in Essinquoy, William Tailyeour in Ovirburgh, Magnus Sinclair there, William Andersone there, and Robert Rusland there. The notary to all the above Sasines is James Jack of the diocese of Orkney.

Hew Harray, son of David Williamson, indweller in Vailyie in Harray, in seven settings mailling malt there.

5. At Kirkwall, 16th October 1617, is registered a Sasine dated 30th September 1617, given by James Smyth in Turmistoun as bailie, to Hew Harray, lawful brother of James Harray, lawful son and eldest heir of the deceased David Williamsone (*sic*), sometime indweller in Vailyie in the parish of Harray, personally upon a CHARTER "by the said James Harray to his lawful brother James and Hew Harrayis" of his whole right to the seven settings mailling malt to which he succeeded after the death of the said David, his father, lying in the town of Vailyie, in the parish of Harray. The Charter is dated at Simbuster 5th July 1614, written by Alexander Bruce, notary public in Zetland; witnesses being Robert Hunter in Isbuster in Quhailsay, George Work in Clait, Robert Flett in Fetlar, Andrew Younster in Simbuster, and Gavin Ewinsoun in Weitfurd in Orkney. Witnesses to the Sasine are Thomas Cleustane in Forsabrek, Richard Lina in Grymestoun, Andrew Lina in Nethir Grymestoun, Thomas Corstane in Hormens quoy, and Patrick Smyth, brother to the said James Smyth. Robert Coltart of the diocese of Glasgow, is notary.

Hew Harray alias Davidson, in Vyilie in Harray, in 2½ settings mailling there.

6. At Kirkwall, 16th October 1617, is registered a Sasine dated 30th September 1617, given by James Smyth in Turmistoun as bailie, to Hew Harray *alias* Davidstone,

brother to James Harray *alias* Davidstone, second lawful son of the deceased David Symonsone (*sic*) of Vyilie in Harray, on a CHARTER by the said James Harray *alias* Davidstone to the said Hew his brother, irredeemably, of his 2½ settings mailling in Vailye in which he succeeded his father, in the parish of Harray. The Charter was dated at Weddersta, 3rd September 1616, written by David Heart, and witnesses thereto were, John Gifhert, apparent of Woddersta, Patrick Sandis, servitor to Mr. Harie Aitkin, commissary of Orkney, Magnus Olasone in Loynesetter, and John Reid, servitor to the said David Heart. Witnesses to the Sasine are Thomas Cloustane in Fortabrek, Richard Linay in Grimestoun, Andrew Linay in Nethir Gremestoun, Thomas Corstane in Houersquoy, and Patrick Smyth, brother to the said James Smyth. Robert Coltart of the diocese of Glasgow is notary public.

James Fea, apparent of Clestrain, and Margaret Sinclair, his spouse, in 2½d. lands of Woxseter, and others, in Cross parish, Sanday.

7. At Kirkwall, 29th October 1617, is registered a Sasine dated 22nd October 1617, given by Robert Elphinstoun of Hammegar as bailie, to James Fea, apparent of Claistren in Stronsay, and Margaret Sinclair, his spouse, on a CHARTER by John Grot of Tresnes to them and their heirs, of his three halfpenny land in Woxseter with the towmell thereof, and a penny land in Gairthe and Lambnes, the towmells of Gorne, Skea, Geabuster and Seater, all lying in the island of Sanda, Cross parish thereof, and shire of Orkney, under reversion. The Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 17th November 1615, witnesses being William Hair, minister at Schapinscha, Robert Fea in Strensa, John Brown, messenger, and James Jack, notary public, writer thereof. Witnesses to the Sasine are William Bugar in Holland, Brandein Scott in Gradela, Thomas Angusone in Stronsa, Brandine Scott in Houssa, William Fotheringham in Lepnes, and

Andrew Skae in Seater. Robert Coltart of the diocese of Glasgow is notary.

Magnus Taylor, portioner of Over Sanda, in 4 meals mailling of land there.

8. At Kirkwall, 3rd November 1617, is registered a Sasine dated 30th October 1617, given by Edward Pottinger, skipper in Kirkwall, as bailie, to Magnus Tailyeour, portioner of Ovir Sanda, on a CHARTER by David Kincaid of Yinsta, with consent of Janet Duncane, his spouse, to him of two kyis worth of land extending to four meals mealling in landmeals, with the pertinents, lying in Ovir Sanda, in the parish of St. Andro, Mainland, and presently occupied by the said Magnus; under reversion. The Charter is dated at Ovir Sanda and Zinsta 30th October 1617, written by Robert Kae, notary; witnesses, Edward Pottinger, skipper, the said Robert Kae, Oliver Stove in Stembuster, David Yule, mason, Robert Papla, servitor to the said Magnus, Patrick Kincaid, natural son to the granter, and Andrew Harvie, the granter's servitor. Witnesses to the Sasine are Oliver Stove in Stembister, David Zule in Kirkwall, and Robert Paipla, servitor to the said Magnus. The said Robert Kae of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Charter by David Kincaid of Yinsta to Magnus Taylor, portioner of Over Sanda, of the above subjects, in Wadset.

9. At Kirkwall, 3rd November 1617, is registered a CHARTER by David Kincaid of Yinsta, whereby having borrowed from Magnus Tailyeour, portioner of Ovir Sanda, the sum of £100 Scots money, he with consent of Janet Duncane, his spouse, liferenter of the lands, sells and wadsets to the said Magnus his two kyis worth of land extending to four meals mealling in landmealls, with the pertinents, in Ovir Sanda in the parish of St. Andro, Mainland, presently possessed by the said Magnus, who is to hold the same of him for 1d. Scots yearly if

asked only and relieving him of the scats, teinds and other duties and due services in use to be paid yearly to the superiors; under reversion for the above principal sum which may be paid in two equal portions at two consecutive terms, with clause of warrandice. Precept is directed to Edward Potinger, mariner in Kirkwall, for giving Sasine; and the Charter is dated and attested as narrated in the foregoing Sasine [No. 8].

William Cursettar in Fea and Agnes Millar, his spouse, in 3¼d. land called Fea, Canigill, and Clova, St. Ola parish.

10. At Kirkwall, 20th November 1617, is registered a Sasine dated 18th November 1617, given by Harie Spens in Scapay, as bailie, to William Cursettar in Fea, personally, and to William Gordoun, merchant in Kirkwall, as attorney for Agnes Millar, wife of the said William Cursettar, on a CHARTER by William (*sic*) Chalmer of Rys-say, to him and Agnes Millar, his spouse, and their heirs, of his 3d. land and a farthing land called Fea, Canigill and Clova, in the parish of St. Ola, Bishopric and Main-land of Orkney, under reversion. The Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 10th November 1617, written by James Jack, notary public; witnesses, Arthur Sinclair in Kirkwall, David Forbes, the granter's servitor, and Harie Moncrieff, notary. (Signed) Robert Chalmer of Rassy. Witnesses to the Sasine were, John Prince, merchant in Kirkwall, Thomas Robiesoun, clothier ("vestiarius") there, and John Newgar, officer. James Jack of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Charter by Robert Chalmer of Ryssay to William Curseater in Fea and his spouse, of the above subjects.

11. At Kirkwall, 20th November 1617, is registered the Charter upon which the foregoing Sasine [No. 10] proceeds, granted by Robert Chalmer of Rassy, feuar of the lands, to the said William Curseater in Fea and his

spouse, in security of 200 merks of borrowed money. The payment of the price of redemption is to be in Sanct Magnus Kirk in Kirkwall; and Precept for giving Sasine is directed, dated and attested as before narrated. (Signed) Robert Chalmer of Ryssay.

Contract, Charter, and Sasine, Robert Chalmer of Ryssay to John Prince, merchant in Kirkwall, and Marjory Spens, his wife, in 2d. land of North Weitfurd, in St. Ola parish, &c.

12. At Kirkwall, 21st November 1617, are registered the Contract, Charter and Sasine following. (1) Contract dated at Kirkwall 11th November 1617, between Robert Chalmer of Ryssay on the one part, and John Prince, merchant in Kirkwall, and Marjory Spens, his spouse, on the other part, whereby for the sum of 800 merks borrowed by the said Robert from the said John, Robert Chalmer obliges himself to infest the said John Prince and his spouse and their heirs, in security, in the two penny land of North Weitfurd, with the pertinents, pertaining to the said Robert in feu and heritage and presently in his own possession, lying in the parish of St. Ola, and in an annual rent of 44 merks upliftable from the same, and in another annualrent of 36 merks upliftable from the rest of the said Robert's "best haldin landis within the cuntrey of Orkney." For satisfaction of the first of those annualrents, the said Robert disposes and sells to the said John the yearly landmails and gersumes of the said lands, to be uplifted at the prices following, viz., ten merks in yearly gersum, four meills sufficient malt upon the malt pundler, estimated at £12 13s. 4d. yearly, and a half barrel butter in landmeals yearly estimated to £9. If these annualrents are not redeemed within three years, the said Robert obliges himself to remove with his tenants and family therefrom and put the said John Prince in possession of these lands, until the said annualrent of 44 merks is redeemed and until the bygone interest of the annualrent of 36 merks

is fully paid. The principal sum for redemption of these lands and annualrents may be paid within St. Magnus Kirk in Kirkwall. The one of the annualrents may be redeemed before the other for 400 merks; and the penalty of non-redemption is £40. The other 400 merks is then to be secured by a wadset to the said John Prince and his spouse of the foresaid lands, they uplifting the maills, duties, and gersums thereof and acquiring further possession thereof, until the lands are redeemed. The parties consent to registration in the Books of Council, Sheriff or Commissary Books of Orkney; and witnesses to the contract are, Jerome Chalmer, Thomas Robiesoun, indwellers in Kirkwall, Thomas Moncrieff there, David Forbes, servitor to the said Robert Chalmer, Robert Kaa, writer of the deed, Harie Spens in Scapa, and Robert Halcro of Cava. The said John Prince and his spouse sign (because they cannot write) by the hand of Henry Moncrieff and the said Robert Kaa, notaries. (2) Charter by the said Robert Chalmer of Ryssay in favour of the said John Prince and his spouse and their heirs, of the above lands and annualrents, in terms of the foresaid Contract. The Precept for Sasine is directed to Harie Spens in Scapa as bailie; and the Charter is dated at Kirkwall 15th November 1617, written by Robert Kaa, and attested by Robert Halcro of Cava, Harie Moncrieff and the said Robert Kaa, notaries, Thomas Robiesoun, tailor, and Jerome Chalmer, skipper in Kirkwall. (3) Sasine, dated 18th November 1617, given to the said John Prince personally and to William Gordoun, merchant in Kirkwall, as attorney for the said Marjory Spens, by the said Harie Spens in Scapa, as bailie, proceeding on the foresaid Charter, of which the precept is here again narrated. They took Sasine at the house of the said Robert Chalmer on the ground of the lands of North Weitfurde, in the presence of witnesses, James Jack, notary public, Thomas Robertsoun, weaver, Archibald Das and John Newger, indwellers in Kirkwall. Robert Kaa of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Contract, Francis Mudie of Breknes and Magnus Brown in Uttertoun of Stromness, about lands in Leager in Uttertoun.

13. At Kirkwall, 21st November 1617, is registered a Contract made at Kirkwall 14th December 1617, between Francis Mudie of Breknes and Magnus Brown in Uttertoun of Stromnes, whereby the latter renounces the three merk uthall land in Leager in the Uttertoun of Stromnes and third part of a merk uthall land under the house of Ovirdone, with their pertinents, in the parish of Stromnes, sometime sold and disposed to the said Magnus Brown by William Sinclair, lawful son of Alexander Sinclair in Done; for which cause the said Francis Mudie sets in tack to him his six merk and third part of a merk of land in Leager in the Uttertoun of Stromnes conquest by him from the said Magnus Sinclair (*sic*) with the house of Nethirdone, and the towmeale lying about the same, during the lifetime of the said Magnus. The tack duty is three meills two settings good and sufficient Orkney malt, and relieving the said Francis of the scat and teind yearly, and is to be paid between 1st January and last of February yearly. The contract is written by David Heart, writer, and the witnesses thereto are, Edward Stewart of Brugh, David Stewart, his brother, Malcolm Mowat in Sangar, Andrew Leask in Grundwater, the notary, and John Neven, his servitor. Magnus Brown being unable to write signs by the aid of the said David Heart, and James Jack, also notary.

John Foubuster, in 2¼ cow's worth of land in Foubuster in St. Andrews, and a setting mailling in Sandis in Deerness.

14. At Kirkwall, 22nd November 1617, is registered a Sasine dated at Foubuster within St. Androis parish, 8th November 1617, given by Andrew Foubuster, as bailie, to John Foubuster, proceeding upon a BOND and OBLIGATION granted by Richard Foubuster to the said

John Foubuster, his brother german, acknowledging receipt of a loan of £9 10s. Scots money besides £25 which he has lying upon the said ^{Robert's (sic.)} John's two kyis worth of land and the fourth part of a kowis worth lying in the said town of Foubuster in the parish of St. Androis with a setting mailling more in the town of Sandis in the parish of Deirnes, and in case the said £9 10s. is not paid by the said Robert to the said John by Lammas day this year, the said land is to become heritage to the said John and his heirs for ever. The bond is dated at Hurteso in Holme 13th May 1617; and Sasine was given by the bailie taking up "stane and muld of the grund of the said land of Foubuster to serve for the rest of the said land of Deirnes" and delivering the same to the said John Foubuster. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Malcolm Foubuster, Nicoll Okilsetter, and Abel Foubster (*sic*). William Fermour of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Robert Halcro of Cava, in 3 merk land in Fea in Stenness, lands in Cloustane and Rusland, 2 $\frac{2}{3}$ merk land in Irland, and half of the six merk land in Bea there.

15. At Kirkwall, 26th November 1617, are registered the following four Sasines, all dated 22nd November 1617, and given by William Hannay in Evie, as bailie, to Robert Halcro of Cava, personally. (1) Proceeding on a CHARTER by William Corrigill in Huntiskart in Harray to the said Robert and his heirs and assignees irredeemably of the three merk land with pertinents lying in Fea in the town of Irleand and parish of Stanehouis; which Charter is dated at Kirkwall 10th November 1615; witnesses, Captain Thomas Knichtsone, Edward Ingsettar, reader, Thomas Auchinleck, William Fermour, notary public, and writer thereof, and James Jack, notary, both of whom assist the granter to sign because he cannot write. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Hugh *alias* Hay

Lutit in Bigiswell, William Unstoun in Unstoun, John Leask in Cloustane, William Leask there, Robert Germistoun in Germistoun, and Peter Loutit in Ottingill.

(2) Proceeding on a CHARTER by Magnus Braik in Papa Westra, lawful son and heir by succession to the deceased Gilbert Brack and Katherine Housland, uthellars and heritors of the lands following, to the said Robert Halcro and his heirs and assignees, of his one meals mealling of land in Cloustane in parish of Stanehous, and half meills mealing of land in Rusland in parish of Harray, irredeemably; which Charter is dated at Kirkwall 5th November 1616, written by James Jack, notary, who also signs in behalf of the granter, seeing he cannot write, and witnesses are, Thomas Mane, merchant in Kirkwall, Henry Stevinsoun, merchant there, Oliver and Robert Feas, brothers german. Witnesses to this Sasine are Hugh *alias* Hay Luttit in Bigiswell, William Unstoun in Unstoun, John Leask in Cloustane, George Henrie there, and John and Robert Braiks there.

(3) Proceeding on a CHARTER and DISPOSITION by Katharine Ramsquoy with consent of James Leask, her spouse, to the said Robert and his heirs and assignees of a two merk land and two part merk land, with the pertinents, in the town of Irland and parish of Stanehous, irredeemably; dated at Kirkwall 22nd June, 1617, witnesses, William Carmichaell, merchant, John Gardaner, wright, Thomas Moncrieff, merchant, indwellers in Kirkwall, and Thomas Firth in Irland. Robert Kaa and James Jack, notaries, sign for the granters. Witnesses to the Sasine are as in the first Sasine above noted.

(4) Proceeding on a CHARTER by Barbara Loutit, lawful daughter of the deceased Peris Loutit in Fleck, with consent of Robert Isbuster in Isbuster, her spouse, to the said Robert Halcro and his heirs and assignees irredeemably, of the half of the six merk land, with the pertinents. lying in the town of Bea in Irland, parish of Stanehous, extending to three merk land; which Charter is dated at Kirkwall

14th October, 1617, and witnesses are, Bernard Stewart, Peter Tailyeour, and Alexander Baxter, indwellers in Kirkwall, James Jack and Robert Kaa, notaries, Alexander Ibuster in Ibuster, and James Ibuster, eldest son of the granters. Witnesses to the Sasine are as in the first Sasine above noted; and all the instruments are prepared by Robert Kaa of the diocese of St. Andrews, who is notary.

Patrick Smyth of Braiko, in the island of Lambholm, 4½d. lands of Bull of Skaill, ½d. quoyland of Holmes, and ¾d. Quoy Barnetts, in parish of Holm and Paplay.

16. At Kirkwall, 27th November 1617, is registered a Sasine dated 24th November 1616, given by John Swentoun of Kingishous as bailie, to Patrick Smyth of Braiko, personally, on a CHARTER of FEUFARM by George, Bishop of Orkney and Zetland, with advice of the Chapter of the cathedral kirk of Orkney, to the said Patrick of the "isle or holme called Lambholme" with the teinds thereof, also the 4½d. land scatland called the Bull of Skaill with that part and portion of the Ness called Roisnes pertaining thereto, also the halfpenny land quoyland called Holmes with that part of the said Ness of Roisnes pertaining thereto; also the three farthing land quoyland called Quoy Barnettis, with the pertinents, lying in the parish of Holme and Paplay, bishopric and sheriffdom of Orkney. The Charter is dated "at our palace of the Yairdis in Kirkwall" 3rd November 1617; witnesses, Mr. Harie Aitkin, commissary of Orkney and Zetland, Patrick and Thomas Grahames, servitors to the said Bishop, and Andrew Smyth, writer of the deed, servitor to the said Mr. Aitkin. It is signed by Patrick (*sic*), bishop of Orkney, Mr. Daniel Callendar, provost of Orkney, Thomas Swintoun, archdean of Orkney, Mr. Gairdin, treasurer, Mr. Patrick Inglis, prebendary of St. Johne, Mr. Patrick Watterstoun, chantor of Orkney, Mr.

Hutoun, parson and vicar at Westra; and by the witnesses, one of whom signs Thomas Grahame of Rahaltane. Sasine was taken on the various lands mentioned $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. land called the Bow of Skaill betwixt the kirk and the house thereof, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. before witnesses, Edward and Jerom McKins, portioners of Brekane, Bernard Rowsay and John Male, servitors to the said John Swintoun, Peter Mala in Howa, Daniel Cragie in Skaill, Henry Gariauche, lawful son of Thomas Garriauche in Nethirtoun, and Walter Clerk in Bow of Skaill. Mr. Henry Aitkin, of the diocese of Dunblane, is notary.

Katherine Nisbet, wife of Robert Menteith of Egilscha, in liferent in lands of Egilscha in Rowsay.

17. At Kirkwall, 22nd December 1617, is registered a Sasine dated 20th December 1617, given by Captain Thomas Knichtsone of Aith as bailie, to Katherine Nisbet, spouse to Robert Menteith of Egilscha, personally, proceeding on a PRECEPT of SASINE granted to her by her said spouse of the lands and isle of Egilscha, with manor place, holmes, skerries and other pertinents, in parish of Rowsay, with the teinds also thereof, which were never in use to be separated from the stock. These he grants in liferent to her, and to their heirs, whom failing, to return to his heirs whomsoever, because of his love and favour towards her and his children procreated or to be procreated by her, and because she consents after her perfect age of 21 years to renounce in his favour her infeftment and sasine of the lands and isle of Gairsay, and the tenement of land in Edinburgh, wherein she is conjointly infeft with him. The Precept, dated at Kirkwall 29th November 1617, is written by David Heart, writer; witnesses, Captain Thomas Knichtsone in Kirkwall, Patrick Murray of Wedweick, the writer, and John Neven, his servitor. Done upon the ground of the said lands and isle at the house of Kirbuster; and

witnesses thereto are, William Colwill of Midhous, Thomas Dorrall in Gairsay, Thomas Mainland there, John Irwing there, Thomas Gibsone there, and Andrew Gadie, the notary's servitor. The said David Heart of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Patrick Stewart, son of James Stewart of Gramsay, in 6 merk land in Ireland, Stenness, and 11½ merk land there.

18. At Kirkwall, 5th January 1618, is registered a Sasine dated at Irland in parish of Stanehous, 1st January 1618, given by James Menteith of Saltcottis, as bailie, to Patrick Stewart, second son of James Stewart of Gramesay, personally, on a CHARTER by Edward Irleand in Lyquoy in South Ronnaldscha, son and heir of the deceased Gilbert Irland, portioner of that Ilk, of six merk land in the town of Ireland with the pertinents, pertaining to the said Edward as son and heir of the said Gilbert, who succeeded therein after the deceased George Irland, his father; also 11 merks and a half merk land in the said town of Irleand disposed to the said Edward by Marion and Helen Irlandis, lawful daughters of the deceased Richard Irland, portioner of that Ilk. The Charter is dated at Kirkwall 18th December 1617; witnesses, Robert Ballanden, brother to Adam Ballenden of Stanehous, John Cromertie in Cara, David Heart, notary, and John Neven, his servitor. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Patrick Murray of Wedwick, Thomas Auchinlek, James Stewart, Nicoll Potinger, Thomas Gib, John Gorie and Robert Stewart. William Fermour of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Duncan Scollay, son of Edward Scollay of Strynie, and Isobel Sinclair, his spouse, of an annualrent of 200 merks out of Tresnes in Sanday.

19. At Kirkwall, 21st February 1618 is registered a Sasine dated 16th February 1618, given by Harie Petrie

in Harmesgarthe as bailie, to Donald Allan in Seater as attorney for Duncan Skollay, son of Edward Scollay of Strynie, and Isobel Sinclair, spouse to the said Duncan, on a CHARTER to them by the said Edward Scollay of the right of wadset of the lands of Tresnes, and pertinents, in the Isle of Sanday, and an annualrent of 200 merks out of the same, disposed to the said Edward by the deceased Malcolm Grot of Tankernes and John Grot, his lawful son, under reversion by the heirs of the said Malcolm and John Grot for 2000 merks. The Charter, written by Robert Kaa, notary, is dated at Hagar in Stronsay 3rd July 1617; witnesses, Michael Balfour of Garthe, and Harie and John Scolayes, sons of the said Edward. Witnesses to the Sasine were James Tulloche younger of Roisholme, Oliver Cok, son of Mr. James Cok, minister at Sanday, and Malcolm Mowat in Sangar. Robert Coltart of the diocese of Glasgow is notary.

Disposition by Edward Scollay of Strynie to the abovementioned Duncan Scollay and his spouse, of the said subjects.

20. At Kirkwall, 21st February 1618, is registered a Disposition and Assignment by the said Edward Scollay of Strynie to the said Duncan and his spouse of the right of wadset and annualrent foresaid, because his said son Duncan has paid 2000 merks to him; with assignment to him also of the letter of wadset, dated . . . May 1615 and Sasine thereupon dated the same month, under the hand of Mr. Harie Aitkin, commissary of Orkney, notary public. The Disposition, dated at Kirkwall 6th November 1616, is written by Robert Kaa, notary; witnesses, James Tulloch of Roisholme, James Maxwell of Mariekirk, and John Scollay, son of the granter.

Patrick Vaus, merchant in Kirkwall, and Marjory Papla, his spouse, in part of a tenement in the Midtown of Kirkwall.

21. At Kirkwall, 13th April 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 11th April 1618, given by Matthew Mowbray, bailie in Kirkwall, as bailie, to Patrick Vaus, merchant in Kirkwall, and his wife, both personally, on a CHARTER by Edward Sinclair of Essinquoy granted in implement of his part of a Contract dated at Kirkwall 12th March 1617, made between him with consent of Ursilla Foulsie, his spouse, and Gilbert Sinclair, his lawful son, on the one part, and the said Patrick on the other part, for wadsetting to the said Patrick, and Marjory Papla, his spouse, the said Edward's "haill and pairt off that his proper tenement of land lyand contigue on the eist gavill of the chalmer presentlie possessit and inhabeit be the said Patrik," lying in the Midtown of Kirkwall, containing 40 feet between gable and gable, east and west, with the yard and "taill" pertaining thereto, and also the said "chalmer" possessed as aforesaid. The Charter is dated at Kirkwall, . . April 1617; witnesses, Captain Thomas Knichtsone of Aith, Harie Moncrieff, notary, Robert Scollay in Kirkway, and James Jak, notary. The said Patrick also produced a deed by the said Edward dated at Kirkwall 16th September 1617, and protested that no redemption should be lawful until the fulfilment of that deed also. Witnesses to the Sasine are, David Moncrieff in Kirkwall, Magnus Craigie, merchant there, Jerome Chalmer there, and William Covintrie, baker there. James Jack of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Clara Murray, and Patrick Murray of Garth, her son, in 1½d. udal land of Garth in Stromness, and ¼d. udal land in Meanes in Shapinsey.

22. At Kirkwall, 15th April 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 24th and 28th February 1618, given by

Oliver Houstoun in Daill as bailie, to Andrew Gadie, indweller in Kirkwall, as attorney for Clara Murray, and to Patrick Murray of Garth, her son, personally, on a CHARTER of FEUFARM granted by George, bishop of Orkney and Zetland, with consent of the provost and chapter of the cathedral kirk of Orkney, to her in life-rent and after her decease to the said Patrick Murray and his heirs male and assignees, of that 1½d. land called the uthall land of Garth, with the pertinents, in the parish of Stromnes, and of that quadrant or one farthing uthall land in Meanes, with the pertinents, and disposed to the deceased Thomas Murray, father of the said Patrick, by the deceased Giles Peirsoun, with consent of the deceased Edward Tullo, her spouse, and lying in the Isle of Schapinscha. The Charter, written by David Heart, writer, is dated at the Palace of Yairdis in Kirkwall, 6th February 1618; witnesses, Mr. Robert Henrysoun of Holland, Robert Bellenden, his servant, Patrick Smyth of Braiko, Patrick and Thomas Grahames, servitors to the bishop and John Nevan, the notary's servitor. It is signed by George, bishop of Orkney, Mr. Daniel Callender, provost of Orkney, Thomas Swentoun, archdean of Orkney, M. Pastoun (*sic*) . . . chantor of Orphir (*sic*), Mr. Patrick Inglis, prebendary of St. John, Mr. Gardine, treasurer, Mr. Hutoun, parson and vicar of Westra, Mr. James Cok, Chancellor of Orkney; and by the witnesses. The bishop's round seal and the common seal of the chapter are said to have been appended. Sasine is taken upon the ground of the said lands of Meanes in Schapinscha, 24th February, and on the lands of Garth, 28th February; witnesses, John Scottie in Castcauld, John Williamsoun in Gorne in Holland, John Weik in Brek, and Andrew Hepburne, son of John Hepburn in Meanes; and on the lands of Garth, Jerome Tullo of Quhom. William Strait there, Thomas Sinclair, servitor to the said Jerome, and William Mathes, servant of the said Patrick. David Heart of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Patrick Murray of Garth, in the udal lands of Garth in Stromness, 1d. lands in Innercosta, 4d. lands of Orquhill, and others, in Evie, and a tenement in Kirkwall.

23. At Kirkwall, 15th April 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 28th February, 10th April 1618, given by Oliver Houstoun in Dail, as bailie, to Patrick Murray of Gairth, on a CHARTER by Clara Murray, heretrix of the lands, to the said Patrick, her son, and his heirs male begotten or to be begotten of his body, whom failing, his female heirs marrying husbands of their own station bearing the surname of Murray, whom failing, his nearest heirs, of her whole utheall lands of Gairth with the pertinents, in parish of Stromnes, a penny land in Innercosta, 3d. lands called Dyk, 4d. lands called Orquheill, a croft of land called Lytillquoy in Quoyis, 3d. lands called Cot in Widweik, 3d. lands called Hellicloiff there, 3d. lands called Craga there, 3d. lands called Nethir Arweik, with the mill of Widweik and sucken thereof, and all the pertinents of the foresaid lands, in parish of Evie; also that tenement of land with garden, tail ("cauda"), and pertinents, lying in the town of Kirkwall in that part thereof called the Laverok, between the chantor of Orkney's tenement on the north, the tenement of the deceased Thomas Cumming on the south, the common way or pavement on the east, and the sea commonly called the Oyse on the west; with all the said Clara Murray's other lands and tenements wherever they lie, in the shire of Orkney; reserving to her her liferent thereof. The Charter is dated at Kirkwall 23rd January 1618; witnesses, Thomas Maire, William Craigie, and Thomas Moncreiff, merchants, indwellers in Kirkwall, and John Neven, servitor to David Heart, writer, and notary herein, who helps the said Clara Murray to sign, along with Henry Moncreiff, also a notary. Sasine is taken on 28th February on the lands and mill foresaid in the parishes of Stromnes and Evie, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., and

on the ground of the said tenement of land on 10th April. The witnesses are, Jerome Tullo of Quhome, William Strait there, his tenant, Thomas Sinclair his servant, Henry Flett in Cluik, Robert Flauis there, Hugh Androsone in Pow, William Firth, servant to James Tullo there, James Miller in Forsabrek, John Angusone in Dyk, James Magnussoun in Bugar, John Duncane, servant to William Glup in Bankis, Henry Spens, servant to John Miller, Robert Sklaiter, Magnus Denni, servants of the said Oliver Houstoun, Henry Brugh in Midhous, Alexander Bankis in Quoyroga, John Burgh, servant to James Burgh in Midhous, Magnus Houstoun, son of the said Oliver, William Rendall in Coit, Alexander Rendall, his son, Magnus Spens in Crega, James Spens in Hellicloiff, Edmund Irwing, blacksmith, William Malpes, servant to the said Patrick Murray, Captain Thomas Knichtsone of Aith, Matthew Mubray, bailie of Kirkwall, John Bankis, officer there, John Neven and Andrew Gadie, servitors to David Heart of the diocese of St. Andrews, who is notary.

Patrick Stewart, son of James Stewart of Gramesay, in 11½ merk land in Irland in Stennes.

24. At Kirkwall, 15th April, 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 1st April 1618, given by James Menteith of Saltcoitis as bailie, to Patrick Stewart, second lawful son of James Stewart of Gramesay, personally, on a CHARTER by Marion and Elene Irlands, lawful daughters of the deceased Richard Irland, portioner of that Ilk, to the said Patrick, irredeemably, of their eleven mark and half mark land in the toun of Irland, with the pertinents, in parish of Stanehou. The Charter is dated at Claistren and Hill of Cloustoun, 1st April 1618, written by William Fermor, notary public; witnesses, James Menteith of Saltcoittis, John Stewart, brother of the said Patrick, Robert Skaithowie in Daill, and James Skaithowie, his son. The granters sign by aid of David Heart

and William Fermour, notaries. Witnesses to the Sasine are the said John Stewart, Robert and James Skaithowies foresaid, William Moir in Bea in Irland, and James Tait. David Heart is notary, along with William Fermour, notary.

Isobel Grott, widow of James Scollay, son of Edward Scollay of Strynie, in an annualrent of victual from the said Edward's lands of Strynie.

25. At Kirkwall, 5th May 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 28th April 1618, given by John Neven, lawful son of John Neven of Skowisbrugh, as bailie, to Isobel Grott, widow of James Scollay, eldest lawful son of Edward Scollay of Strynie, and now spouse to Malcolm Mowat in Sangar, personally, on a CHARTER by the said Edward Scollay with consent of his wife, Helen Gib, to the said Isobel Grott during their lifetimes of an annualrent of 22 meills good and sufficient victual in Orkney "all weyit upoun the malt pundlar," being 14 meills malt and 8 meills meill yearly out of the said Edward's lands of Strynie, in the isle of Stronsay, upliftable between 1st January and 1st June yearly. The Charter, written by John Neven, servitor to David Heart, writer, is dated at Kirkwall and Ska Nes in Papa Westra 14th February and 25th April 1618; witnesses, Mr. John Gairdin, treasurer, Hercules Brown, servitor to the said Malcolm Mowat, Alexander Stewart of Clet, Robert Stewart, his son, Harie Scollay, son of the said Edward, and John Walter, the granter's servitor. Witnesses to the Sasine are, the said treasurer of Orkney, Thomas Gardin of Legatstoun, his brother, and Malcolm Fea in Strynie. David Heart is notary.

Mr. Harry Aitken, Commissary of Orkney and Shetland, and Elizabeth Turnet, his spouse, in the mill and mill lands of Kirbister in Orphir.

26. At Kirkwall, 11th May 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 9th May 1618, given by Patrick Sandis, commis-

sary clerk of Orkney and Zetland, as bailie, to Mr. Harie Aitkein, commissary of Orkney and Zetland, personally, and to Andrew Smyth, as attorney for Elizabeth Turnet, spouse to the said Mr. Harie, on a CHARTER by Robert Bannatyne, with consent of Barbara Irwing, his spouse, to the said Mr. Harie and his said spouse and their heirs, irredeemably, of his mill of Kirbister and mill lands thereof and their pertinents, in the parish of Orpher, Mainland, bishopric of Orkney and sheriffdom thereof. The Charter, written by Patrick Sandis, servitor to the said Mr. Harie, is dated at Kirkwall 8th May 1618; witnesses, James Dalzell, merchant burgess of Edinburgh, William Watt, merchant in Kirkwall, Andrew Smyth, servitor to the said Mr. Harie, James Kennydie, servitor to the said James Dalzell, and Daniel Kennydie, indweller in Kirkwall. The granter and his wife sign by the aid of Robert Coltart and Robert Scollay, notaries. Witnesses to the Sasine are, William Sinclair of Tolop, Patrick Stewart, lawful son of James Stewart of Grame-say, Jaspert Flet of Howbister, James Robiesone in Sowegro, walker, James Cloustoun, officer in Orpher, and Archibald Dundas, indweller in Kirkwall. Robert Coltart, of the diocese of Glasgow, is notary.

John Drawer, mariner in Kirkwall, in 3 merk udal land of Ramisquoy in Stenness, &c.

27. At Kirkwall, 6th June 1618, is registered a Sasine, dated 3rd June 1618, given by Adam Smyth of Stoiff, as bailie, to David Chalmer, son of the deceased Magnus Chalmer in Seater, as attorney for John Drawer, mariner in Kirkwall, on a CHARTER by John Ramisquoy in Birroun, eldest son of the deceased John of Ramisquoy, to the said John Draver, his heirs and assingees, of his three merk utheall land called Ramisquoy, with the pertinents, in parish of Stanehou, and all other lands to which he has succeeded or lawfully may succeed by the decease of his said father, wherever they lie. The Charter

is written by Harie Moncreiff, and dated at Birroun 2nd May 1617; witnesses, Thomas Maine, merchant in Kirkwall, William Watt, merchant there, and John Quoybanks, mariner there. Henry Moncrieff, notary, helps the granter to sign. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Alexander Loutet, tenant in Ramesquoy, William Fea in Fea in Irland, Thomas Spens, indweller in Irland, and John Leyis, servitor to the bailie. Robert Coltart of the diocese of Glasgow is notary.

Oliver Hourstoun, younger, and Marion Knarstane, his spouse, of $\frac{2}{3}$ merk land in Hourstane in Sandwick.

28. At Kirkwall, 6th June, 1618, is registeerd a Sasine dated 21st May 1618, given by Alexander Hamerclat in Hourstane to Oliver Hourstoun, younger, and Marion Knarstane, his spouse, of his two part of a merk land lying in Hourstane in parish of Sandwick, with the pertinents, in fulfilment and ratification of a DISPOSITION thereof granted by him to the said Oliver Hoirstoun and his spouse, dated at Kirkwall 1st May instant. Witnesses to the Sasine are, John Hourstane, elder, in Hourstane, Robert Hourstane there, and William Linkleter in Vnigar. Robert Scollay of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

James Baikie, merchant in Kirkwall, in 2d. land of Grind in Tolhoip, St. Andrews parish.

29. At Kirkwall, 22nd June 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 20th June 1618, given by John Diksone in Kirkwall, as bailie, to James Baikie, merchant in Kirkwall, on a CHARTER by David King of Warbuster and Mary Stewart, his spouse, to him of their 2d. land of Grind with the pertinents, and the towmells or quoyes of Grind adjacent thereto, lying in Tolhoip in St. Andrews parish, and any right they may have thereto from the deceased Patrick, Earl of Orkney, Lord Zetland, or Alexander Loutit. The Charter, written by James

Jack, notary, is dated at Warbaster in Hoy, 28th May 1618; witnesses, Mr. Andrew Dischingtoun, minister at Hoy, William King, lawful son of the granter, and John Baikie, brother german of the said James Baikie. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Alexander Loutit in Grind, John Petrie in the parish of St. Andrews, and John Spens, butcher ["lanio"] in Kirkwall. James Jack of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Patrick Murray of Garth and Elizabeth Swentoun, his spouse, in the lands and island of Damsay.

30. At Kirkwall, 22nd June 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 12th June 1618, given by Hew Halcro of Aikeris, as bailie, to Patrick Murray of Garth personally and to Oliver Houstoun in Deall as attorney for Elizabeth Swentoun, spouse to the said Patrick, on a CHARTER by Thomas Swintoun, minister, archdean of Orkney, to them of his lands and isle of Damsay, with the pertinents, in parish of Firth. The Charter is written by John Neven, servitor to David Heart, writer, and dated at Kirkwall 11th June 1618; witnesses, Hew Halcro of Aikeris, Oliver Houstoun in Daill, and the said David Heart, writer, and his servitor. (Signed) Thomas Swintoun, minister at Birsay. Witnesses to the Sasine are, William Rendall in Rendall, Oliver Rendall, son of Gilbert Rendall of Brek, Robert Grembuster in Damsay, Thomas Curseter there, and John Neven, the notary's servitor. David Heart of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Renunciations by Edward Stewart of Brugh of the lands of Halcro Hill and Mill of Windweik and others, and by Hew Halcro of Aikers of subjects in Ireland in Stenness parish.

31. At Kirkwall, 23rd June 1618, are registered the Renunciations following, viz. (1) by Edward Stewart of Brughe for his own interest and as having right to the liferent of Marjory Sandilands, his mother, and taking

burden for her and for Adam Gordoun, her spouse, for his interest, and for John Gordoun of Avachie, his brother, as donator to the escheat and liferent of the said Adam, narrating a CONTRACT made between the deceased Henry Halcro of that Ilk, on the one part, and the said Marjory Sandilandis for herself and taking burden for the said Edward and the deceased George and David Stewart, her sons, his brothers, on the other part, whereby the said Henry agreed to pay to her and them 1200 merks and infest them in his lands of Halcro Hill and the Mill of Windweik, the penny land in Sandweik, the halfpenny half farthing land in Leager, his penny land in Graithy and Grimnes Windweik, and their pertinents, for an annualrent of 120 merks to be uplifted by them out of the same; which Contract was dated 6th June 1590, and recorded with a Decreet of the Lords of Council interponed thereto, in the books of Council, 11th June 1594. And seeing that Hew Halcro now of that Ilk, lawful son of the said deceased Henry, has paid a certain sum of money to the said Edward, he for himself and having disposition from his said mother now renounces the said principal sum, annualrent, and lands foresaid. This deed is written by David Heart, writer, and dated at Claistrene 16th June 1618; witnesses, James Stewart of Gramesay, Harie Stewart, fiar of Gramsay, his son and apparent heir, Patrick and John Stewarts, also his sons, and Andrew Murray and Robert Skathowie, his servitors.

(2) By Hew Halcro of Aikeris, eldest lawful son and heir of the deceased William Halcro of Aikeris, narrating a CHARTER by the deceased Richard Irland, portioner of that Ilk, son lawful and one of the heirs portioners of the deceased Gilbert Irland of that Ilk, dated 20th March 1575, setting in wadset to the said deceased William, his father, two merks of land lying under the house of Ireland in the parish of Stanehous, under reversion for £11 Scots; and also a Charter by the said deceased Richard to the said deceased William, dated 16th March

1578, wadsetting seven merks of land in the town of Irland under the "heidhous" of the same, in the said parish, extending in mailling and debt yearly to seven meills coist, under reversion for £80 Scots, with a nineteen years' tack thereof after redemption for payment yearly of 6s. 8d. for each meill; and also a Charter by the same to the same, dated 31st January 1580, of a mark land lying in Cumanes in the said town of Irland, under reversion for £40 Scots; and also a Charter by the same to the same, dated 28th May 1582, wadsetting ten merks of land lying under the house of Irland, redeemable for £152 Scots, with a nineteen years' tack thereof, for yearly payment of 6s. 8d. for each meill of malt and 18d. money for each meill of flesh of the land meals thereof; also a Charter by the same to the same, dated 30th April 1593, of two merks of land under the said house of Irland, redeemable for £80 Scots, with a nineteen years' tack thereof, for payment of 6s. 8d. yearly for each meill of malt and 18d. for each meill of flesh of the land meills of the said two merk land. And Marion and Elene Irland, lawful daughters and heirs of the said deceased Richard Irland, having disposed to Edward Irland in Lyquoy irredeemably the 11½ merk lands in the town of Irland, in which lands all the above portions of land are comprehended, the said Edward made a disposition thereof to Patrick Stewart, lawful son of James Stewart of Gramesay, which the said Marion and Elene Irlands on 1st April last confirmed, with the rights of reversion therein contained; and because the said Patrick Stewart has paid the sums above mentioned to the said Hew Halcro, he hereby renounces in favour of the said Patrick all the lands foresaid and all writs relative thereto. This deed is written by John Neven, servitor to David Heart, writer, and dated at Kirkwall 6th June 1618; witnesses, Harie Stewart, fiar of Gramesay, Thomas Main, merchant in Kirkwall, Oliver Goode, tailor there, John Menteith,

servitor to the said Harie and James Skathowie, servitor to the said Patrick.

(3) By the said Hew Halcro, narrating a CHARTER by the deceased Gilbert Irland, son and one of the lawful heirs of the deceased George Irland, portioner of that Ilk, dated 11th March 1581, wadsetting to the deceased Malcolm Irland, his brother "four merk land and mair gif efter that tyme it sould fall to him," in the town of Irland under the "heid hous" of the same, in the parish of Stanehous, under reversion for £100 Scots; and a Charter by the said Malcolm, dated 11th March 1581, wadsetting to the deceased William Halcro of Aikeris, father of the said Hugh, the same subjects, under reversion as above. And Edward Irland in Lyquoy in South Ronnaldsay, son and heir of the said deceased Gilbert Irland, having on 18th December last disposed irredeemably to Patrick Stewart, lawful son of James Stewart of Gramesay, the six merk land in the town of Irland pertaining to him as heir to his said father and which the said Gilbert succeeded to after the deceased George Irland, his "guidschir," in the parish of Stanehous, which lands are the same with those above narrated as wadset lands; and the said Patrick Stewart having now paid to the said Hew Halcro the said sum of £100 for redemption thereof, the said Hew therefore renounces his right thereto accordingly, with his right also to the males, farms, grassum and other duties thereof due to him since his father's decease in 1593. This deed is written by John Neven, servitor to David Heart, writer, and is dated at Kirkwall 6th June, 1618; witnesses as in the preceding renunciation.

Barbara Scollay, wife of John Grot of Trosnes, in 18d. lands of Trosnes, 24d. land of Elsnæs, and others, in Cross parish,¹ in liferent.

32. At Kirkwall, 1st September 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 11th August 1618, given by James Fea,

¹ These lands are in Lady Parish, Sanday.—A. W. J.

younger, apparent of Claistren, as bailie, to Barbara Scollay, spouse to John Grot of Trosnes, personally, on a CHARTER and LIFERENT DISPOSITION by her said husband to her, in terms of the marriage contract between the said John Grott on the one part and James Scollay of Toftis, Jean Henrysone, his spouse, and the said Barbara, their daughter, on the other part, of the 18d. lands of Trosnes, 24d. land of Elsnes, $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Leisgarth, $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Overbuster, and $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Clett, with the pertinents, lying in the Crose¹ parish in the isle of Sanda; also the 4d. land in Burnes and two towmales of land there, with the pertinents, in the parish of St. Colme in the said isle of Sanda; reserving the said John's franktenement and liferent therein. In the Precept of Sasine, the 3d. land in Howasgarth is added to the above enumeration. The Charter, written by Robert Kaa, notary, is dated at Elsnes, 11th August 1618; witnesses, James Fia in Stove, Malcolm Maxwell, eldest lawful son of James Maxwell of Mariekirk, and William Mitchell, his servitor. Witnesses to the Sasine are James Sklaiter in Bia, Jeremiah Mure in Leisgarth, and William Orrock in Howasgarth. Robert Kae of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Robert Elphinstone of Hammegar, in lands and island of Ethay, &c.

33. At Kirkwall, 7th September 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 21st August 1618, given by Thomas Moncreiff, merchant in Kirkwall, as sheriff in that part, to James Simpstone, domestic servant ("famulus") to Thomas Buchanen in Kirkwall, as attorney for Robert Elphinstoun of Hammegar, on a PRECEPT from CHANCERY, for infefting the said Robert Elphinstoun in the lands and isle of Ethay with manor place and other buildings, and the "howmes" and other pertinents,

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which formerly pertained to William Sinclair of Ethay, and were appraised from him for £2,254 6s. 8d. Scots money, and £111 4s. 4d. of sheriff fee, to the said Robert Elphinstoun in default of moveable goods upon these lands. The Precept is dated at Edinburgh, 20th May 1618. Witnesses to the Sasine (given in the said isle of Ethay upon the Maynes of Greintoft and the fore-said holmes called Stromeholmes of Ethay), are, Stephen Cant, Magnus Coot, John Forsyth, and Magnus Smyth, indwellers in Kirkwall. Henry Moncreiff of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Renunciation by David Ibuster in Kirkwall to Andrew Petirson in Rusland and his spouse, of 4 settings mailling in Nether Brugh, in Harray.

34. At Kirkwall, 7th November 1618, is registered a Renunciation by David Ibuster in Kirkwall, narrating that Andrew Petirsone in Rusland with consent of Helen Ibuster, his spouse, dispoined in wadset to the said David by his CHARTER dated 12th July 1615, their four settins mailling in Nethir Brugh with the pertinents in the parish of Harray, under reversion for £40 Scots and a tack of the same for nine years thereafter; and as they have now paid to him the said sum of £14 (*sic*), he hereby renounces his right to these subjects. The deed is written by Robert Scollay, notary public in Kirkwall, in the writing chamber of David Heart, writer, and dated at Kirkwall 6th November 1618; witnesses, Gilbert Sinclair, eldest lawful son and apparent heir of Edward Sinclair of Essinquoy, John Stensger, lawful son of Oliver Stanisger, cordiner in Kirkwall, William Flet in Bimbuster, James Flett in Howbuster, Andrew Flett in Nethir Brugh, and the said Robert Scollay. David Heart, notary, assists the said David to sign, as he cannot write.

Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, and Janet Swentoun, his spouse, in lands and island of Damsay, teinds thereof, and a tenement in Kirkwall.

35. At Kirkwall, 9th November 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 14th October, 1618, given by Patrick Gardner, indweller in Kirkwall, as bailie, to Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, brother german of Robert Sinclair of Campstane, personally, on a CHARTER by Thomas Swentoun, minister, archdean of Orkney, with consent of Patrick Murray of Wedweek, assignee to the gift of his escheat and liferent, to the said Hew Sinclair and Janet Swentoun his spouse, of the lands and isle of Damsay, with the pertinents in the parish of Firth; with the teinds and teind sheaves thereof, which were never separate from the stock; also with the privilege granted to the said Thomas of pasturing in the commonty of Ranibuster and casting peats in the mosses thereof; also the tenement of land with the yard and taill thereof back and fore, in the Laverok of Kirkwall between the tenement of land pertaining to the heirs of the deceased James Murray on the south, the tenement pertaining to the said Thomas and wadset to the said Hugh, on the north, the common "calsey" on the east, and the sea or land mark called the Oyse of Kirkwall on the west. The Charter is written by Robert Kaa, notary, and dated at Kirkwall 5th October 1618; witnesses, Henry Stevinsoun, merchant in Kirkwall, the said Robert Kaa and Harie Moncreiff, notaries public. Witnesses to the Sasine are, John Prince, merchant in Kirkwall, John Smyth, carpenter there, Magnus Scollay in Corse, Adam Sklaiter of Burnes, George Cloustane, Magnus Smyth and Michael Douglas, indwellers in Kirkwall. Robert Kaa of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Renunciation by Patrick Murray of Garth, and his spouse, to Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, of the lands and island of Damsay.

36. At Kirkwall, 9th November 1618, is registered a Renunciation by Patrick Murray of Gairthe and Elizabeth Swintoun, his spouse, whereby having received from Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, brother german to Robert Sinclair of Campstane, and Janet Swentoun, his spouse, 400 merks, they renounce in favour of the said Hew Sinclair and his spouse the isle and lands of Damesay, with the pertinents, in parish of Firth, which were wadset to them by Thomas Swintoun, minister, archdean of Orkney, for the said amount; delivering up also the CONTRACT made between them and the said Thomas, dated 11th June 1618, and admitting their right to these lands in terms of the Contract between the said Thomas with consent of the renouncer, donator to his escheat, and the said Hew Sinclair and his spouse, dated 5th October 1618. The deed is written by Robert Kaa, notary, and dated at Kirkwall 7th November 1618; witnesses, William Sinclair of Grenwall and the said notary. (Signed) Patrick Murray of Garth; Beatrix Swinentoun.

William Harvie in Sabestoun, in $\frac{3}{4}$ d. land in Sabstoun in Birsay.

37. At Kirkwall, 2nd December 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 1st December 1618, given by Mr. Patrick Inglis, minister, as bailie, to William Harvie in Sabestoun personally, on a CHARTER to him by Mr. Robert Henrysone of Holland of a three farthing land in the town of Sabistoun in parish of Birsay, with the pertinents, irredeemably. The Charter, written by Robert Kaa, notary, is dated at Kirkwall 9th February 1618; witnesses, Mr. Patrick Watterstoun, minister at Orphir, Edward Sinclair of Essinquoy, and Robert Bannatyne, the granter's servitor. Witnesses to the Sasine are, William

Sabistane in Sabistane, Adam Sabistane there, John Harvie, son of the said William, Andrew Sabistane his servitor, and James Smyth, servitor to the said Mr. Patrick Inglis. The notary is David Heart.

Patrick Smyth of Braco, in 36d. land of Sound, and the teinds, in Shapinsay.

38. At Kirkwall, 3rd December 1618, is recorded a Sasine dated 17th November 1618, given by John Draver in Weyland in Schapinscha, as bailie, to Patrick Smyth of Braiko personally, on a CHARTER to him by George, Bishop of Orkney and Zetland, with consent of the provost and chapter of the cathedral kirk of Orkney, of the 36d. land of Sound and teindsheaves thereof, which were never separated from the stock, in the isle of Schapinscha, bishopric and sherifffdom of Orkney, to be held of the granter and his successors, bishops of Orkney, in feufarm. The Charter was written in the writing chamber of David Heart, writer, by Andrew Smyth, brother to the said Patrick Smyth, dated at Kirkwall 14th November 1618, and sealed with the bishop's own seal and the common seal of the chapter; witnesses thereto being, Thomas Buchannen, servitor to the Duke of Lennox, the said David Heart, writer, Andrew Gadie his servitor, Mr. Henry Smyth, and Patrick Grahame, servitors to the Bishop. Signed by the Bishop, and Mr. Daniel Callender, provost of Orkney, Thomas Swintoun, archdean of Orkney, Mr. James Cok, chancellor of Orkney, Mr. Gardin, treasurer, Mr. Patrick Inglis, prebendary of St. John, [a small blank left for others]. Sasine was taken on the ground of the said lands on the south side of the principal house thereof, in presence of James Tulloch of Rothsholme, Magnus Millar in Weyland, William Leg in Musseter, James Irving in Sound, William Yinsta, David Stevinsone there, and Andrew Smyth and Andrew Gadie, foresaid. David Heart is notary.

Renunciation by Robert Sinclair of Campstane, and spouse, to Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, and spouse, of a tenement of land in Kirkwall, and lands and island of Damsay.

39. At Kirkwall, 4th December 1618, is registered a Renunciation by Robert Sinclair of Campstane and Helen Achesoune, spouses, in favour of Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, brother of the said Robert, and Janet Swintoun, his wife, on his presently paying to them the sum of 496 merks, of the tenement of land with yard and tail, WADSET to the said Robert by Thomas Swintoun, minister at Birsay, with consent of John Swintoun, minister at Firth, his eldest son, for 300 merks, which with interest amounts to the above sum. The said tenement lies in Kirkwall in that part of the town called the Laverok, and is bounded by the tenements of land pertaining to the heirs of the deceased James Murray on the south, the tenement sometimes pertaining to Mr. James Annand on the north, the common calsey on the east, and the Oyse or floodmark on the west. Also renunciation is made of the isle and lands of Damesay, with the pertinents, in the parish of Firth, disposed and wadset to them in security of the said tenement. The contract of wadset between them dated 1st and June and . . 1616, and registered in the Commissariot books of Orkney on 15th June 1618, is also delivered; and a BOND by the said Thomas to them dated 1st May 1616 for payment of four meills malt or £4 of money as the price of each meill thereof yearly at Whitsunday during non-redemption of the said tenement, also recorded as above, is now discharged. The said Hew Sinclair and his spouse are declared to have the only good and undoubted right to the foresaid subjects by disposition from the said Thomas Swintoun to them with consent of Patrick Murray of Garth, donator to his escheat and liferent, in terms of their contract dated

5th October instant. This deed, written by Robert Kaa, notary, is dated at Kirkwall and . . . October and . . . 1618; witnesses, David Sinclair of Essinquooy, and James Baikie, merchant in Kirkwall.

Robert Fea, son of James Fea of Claistren, in tow-mells of land called Grindelay and Airay, in Sanday.

40. At Kirkwall, 8th November 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 4th December 1618, given by David Sinclair of Hunto as bailie, to Robert Fea, son lawful of James Fea of Claistren, personally, on a CHARTER and DISPOSITION by Thomas Angussoun, eldest lawful son of the deceased Stevin Angussoun, to him irredeemably of his two towmells of heritable land and houses thereof called Grindelay and a towmell of land called Airay with houses and pertinents, lying in the isle of Sanday, Cross parish thereof, and shire of Orkney, The Charter is dated at Warseter in the said isle, 4th December 1618; witnesses, Walter Sinclair in Towquoy in the isle of Westra, James Fea, brother to the said Robert Fea, David Sinclair of Hammer, and Robert Coltart, notary. Witnesses to the Sasine are, James Harper in Southvoy, James and Andrew Gairayis there, James Scott in Grindillay, and Brandene Scott there. Robert Coltart of the diocese of Glasgow is notary.

John Beaton of Cluik, and Elizabeth Spence, his spouse, in 2d. in Innerstromness, and Quoy of Busquoy in Utterstromness.

41. At Kirkwall, 14th December, 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 10th December 1618, given by John Prince, merchant in Kirkwall, as bailie, to John Beatoun of Cluik, on a CHARTER by Patrick Murray, of Wedweek to him of his 2d. land in Innerstromnes and quoy called Bus-

quoy in Utterstromnes, with the pertinents, in the parish of Stromnes, under reversion. The Charter is written by James Jack, notary public, and dated at Kirkwall, 3rd November 1618; witnesses, William Sinclair of Tolhoip, Oliver Houstoun in Orqueill, and the notary. Sasine being accordingly given to the said John Beatoun, he in consideration of the dutiful subjection and obedience of Elizabeth Spence, his spouse, and her goodwill and behaviour towards him, and in recompense of her conjugal love and for the love and favour carried by him towards her, and for her better provision "to ane honest lyfe" in case she survive him, grants liferent Sasine to her of these subjects now disposed to him in wadset; which she receives personally. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Magnus Beatoun in Pow, William Beatoun in Clouk, John Sinclair, servitor to John Seater, blacksmith in Kirkwall, Patrick Leask, servitor to the said John Beatoun, and the said John Prince, merchant. Robert Kaa is notary.

William Skae, brother to Abel Skae in Houssay in Sanday, in 1½ farthing lands in Houssay and Quhytclett.

42. At Kirkwall, 14th December 1618, is registered a Sasine dated 3rd December 1618, given by Branden Scott in Houssay as bailie, to William Skae, brother to Abell Skae in Houssay in the Isle of Sanday, on a CHARTER of wadset by the said Abell to him of his 1½ farthing land in Houssay and Quhytclett with the pertinents, in the Isle of Sanday, Cross parish thereof, under reversion for £20 Scots, but suspending redemption for nine years. The Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 16th June 1618; witnesses, Captain Thomas Knichtsone of Aith, Gilbert Donnet in Kirkwall, William Henrysoun there, and John Brown, messenger, and John Diksoun. James Jack and Robert Scollay, notaries, sign for the granter,

who cannot write. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Magnus Scott in Ethay, George Cragie, and Hucheon Flescheour in Houssay. Robert Coltart, of the diocese of Glasgow, is notary.

Renunciation by Katherine Angusson, widow of Magnus Papla, burgess of Kirkwall, to James Papla, son of Andrew Papla, of 4 merks land in Sands in Deerness.

43. At Kirkwall, 14th December 1618, is registered a Renunciation by Katharine Angusoune, widow of Magnus Papla, burgess of Kirkwall, acknowledging to have received from James Papla, eldest lawful son and heir of the deceased Andrew Papla, the sum of £105 Scots, and therefore renouncing her right to four merks of land lying in the town of Sandis in Deernes which were WADSET by the said deceased Andrew Papla to her said deceased husband for £23 16s. od. Scots money, and such byrun maills as might be due at the time of the redemption thereof; and delivering herewith both the Charter of wadset foresaid and the ratification thereof by the said James Papla; and discharging all execution for the byrun duties, especially a decret obtained before the Sheriff-depute of Orkney against the said James and others dated 1st December 1604. This deed is written by Robert Kae, notary, and dated at Kirkwall 2nd November 1618; witnesses, David Papla, her eldest lawful son, Alexander Papla in Kirkwall, Thomas Nicolsone, servitor to the said David, John Cursetter in Kirkwall, and Robert Kaa and Robert Scollay, notaries, who also assist her to sign. Signed by the witnesses, but in place of John Cursetter it is John Quoybanks, witness.

*Katherine Leask, wife of James Papla in Kirkwall.
and Hew Papla, his son, in $\frac{1}{4}$ d. land in Deldall,
and 5 merk land in Sands in Deerness.*

44. At Kirkwall, 24th December 1618, is registered a Sasine dated at Deldall and Sandis in Deernes, 21st December 1618, given by Magnus Smyth as bailie, to Katharine Leask, spouse to James Papla in Kirkwall, and Hew Papla, his son and apparent heir, on a LIFERENT DISPOSITION by her said spouse to her, and to the said Hew in fee, of his one farthing land in the town of Deldall, with five merk land in the town of Sandis, in the parish of Deernes, held of the superior for payment of the customary scatt, and reserving the granter's own liferent; and also under reversion to the said Hew "of ane half merk stik ¹ usuall money of Scotland" whenever the said James desires to redeem the same. William Fermour, notary, writes the Charter, which is dated at Hurteso in Holme, 20th December 1618; witnesses, Magnus Em, Magnus Maill and Nicoll Potinger. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Thomas Garioche in Holme, John Maill in Deldall, and Nicoll Deldall. William Fermour, of the diocese of St. Andrews, is notary.

Andrew Flett in Nether Brugh in Harray, in a farthing land in Nether Brugh.

45. At Kirkwall, 25th December 1618, is registered a Sasine dated at Nethir Brugh in Harray 17th November 1618, given by Magnus Flet in Neather Brugh in Harray as bailie, to Andrew Flet there, personally on a CHARTER by Andrew Patersone in Rusland and Helen Ibister (*sic*) his spouse, to him and his heirs, irredeemably, of a farthing land in Nethir Brughe to which the said Andrew Paterson succeeded as heir to the deceased John Patersoun in Rusland, his father, lying in the parish of Harray; for which as narrated in the disposition thereof dated

¹ Stik, piece.

6th November 1618 a certain sum has been paid; to be held of the granter for yearly payment to the Crown of the usual scat duties and to him of 1d. Scots yearly at Whitsunday in name of blench farm if required. The Charter was written by Robert Scollay, notary in Kirkwall, in the writing chamber of David Heart, and dated at Kirkwall 6th November 1618; witnesses, Gilbert Sinclair apparent of Essinquoy, Patrick Waus, merchant in Kirkwall, John Stensger, son of Oliver Stensger, cordiner there; signed by Andrew Petirsoun and Helen Isbister touching the pen led by David Heart and Robert Scollay, notaries. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Patrick Flett, Alexander Flett in Forsa, Andrew Petersoun and Nicoll Lenay. William Fermour of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

John Grott Finlasoun, portioner of Dungasbie, and Christian Manson, his spouse, and Donald, their son, in $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land of Gossagarth in Thuragar in South Ronaldsay.

46. At Kirkwall, 6th February 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 4th February 1619, given by Duncan Cromartie in Gossagarthe as bailie, to John Grott Finlasoun, portioner of Dungasbie, personally, and to Edward Irland of Lyquoy, as attorney for Christian Mansoun, spouse to the said John, and Donald Grott, their eldest son, on a CHARTER and disposition by Archibald Dundas in Kirkwall to the said John Grott and his spouse in conjunct fee and liferent and to their son, Donald, and his heirs heritably of his halfpenny land of Gossagarth in Thuragar in the Isle of South Ronnaldsay, south parish thereof, and of a half barrel butter mailling in Costa in the parish of Ewie in warrandice of the same. The Charter was written by James Jack, notary and subscribed at Kirkwall 7th November 1618; witnesses, Nicoll Garrioche in Kirkwall, David Cromartie of New-

bigging, John Cromartie of Caray, Gilbert Dunnet in Kirkwall, Archibald Dundas, son of the granter, and others. James Jack and Henry Moncreiff attest the deed, because the granter cannot write. Sasine was taken upon that part and "schedd" of the said lands called Toftis and at the principal messuage thereof called . . . ; witnesses, James Nicoll, son of Thomas Nicoll in Thurso, Donald Grot Williamsoun, John Cwpar, Allester Manssoun, James and Donald Stevens, indwellers in Dungasbie, James Harper *alias* Laird in Thurigo, and William . . . servant to William Purdie, of the diocese of Glasgow, who is notary.

James Deldall, merchant in Kirkwall, and Agnes Gude, his spouse, in a tenement of land there.

47. At Kirkwall, 9th February 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 8th February 1619, given by John Sinclair, merchant indweller in Kirkwall, as bailie, to James Deldall, merchant indweller in Kirkwall, and Agnes Gude, his spouse, personally, on a CHARTER by Patrick Murray of Garthe to them and their heirs and the heirs of the said James, of his tenement of land back and fore, under and above, with houses built or to be built thereupon, yard, taill and pertinents, lying in the Midtoun of Kirkwall, having the yard presently possessed by Peter Tailyour on the south, the Oyse of Kirkwall on the west, the tenement pertaining to the deceased John Sinclair, skipper, on the north, and the "comoun calsey" of Kirkwall on the east. James Jack, notary, writes the Charter, which is dated at Kirkwall 2nd July 1618; witnesses, William Watt, merchant in Kirkwall, and Peter Tailyeour there. Sasine was taken on the ground of the said tenement of land within the close thereof; witnesses, John Symonsoun, indweller in Kirkwall, Oliver Stensgar, cordiner there, John Stensgar, his son, and Andrew Gadie, servitor to David Heart, who is notary.

Margaret Stewart, wife of Hew Halcro of Aikers, in 9d. land of Tensta, 1½d. land in Aithstoun, and 4d. land in Housgarr, in Sandwick parish, in life-rent.

48. At Kirkwall, 18th February 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 17th February 1619, given by Hew Halcro of Aikeris to Henry Linkleter in Housgar as attorney for Margaret Stewart, spouse to the said Hew, of his 9d. land of Tensta, 1½d. land in Aithstoun, and 4d. land in Housgarr, with the pertinents, all in the parish of Sand-week, in liferent, and that for the love and favour which he bears to his said spouse, and conform to a CHARTER to be made thereof by him in her favour. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Oliver Sabistoun in Aithstoun, William and Thomas Stokinis there, Andrew Gorne there, William Spens in Skarratang in Tensta, Magnus Halkland in the town of Tensta, Hew, Magnus, and Henry Sinclars there, Alexander, Thomas, and John Moris, servitors to the said Henry Linkleter, Oliver Rendall, servitor to the said Hew Halcro, and Andrew Gadie, servitor to David Heart, who is notary.

Andrew Linkleter of that Ilk, in a quoy in Linkleter in Sandwick, &c.

49. At Kirkwall, 18th February 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 17 February 1619, given by Hew Halcro of Aikeris as bailie, to Andrew Linkleter of that Ilk, on a CHARTER by William Moir in Coinyner in Harray to him irredeemably of his quoy and plank of land adjacent thereto in the town of Linkleter on the west side of his cornyard there and "out fredome" thereof, striking north therefrom, with the houses and pertinents thereof sometime pertaining to the deceased Katherine Linkleter, "gudame" to the said William, and thereafter to the deceased Robert Moir, his father, and the deceased John Moir, his father's brother, and now pertaining to him,

lying in the parish of Sandweek. David Heart, notary, who also signs for the granter, writes the Charter, which is dated at Kirkwall, 30th January 1619; witnesses, Patrick Sandis, servitor to Mr. Harie Aitkin, Commissary of Orkney, David Kirknes, cordiner in Kirkwall, and Andrew Gadie, servitor to the said notary. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Henry Linkleter in Housgarr, Alexander Linkleter, son of the said Andrew, William Brass his servitor, Oliver Rendall, servitor to the said Hew Halcro, and the said Andrew Gadie, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Nicol Deldall in Deldall, in Deerness parish, in a farthing land there.

50. At Kirkwall, 25th February 1619, is registered a Sasine dated at the house of Deldall in the parish of Deernes, 23rd February 1619, given by John Maill, as bailie, to Nicoll Deldall dwelling there, on a CHARTER by Katharine Garrioche, his mother, to him and his heirs of her heritable farthing land, with the pertinents, lying in the town of Deldall, in the parish of Deernes, purchased by him from her. William Fermour, notary, writes the Charter, which is dated at the said house of Deldell 23rd February 1619; witnesses, John Maill in Voy (*sic*) and John Fermour, son of the said William Fermour. The said Katharine signs by the aid of the notary, as she cannot write. Also the said Nicoll with consent of his said mother gave to his spouse, Marion Papla, liferent Sasine of the said lands, before the said John Maill, William Voy (*sic*), and John Fermour. The said William Fermour, of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

David Heart, writer, in a merk land in the town of Clouston in the parish of Stenness.

51. At Kirkwall, 25th February 1619, is registered a Sasine dated at Cloustoun in the parish of Stanehouse, 18th February 1619, given by James Menteith of Saltcoitis, as bailie, to Robert Skathewie, servitor to James Stewart of Gramesay, as attorney for David Heart, writer, on a CHARTER and DISPOSITION by William Gorne, indweller in Kirkwall, son and heir of the deceased Magnus Gorne in Gorne in Harray, to the said David Heart irredeemably of his one merk udal land lying in the town of Cloustoun, parish of Stenhouse; which Charter, written by John Neven, servitor to the said David, is dated at Kirkwall 26th June 1618, witnesses being William Covintrie, baker, David Kirknes, cordiner, William Watt, merchant, and John Baikin, indwellers in Kirkwall. The granter, being unable to write, signs by the hands of Robert Kaa and James Jack, notaries. Witnesses to the Sasine are George Henrie, Robert Bullok and Henry Scharp. William Fermour, clerk of the diocese of St. Andrews, is notary.

Jerome Linkleter in Scabra, and spouse, in one and a half farthing land in Linkleter in Scabra, in the parish of Sandwick.

52. At Kirkwall, 31st March 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 28th February 1619, given by Andrew Linkleter in Swartland, as bailie, to Jerome Linkleter in Scabra and Bessie Matches his spouse, on a CHARTER of SALE by Alexander Linkleter in Feaquoy in Stromness, brother to the said Jerome, in favour of the said Jerome and his spouse and their heirs, whom failing, the heirs whomsoever of the said Jerome, of his one and a half farthing udal land in Linkleter in Scabra possessed by him as heir to the deceased William Linkleter, his father,

with the pertinents, presently occupied by the said Jerome and his spouse, lying in the parish of Sandweek. The Charter is written by David Heart, writer, who signs for the granter as he cannot write, and is dated at Kirkwall, 25th March 1619, witnesses being John Hourstane, elder, portioner of that ilk, David Kirknes, cordiner, indweller in Kirkwall, Magnus Tailyeour, lawful son of Peter Tailyeour, merchant there, Andrew Flett in Netherbrugh in Harray, Magnus Flett in Uttertoun of Stromnes, and Andrew Gadie, servitor to the said David Heart. Witnesses to the Sasine are John Linkleter in Swatland, Andrew Linkleter in Walla, Magnus Flet his servitor, and James Smyth, servitor to David Heart, of the diocese of St. Andrews, who is notary.

Adam Smyth of Stove, in a tenement of land in Kirkwall.

53. At Kirkwall, 31st March 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 29th March 1619, given by Robert Elphinstoun of Hammegar, as bailie, to Andrew Smyth, brother of Patrick Smythe of Braco, as procurator for Adam Smyth of Stove, on a CHARTER OF SALE by John Draver, mariner in Kirkwall, and Margaret Tyrie his spouse, to the said Adam Smyth and his heirs and assignees, irredeemably, of their tenement of land and houses back and fore, under and above, with the yard, tail, waste ground and pertinents thereof, lying at the shore of Kirkwall and presently occupied by them, between the lands called Cursetter's lands on the south, the King's common passage on the north and east, and the waste ground of the Innis on the west. The Charter, which is written by David Heart, writer, is dated at Kirkwall, 24th March 1619, witnesses being Alexander Paplay, Patrick Gairdner, Alexander Baxter, and Gilbert Donnet, all indwellers in Kirkwall. The granters sign by the aid of David Heart and Henry Moncreiff, notaries, as they are unable to

write. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Thomas Auchinlek, Alexander Papla, and John Diksoune, indwellers in Kirkwall, and Andrew Gadie, servitor to the notary, who is the said David Heart.

Adam Smyth of Stove, in 3½d. and a half merk land in Utter Stromness.

54. At Kirkwall, 31st March 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 2nd March 1619, given to John Beatoun of Clouk in name of Adam Smyth of Stove, of the three penny halfpenny and a half merk udal land of the town and lands of Utter Stromnes, with the pertinents, lying under the house of Stove, in the parish of Stromnes; upon a CHARTER OF FEUFARM thereof to him by George, Bishop of Orkney and Shetland, with consent of the provost and chapter of the Cathedral kirk of Orkney, and holding of the said Bishop and his successors, dated at Kirkwall 25th February 1619, written in the writing chamber of David Heart, writer, by Andrew Smyth, brother to Patrick Smyth of Braco, and sealed with the Bishop's seal and the chapter seal in presence of Patrick Grahame, Mr. Henry Smythe, and Andrew Smyth, servitors to the granter, John Buchannen, servitor to his Majesty, Thomas Buchannen his brother and the said David Heart, as witnesses. There follow the signatures of the Bishop, Mr. Daniel Callender, provost of Orkney, Thomas Swentoun, archdean of Orkney, Mr. J. Gardin, treasurer of Orkney, and the witnesses. The Charter contains precept directed to Jerome Tulloche of Quhome, who gives Sasine upon the ground of the said lands, beside the house of Stove; witnesses, Magnus Gray in Daill, William Leask in Crega, James Beatoun, indweller in Stove, Daniel Beatoun his brother, and James Smyth, son of Robert Smyth in Kirkwall. David Heart is notary.

Adam Smyth of Stove, in the three merk land of Rammisquoy, in parish of Stenness.

55. At Kirkwall, 31st March 1619, is registered a Sasine dated this day, given by James Menteithe of Saltcoitis, as bailie, to John Menteithe, servitor to Harie Stewart, apparent of Gramesay, in name of Adam Smythe of Stove, on a CHARTER by John Draver, mariner, indweller in Kirkwall, to him irredeemably of his three merk udal land called Rammisquoy with the pertinents, in parish of Stanehou; which Charter, written by Gilbert Donnet, indweller in Kirkwall, is dated there, 24th March 1619, witnesses being Alexander Papla, Patrick Gardner, Alexander Baxter, indwellers in Kirkwall, and the said Gilbert Donnet. David Heart and Henry Moncreiff, notaries, attest the deed for the granter, who cannot write. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Harie Stewart fiar of Gramesay, John Stewart his brother, James Tait, his servitor, and James Smythe, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

John Buchanan, his Majesty's servitor, and spouse, in the 36d. land of Sound, in Shapinsey.

56. At Kirkwall, 21st April 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 20th April 1619, given by Bernard Stewart, brother german to John Stewart of Barscuib, as bailie, to John Buchanan, servitor to his Majesty, and Margaret Heartsyd his spouse, personally on a CHARTER by George, Bishop of Orkney and Zetland, to them and their heirs of the 36d. land of Sound, and the towmeds thereof, and teindsheaves never in use to be separated from the stock, with houses, and all pertinents, in the Isle of Shapinshaw, holding in feufarm of the said Bishop and his successors. The Charter was written in the writing chamber of David Heart, writer, by Andrew Smythe, the Bishop's servitor, and dated at Kirkwall, 4th January 1619, witnesses being Patrick Smyth of Bracco, Andrew

Smyth his brother, Mr. Henry Smyth and Patrick Graham, servitors to the granter. Besides the Bishop there sign also Mr. Daniel Callender, provost of Orkney Mr. Patrick Waterstoun, chantor of Orkney, Mr. Patrick Inglis, prebendary of St. John, Mr. J. Gardin, treasurer, Thomas Swintoun, archdean of Orkney; and the bishop's seal and common seal of the chapter are appended. Sasine is taken on the said lands "on the south syid of the principall hous therof," in presence of John Lundie, son of the deceased Paul Lundie, citizen of St. Andrews, David Stevensone, in . John Weik, servitor to the said John Buchannen, and Gilbert Donnet, indweller in Kirkwall. David Heart is notary.

Renunciation by Harry Stevenson, merchant in Kirkwall, and spouse, to John Hourstane in that Ilk, of a one and a half farthing land in Hourstane, in Sandwick parish.

57. At Kirkwall, 21st April 1619, is registered a RENUNCIATION and DISCHARGE by Harie Stewinsoun merchant indweller in Kirkwall, with consent of Marjory Sinclair his spouse, narrating that Gilbert Donnet, indweller in Kirkwall, with consent of Margaret Hourstane his spouse, disponed to him and his wife a farthing and half farthing land, with houses and pertinents, lying in the town of Hourstane in the parish of Sandweek, which Charter is dated 15th July last. Gilbert Donnet obtained a Decreet of removing on 21st January last before George, Bishop of Orkney, and his deputes, against John Hourstane in that Ilk, occupier of the lands, and assigned this decreet to the said Harie Stevenson on 12th February last, with power to put the same to execution. But after due trial and prosecution of the matter the said Harie Stevenson finds most clearly by evidents and writs produced before him that these lands really pertain to the said John Hourstane and his predecessors,

and that the said Gilbert Donnet and his authors, and himself as having right from him, had no title or claim thereupon ; and the said Harie Stevenson and John Hourstane having submitted to the arbitration of the said George, Bishop of Orkney, therein, he finds in his decreet arbitral acording to the above. And the said Harie Stevenson considering also that the foresaid decreet of removing "wes gevin for null defence and nocht conpirance upoun the first citatioun, the said Johne being ane pure ignorant and nocht knowing that he suld have compirit upoun the said citatioun bot that it haid bene sufficient for him to have compirit upoun a secund sumounds according to the custume heirtofoir observit within this cuntrey," therefore and for other good causes "and speciallie being twitched and moved in conscience heirto," he resigns and renounces the said one farthing and half farthing land in favour of the said John Hourstane, with the Charter and Decreet of removing before mentioned, and Sasine taken thereon, and the foresaid assignation, all to be destroyed and cancelled, or kept by the said John Hourstane as his own proper writs. He consents to the registration of this Renunciation in the Books of Council, Sheriff or Commissary books of Orkney ; and subscribes the same, written by David Heart, writer, at Kirkwall 26th March 1619, in presence of the said George, Bishop of Orkney, Mr. Henry and Andrew Smyths his servitors, Patrick Jonstoun, merchant, Magnus Hardie, David Kirknes, cordiners, indwellers in Kirkwall, the said David Heart and Andrew Gadie his servitor. His wife, Marjory Sinclair, being unable to write, signs by the hand of David Heart, the notary.

Hay and Robert Germestoun, brothers, in a farthing land in Germestoun, in the parish of Stenness.

58. At Kirkwall, 22nd April 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 24th March 1619, given by Robert Bankis

in Germestoun, as bailie, to Hay and Robert Germestounes, brothers german, on a CHARTER by James Hay *alias* Germestoun, lawful son of the deceased David Hay *alias* Germestoun, to them of his one farthing land in Germestoun, presently occupied by James Jonstoun in Germestoun by right of the deceased William Halcro, lying in the parish of Stanehou; which Charter, dated at Kirkwall 17th March 1619, is attested by Arthur Sinclair in Kirkwall, Thomas Moncreiff, merchant there, and Allester Lyme braibner. Witnesses to the Sasine are, James Robertsoune in Germestoun, Malcolm and Robert Jamesounes, lawful sons of the said James Robertson, and others. James Jack, clerk of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Magnus Peebles, son of William Peebles in Beaquoy, in a half merk land there, in Birsay.

59. At Kirkwall, 12th June 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 3rd June 1619, given by William Peiblis in Beaquoy and Katherine Spence, his spouse, personally to Magnus Peiblis, their lawful son, for the love and favour which they bear to him and for some sums of money advanced by him to them, of their heritable half merk udal land, with the pertinents, extending to a half meills mailling of yearly rent, lying in the town of Beaquoy, parish of Birsay. Witnesses to the Sasine are, James Walzeane, portioner and indweller in Beaquoy, Andrew Corrigile his servant, and John Sampsoun in Biaquoy. Robert Kaa of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

Andrew Harvie, and spouse, in the lands of Sabustane in Birsay.

60. At Kirkwall, 12th June 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 8th June 1619, given by Magnus Linkleter, as bailie, to Andrew Linkleter in that ilk, as attorney

for Andrew Harvie and Agnes Linkleter, his spouse, on a CHARTER (written upon paper) by William Hardie (*sic*), father of the said Andrew, to the said Andrew and the said Agnes, then his future spouse, and their heirs of his lands of Sabustane of whatsoever nature or mailling these may be, with houses and pertinents, in the parish of Birsay, to be held for payment of the same duty as the said William himself paid (reserving in the meantime the granter's liferent only); which Charter is dated at Kirkwall 13th January 1616, in presence of John Diksoun in Kirkwall, John Johnstoun, cordiner there, and Allester Lyme, brabner. The granter signs by the hand of James Jack, notary, as he cannot write. Witnesses to the Sasine are Henry Linkleter in Housgarth, Archibald Rendall in Warth, and Andrew Brass there. James Jack of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Magnus Sinclair in Gorne, and spouse, of a 2d. land in Burweek, and others, in Sandwick Be-South parish.

61. At Kirkwall, 26th June 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 22nd June 1619, given by William Irwing, apparent of Saba, with his own hands, to Magnus Sinclair in Gorn and Marjory Irwing, his spouse, and their heirs, of a two penny land in Burweek, with pertinents, pertaining before to the said Magnus by the right and disposition of the deceased William Irwing, elder of Saba; a quoy called Quoy Newgar adjacent to Cumlay (*sic*); and a merk land in Hendirtoun in Zeskenabie, with pertinents, in parish of Sandweek besouth, in terms of his CHARTER thereof to them, dated at Kirkwall 21st June instant. Witnesses to the Sasine are Hew Spence in Crowalie in South Sandweek, Andrew Quhyt, doctor of the bairnis in Sandweek, William Cragie in Weitquoy, and Magnus Subistane in Fea of Newgarr. James Jack of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Hucheon Ingsetter in Orakirk, and his spouse and son, in 1½ merk land in South Claistren, in Orphir.

62. At Kirkwall, 26th June 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 11th June 1619, given by Edward Ingsetter of Leagar personally, in terms of a CHARTER by him of this date, to Hucheon Ingsetter in Orakirk and Isobel Cromartie, his spouse in conjunct fee and liferent, and to Magnus Ingsetter, their eldest lawful son and apparent heir, and the lawful heirs of his body, heritably, whom failing, to return to the said Edward and his heirs and assignees whomsoever, of his one merk land and half merk land in South Claistren, with a setting land victual rent and another setting flesh rent called Gadies land there, with houses and pertinents, in the parish of Orphir. Witnesses to the Sasine are John Smyth in Grimnes in South Ronaldsay, Magnus Huchesoun in Buxa in Claistren, and Magnus Sinclair in Orakirk. James Jack of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Magnus Sinclair in Gorne to Marjory Irvine, his spouse, in four meills mailling in Haulkland, in Sandwick parish.

63. At Kirkwall, 26th June 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 22nd June 1619, given by Magnus Sinclair in Gorne to Marjory Irwing, his spouse, for the love and affection he bears to her, in the four meills mailling pertaining to him in Haulkland, with houses and pertinents, in the parish of Sandweek, in liferent. She receives the same in the person of William Irwing, apparent of Saba, her attorney; and witnesses thereto are Hugh Spence in Crowall, Andrew Quhyte in Sandweek, Jerome Kirknes in Kirknes, and John Linkleter *alias* Brass in Halkland. And the said Magnus declares that this Sasine taken upon these lands shall be as valid and sufficient a liferent Sasine to the said Marjory of his heritable ten settings

mailling in Grainie, in parish of Birsay, as if particular Sasine were given thereof, notwithstanding the distance of the place. James Jack is notary.

Same to same, in $1\frac{1}{2}$ merk land in Burwick, in Sandwick parish.

64. At Kirkwall, 26th June 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 23rd June 1619, given by the said Magnus Sinclair to the said William Irwing as attorney foresaid, in life-rent of a penny land and one merk half merk land and a cow's worth in Burrewek, parish of Sandweek, heritably pertaining to him and not contained in her infeftment the day preceding; witnesses to the Sasine being William Spens in Skarratang, Andrew Quhyt and John Irwing in Lie, all in Sandweek. James Jack is notary.

John Irvine, son of James Irvine in Over Garsetter, in a $2\frac{1}{2}$ land in Over Garsetter, in Sandwick parish.

65. At Kirkwall 29th June 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 23rd June 1619, given by Robert Sinclair in Skaill, as bailie, to John Irwing, eldest lawful son of the deceased James Irwing in Ovir Garsetter, on a CHARTER OF FEUFARM granted to him and Annas Ridland his spouse, and their heirs, by George, Bishop of Orkney, of a two penny half penny land in Ovir Gersettir, sometime occupied by the said deceased James, lying in the parish of Sandweek. The Charter, written by Patrick Sandis, servitor to Mr. Harry Aitkin, commissary of Orkney and Zetland, is dated "at our place of the Yairdis in Kirkwall" 10th June 1619, being signed by the Bishop in presence of Patrick Grahame, Mr. Harie Aitkin, commissary foresaid, Mr. Henry and Andrew Smythis, the granter's servitors, Robert Coltart, notary, and the said Patrick Sandis, and Gilbert Donnet, officer. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Magnus Stewart in Hestwall,

Magnus Smyth in Sorruell (*sic*), Andrew Sticklar in Northdyck, and Magnus Irwing in Over Garsetter, all in Sandweek. James Jack is notary.

Magnus Irvine of Over Garsetter, in the 7½d. land of Over Garsetter, in Sandwick parish.

66. At Kirkwall, 29th June 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 7th June 1619, given by Henry Linkleter in Housgarr, as bailie, to Magnus Irwing of Ovir Garsettir, personally on a PRECEPT OF CLARE CONSTAT granted by George, Bishop of Orkney and Zetland, to him as nearest and lawful oy (grandson) and heir to the deceased John Irwing of Ovir Garsettir, who obtained a feu charter on 11th May 1590 from the deceased Robert, Earl of Orkney, Lord Zetland, of the 7½d. land of Ovir Garsettir, with the pertinents, in parish of Sandweek, and an instrument of Sasine thereof signed by Thomas Auchinlek, notary public, dated 21st May thereafter, both of which documents are produced in presence of the said Bishop. The said Magnus Irwing is of lawful age, and these lands are now holden of the Bishop and his successors for yearly payment of a barrel of butter, two meills cost, two meills flesh, a quarter fathom of peats, 7s. 6d. scatt silver, and 18 poultry fowls, conform to the rental, with six poultry fowl in augmentation thereof, and the customary services, and giving suit yearly at the Bishop's courts and those of his successors; paying also a barrel of butter in the first year of the entry of each heir to the lands; and if the said feuduty and augmentation run into the third term unpaid, this infeftment shall be nullified. The Precept is written by Patrick Sandis, servitor to Mr. Harie Aitkin, commissary of Orkney and Zetland, and signed by the Bishop at his palace of the Yairdis in Kirkwall, 5th June 1619; witnesses, the said commissary, Mr. Henry Smyth and Andrew Smyth, servitors to the Bishop, and the said

Patrick Sandis, and Robert Coltart, notary public. Sasine was taken in the yaird of Ovir Garsettir, in presence of Andrew Rolland in Nether Gairsant, John Kiknes in Housgair, John Irwing in Lie, Andrew Sticklar in Northdyck, William Irwing in Skitbrek, and Thomas Irwing in Ovirgarsettir. Mr. Henry Aitkin of the diocese of Dunblane is notary.

Arthur Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, and spouse, in the 8d. land of Burgar, in Evie parish, and an annual rent therefrom.

67 & 68. At Kirkwall, 13th July 1619, are registered two Sasines dated 8th July 1619, given by William Colwill of Midhous, as bailie, to Arthur Sinclair, merchant, in Kirkwall, personally, and to William Spence, merchant there, as attorney for Marion Tulloche, spouse to the said Arthur Sinclair, on two CHARTERS to them by Adam Bellenden of Stanehou, (1) of an annualrent of 24 meills malt "sufficient stuff and weght on ane Orkney sealed malt pundler," upliftable yearly between Yule and Pasch out of the lands of Burgare, in parish of Evie, beginning the first year's payment in 1618 bypast, and holding free blench, the sum of £5 Scots being set as the equivalent of each meill of the said malt unpaid at the said terms, and all under reversion. This Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 12th June 1618, and attested by William Watt, merchant in Kirkwall, John Diksone there, William Hannay, servitor to the granter, James Jack, notary, writer of the deed, Thomas Swentoun, minister at Birsay and Harray, and Thomas Main, merchant in Kirkwall. (2) Of the 8d. land in Burgare, with houses and pertinents, in the parish of Evie; this Charter being written by Robert Kaa, notary, and dated at Kirkwall 29th June 1619; witnesses, William Hannay, servitor to the granter, Robert Broun in How in Sanday, and the said Robert Kae. Witnesses to both Sasines are, Robert and John

Robertsons, in Burgare, Henry Yorstane in Kirkwall, and Magnus Irwing, servitor to Patrick Murray of Woid-week. Robert Kae of the diocese of St. Andrews is notary.

James Corrigall, portioner of that Ilk, in a piece of land in the town of Redland, parish of Firth.

69. At Kirkwall, 14th July 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 10th July 1619, given by Hutcheon Flet in Horral-say to James Corrigall, portioner of that Ilk, indweller in Coitaskarthe, both personally, in terms of his DISPOSITION to the said James and his heirs of the one merk and one half cow's worth of land lying under the Newbigging in the town of Redland, in the parish of Firth, with houses and pertinents, and of this date. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Magnus Howrie, indweller in Redland, Andrew Flett there, Cristie Burweek there, and John Flett there. Robert Scollay of the diocese of Orkney is notary.

Contract between Robert Menteith of Egilsey, and others, and William Colville, of Midhous, and others, about the lands and isle of Egilsey.

70. At Kirkwall, 14th July 1619, is registered a CONTRACT (with Renunciation therein) dated at Edinburgh 4th June 1619, made between Robert Menteithe of Egilschaw, for himself and taking burden for Edward Alexander, indweller in Knairstane in the Isle of Rowsay in Orkney, and also for all his tenants indwellers in the Isle of Egilschaw, on the one part, and William Colwill of Midhous, for himself and taking burden for Katherine Douglas, his mother, and John and James Colwill, his brothers german, and all his other brothers and sisters, the sons and daughters of the said Katherine Douglas, and for the husbands and spouses of so many of her said daughters as are already married, and also taking burden for Mr. Robert Henrysoun of Holland, which

persons, viz. his mother, two brothers named, and the said Mr. Robert Henrysoun, and they alone, he is to cause subscribe this contract, and James Colwill of Balbedie, cautioner for the said William Colwill, on the other part, whereby the said parties taking burden as above ratify a former Contract made at Edinburgh and Kirkwall, 22nd June and 3rd November 1616, between them in all points except where hereafter altered or discharged. On 16th July 1618 the said William Colwill of Midhous raised a process of apprising against the said Robert Menteith, Hew Halcro of that Ilk, Hew Halcro of Aikeris, Thomas Swintoun, minister at Birsay, and Edward Stewart of Brughe, whereby there was apprised in his favour the ground right and property of the lands and isle of Egilschaw extending to an 18d. land, with the holm called Kiddieholme (*sic*) and the mill, mill-lands, multures, &c. thereof, with the office of bailiary thereof, and the teindsheaves, all in the parish of Rowsay, for payment to the said William Colwill of the sum of 4115 merks of principal due by the said Robert Menteith for himself and as cautioner for the said persons mentioned in the process, and for the sum of 205 merks and 10 shillings of sheriff fee; and thereupon he obtained a Charter under the Great Seal, of these lands, but has not yet taken Sasine. Wherefore, and for the sums of money above written and the due interest thereon now paid to him by the said Robert Menteith, the said William Colvill renounces and discharges the foresaid process of apprising and the Charter granted to him of the said lands and isle in favour of the said Robert Menteith, reserving right to the latter to proceed against the other persons foresaid for whom he was cautioner for their proportion of the debt. Likewise the said William Colvill acknowledges himself satisfied of certain bonds which had been granted by the said Robert Menteith, both as principal and cautioner aforesaid, in his favour and which were assigned by the said William

to Mr. Robert Henrysoun of Holland, who raised letters against the said Robert Menteithe for payment, but for whom the said William Colvill now takes burden. And by another CONTRACT dated at Kirkwall, 5th December 1616, made between the said Robert Menteith and William Colvill, the former set in tack to the said William the half of the town and lands of Kirbuster in Egilschaw, with the houses and pertinents, and also set in labouring to the said William, as grieve to him, the other half thereof for the crop and year 1617, on payment of the duties, etc., contained in the said Contract, and under a condition that the said William would remove within a certain time now past; yet he has not removed, but has sown these lands in this year 1619. Now, however, he renounces the said tacks and promises to remove from the lands, ceasing to pasture his cattle thereon and taking away his stuff by the 26th of June instant; "lykeas for transporting of the said William Colwills hail horses, meiris, ky, oxin, guidis, geir and plenisching pertaining to him as yit extant within the said Ile of Egilschaw and houses thair of, it is aggreit upoun betuixt the saidis pairties that said William Collwill sall furnesche boittis, and the said Robert Menteith sall furnesche serwands, for carreing and transporting of the samen furth of the said Ile, and sall put the said Williams horses, meiris, ky and oxin to the schoir of Aikernes, and the said Williames scheip with his uther geir and plenisching to the schoir of Midhous," there to be dealt with at the said William's pleasure; and the said William is to bear the hazard of transporting the said substance by the sea. If any difference arises between parties as to the ownership of the actual goods and plenishing taken away, all is referred to the arbitration and inspection of Patrick Smyth of Braiko, or, if he is absent from Orkney, George, Bishop of Orkney, so that no more than the said William's rightful property may be transported. Failing the said William's furnishing of boats and trans-

porting these goods by the day above fixed, it shall be lawful to the said Robert Menteith immediately thereafter to cause transport the cattle and goods foresaid from the said lands and isle of Egilschaw and put them on shore on the Mainland at Burgar in Evie in Orkney, and then be no further answerable anent his intromission or delivery thereof. Particular reference is made to "ane great locked chist" containing bedding, etc., also a brewing caldron, some "blewing loomes," plough graith, "quarrell" graith, &c. belonging to the said Robert Menteith and lying in the house of Kirbister, with all other goods as contained in an inventory signed by John Buchannen, servitor to his Majesty, and another inventory subscribed by Katherine Nisbet, spouse to the said Robert Menteith, all which the said William Colwill promises to leave undamaged, at the sight of the foresaid arbiters. There is an arrangement about the bear crop presently sown; also about 27 sheep which Robert Menteith alleges were on the lands when William Colwill entered thereto, and likewise eight horses, two ky, and one ox, as to which William Colwill is content that the said Robert shall intromit with such of these as are yet to the fore, and for such as may be slain, eaten, destroyed or disposed of, he will give as good sheep, head for head and piece for piece and sheep for sheep, and replace any of the horses, ky or the ox if need be. He is also owing five chalders of bear, and 57 meills four settins and a half of meal to the said Robert, who is content to accept in payment thereof two stacks standing in the cornyard of Kirkbuster, one of bear and the other of oats, after the same have been "cassin to pruiiff" by James Flatt in Evie and Magnus Mainland in Weare; the surplus, if any, due by the said William being handed over by him to the said Robert either on the Isle of Egilshaw or in the town of Kirkwall before 20th July next, otherwise £60 scots for each chalder of bear and £4 for each meill of meal before 1st August. Further, the said

William Colvill obliges himself to deliver to the said Edward Alexander as many "brod geese" as the fore-said arbiters shall ascertain to have been shot or slain by the said William or his brothers or followers. He will also restore to the tenants of the said Robert Menteith any hagbuts and armour taken from them by him or his followers, or pay the value thereof. And he, taking burden for his said mother, brothers and sisters afore-named, renounces an action of ejection and spoliation raised against the said Robert Menteith, Edward Alexander, Gilbert Mowat in , John Yairstoun in Egilschaw and others, for putting him furth of the said lands of Kirbuster and Egilshaw, and also all other processes at law referring thereto. This agreement is not to pre-judge or include an assignation made by William Ballenden of Gairsey to the said William Colvill on . . . February 1615 (registered in the Books of Council . . . June 1616) of a letter of reversion granted by the said Robert Menteith to him of the lands and isle of Gairsay and all other lands, isles, and subjects, sold and disposed by the said William Ballenden to the said Robert, which letter is dated 30th June 1612; nor a Backbond and Obligation by the said Robert to the said William Ballenden upon the surplus of his rents and duties of the said lands beyond what is payable as annualrent upon the sum of 12,500 merks for which the lands were mortgaged, which Backbond is dated 30th June 1612. For his part, the said Robert Menteith not only has paid a large sum of money to the said William Colvill, but he and the said Edward Alexander both with one consent hereby renounce an action of ejection and spulzie raised by them against the said William, John Colvill, his brother, and their accomplices, anent the taking away and appropriating of cattle and goods out of the said lands of Kirbuster and Egilschaw, manor place of Howen, and the rest of the lands of Egilschaw: and all other actions and processes between parties are hereby discharged. If

the said Robert Menteith shall happen to be out of Orkney at any of the times of the deliverv of goods, victual, etc. by the said William Colwill as above appointed, it shall be lawful for the said William to deliver the same to Thomas Main, burgess of Kirkwall, whose receipt shall be given therefor. The parties consent to registration hereof in the Books of Council. The Contract is written by James Hardie, servitor to John Gilmoir, writer; and witnesses thereto are John Buchanan, servitor to his Majesty, Mr. William Levingstoun, brother german to Patrick Levingstoun of Daldeif, Robert Elphinstoun of Hamegar, Thomas Wricht, indweller in Leith, and the said James Hardie. John Gilmoir and James Neven, notaries, assist Edward Alexander, who cannot write, to subscribe the deed.

James Scollay of Tofts, in the Isle of Papa, Stronsey, the Bull of Tofts, and lands of How.

71. At Kirkwall, 25th August 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 21st July 1619, given by Henry Stewart, sheriff depute of Orkney, to James Scollay, now of Toftis, son of the deceased David Scollay of Toftis, on a CROWN PRECEPT from CHANCERY directed to the sheriff of Orkney and his deutes for giving Sasine to the said James Scollay, as heir to his said father, in the Isle of Papa Stronsa, being a 12d. land, in the parish of St. Peter there, and in the Bull of Toftis extending to an 18d. land, and 8d. lands in How adjacent thereto, lying in Northwall in the parish of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Sanda, which lands were formerly held of the deceased Robert, Earl of Orkney, and now are held of the Crown in feufarm and heritage on account of the forfeiture of the deceased Patrick, Earl of Orknev, brother and heir of the deceased Henry Stewart, fiar of Orkney, eldest son of the said deceased Robert, Earl of Orkney. The lands have been in nonentry for 26 years and one

term ; and security is taken for $79\frac{1}{2}$ lasts of barley (hordei) and 583 meills barley (ordei) in the teind-sheaves, counting five score to the hundred, $26\frac{1}{2}$ barrels of butter, 53 dozen of poultry, for the feu-farms of the said isle called Papa Stronsa, and of the teind sheaves and augmentation of the said feufarm, which feufarm extends yearly to three lasts of barley and in the teind sheaves to 22 meills of barley and a barrel of butter with two poultry for each pennyland thereof in augmentation of the rental ; and for £6 13s. 4d. in duplication of the said feufarm ; and for $79\frac{1}{2}$ lasts of barley and 53 lasts of flesh of the feufarms of the Bull of Toftis, which extend yearly to three lasts of barley and two lasts of flesh ; and for six lasts of barley and four lasts of flesh for duplication of the said feufarm ; and also for $914\frac{1}{4}$ meills of barley counting five score to the hundred, 212 meills of flesh, $132\frac{1}{2}$ leischepund and 212 marks scatt of butter, counting five score to the hundred, £21 14s. scatt of money, 35 dozen and four poultry, of feufarms and augmentations for the said 8d. land in How, which feufarms yearly extend to $34\frac{1}{2}$ meills of barley, 53 meills of flesh, five leischepunds and eight merks scatt of butter, 16s. scatt of money, and 2 poultry for each pennyland thereof, in augmentation of the rental ; and for £13 6s. 8d. in duplication of the said feufarm. This Precept is dated at Edinburgh, 10th June 1619. Sasine was taken on the lands of Papa Stronsa at the manor thereof, on the Bull of Toftis behind the house of How, and on the lands of How before the house thereof, in presence of John Hendirsoune of Weyland, Thomas Ramsay, burgess of Edinburgh, Matthew Mowbray, David Keldall, Robert Coltart, notary public, and Thomas Andersone, all inhabitants of Kirkwall, Malcolm Scollay, son of the said James Scollay, Robert Sickater in How, and Patrick Sandis, servitor to the notary, who is Mr. Henry Aitkin, of the diocese of Dunblane.

James Scollay of Tofts to Jean Henryson his spouse, in his lands of Tofts, How, and Papa Stronsey, in liferent.

72. At Kirkwall, 25th August 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 21st July 1619, given by James Scollay of Tofts with his own hands to Matthew Mowbray, indweller in Kirkwall, as attorney for Jean Henrysoun, spouse to the said James, on a CHARTER by him to his said wife in liferent of his 18d. land in Tofts in Sanday, 16d. land in How benorth there, with the pertinents, in the isle of Sanday, Lady parish thereof; and of his 12d. land of Papa Stronsay lying in St. Peter's parish of the said Isle of Stronsay; which Charter is dated 6th July 1600 (*sic*). Sasine is taken on the various lands exactly as in the preceding (No. 71), in presence of Harry Stewart, sheriff depute of Orkney, John Hendirsoun of Weyland, Thomas Ramsey, merchant burghess of Edinburgh, Robert Coltart, notary public, David Keldall and Thomas Angusone, boatmen in Kirkwall, Malcolm Scollay, son of the said James Scollay, and Patrick Sandis, servitor to the notary, Mr. Henry Aitken.

John Irvine in Copinsey, in a two merk land in Scy in Deerness.

73. At Kirkwall, 26th August 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 27th July 1619, given by William Watt, indweller in Kirkwall, as bailie, to John Irwing in Cobinchaw, on a CHARTER of WADSET and DISPOSITION by Henry Colsetter, indweller in Kirkwall, to him of his two merkland, with houses and pertinents, lying in the town of Scy¹ (*sic*) in the parish of Deernes, under reversion for £43 Scots money; and his tenement of land with the yard and pertinents thereof presently occupied by himself lying in the Midtoun of Kirkwall on the east side of the "hie gait" thereof, in warrandice of the above subjects. Precept is directed to John McKenzie and the

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said William Watt as bailies. The Charter is written by William Fermour, notary public, and dated at the Newark in Deernes, 23rd March 1619; witnesses being John McKenzie, Magnus Cragie in Colseter, George (*sic*) in Newark, and George McKenzie. Witnesses to the Sasine are, Hew Sinclair of Zairsay, Edward Potinger, skipper, James Baikie, merchant, indwellers in Kirkwall, and James Midhous in Evie. Robert Coltart, clerk of the diocese of Glasgow, is notary.

Renunciation by Jean Stewart, daughter of James Stewart of Graemsey, to her husband, Hew Halcro of that Ilk, of right to the mill of Bankis, etc.

74. At Kirkwall, 9th September 1619, is registered a Renunciation granted by Jean Stewart, lawful daughter of James Stewart of Gramesay, and spouse to Hew Halcro of that Ilk, mentioning that by a CONTRACT OF MARRIAGE dated at Claistren, 12th January 1615, between the said Hew Halcro and her said father on her behalf, anent their then future marriage, the said Hew Halcro promised to infest her in liferent, and the heirs of the marriage in fee, in the lands and isle of Enhallow with the teindsheaves thereof, and his 7d. land of Brugh, 1d. land in Scabra, 1d. land in Pow, 1d. land in Garsen, 1d. land in Widquoy, and $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Coitquoy, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Lilister, $\frac{1}{4}$ d. land in the North town of Brugh, $\frac{3}{4}$ d. in Wosbuster, and the mill of Bankis and multures thereof, with all houses and yards, etc. pertaining to these lands, lying in the Isle of Rowsay; and accordingly he granted a Charter thereof to her, and Sasine was taken thereon. She now resigns, with consent and by advice of her said father, the said Charter and Sasine in so far as it extends to the said mill of Bankis with the multures and sucken thereof; and although the said Hew Halcro by the foresaid Contract of marriage was to bestow £1000 Scots upon sufficient land or annual-

rent for her behoof and for infeftment to be given to her and the heirs of the marriage, yet she is also content, with consent as above, to accept 1000 merks thereof, and no further. She consents to registration hereof in the Sheriff or Commissary books of Orkney, and signs the deed at the Bow of Hoy on 8th September 1619, in presence of Harie Stewart, fiar of Gramesay, David King of Warbister, Patrick Swintoun, servitor to the said Hew Halcro of that Ilk, and David Heart, writer, who writes the same.

Patrick Murray of Woodwick to Bessie Swinton, his spouse, in liferent, of lands in Nether Erwick, in Dyk in Evie, and others there.

75. At Kirkwall, 15th September 1619, is registered a Sasine dated at Weidweik in the parish of Evie, 14th September 1619, given by Patrick Murray of Wedweek himself to John Spence in Nether Erweik, as attorney for Bessie Swintoun, spouse to the said Patrick, on a LIFERENT CHARTER by him to his said spouse of the 3d. land in Nethir Erweik, 3d. land in Dyk in Evie, 1d. land in Forsabrek in Costa, and 4d. land in Daill in Evie, with the pertinents, in the parish of Evie, to be held by her of the said Patrick for payment upon the lands of Nethir Erweik of 1d. Scots yearly if asked, and paying to the superior of the feu duty accustomed as contained in the original feu-charter. The Charter is dated at Wedweek, 14th September 1619, and Sasine is given upon one of the rigs of the lands of Nether Erweek, in presence of Magnus Spence, James Spence, his brother, Thomas Sinclair and John Howirie. William Fermour, clerk of the diocese of St. Andrews, is notary.

Hew Halcro of Aikers, and spouse, in 1½d. land of Rendall, and others in that parish.

76. At Kirkwall, 19th October 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 16th October 1619, given by William Ren-

dall, portioner of that Ilk, with his own hands to Hew Halcro of Aikeris and Margaret Stewart, his spouse, of his one penny and half penny land of the town and lands of Rendall with his "heidhous" thereof presently occupied by him, a $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land called Brek there, a $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Gorsnes, a $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Halkland, extending in all to $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. land, with the pertinents, in the parish of Rendall, and that in terms of a CONTRACT made between them whereby he undertook to sell the same to them for certain sums of money. Sasine was taken on the ground of the $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Halkland at 12 noon, on the $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Gorsnes at 1 p.m., and on the ground of the $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. land of Rendall and $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land of Brek at 2 p.m.; witnesses being Hew Sklaiter in Rendall, David Henrie in Halkland, Michael Henrie there, Peter Leask there, John Spens in Ovirtoun, John Rendall, son of Alexander Rendall in Tingwall, Andrew Moir, servitor to the said Hew Halcro, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart, clerk of the diocese of St. Andrews.

Hew Halcro of Aikers, in a merkland in Mosseter, in parish of Rendall.

77. At Kirkwall, 19th October 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 16th October 1619, given by Patrick Murray of Wedweek, as bailie, to Hew Halcro of Aikeris, on a CHARTER OF SALE granted to him and his heirs by James, Hew and John Sinclair, brothers german in Tenstane, for themselves and taking burden for George Sinclair, their brother, of their one merk land in Mosseter in the parish of Rendall. James Jack, notary, writes the Charter and subscribes for the granters, who cannot write; dated at Kirkwall 6th November 1616, witnesses being Nicol Gariauche in Kirkwall, Thomas Angusone, Hucheon Nicolsone, merchant, and John Sinclair in Tenstane. Witnesses to the Sasine are, William Rendall, portioner of that Ilk, Hew Sklaiter in Rendall, Magnus Bewis in Mosseter, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Hew Halcro of Aikers, and spouse, in a ½d. land in Gorsness, and lands in Massater and Hammer, all in parish of Rendall.

78. At Kirkwall, 19th October 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 16th October 1619, given by Hew Sklaiter in Rendall, as baillie, to Hew Halcro of Aikeris personally, and to Patrick Murray of Wedweek as attorney for Margaret Stewart, spouse to the said Hew, on a CHARTER granted to them and their heirs by James Baikie, merchant in Kirkwall, brother's son and heir of the deceased John Baikie, merchant there, of a half penny land in Gorsnes extending in yearly rent to four settings victual and four settings flesh; also of two meills mailling in Massater; and a farthing land in Hammer extending in yearly rent to half a meal victual and half a meal flesh; with houses and pertinents, all lying in the parish of Rendall. The Charter, written by David Heart, writer, is dated at Kirkwall, 25th November 1618, witnesses being, William Craigie, lawful son of Magnus Cragie, merchant in Kirkwall, the said David Heart, writer, Andrew Gadie, his servitor, and Magnus Cragie in Skeall in Deernes. Witnesses to the Sasine are, William Rendall, portioner of that Ilk, Magnus Bewis in Massater, John Spens in Ovirtoun, John Rendall, son of Alexander Rendall in Tingwall, Andrew Moir, servitor to the said Hew Halcro, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Hew Halcro of Aikers, in a merk land in Mosseter, in Rendall parish.

79. At Kirkwall, 19th October 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 16th October 1619, given by Patrick Murray of Weedwek, as bailie, to Hew Halcro of Aikeris, on a CHARTER by Magnus Sinclair, lawful son of the deceased John Sinclair in Tenstane, to the said Hew Halcro of his one merk land in Mosseter in the parish

of Rendall. The Charter, written by James Jack, notary, is dated at Kirkwall, 7th November 1616, witnesses being Alexander Papla in Kirkwall, John Diksone there, William Covintrie there, and Archibald Drysdail in South Ronnaidsay. Witnesses to the Sasine are, William Rendall, Magnus Bewis in Mosseter, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Edward Potinger, skipper in Kirkwall, and spouse, in a tenement in Kirkwall.

80. At Kirkwall, 1st November 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 26th October 1619, given by Arthur Sinclair, merchant and one of the bailies of Kirkwall, as bailie, to Edward Potinger, skipper, indweller in Kirkwall, personally, and to James Potinger, his brother, as attorney for Katherine Baikie, spouse to the said Edward, on a CHARTER by Magnus Sinclair in Gorne and Marjory Irwing, his spouse, with consent of William Irwing now of Saba, for any right he may have as heir to the deceased William Irving of Saba, his goodsir, of a tenement of land back and fore, under and above, with the yard, tail and pertinents thereof, disposed to the said Magnus Sinclair and his spouse by the said deceased William Irwing, lying in the town of Kirkwall "in that pairt thair of callit the Brugh," between the lands pertaining to the heirs of the deceased William Main on the north, the "common calsey" on the east, the houses and tenement pertaining to the heirs of the deceased Ninian Flett on the south, and the sea called the Oyse of Kirkwall on the west. The Charter, written by Gilbert Mowat, servitor to David Heart, writer, is dated at Kirkwall, 27th September and 5th October, 1619, witnesses thereto being James Baikie, merchant, indweller in Kirkwall, John Diksone, cordiner there, John Moffat, messenger, James Jack, notary public, and the said writer and his servitor, also Edward Sinclair of Essinquoy and Magnus Hardie, indweller in

Kirkwall. David Heart and Henry Moncrieff, notaries, attest the subscription of Marjory Irwing, who cannot write. Witnesses to the Sasine are, John Quoybankis, skipper, indweller in Kirkwall, Henry Colsetter there, Thomas Angusone there, Robert Germestoun in Germestoun, and Gilbert Mowat, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Henry Smyth, son of Thomas Smyth, in Widdok, in a meills mailling in the town of Ness, parish of St. Andrews.

81. At Kirkwall, 1st November 1619, is registered a Sasine dated at Ness in the parish of St. Andro, 26th October 1619, given by William Sinclair of Toilloip, as bailie, to Henry Smyth, lawful son of Thomas Smyth in Widdok, on a CHARTER by James Swan, wobster, lawful son and heir of the deceased Christian Davidsone, to the said Henry Smyth of his one meills mailling, with houses and pertinents thereof, wadset before by the said James' mother to David Kincaid for the sum of £3, lying in the town of Ness, parish of St. Androis, and with full power of the said Henry and his heirs to redeem the same from the said David; "haldin of the immediat superiouris thair of in perpetuall heritage for ever for yeirlye payment of the scattis, wattell and teynd to kirk and king at termes of payment usit and wount." The Charter, which is written by Alexander Bruce, notary public in Zetland, is dated at Eisthous in Quhytnes, 21st June 1618, witnesses thereto being Robert Andirsone in Hammer, William Skipper in Brek, Gilbert Cattanauch, brother german to Arthur Cattanauch in Worbister, the said Alexander Bruce, and Robert Cattanauch, servitor to him. Sasine is taken beside the house of Nes and upon one of the rigs of the said land, in presence of these witnesses, Ninian Smyth, John Maissoun, Robert Maissoun, Peter Foubister, and John Lyell. William Fermour, clerk of the diocese of St. Andrews, is notary.

Janet Redland, widow of Robert Sinclair of Larquoy, in liferent, and Magnus and Edward Sinclair, her sons, of 3 merk land in Uttertoun of Stromness.

82. At Kirkwall, 25th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 22nd November 1619, given by Edward Sinclair of Ness, proprietor, to Adam Smyth of Stoiff as procurator for Janet Redland, widow of Robert Sinclair of Larquoy, and to Magnus Sinclair, son of the said Janet, for his own behoof, and to James Broun, son of Alexander Broun in Breknes, as procurator for Edward Sinclair, brother of the said Magnus, of his three merk udal land in the Uttertoun of Stromness "callit the airis of Skelberies landis," whereof two merks land were disposed to him by James Sincler of Gott, and one merk land by Nicol Sinclair, indweller in Kirkwall, with houses, tumolls, quoys and pertinents, in the parish of Stromnes and bishopric of Orkney, viz. to the said Janet in liferent, and the said Magnus and Edward between them in fee, in terms of CHARTER "to be maid" to them by the said Edward Sinclair of Ness with consent of Isobel Gordoun his spouse. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Alexander Broun of Breknes, Hew Broun his son, James Beatoun in Stove, Daniel Beatoun his brother, Alexander Linkleter in Fealquoy, Magnus Flet there, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Alison Cursiter, wife of Alexander Linklater in Fealquoy, of 2½ merk land in Utter Stromness.

83. At Kirkwall, 25th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 23rd November 1619, given by Alexander Linkleter in Fealquoy to Alison Cursetter his spouse, personally, in liferent, of his two merk half merk land in Utter Stromnes with houses, tumolls, quoys and pertinents, in parish of Stromnes and

bishopric of Orkney, in terms of CHARTER to be made by him to her. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Adam Smyth of Stove, James Beatoun there, Daniel Beatoun there, his brother, and Magnus Sinclair in Larquoy. David Heart is notary.

Alexander Brown in Brekness, of $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Utter Stromness.

84. At Kirkwall, 25th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 23rd November 1619, given by Alison Curseter, only lawful daughter and heir of the deceased Magnus Curseter in Uttertoun of Stromnes, and Alexander Linkleter in Fealquoy, her spouse, for his interest, to Alexander Broun in Braknes, personally, of the said Alison's half penny udal land in the Utter toun of Stromnes, with houses, tumolls, quoyes and pertinents, presently occupied by the said Alexander Broun, in the parish of Stromnes, in terms of CHARTER to be made to him by them. Same witnesses and notary.

Alexander Brown in Brekness, of 3 merk land in Utter Stromness.

85. At Kirkwall, 25th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 22nd November, 1619, given by Edward Sincler of Ness to Alexander Broun in Breknes, personally, of his three merk udal land in the Uttertoun of Stromness called the "airis of Skelberries landis" (and as formerly described) in the parish of Stromnes, in terms of CHARTER to be made to him by the said Edward with consent of Isobel Gordoun his spouse. Witnesses to Sasine were Adam Smyth of Stoiff, James Beatoun there, Daniel Beatoun his brother, Magnus Sinclair in Larquoy, Alexander Sinclair in Fealquoy, Magnus Flet there, Hew Broun, son of the said Alexander Broun, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Edward Sinclair of Ness, of 4 merk land in Utter Stromness.

86. At Kirkwall, 25th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 22nd November 1619, given by Adam Smyth of Stoiff, as bailie, to Edward Sinclair of Ness, personally, on a CHARTER by James Sinclair of Gott to him, irredeemably, of his four merk land called the "airis of Skelberies landis" in the Uttertoun of Stromnes, with houses, pendicles and pertinents, in the parish of Stromnes and bishopric of Orkney. The precept is directed to Alexander Broun in Breknes and the said Adam Smyth as bailies; and the charter is dated at Wilsnes in Dunrosnes, 30th June 1618, witnesses being, Mr. William Moffat, minister at Dunrosnes, Michael Sinclair, lawful son of Malcolm Sinclair of Quendall, William Sinclair of Tolhoip, George Craig, merchant, and Robert Scollay, notary in Kirkwall, who writes the deed. Witnesses to the Sasine are Alexander Broun in Breknes, and the rest (as in No. 82), except Magnus Sinclair in Larquoy. David Heart, notary.

Adam Smith, of Stove, in 1d. land in Utter Stromness.

87. At Kirkwall, 25th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 23rd November 1619, given by Alison Curseter and her spouse foresaid to Adam Smyth of Stoiff, personally, of her one penny udal land in the Uttertoun of Stromnes, in that part thereof called the "sex penny land of Deall, with the rwinat housse thair of," tumolls, quoyes, and pertinents, whereof the equal half is presently occupied by Alexander Broun in Breknes, and the other by the said Alison and her spouse, lying in the parish of Stromnes, in terms of CHARTER to be made by them to him. Witnesses to Sasine were, Alexander Broun in Breknes, James Betoun in Stoiff, Daniel Betoun his brother, Magnus

Sinclair in Larquoy, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Andrew Flett in Pow, of 1½ farthing land in Pow, in Harray.

88. At Kirkwall, 25th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 15th November 1619, given by Andrew Flet in Forsa, as bailie, to Andrew Flet in Pow, personally, on a CHARTER by Magnus Flet in Corquoy in Utter Evie, eldest lawful son and heir of the deceased Alexander Flett, portioner of Pow, to the said Andrew Flet irredeemably, of his one farthing and half farthing udal land in Pow, with houses, tumolls, quoyes, and pertinents, presently occupied by the said Andrew, lying in the parish of Harray. The Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 10th November 1619; witnesses, William Wat, merchant, indweller in Kirkwall, Magnus Hardie, cordiner there, Patrick Swintoun, son of Thomas Swintoun, "archideane" of Orkney, John Hourstane "in" that ilk, Magnus Hoirstaine his son, and Gilbert Mowat, servitor to the notary, David Heart. The granter signs by the aid of the notary and his fellow-notary Henry Moncreiff. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Ninian Flet in Pow, Magnus Flet in . . ., Peter Flet in Zelavell in Nethirbrughe, Andrew Flet in Bea, Robert Flet in Forsa, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

James Knairstane in Tuskebuster, in 1 merk land in Knairstane, in Harray.

89. At Kirkwall, 25th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 16th November 1619, given by Gilbert Knairstan in Knairstan, as bailie, to James Knairstane in Tuskebuster, personally, on a CHARTER by Marion Knairstane, lawful daughter of the deceased James Knairstane of that Ilk, with consent of Christopher

Magnusone in Grimbuster, her spouse, and James Cristophersone their lawful son, to him and his heirs irredeemably, of her one merk udal land in Knairstane with the "heidhous" of Knarstan appertaining thereto, and with all other houses, pendicles and pertinents thereof, in parish of Harray; which charter is dated at Kirkwall, 9th November 1619, witnesses being, William Andersone, indweller in Kirkwall, William Johnestoun, cordiner there, John Tuat in Grimbuster, and Gilbert Mowat, servitor to David Heart, notary. The granter and consenters sign by the aid of the notary. Sasine is given on the ground of the said one merk land and within the barnyards thereof, at 9 a.m.; witnesses, Oliver, Andrew, and Robert Knairstanes, brothers to the said James Knairstan, James Knairstane in Bratalie, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Jerome Linklater in Linklater, and his wife, in 1 merk land in Linklater in Scabra, parish of Sandwick.

90. At Kirkwall, 25th November, 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 16th November 1619, given by James Knairstane in Tuskebuster, as bailie, to Jerome Linklater in Linklater in Scabra, and Bessie Matches his spouse, personally, on a CHARTER by John Linklater, only lawful son of the deceased Magnus Linklater, "brother to the said Jerome," to them and their heirs irredeemably, of his one merk udal land in Linklater in Scabra, with houses and pertinents, in the parish of Sandwek and bishopric of Orkney; which charter is dated at Kirkwall, 4th November 1619, witnesses being John Cromartie of Skae, Thomas Main, one of the bailies of Kirkwall, Harry Moncreiff, and Gilbert Mowat, servitor to David Heart, writer. The granter signs by the notary's aid. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Andrew Linklater in Scabra, Alexander Link-

leter there, James Linkleter in Swartland there, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Marion Knairstane, wife of Christopher Magnusson in Grimbuster, in liferent, and James Christopherson, their son, in three cows' worth in Grimbuster, parish of Firth.

91. At Kirkwall, 25th November, 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 15th November 1619, given by Christopher Magnusone in Grimbuster to Marion Knairstane his spouse, and James Cristopher "hir sone," lawfully procreated between him and the said Marion, in fee, of his three kyes' worth of udal land in Grimbuster, with houses, tumolls, quoyes, and pertinents, in the parish of Firth, in terms of his CHARTER to them, dated 9th November instant, under reversion as specified therein, and reserving his own liferent. Sasine is delivered upon the ground of the said lands at the barnyard thereof; witnesses, David Magnusson in Grimbuster, Alexander Sandisoun there, Nicol Alschesoun there, Andrew Flett in Pow, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Renunciation by James Germiston in Germiston to Hay and Robert Germiston, of his wadset right to 1 merk land in Germiston, parish of Stenness.

92. At Kirkwall, 26th November 1619, is registered a Renunciation by James Germestoun in that Ilk, narrating a Charter "of venditioun and woidsett" by the deceased David Germestoun, alias Hay, son and one of the lawful heirs of the deceased Hay Germestoun, to the deceased Thomas Halcro of Gaira and the deceased Marion Sandersdochter his spouse, of one merk land "of the said umquhile Sanders lands in Germestoun," with houses, freedoms and pertinents, lying in the parish of Stanehouse, redeemable for £12

Scots, dated 25th April 1590; and the said David Germestoun also by his charter, dated 29th February 1592, " woidsett and in pand laid " to the said deceased " Thomas Gairay " and his spouse the said one merk land, redeemable for £16 Scots; and the said Thomas Halcro by Assignment, dated 28th January 1615, made over to the deceased William Halcro, merchant in Kirkwall, his son, his whole right to the said land by the said charters, with his right to the three years' tack after redemption, contained in the posterior charter; and the said William, for sums paid to him, made gift and renunciation on 9th May 1618 to the said James Germestoun of the foresaid land and right of reversion thereof. Now because Hay and Robert Germestounes, brothers german in Germestoune, to whom James Germestoun, only lawful son and heir of the said deceased David Germestoun, has disposed the right of the said one merk land without any reversion, have paid to him £25 Scots, the said James Germestoun, the renouncer, overgives and discharges to them his whole right aforesaid. Dated at Kirkwall, 6th November 1619; witnesses, John Stewart, son of the Laird of Gramesay, William Sinclair of Tolhoip, William Irwing in Brekis, Andrew Grundwatter in Caldwell, Magnus Newgar in Soulisquoy, James Germestoun alias Robiesone, and Gilbert Mowat, writer of the deed. David Heart, notary, signs for the renouncer.

Renunciation by John Prince in Kirkwall, and his wife, to Robert Chalmers of Ryssay, of annual-rent of 40 merks secured over lands of North Weitfurd, parish of St. Ola.

93. At Kirkwall, 26th November 1619, is registered a Renunciation by John Prince, merchant in Kirkwall, and Marjory Spence, his spouse, narrating a Contract between them on the one part, and Robert Chalmeris

of Ryssay on the other part, dated 11th November 1617, whereby for 800 merks which he borrowed from them the said Robert obliged himself to pay to them yearly 80 merks of annualrent upliftable from the lands of North Weitfurd "and remanent the said Robertis landis within the cuntrey of Orkney," and they promised to renounce the said annualrent to him on payment of the said sum "in haille or in half"; and now the said Robert having paid to them 400 merks as the half of the said sum, they overgive and discharge to him the half of the annualrent foresaid, so that now he has to pay to them only 40 merks yearly until redemption. Dated at Kirkwall, 11th November 1619; witnesses, Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, Thomas Robiesoun, tailor there, John Broun, messenger, and Jerome Chalmeris, skipper, indwellers in Kirkwall. Robert Kae and Robert Scollay, notaries, sign for the renouncers.

Contract between Robert Chalmer of Ryssay and Alexander Philp in Birsay, wadsetting 2d. land of North Weitfurd in security for a loan of 700 merks.

94. At Kirkwall, 26th November 1619, is registered a Contract, dated at Kirkwall, 11th November 1619, between Robert Chalmer of Ryssay on the one part, and Alexander Philp in Birsay and Marion Sklaiter his spouse, on the other part, whereby the said Robert having borrowed from them 700 merks, obliges himself to infest them in the two penny land of North Weitfurd, with houses, towmales, cottages, and pertinents, belonging to him in feu and heritage and presently in his possession, lying in the parish of St. Olay, and in an annualrent of 44 merks upliftable therefrom at Martinmas yearly, holding the same of him and his heirs blensh for 1d. Scots payable at Whitsunday if asked, and also holding the same of his superiors in

the same manner as he holds the same; and he also obliges himself to infeft them in another annualrent of 26 merks upliftable from "the remanent the said Robert his awin best haldin landis within the cuntrey of Orkney quhatsumever." For "contentation" of the first of these annualrents, he sells and disposes to them the "yeirlie land maills and gersumes of the saidis landis (of North Weitfurd) following . . . upoun the prices following extending to ten merkis monie foirsaid in yeirlie gersum four meillis sufficient malt on the malt pundler estimat to the soume of tuelf pundis xiiij s. iiij d. yeirlie ourheid ane half barrell butter yeirlie in land-mealls estimat to nyne pundis money foirsaid" and also to pay the said sum of 26 merks, amounting in all to "thriescoir ten merkis," the first term's payment to be at Martinmas 1621. Failing redemption at the end of three years from the date of this contract, the said Robert is to remove from his occupation of the lands of Northweitfurd, and to enter the said Alexander and his spouse to possession thereof, until redemption, they relieving him at the hands of his superiors of the feuduties thereof, extending to "half barrell butter and four pultrie foullis yeirlie." On repayment of the foresaid sum of 700 merks in whole or by instalments, within St. Magnus Kirk at Kirkwall, the said Alexander and his spouse are to renounce their right to the whole or a proportional part of the above payments. It is also provided that if the said Alexander and his spouse prefer to demand payment of the sum of 300 merks at any time, upon 40 days' notice, they shall on receipt thereof renounce all the foresaid annualrents in favour of the said Robert, and in regard to the remaining 400 merks, they shall continue to possess the lands foresaid and uplift the duties thereof until redemption. The penalty of £30 is to be paid by the said Robert if he fail to pay the 300 merks on demand. Witnesses to the contract are, John Swintoun, minister at Stenhous

and Firth, Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, "Heirom" Chalmer, skipper there, and Robert Chalmer, notary public, who writes the deed.

Alexander Philp in Birsay, and his wife, in annual-rent of 70 merks out of 2d. lands of North Weitfurd, and others.

95. At Kirkwall, 26th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 12th November, given by Jerome Chalmer, skipper and burgess of Kirkwall, as bailie, to Alexander Philp in Birsay, personally, and to Hew Sincler, merchant burgess of Kirkwall, as attorney for Marion Sklaitter, spouse to the said Alexander, in terms of CHARTER and Disposition made to them by Robert Chalmer of Ryssay of an annualrent of 44 merks from his two penny land of North Weitfurd, and an annualrent of 26 merks from his other lands in Orkney, dated at Kirkwall, 11th November 1619, written by Robert Scollay, notary, and attested as in the preceding contract. Sasine is delivered on the ground of the said lands of Northweitfurd, "at the kilbarne thairof"; witnesses, George Smyth, cooper in Kirkwall, Magnus Bekie and Magnus Quhyte, indwellers in North Weitfurd, and Magnus Dingwall, son of John Dingwall in Midisquoy. Robert Scollay is notary.

Rev. William Hair, of Shapinshay, and his wife, in 17 farthing land of How, in Shapinshay.

96. At Kirkwall, 27th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 17th November 1619, given by John Clerk, indweller in Sandis in Schapinschaw, as bailie, to William Hair, minister at Schapinschaw, and Katharine Thomsons his spouse, personally, on a CHARTER by John Grot of Tresnes to them and their heirs (following upon a Contract between them dated at Kirkwall, 16th November 1615) of his "sevintene

farding land" of How, with pertinents, lying in the Isle of Schapinschaw, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 22nd November 1615; witnesses thereto, James Maxwell of Mariekirk, and James Mowat, indweller in Stronsay. Sasine was delivered on the ground of the said lands at the principal dwelling house thereof; witnesses, Thomas Haddell in Kirbuster, Thomas Gray and Neill Draver, indwellers in How, and Magnus Dingwall, son to John Dingwall in Middisquoy. Robert Scollay is notary.

Margaret Hair, daughter of said Rev. William Hair, in same subjects, under reversion.

97. At Kirkwall, 27th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 17th November 1619, given by William Hair, minister at Schapinsa, to Margaret Hair, his lawful daughter, "for the speciall love favour and fatherlie deutie he hes and carries towardis" her, of his 17 farthing land of How, with houses, tumells, outbrecks, mosses, muirs, meadows, "gers pasture," and pertinents, lying in the "Yle Schapinschaw," in terms of CHARTER to be made by him to her, reserving the life-rent of himself and Katherine Thomsone his spouse, and under reversion for payment by him to his said daughter of "ane double angell guid and sufficient gold current." Same witnesses and notary.

James Aitken, elder, in Corstane, in 2 merk land in Over Burgh, in parish of Harray.

98. At Kirkwall, 27th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 25th October 1619, given by Hew Sinclair, merchant burgess of Kirkwall, to James Aikin, elder, indweller in Corstane, on a CHARTER by Magnus Sincler in Gorne to him of his two merk udal land in the toun of Ovirbrughe, one merk of which he purchased from Adam Garecot, and the other merk land

from James Diksone in Ovirbrughe, who acquired the same from Oliver Garicot, brother german of the said Adam Garricot, lawful sons and heirs of the deceased Hucheon Garrecot, proprietor of the said lands, with houses and pertinents, in the parish of Harray. The Charter is dated at Gorne in Sandwek, 1st February 1619; witnesses, Andrew Quhyte, reader at Sandwek, Magnus Stewart, officer there, Magnus Hourstane, servitor to the notary, Robert Scollay, and Hew Sinclair and Magnus Papla, servitors to the granter. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Thomas Maine, merchant burgess and bailie of Kirkwall, William Tailzeour and John Ingsetter in Ovirbrugh, and James Bratullie in Knairstane. Robert Scollay is notary.

James Sinclair of Maill, in 1½d. land in Harolds-garth, in Shapinshay.

99. At Kirkwall, 27th November 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 17th November 1619, given by Magnus Ayme (erroneously spelled Ayming, at first mention) indweller in Sandis in Schapinscha, as bailie, to Thomas Haddell in Kirbuster, as attorney for James Sinclair of Maill, on a CHARTER by William Sinclair of Raeweik, son and heir of the deceased James Sincler of Hous, to him and his heirs, irredeemably, of his "thrie half penny land" in Harraldsgarth, with houses and pertinents, lying in the Island of Schapinscha, which Charter is dated at Skallovaybankis, 18th August 1615; witnesses, Mr. William Levingstoun, sheriff depute of Zetland, Mr. Harry Aitkin, Commissary of Orkney and Zetland, Laurence Sincler of Ustanes, and Francis Sincler of Uyea. Robert Kae, notary, assists the granter to sign. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Andrew Stevinsone in Horraldsgarth, John Haddell in Massater, and Magnus Dingwall, son of John Dingwall in Middisquoy. Robert Scollay is notary.

Gilbert Peace, son of William Peace in Harmisgarth, in ½d. land in Whiteclett and Housa, in Sanday.

100. At Kirkwall, 15th December 1619, is registered a Sasine dated 2nd December 1619, given by James Garray, udaller, to Gilbert Peace, eldest lawful son of William Peace in Hammisgarth, of his "ane half penny land" with pertinents, lying in the town and lands of Quhytclett and Houssa "respective," lying in the Isle of Sanda, reserving his liferent of so much of the said "half penny land" as lies in the town and lands of Houssa. Witnesses to the Sasine were, George Sinclair of Ropnes, John Grott of Tresnes, James Tulloch younger of Rothisholme, Oliver and Edward Cokis, sons of Mr. James Cok, minister at Sanday, Duncan Scollay of Harmesgarth, John Broun in Bea, and Magnus Fotheringham in Setter. Robert Coltart, clerk of the diocese of Glasgow, is notary.

George Sinclair of Ropnes, in subjects in Ropnes, Langtas, How, Burnes, etc.

101. At Kirkwall, 15th December 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 31st March 1619, given by Gilbert Hodge in Sanday as bailie, to George Sinclair of Ropnes, on a CHARTER by Malcolm Sinclair of Quendall and James Sinclair fiar thereof his son to the said George Sinclair, second son of the said Malcolm, of his 7d. land of the Bull of Ropnes with the holms and pertinents thereof lying in the Isle of Wastray, 8d. land of Langtas and Arstas, 2d. land of How and 4d. land of Burnes, wadset to the said Malcolm by Patrick Cheyne of Essilmounth for 1600 merks, "the" barrells butter mailling in Stanstay in the Mainland of Orkney wadset to the said Malcolm by Hew Halcro of Aikeris for £240, the six meills mailling of Cowbuster pertaining to the said Malcolm as part of St. Ninian's stouk, the 19 maills meilling of Ibuster and Houghouse in the Island of South Ronnaldsay pertaining to the said Malcolm and wadset to Hew Halcro

of that Ilk for £400, which whole lands lie within the earldom of Orkney, which charter is written by James Neven, burges of Edinburgh, and dated at Quendall 30th November 1614; witnesses, Laurence Sinclair apparent of House, Thomas Blakbeard, John Bannatyne, servant to the said James Sinclair, and the said James Neven. Witnesses to the Sasine were, John Grott of Tresnes, Oliver Sinclair of Fairisnes, James Fea apparent of Claistren, Duncan Scolay in Harmesgarth, William Orrok in How, Patrick Scolay, tenant of the lands of Langtase, and Iwer Turffesone in Brek. Robert Coltart, clerk of Glasgow diocese, is notary.

Robert Chalmer of Rothsay, in fourth part of Housteith in Rowsay.

102. At Kirkwall, 15th December 1619, is registered a Sasine, dated 10th December 1619, given by William Trimland, indweller in Hunclett in Rowsay, as bailie, to William Ethay, indweller in Trimland, as attorney for Robert Chalmer of Rothsay, on a CHARTER by Robert Cragie to him of his fourth part udal lands extending to a fourth part of the whole town and lands called Housteith lying in Trimland in the Isle of Rowsay, which Charter (written by Robert Coltart, notary) is dated at Kirkwall, 31st March 1614; witnesses, Thomas Swintoun merchant in Kirkwall, Thomas Robiesone tailor, and Laurence Coltart. Robert Coltart assists the granter to sign. Witnesses to the Sasine, John Trimland in Trimland, Henry Trimland there, Henry Ethay there, and Magnus Dingwall, son of John Dingwall in Middisquoy. Robert Scollay is notary.

Robert Sinclair of Campstan, in lands of Voy, in parish of St. Andrew.

103. At Kirkwall, 3rd February 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 15th January 1620, given by Patrick

Stewart, second lawful son of James Stewart of Gramesay, with his own hands to Robert Sinclair of Campstan on CHARTER by the said Patrick with consent of Harry Stewart, fiar of Gramesay, his brother to the said Robert Sinclair of the lands of Voy with pertinents in the parish of St. Andro, Mainland and sherifffdom of Orkney, which Charter is dated 11th January instant. Witnesses to the Sasine were Robert Menteith of Egilschaw, Thomas Sinclair eldest lawful son and apparent heir of the said Robert, John Ockilsater in Vestabankis, John Foubister in that Ilk, Andrew Foubister there, and John Gune in Caithness. David Heart is notary.

Helen Acheson, wife of above, in some subjects in liferent.

104. At Kirkwall, 3rd February 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 15th January 1620, given by Robert Sinclair of Campstane with his own hands to Helen Achesone his spouse, in liferent, of the lands of Voy; witnesses and notary as above.

Sir John Buchanan, servant to the King, and Dame Margaret Hartside, his spouse, of a piece of land in Midtown of Kirkwall.

105. At Kirkwall, 3rd February 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 2nd February 1620, given by Arthur Sinclair, merchant and bailie of Kirkwall, as bailie, to Sir John Buchannan, knight, servitor to his Majesty, and Dame Margaret Heartsyid his spouse, on CHARTER by Peter Tailyeour, merchant indweller in Kirkwall, with consent of Barbara Chalmer his spouse, of yard and piece of land sold and dispoed to the said Peter by Marion Fouslie with consent of John Guthrie her spouse, lying in the Midtoun of Kirkwall between the houses pertaining to Our Lady chapel on the north, the waste ground whereupon the houses now pertaining to Mr. Robert Henrysoun

of Holland are built on the south, the houses sometime pertaining to the deceased Edward Windwek and after him to the deceased Mr. Malcolm Halcro, the common calsey and the deceased John Heartsydis houses now pertaining to the said Sir John and his spouse on the east, and the sea called the Oyse on the west, with common passage and freedom to the sea pertaining thereto, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall 24th December 1619; witnesses, Robert Sinclair of Campstane, Thomas Buchannan, brother to Sir John, Robert Menteith of Egilschaw, Patrick and John Stewarts, sons to the Laird of Grame-say, Harie Moncreiff, notary public, David Heart, notary public, and Gilbert Mowat, his servitor, writer of the charter. Witnesses to the Sasine were the said Thomas Buchannan and Harie Moncreiff, James Baikie, merchant, and David Kirknes, cordiner, indwellers in Kirkwall. The notary is David Heart.

*Mr. Harry Aitken, commissary of Orkney and Shetland,
and Elizabeth Turnet, his spouse, in 6 merk land in
Kirbister in Orphir.*

106. At Kirkwall, 24th February 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 21st January 1620, given by Andrew Leask in Grundwatter, as bailie, to Patrick Sandis, sheriff clerk of Orkney, as attorney, on CHARTER by Harie Wischart, eldest son and heir of the deceased Magnus Wischart, with consent of Barbara Halcro his mother, to Mr. Harie Aitkin, commissary of Orkney and Zetland, and Elizabeth Turnet his spouse, of his six merk udal and heritable land lying in the town and lands of Kirbister, and the mill of Kirbister and mill-lands thereof, with all right and roith of the same that the granter has by decease of Gilbert Wischart, oy and lawful heir of the deceased Magnus Wischart their 'guidsir,' to whom the said lands and mill pertained, lying in the parish of Orphar, Mainland, bishopric and sherifffdom of Orkney, which Charter is

dated at Kirkwall, 19th January 1620; witnesses, Mr. Harie Smyth, minister at Ewie, William Henrysoun, merchant in Kirkwall, Andrew Smyth, servitor to the Bishop of Orkney, Magnus Tailyeour, son of Peter Tailyeour, merchant in Kirkwall, and Patrick Sandis, servitor to Mr. Harie Aitkin. Witnesses to the Sasine were William Tailyeour of Swanibister in Orpher, Alexander Richen in Overhoubister, James Robiesoun, walker in Kirbister, William Robertson his son, Malcolm Leask, son of the said Andrew Leask, bailie, and Archibald Dass, officer in Kirkwall. Robert Coltart, notary.

James Fullarton in Grundwatter, in $\frac{1}{2}$ merk $\frac{1}{2}$ settings mailling in Oback in Orphir.

107. At Kirkwall, 24th February 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 7th February 1620, given by James Knairstane in Skaill, as bailie, on CHARTER by Bernard Ness, eldest lawful son procreated between the deceased Robert Ness and Margaret Rid, and lawful heir of the said Margaret his mother, to James Fulartoun in Grundwatter of a half merk land and half settings mailling of land lying in Oback in Tuskebustar in the parish of Orphar, to be held of George, Bishop of Orkney, and his successors, Bishops thereof, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 31st January 1620; witnesses, Robert Chalmer of Ryssay, Duncan Corser, tailor in Kirkwall, Robert Corrigill in Corrigill, and Patrick Sandis, servitor to Mr. Harie Aitkin. The granter signed by aid of Robert Coltart, notary. Witnesses to the Sasine were Alexander Millar, tailor in Oback, Alexander Huchesoun there, Alexander Germestoun, servitor to Alexander Rid there, George Rid there, and Patrick Sandis, servitor to the notary. Mr. Henry Aitkin, of Dunblane diocese, is notary.

Mr. Harry Aitken and his spouse, in $\frac{3}{4}$ d. land in Kirbister in Orphir.

108. At Kirkwall, 24th February 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 15th February 1620, given by Andrew Leask in Grundwatter, as bailie, to Patrick Sandis, commissary clerk of Orkney, as attorney, on CHARTER by Magnus Kirbister *alias* Huchesoun, brabner, indweller in Kirkwall, eldest lawful son and heir of the deceased Huchone Kirbister in Kirbister, and nearest and lawful heir of the deceased Janet Kirbister *alias* Robbie, only lawful daughter and heir of the deceased Robert Kirbister, father's brother of the said Magnus, udallers and heritors, to Mr. Harie Aitkin, commissary of Orkney and Zetland, and Elizabeth Turnet his spouse, of his one-farthing land pertaining to him by decease of his said father and two-farthing land pertaining to him by decease of the said Janet, all lying in the town and lands of Kirbister in the parish of Orpher, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 15th February 1620; witnesses, Daniel Kennydie, Patrick Gardner, David Pape, indwellers in Kirkwall, Patrick Sandis, commissary clerk of Orkney, Robert Kae and Robert Coltart, notaries public. Witnesses to the Sasine were Gilbert Simpstone, Steven Kirbister and Harie Wischart, indwellers in Kirbister. Robert Coltart is notary.

Janet Taylor, and John Ockilsetter in Westabanks, her husband, in $\frac{1}{2}$ of 3 cows' worth of udal land in Oversanday, in parish of St. Andrew.

109. At Kirkwall, 28th February 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 26th February 1620, given by Elizabeth Skae, widow of John Tailyour in Ovirsanday, lawful daughter of Agnes Goldiger there, procreated between her and the deceased John Skae her spouse, to Janet Tailyeour, lawful daughter of the said Elizabeth, and John Ockilsetter in Westabankis her spouse, of the half of

her three kyes worth of heritable uthall land in Ovirsanday and half of the pertinents, in the parish of St. Andro, Mainland, in terms of her CHARTER to them dated 18th February 1620. Witnesses to the Sasine were William Irwing of Grind, James Irwing in Ovirsanday, his brother, William Birsto in Claittis, John Birsto his son, Henry Papla in Ovirsanday, Alexander Irvine in Tolhoip, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Geills Papla, widow of Magnus Taylor, and their three daughters, in half of 3 cows' worth of land in Over-sanday.

110. At Kirkwall, 28th February 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 26th February 1620, given by the same to Geills Papla, widow of Magnus Tailyeour, lawful son of the said Elizabeth, in liferent, personally, and to William Papla in Murhous as attorney for Elizabeth, Margaret and Janet Tailyeour, lawful daughters of the said deceased Magnus and Geills, in fee, of the other half of her three kye's worth as above. Witnesses to the Sasine were William Irving in Grind, James Irwing his brother, William Downie in Tolhoip, and James Smyth, servant to the notary, David Heart.

Alexander Miller, natural son of George Miller of Browagar, in $\frac{2}{3}$ merk udal land in Oback in Orphir.

111. At Kirkwall, 15th March 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 31st January 1620, given by Robert Flet, son and apparent heir of Jasper Flet of Howbuster, as bailie, to Alexander Miller, natural son of Elizabeth Reid procreated between her and George Miller of Browagar, in terms of CHARTER by his said mother to him of her "tua pairt merk of land" udal land extending in yearly rent to four settings meilling of malt, lying in Oback in the town of Tuskebuster in parish of Orpher, which Charter is dated at Tuskebuster, 31st January 1620;

witnesses, Robert and William Flettis, sons of Jasper Flett of Howbister, Robert Halcro of Cava, James Knairstane in Skaill, Hew Knairstane his servant, James Germestoun in Germestoun, and George Reid in Tuskebuster. Robert Kae, notary, assists the granter to sign. Witnesses to the Sasine were the said William Flett, James and Hugh Knairstounes in Skaill, James Germestoun in Germestoun, and George Reid in Tuskebuster.

Thomas Lentrone, skipper in Kirkwall, and Isobel Carmichael, his spouse, in waste houses beneath St. Ola's brig, in Kirkwall.

112. At Kirkwall, 15th March 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 4th March 1620, given by Thomas Main, merchant bailie of Kirkwall, as bailie, to Thomas Lentrone, skipper indweller in Kirkwall, in terms of CHARTER by Katherine Angussoun, widow of Magnus Papla, burgess of Kirkwall, liferenter, and Patrick Papla, merchant, son of said Magnus, heritor by virtue of disposition from David Papla, burgess of Biren in Norroway, his eldest brother, son and heir of said Magnus, whereby they for their respective interests disponed to Thomas Lentrone and Isobel Carmichell his spouse, and their heirs, the waste houses and tenement of land with the yard, tail and pertinents thereof sometime pertaining to the deceased Gilbert Cordiner and Janet Sklaiter his spouse and sold and disponed by Elizabeth Cordiner, daughter and sole heir of said Gilbert and Janet, with consent of the deceased Magnus Thomsone her spouse, to the said deceased Magnus Papla, and presently possessed by the said Katherine Angussone and her tenants, lying on the west side of the King's high street in the burgh of Kirkwall beneath St. Ola's brig, between the tenement and yard sometime pertaining to the deceased William Grot and now to Magnus Cragie on the south, the tenement sometime pertaining to the deceased Ninian Flett and now

to Jasper Flett of Howbister on the north, the tenement sometime pertaining to Gavin Tailyeour and now to Arthur Sinclair on the east, and the sea called the Oyse of Kirkwall on the west, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 3rd March 1620; witnesses, James Baikie, merchant in Kirkwall, Harry Boyd, servitor to said Patrick Papla, Robert Kae, notary public, and Thomas Main, bailie of Kirkwall. Witnesses to the Sasine were John Prince and William Gordoun, merchants in Kirkwall, William Robertsons, servitor to Thomas Inglis, merchant burgess of Edinburgh, and Andrew Sinclair, servitor to the said Thomas Main.

Andrew Linay in Germestoun, in two meills mailling in Germestoun in Harray.

113. At Kirkwall, 15th March 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 11th March 1620, given by Andrew Walzeoun in Germestoun, as bailie, to Andrew Linay, indweller in Germestoun, in terms of CHARTER by Alexander Linay in Foubister of his two meills mailling of land lying in the town of Garmestoun in parish of Harray, which Charter (with precept directed to Robert Flet in Rensgair and the said Andrew Valzeoun) is dated at Kirkwall, 10th June 1618; witnesses, Robert Halcro of Cava, Hew Sinclair and James Baikie, merchants burgesses of Kirkwall, and Magnus Hourstoun, son of John Hourstoun, servitor to Robert Scollay, notary public in Kirkwall. Robert Scollay assists the granter to sign. Witnesses to the Sasine were Nicol Valzeoun in Gramestoun, James Valzeoun there, Oliver Valzeoun, son of said Andrew and Magnus Cursetter in Skarth. Robert Scollay is notary.

Magnus Sinclair in Gorne, and Marjory Irving, his spouse, in $\frac{1}{2}$ merk land in Burweik, in South Sandwick.

114. At Kirkwall, 15th March 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 1st February 1619 given by Magnus Stewart,

indweller in Sandweik, as bailie, to Magnus Sinclair in Gorne and Marjory Irving his spouse, on CHARTER by Oliver Sabistane in Stoiff and Agnes Flawis his spouse, eldest lawful daughter and heir of the deceased William Flawes, "eldest brother of Duthoes House," and William Fea, lawful son of the deceased Robert Fea, second brother of Duthoes House, for himself and taking burden for John, Thomas and Magnus Duthoes House, heritors and proprietors, of their half merk land lying in Burweik in parish of South Sandweik, extending in yearly duty to two settings malt and two settings flesh, lying in Mainland of Orkney and bishopric thereof, which Charter is dated at Gorne, 31st January 1619; witnesses, Jerome Kirknes of Mousland, James Scollay in Isbuster, Andrew Quhyte, reader at Sandweik, Magnus Papla, indweller in Gorne, servitor to said Magnus Sinclair, and Magnus Hourstane, servitor to Robert Scollay, notary. Witnesses to the Sasine were James Aitkin elder, Andrew Quhyt, reader at Sandwik, Oliver Aith and Hew Stiker (*sic*), indwellers there. Robert Scollay, notary.

Magnus Sinclair in Gorne and his spouse, in 1 merk land in Burnes in South Sandwick.

115. At Kirkwall, 15th March 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 1st February 1619, given by James Aitkin, elder, in Corstane, to Magnus Sinclair in Gorne and Marjory Irving his spouse, of his one merk land in Burnes with the fourth part of the houses thereof and eldest brother's right and part of the same, in parish of South Sandwik and bishopric of Orkney, in terms of his DISPOSITION of this date. Witnesses to the Sasine were Andrew Quhyt, reader at Sandwik, Magnus Stewart, officer there, Oliver Aith and Hew Sinclair (*sic*), indwellers in Sandwick. Robert Scollay is notary.

William Irving of Grind, in 3 merk lands in Sandis, in Deerness, under reversion.

1116. At Kirkwall, 15th March 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 17th February 1620, given by William Sinclair of Tolhoip, as bailie, to William Irwing of Grind, in terms of CHARTER by Alexander Papla, lawful son of the deceased Steven Papla, merchant burgess of Kirkwall, with consent of Magnus Papla, eldest lawful son and heir of the deceased Henry Papla *alias* Mainsone in Sandis in Deernes, of their three merk lands in Sandis in parish of Deernes, to be held under reversion as contained in the Charter, which is dated at Grind, 17th February 1620; witnesses, John Cromartie of Skae, bailie of Deerness, William Sinclair of Tolhoip, James Coupland, servitor to said William Irwing, and Robert Kae, notary public. Witnesses to the Sasine were John Cromartie of Skae, Andrew Cromartie his brother, and James Potinger in Deernes. Robert Kae is notary.

Patrick Stewart, son of James Stewart of Gramesay, in 8½ merk udal land in Irland, in Stenness.

1117. At Kirkwall, 20th April 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 18th April 1620, given by James Menteith of Saltcotis, as bailie, to Patrick Stewart, lawful son of James Stewart of Gramesay, on CHARTER by Janet Irland, one of the two lawful daughters and heirs portioners of the deceased Malcolm Irland, portioner of that ilk, with consent of James Lutefute in Overlyking, her spouse, of her eight merk half merk and fourth part merk udal land in Irland with tumollis, quoyis, etc., in parish of Stanehou, Mainland and sherifffdom of Orkney, which Charter is dated at Overlyking, 23rd November 1619; witnesses, James Menteith of Salcoitis, Adam Smyth of Stove, John Stewart, brother german of said Patrick, James Skathovie his servitor, and James Smyth, servitor to David Heart, notary. Gilbert Mowat, the notary's

servitor, writes the charter; David Heart and William Fermour, notaries, assist the granters to sign. Witnesses to the Sasine (given on the north side of the principal house) were, Andrew Murray, servitor to said James Stewart, James Skathowie, servitor to said Patrick Stewart, James Tait, servitor to said James Stewart, William Moir in Bea, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Rev. John Gardin, Sandwick and Stromness, and Katherine Gordon, his spouse, in piece of land called Greinwall, in Innertown of Stromness.

1118. At Kirkwall, 22nd April 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 10th March 1620, given by Patrick Smyth of Braco, as bailie, to Mr. John Gardin, elder, minister at Sandwik and Stromness, on FEU CHARTER to him and Katherine Gordoun his spouse by Henry Beatoun of his piece of land and houses built and to be built thereupon called Greinwall, with the yard and pertinents, bounded as follows: "to the fur of the lytill but on the south syid of the saidis houssis and merch stane sett on the heid of the said fuir on the eist, the grein balk that leidis northwards to the stane set foirnent the yaird nuik on the south, the yaird dyk on the west, and the grein risk and syk on the north pairtis," with common pasture on the muir of Stromnes, and fuel, fail and divot to be cast by them thereupon, all lying within the Innertoun and parish of Stromness, which Charter is dated at the house of Greinwall 4th March 1619; witnesses, Patrick Gordoun of Carstane, Jerome Tulloch of Quholme, John Beatoun of Clouk, John Reidland of that ilk, Thomas Beatoun of Deall, Andrew Mure in Carstane and Patrick Sandis, servitor to Mr. Harry Aitkin, commissary of Orkney. Witnesses to the Sasine were, James Broun in Stromness, William Leask in Hammegair, Jerome Chalmer, skipper in Kirkwall, Andrew Smyth, servitor to the Bishop of

Orkney, and Patrick Sandis. Mr. Harry Aitkin, of Dunblane diocese, is notary.

Alexander Flett in How, in $\frac{1}{2}$ udal land in Overburgh, in Harray, under reversion.

119. At Kirkwall, 22nd April 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 14th April 1620, given by Robert Flet in Rensgair,* as bailie, to Alexander Flett in How, personally, in terms of CHARTER of Wadset by William Brugh in Harry to the said Alexander of his half udal land in the town of Ovirbrugh, in the parish of Harray, with the houses built thereupon, under reversion for £50 Scots, which Charter was dated at Kirkwall, 10th February 1620; witnesses, William Carmichaell and Hew Sinclair, merchants burgesses of Kirkwall, James Beaquoy in Beaquoy, and Thomas Swintoun, minister at Harray. Witnesses to the Sasine (given on the ground of the Nethirhouses "bigged on the said land") were, William Andersone in Ovirbrugh, James Schewrie there, and Walter Tyrie, servitor to Hew Sinclair, merchant burges of Kirkwall. Robert Scollay is notary.

Magnus Goldiger, son of Robert Goldiger in Sandwick, and Henry Goldiger, his brother, in 2 merk udal land in Goldiger in Sandwick.

120. At Kirkwall, 22nd April 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 20th April 1620, given by Edward Sinclair in Clumlie, as bailie for John Tailyeour *alias* Goldiger in Ovirandsyid, Elizabeth Skae his spouse, and Magnus Goldiger, his eldest son and apparent heir, in terms of their CHARTER to Magnus Goldiger, lawful son of the deceased Robert Goldiger in Sandwick, and Henry Goldiger his brother, of their two merk land heritable udal land in Goldiger in Sandwik, and parish thereof, with the part of

* In the first part of the Sasine he is called Robert Brugh in Harray evidently by mistake.

the houses that justly pertained thereto, and tumells thereof, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 4th August 1610 (written by George Buchannan notary); witnesses, Magnus Sinclair of Gorne, Thomas Douglas, bailie of Harray, Hew Sinclair, brother to the said Magnus, and Edward Sinclair of Nes. Hew Spens in Aithstoun takes sasine on behalf of the said Henry. Witnesses to the Sasine were, John Redland of that ilk, Andrew Halkland in Linday, Robert Kirknes in that ilk, Jerome Linkliter in Scabra, Robert Allen in Aith, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart. Gilbert Mowat, servitor to the said notary, wrote the sasine.

Sibilla Primrose, daughter of James Primrose of Foddismill, and future spouse of Harry Stewart, fiar of Gramesay, in subjects in Isle of Gramesay, in liferent.

121. At Kirkwall, 6th May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 5th May 1620, given by Harry Stewart, fiar of Gramesay, to Patrick Murray of Gairth, as attorney for Sibilla Primrois, eldest lawful daughter of James Primrois of Foddismylne (in contemplation of the marriage to be solemnised between the said Harry and Sibilla), of his 6d. land of Corgill, 8¼d. land called the Bow of Gramesay, 5¼d. land in the town of Sathergill, 5d. three farthings and a cow's worth of udal land there, with his 2d. land lying in the town called Out on the Hill, and the half of his room and steading called Upaquoyis, all lying in the Isle of Gramesay, with the scats of the whole udal land lying in the said Isle, with pasture, privilege and freedom of Hoy for casting peats and pasturing of beasts in and upon the lands and Isle of Hoy, together with the office of bailiary of the said lands and Isle of Gramesay, all in liferent, and all in terms of Charters made thereanent by the said Harry with consent of James Stewart of Gramesay his father and Helen Menteith his mother. Witnesses to

the Sasine were, John Stewart, brother german to the said Harry, John Willox and John Menteith, his servitors, James Tait, servitor to the said John, Gilbert Mowat and James Smyth, servitors to the notary, David Heart.

David Slater of Orqueill, in 1 merk udal land in Wasweik of Orqueill, in parish of Rendall.

122. At Kirkwall, 6th May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 25th April 1620, given by Magnus Sklaitter in Dyk in Evie, only son and heir of the deceased Adam Sklaitter in Midhous, to David Skletter of Orqueill, of his one merk udal land in the town of Orqueill in that part thereof called Wasweik, "airit" by him from his said father, lying in the parish of Rendall. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Hew Skletter in Rendall, Thomas Kennydie, son of the deceased Oliver Kennydie of Lochtown, Henry Linkleter in Aetoft, and Jerome Linkleter his brother. David Heart is notary.

Magnus Sinclair in Gorne, and Marjory Irving, his spouse, in 2d. land in Crowall, in South Sandwick, and others.

123. At Kirkwall, 15th May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 13th May 1620, given by John Irving, eldest lawful son and heir of the deceased Magnus Irving of Crowall, "quha died without successioun gottin of his awin bodie," in terms of his DISPOSITION in favour of Magnus Sinclair in Gorne and Marjory Irving, his spouse, of his 2d. land in Crowall extending to three meills mailling lying in the parish of South Sandwyk, together with four settings mailling in Erzeing in Kirbuster, and half leispund butter mailling of meadow land in Clowagar in the parish of Stromness, which Disposition is dated at Gorne in Sandwik, 12th March 1620. Witnesses to the Sasine were, William Irving of Saba, William Cragie of Weatquoy, Thomas Scollay in Harkisgar, Hew Spense in Crowall, and Andrew Marweik in Woy. Robert Scollay is notary.

Grizel Stanisgair, daughter of Oliver Stanisgar in Kirkwall, and future spouse of James Tulloch of Ness, in 5 meills mailling of Ness, in parish of St. Andrew, in liferent.

124. At Kirkwall, 15th May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 4th May 1620, given by Jerome Chalmeris, skipper in Kirkwall, as bailie for James Tulloch of Ness, to Oliver Stanisgar, cordiner indweller in Kirkwall, as attorney for Grissell Stanisgair his daughter, in terms of liferent CHARTER by the said James Tulloch to the said Grizel, his future spouse, of the houses and buildings of Ness, with all byres, stables, yards and pertinents, and also five meills mailling of land of the said town and lands of Ness next adjacent to the said houses, lying in the parish of St. Andrew, which Charter was dated at Kirkwall, 6th April 1620; witnesses, Andrew Bruce of Balquharg, Mr. William Bruce, minister at St. Olaw, John Swintoun, minister at Firth, and Robert Kae, notary. Witnesses to the Sasine were, James Murray, Patrick Gardner in Kirkwall, and John Nicolsone, servitor to the said James. Robert Kae is notary.

John Birstane, son of Robert Birstane, portioner of Kirkhouse, in $\frac{1}{2}$ d. udal land and others in Papla.

125. At Kirkwall, 21st May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 12th May 1620, given by Adam Cromartie of Kirkhous, as bailie, to John Birstane, eldest lawful son of Robert Birstane, portioner of Kirkhous, on CHARTER by his father to him of half d. and five settings mailling udal land in Papla, seven settings mailling there sometime pertaining to the deceased Magnus Mowat in Stowis, half farthing land there sometime pertaining to Hucheon Cromartie, portioner of Blanksetter, a meills mailling of land there sometime pertaining to Henry Collie in Clett, and a half meills mailling sometime pertaining to John Nicoll in the said town of Papla, all lying in St. Peter's

parish in South Ronaldsay, extending in all to a half d. farthing half farthing and a meill half meills mailling of land, reserving the liferent thereof to the granter and to Marion Birstane, his spouse, which Charter is dated at Kirkhous, 12th May 1620; witnesses, Adam Cromartie of Kirkhous, David and Adam Cromartie, his sons, David Halcro, brother of Hugh Halcro of Cruik, and Patrick Sandis, servitor to Mr. Harry Aitkin, commissary of Orkney. Sasine was given at the Kilend in the barnyard of Kirkhous, at 8 a.m.; witnesses, John Grot in Serquoy, William Gray in Lalie, Adam Cromartie, younger son of the said Adam Cromartie of Kirkhous, John Cromartie, son of David Cromartie of Newbigging, and Patrick Sandis.

Hugh Birstane, son of said Robert, in 2 settings in Aikerishill, and others, in South Ronaldsay.

126. At Kirkwall, 21st May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 12th May 1620, given by Adam Cromartie of Kirkhous as bailie, to Hucheon Birstane, second lawful son of Robert Birstane, portioner of Kirkhous, on CHARTER by his said father to him of two settings mailling of land in Aikerishill, two settings mailling of land in Lythisbeeast, two settings mailling in South Wydwall, half d. and eight settings mailling of land in Coycuis (elsewhere Quoycwis), a meills mailling of land in Clettis, and five settings mailling of land in the town of Linkletter, with tumolls, quoys, etc., all within the Isle of South Ronaldsay, reserving liferents as above, which Charter is dated and attested as above. Sasine was given as follows:—on the lands of Quoycwiss at the “auld house steith” thereof, on the lands of Clettis “at the tumoll of the auld house thairof,” on the lands of Aikeris “on the eistmest rig thairof,” on the lands of Lythis “on the heid of the rig on the eist syid of the toft thairof,” and at Southwydwall “on the thrid rig nixt the balk or grein gait

that leidis to the moss," between 8 and 9 a.m.; witnesses, John Grot in Serquoy, John Cromartie, son of David Cromartie of Southwydwall, Patrick Swintoun, son to Thomas Swintoun, minister at Birsay, the said David Cromartie, and the said Patrick Sandis.

Henry Linkleter in Aetoft, in 1½ merk land in Linkleter in Scabra.

127. At Kirkwall, 30th May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 6th May 1620, given to Henry Linkleter in Aetoft by Jerome Linkleter in Linkleter in Scabra, his brother, of his one and a half merk udal land in the town of Linkleter in Scabra, sold and dispoened to him by Alexander Linkleter in Fealquoy, his brother; and another merk udal land there sold and dispoened to him by John Linkleter, his brother; with tumolls, quoyes, etc., in the parish of Sandwick, in terms of CHARTER by the said Jerome for himself and taking burden for Bessie Matches, his spouse. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Patrick Murray of Gairth, Hew Hourstane of that Ilk, Magnus Gersam in Scabra, Andrew Linkleter in Valla, Alexander Linkleter in Ovir Linkleter, Andrew Linkleter, brother to the said Henry Linkleter, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

John Grot in Dungasbie, and his spouse, and Donald Grott, his son, in ½d. land of Gossagarth in South Ronaldsay.

128. At Kirkwall, 30th May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 15th May 1620, given by Oliver Houstoun in Deall, as bailie, to Nicoll Rendall in Tingwall, as attorney for John Grot in Dungasbie and Christian Mansoun, his spouse, and to Harry Flett in Cluik in Costa as attorney for Donald Grott, son of the said John, in terms of CHARTER by Archibald Dundas in Kirkwall to the said John Grot and his spouse, in liferent, and Donald

their son, in fee, of his half d. land of Gossagarth in Thurager in South Ronaldsay, as for the principal, and his half barrel butter's mailling in Costa in the parish of Evie, in warrandice, which Charter was directed to Duncan Cromartie in Gassagarth and the said Oliver Houstoun, as bailies, and was dated at Kirkwall, 7th November 1618; witnesses, Nicol Garriauche in Kirkwall, David Cromartie of Newbigging, John Cromartie of Caray, Gilbert Donnet in Kirkwall, and Alexander Dundas, the granter's son. James Jack, notary, signs for the granter, who cannot write. Sasine was given of the warrandice lands in presence of Robert Sandis in Clouk in Coista, John Baikie, son of Oliver Baikie in Brek, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

John Irving in Lie in Holm, in $\frac{1}{3}$ of the feued lands of Over Gersan in Sandwick.

129. At Kirkwall, 30th May 1620, is registered a Renunciation, dated at Gorne, 13th May 1620, by Magnus Sinclair in Gorne in favour of John Irwing, indweller in Lie in Quhome, portioner of the "fewit" land of Gersan in Ovirsandwick, of all the claim he has or can pretend to the third part of the said "fewit" lands of Ovir Gersan extending to $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. land, lying in the parish of Sandwick; witnesses, William Irwing of Saba, William Craigie of Wetquoy, Robert Scollay, notary public, and Thomas Scollay in Turkinsger.

Magnus Irving of Over Gersan, in $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. land of Over Gersan, 4 settings in Ereying in Kirbuster, etc.

130. At Kirkwall, 30th May 1620, is registered a Renunciation, dated at Kirkwall and Kirk of Sandweik, 19th and 28th May 1620, by Magnus Sinclair, now in Gorne, and sometime in Ovir Rendall in Evie, lawful son of the deceased Henry Sinclair in Clumlue (*sic*), narrating that the deceased Robert, Earl of Orkney, set in feu to

him the 7½d. land of Ovir Gersane, in the parish of Sandweik, in the year 1580, and that the deceased William Irwing of Ovir Gersane, father of Magnus Irwing now of Ovir Gersane, and the deceased James and Magnus Irwing, brothers of the said William, who were lawful sons of the deceased John Irwing of Over Gersane to whom the said Earl likewise set the said lands in feu, paid to the renouncer certain sums of money, and also the said Magnus Irwing now of Ovir Gersane has paid further sums, therefore Magnus Sinclair renounces all claim to the said 7½d. lands and delivers up the charter, sasine, and Crown charter of confirmation relative thereto; and further, with consent of Marjory Irwing his spouse, renounces to the said Magnus Irwing four settings mailling in Ereying in Kirkuster (*sic*) and half leispund butter's mailling of meadow in Clowager in Stromness sold and disposed to him and his said spouse by John Irwing in Lie. Witnesses, William Irwing of Saba, Robert Chalmer of Ryssay, James Smyth in Trimbistoun, Robert Scollay, notary public, David Heart, notary public, Gilbert Mowat his servitor, Mr. John Gardin, minister at Sandwik, Henry Linkleter in Housgair, Patrick Miller in Hestuell, and Alexander Linkleter, son of said Henry.

Magnus Sinclair in Gorne, and his spouse, in 2d. land in Crowall in Sandwick.

131. At Kirkwall, 30th May 1620, is registered a Renunciation, dated at Kirkwall, 19th May 1620, by Magnus Irwing in Ovirgersane, with consent of John Irwing, his brother, in favour of Magnus Sinclair in Gorne, and Marjory Irwing, his spouse, of the 2d. land in Crowall in the parish of Sandwik, with all rights and evidents thereof, granted to the deceased John Irwing in Ovirgersane, his goodsir, including the charter thereof granted to him by the deceased Robert, Earl of Orkney then styled Robert Stewart of Stradowne. Witnesses,

William Irwing of Saba, Robert Chalmer of Ryssa, James Smyth in Trimbustoun, David Heart, notary, and Gilbert Mowat, his servitor.

James Bratalie in Knairstane, in $\frac{1}{2}$ merk udal land in Knairstane, and a settings meadow in Nether Corstoun in Harray.

132. At Kirkwall, 31st May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 28th April 1620, given by Andrew Harvie in Sabistoun (called 'of' in precept), as bailie, to James Bratalie in Knairstane, in terms of CHARTER by James Corstoun, only son and heir of the deceased William Corstoun in Bimbester, in a half merk udal land in Knairstane (described in precept as a half merk land lying runrig through the town of Knairstane), and one settings meadow and 'gerse' thereof in Nether Corstoun in Harray above the house thereof, with tumolls, quoys, etc., in the parish of Harray, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 22nd March 1620; witnesses, Mr. William Bruce, vicar of St. Olay and reader at Kirkwall, Archibald Dundas, officer of Kirkwall, and Arthur Sinclair, bailie there, and William Moncreiff, brother to Harry Moncreiff, notary public. Witnesses to Sasine, Oliver and Robert Knairstanes, indwellers in Kirkwall, Robert Harvie, brother of said Andrew, and John Kirknes in Kirkwall. Robert Kae is notary.

William Anderson, gardener to the Bishop of Orkney, and his spouse, in Butaquoy and Quoyangrie, in St. Ola, Kirkwall.

133. At Kirkwall, 31st May 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 6th May 1620, given by Harry Moncreiff, indweller in Kirkwall, as bailie, to William Anderson, gardener to the Bishop of Orkney, and Margaret Halcro, his spouse, in terms of CHARTER by Walter Anderson, his father, of the quoy called Butquoy (Butaquoy in the precept), with the other quoy beneath the same called

Quoyangrie, with the cottages built thereupon, with the teinds and teindsheaves of the said lands and quoys lying between the King's ' hiegait ' called the lone on the north east, the other King's gait and lone on the south, the king (*sic*) called Rollesquoy and place of the ' yairdis ' on the north, and that part of the burgh of Kirkwall called the Laverok on the west, and the little lone between the said quoys, lying in the parish of St. Ola, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 1st May 1620; witnesses, John Gairdner, wright in Kirkwall, Thomas Robiesone, tailor there, Robert Mowbray, indweller there, and Archibald Dass, officer. Witnesses to Sasine, John Prince, merchant in Kirkwall, Duncan Quhyt, slater, Archibald Dass, sergeant, and James Bruce, clothier (?), indwellers in Kirkwall. Robert Kae is notary.

Elizabeth and Helen Sklaitter, daughters of John Sklaitter in Bea, John Inksetter, son of said Elizabeth, and Henry Cursetter, son of said Helen, in $\frac{3}{4}$ d. land in Aithstoun in Sandwick and 2 merkland in Kirbuster in Orphir.

134. At Kirkwall, 10th June 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 8th June 1620, given by John Sklaitter in Bea in the parish of Birsay to William Spens, merchant in Kirkwall, as attorney for Elizabeth Sklaitter, eldest lawful daughter of the said John, and to John Spens, brother of said William, as attorney for John Inksetter, eldest lawful son of said Elizabeth, and to John Cursetter in Kirbuster as attorney for Helen Sklaitter his spouse, second lawful daughter of said John Sklaitter, and to James Smyth, son of Robert Smyth, indweller in Kirkwall, as attorney for Henry Cursetter, second son of the said Helen Sklaitter and John Cursetter her spouse, of his three farthing land in Aithstoun extending to eight settings mailling in landmales, in the parish of Sandwick, and of his two merk udal land in Kirbister extending to

two meills mailling in land males in the parish of Orphir, in terms of his CHARTER dated 6th June 1620, reserving his liferent and that of Katharine Houstoun his spouse. Witnesses to the Sasine, at Aithstoun, Edward Sinclair, bailie of Sandwick, Jerome Kirknes of Mousland, Andrew Halkland in Lindey, William Duncane in Newgar, Alexander Aith in Aith, and John Spens in Quhome; and at Kirbister, Magnus Aith in Navirsdaill, Steven Kirbuster in Kirbuster, Robert Broun in Netherdyk in Sandwick, and George Spence, servitor to the said William Spence. David Heart is notary.

Helen Sklaitter, wife of John Cursetter in Kirbuster, and John C. their son, in half of 1d. udal land in Kirbuster in Stromness.

135. At Kirkwall, 10th June 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 8th June 1620, given by John Cursetter in Kirbuster to Helen Sklaitter, his spouse, in liferent, and to John Cursetter, their eldest lawful son, in fee, of the half of his one d. udal land in Kirbuster, in the parish of Stromness, in terms of his CHARTER dated 6th June 1620, reserving the granter's liferent. Witnesses to the Sasine, William Spens, merchant in Kirkwall, John Spens his brother, Jerome Kirknes of Mousland, William Beatoun in Feafeald (? Feald), and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, in lands of Cubister in Firth, under reversion.

136. At Kirkwall, 10th June 1620, is registered a CONTRACT, dated at Edinburgh, 12th April 1620, between George Sinclair of Rapnes in Westra, on the one part, and Hew Sinclair, merchant burgess of Kirkwall, on the other part, whereby George Sinclair wadsets to Hew for £100 Scots his lands of Kirbister (*sic*, but Cubister in later parts of the deed) in Firth, presently occupied by Adam

Sklaitter of Burnes, with assignation of the tack duty payable by the said Adam for seven years still to run, being half barrel butter and a meill of oatmeal yearly. Witnesses, John Robertstone, writer in Edinburgh, James Robertstone his brother, Robert Rawsone, W.S., and Mungo Law, his servitor.

John Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, in 1 merk land in Nearhous in Gramestoun, parish of Harray.

137. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 23rd April 1620, given by Magnus Linay in Nearhous, as bailie, to John Sinclair, merchant, indweller in Kirkwall, in terms of CHARTER by Elias Cleland, indweller in Kirkwall, of his one merk land extending to 'ane' ('aucht' in the precept) settings malt in mailling lying in Nearhous in the town of Gramestoun, in the parish of Harray, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 1st February 1619; witnesses, William Carmichaell, merchant in Kirkwall, Thomas Lentrene, skipper there, and Robert Kae, notary. Witnesses to the Sasine, James Cloustoun in Gremestoun in Harray, Andrew Cloustoun alias Gremestoun, his brother, there, Malcolm Linay, son of the said Magnus, and John Kirknes. Robert Kae is notary.

Hew Sinclair, merchant in Kirkwall, in Cubister in Firth, under reversion.

138. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 8th June 1620, given by Adam Sklaitter of Burnes, as bailie, to Hew Sinclair, merchant burgess of Kirkwall, in terms of CHARTER by George Sinclair of Ropnes in Schapinscha, for fulfilment of their Contract dated at Edinburgh, 12th April 1620, for the wadset of the lands of Cubister in Firth, redeemable for £100 Scots. Witnesses to the Sasine, John Sinclair, indweller in Huntiskarth in Harray, and Henry Flet, indweller in Cwbister. Robert Scollay is notary.

William Rendall, son of David Rendall in Allebuster, and his spouse, in 1d. udal land in Allebuster and 1 merk udal land in Rendall.

139. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 16th May 1620, given by David Rendall in Allebuster to William Rendall, his youngest lawful son, and to Margaret Sklaitter, his spouse, of his one d. udal land in Allebuster and his one merk udal land (elsewhere described as one farthing land) in the town of Rendall in the parish of Rendall, in terms of his CHARTER of this date. Witnesses to the Sasine, Nicoll Rendall in Tingwall, David Rendall in Quoynamekle, John Rendall, son of the deceased John Rendall of that Ilk, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Hew Broun, son of Alexander Broun in Breknes, in 3 merk land, and others, in Uttertoun and Innertoun of Stromness.

140. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 13th June 1620, given by Alexander Broun in Breknes, with consent of Agnes Tailyeour his spouse, to Hew Broun, his fourth lawful son, in terms of CHARTER to him of his three merk land called Gullies land and a merk of land called Gramesayes merkland, lying within the 6d. land of Fealtquoy in Uttertoun, together with his half merk land called George Brounes land in the Innertoun, all lying in the parish of Stromness, reserving the granter's liferent of the whole lands, and reserving also to the said Agnes Tailyeour the liferent of the half of the duties of the said lands extending to seven settings malt, to be paid to her yearly after his decease, which Charter is dated at Stromness, 13th June 1620. Witnesses to the Sasine, Mr. John Gardin, minister at Sandwik and Stromness, Edward Sinclair of Ness, Thomas Beatoun in Innertoun, John and Magnus Brounes, sons of said Alexander Broun in Breknes. Robert Scollay is notary.

Francis Broun, son of said Alexander, in 2½ merk land in Yeskinabie in Sandwick, and others.

141. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 14th (sic) June 1620, given by Alexander Broun in Breknes, with consent of his spouse as above, to Francis Broun, his fifth and youngest lawful son, in terms of his DISPOSITION to him of 2½ merk land in Yeskinabie, in the parish of Sandwick, and a merk land in Kirbuster, in the parish of Stromness, with a merk land in Grames-toun, in the parish of Harray, reserving his liferent of the whole, and his wife's liferent of the half duties extending as above, which Disposition is dated at Stromness, 13th June 1620. Witnesses to the Sasine, Hierome Redland in Bretabrek in Kirbuster, John Moir in Stoirpoole there, Alexander Irwing in Yeskinabe, Magnus Yuilday there, James Aith there, William Isbuster in Gramestoun, Robert Isbuster, elder, there, and James Isbuster, his son. Robert Scollay, is notary.

John Broun in Garth, son of said Alexander, in 3 merk land in Stoiff, and subjects in Uttertoun and Inner-toun of Stromness.

142. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine, dated 13th June 1620, given by said Alexander Broun and spouse, to John Broun in Garth, his eldest lawful son, in terms of DISPOSITION to him of his three merk lands in Stoiff and a cow's worth more of land in Uttertoun, a merkland called Couplandis merk and a half merk land called George Brounes land, lying in the Innertoun, all in the parish of Stromness, reserving as above, which Disposition is dated at Stromness, 13th June 1620. Witnesses to the Sasine, as in No. 140 (except that Hew Broun takes the place of John). Robert Scollay is notary.

James Broun, son of said Alexander, in 4½ merk land in Deall, in Uttertoun of Stromness.

143. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a similar Sasine in favour of James Broun, third lawful son of said Alexander (by his attorney, William Beatoun in Inner Stromness), of 4½ merk land lying within the 6d. land of Deall, together with a rig of land, all lying in the Uttertoun, in parish of Stromness. Witnesses to the Sasine, Mr. John Gardin, minister, Edward Sinclair of Ness, John and Magnus Brounes.

Magnus Broun, son of said Alexander, in 3½ merk land in Leagair, and other subjects in Uttertoun and Innertoun of Stromness.

144. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a similar Sasine in favour of Magnus Broun in Uttertoun, second lawful son of said Alexander, in three merk and 'thridpairt' merkland lying within the 6d. land called Leagair, in the Uttertoun, and a merkland in the quoy called Fealtquoy within the 6d. land of Fealtquoy there, together with his half meills mailling of land lying in Quoybeir in the Innertoun, all in parish of Stromness. Witnesses to the Sasine, Mr. John Gardin, Edward Sinclair, Thomas Beatoun in Innertoun and John and Hew Brouns.

Sir John Buchanan, servitor to the King, and his spouse and daughter, of 8d. land of Elwick, and others in Shapinshay.

145. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 25th May 1620, given by Robert Elphinstone of Hammegar, as bailie, to Sir John Buchannan, knight, servitor to His Majesty, and to Robert Ballenden of How as attorney for Dame Margaret Heartsyid, spouse to said Sir John, and to Patrick Blak, lawful son of the deceased Captain Henry Blak, indweller in Kirkwall, as attorney

for Margaret Buchannan, eldest lawful daughter of said Sir John and his spouse, in terms of FEU CHARTER by George, Bishop of Orkney, with consent of his chapter, to them in conjunct fee, and to the said Margaret and the lawful heirs of her body, whom failing, Katherine Buchannan their second lawful daughter, and lawful heirs of her body, whom failing, to said Sir John and his heirs and assignees, of the 8d. land called Elwick, $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. land called How between the hills, with teind sheaves thereof, with the mill of Schapinscha called the mill of Elwick, with the mill-lands and multures of the lands and Isles of Schapinscha, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 24th May 1620: witnesses, Thomas Buchannan, brother of said Sir John, Patrick Smyth of Braco, Mr. Henry and Andrew Smyths, the Bishop's servitors, David Heart, notary, and Gilbert Mowat his servitor. Witnesses to the Sasine: William Irwing of Gairsta, Magnus Irwing in Elwick, James Flawes in Gorne, William Murray in Swesquoy, James Haddell, son of William Haddell in Hollandsweik, Magnus Tailyeour, son of Peter Tailyeour, merchant in Kirkwall, James Androsone in How, Oliver Irwing in Waltnes, and the said Gilbert Mowat. David Heart is notary.

Adam Smyth of Stove, of $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. and halfmerk land in Utter Stromness.

146. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 27th May 1620, given by Magnus Sinclair in Gorne, as bailie, to Daniel Beatoun in Stoiff as attorney for Adam Smyth of Stoiff, on FEU CHARTER by the Bishop and his chapter to him of $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. and half merk udal land of the town and lands of Utter Stromness lying under and about the house of Stove, in parish of Stromness (one merk land of which was lately conquest and acquired by the said Adam from Aleson Cursetter, only lawful daughter and heir of the deceased Magnus Cursetter, and Alexander Linkleter in Fealquoy, her spouse), which

Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 16th March 1620: witnesses, George Drummond apparent of Balochie, Patrick Smyth of Braco, Mr. Henry and Andrew Smyths, the Bishop's servitors, David Heart and Gilbert Mowat. Witnesses to Sasine: William Beatoun in Leafea, James Beatoun in Stove, Adam Beatoun his brother, John Flet in Strethin, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Hew Halcro of that Ilk, and his spouse, of 12d. land of Brabuster, in Hoy, and other 6d. land there.

147. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 9th June 1620, given by John Stewart, lawful son of James Stewart of Gramsay, as bailie, to Hew Halcro of that Ilk, and to Patrick Swintoun, lawful son of Thomas Swintoun, archdean of Orkney, as attorney for Jean Stewart, spouse to the said Hew, in terms of FEU CHARTER by the Bishop and his chapter to them of the 12d. land with outbrecks thereof of the town and lands of Brabuster "by and attour" the 6d. land and outbrecks thereof already set in feu to Edward Mowat in Salwick, all in the parish and isle of Hoy, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 1st June 1620: witnesses, Patrick Smyth of Braco, Mr. Henry and Andrew Smyths, Thomas Main, merchant in Kirkwall, David Heart and Gilbert Mowat. Witnesses to Sasine (given upon the ground of the said lands beside the house called Halla), Henry Smyth in Halla in Brabuster, Henry Sutherland there, Gilbert Nicolsone in Keldallie, John Spens, brother to Harry Spens in Nether Scapa, Magnus Harper his servitor, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Renunciation by Margaret Murray to William Irving of Gairsta of ½d. udal land in Meanes in Shapinshay.

148. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Disposition and Renunciation dated at Meanes and Holland in Schapinsha, 20th June 1620, by Margaret

Murray, lawful daughter and only heir of the deceased Magnus Murray, with consent of Thomas Ethay, her spouse, in favour of William Irwing of Gairsta in Schapinscha, selling and renouncing to him for a certain sum of money her half d. udal land 'airit' from her father, lying in the town of Meanes in the Isle of Schapinscha. Witnesses, James Mowat, merchant in Stronsay, James Andersone in Kirbister, Thomas Haddell there, and Thomas Werk there.

William Irwing of Gairsta, of $\frac{1}{2}$ d. udal land in Burroustoun in Shapinshay, redeemable for £66.

149. At Kirkwall, 21st June 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 20th June 1620, given by James Mowat in terms of his CHARTER of Wadset to William Irwing of Gairsta of his half d. udal land in Burroustoun in Shapinscha, under reversion for £66, reserving to the granter three years' tack thereof duty free after redemption, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 19th June 1620. Witnesses to the Sasine, James Andersone in Kirbister, Thomas Haddell there, and Thomas Werk there.

Renunciation by Robert Kirkness to John Banks, younger, of tenement in the 'Brughe' of Kirkwall.

150. At Kirkwall, 1st July 1620, is registered an Instrument of Resignation, dated 20th June 1620, by Robert Kirknes, lawful son of the deceased Agnes Bankis, in the hands of John Bankis, younger, his superior, for a certain sum of money, of his tenement of land fore and back, under and above, with yard, tail and pertinents, lying in Kirkwall in that place thereof called the Brughe, bounded by the houses of Thomas Main on the east, the sea called the sea of Kirkwall on the south, the Rowmonis (probably mistake for 'ruinous') houses pertaining to James Andersone on the west, and the common calsay of Kirkwall on the north. Done within

the dwelling house of Arthur Sinclair, one of the bailies of Kirkwall, in presence of Arthur Sinclair, Hew Halcro of Aikeris, Jerome Chalmers, Hucheon Nicolsons, indwellers in Kirkwall, and John Mowat in Ustounes (?) in Zetland. Robert Coltart is notary.

Magnus Petrie in Clumlie, and his spouse, of an annual from the lands of Clumlie, redeemable for 300 merks.

151. At Kirkwall, 1st July 1620, is registered a Sasine dated at Clumley within St. Androis parish in Orkney, 6th June 1620, given by John Ockilsetter, as bailie, to Magnus Petre dwelling in Clumlie, and Elizabeth Foubister his spouse, on CHARTER of Wadset by Robert Sinclair of Campstane, with consent of Helen Achesone his spouse, to them of an annualrent of seven meills malt and four meills flesh yearly from the lands of Clumlie, under reversion for 300 merks, which Charter (written by William Fermour, notary public) is dated at Campstane, 5th June 1620; witnesses, James Petre in Foubister, Thomas Sinclair, eldest son of the said Robert, John Ockilsetter in Vestabankis, and the said William Fermour. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Thomas Sinclair, son of said Robert, the said James Petre, and Gilbert Petirsone. William Fermour is notary.

Richard Onstoun, portioner of that Ilk, of $\frac{1}{2}$ merk land in Newclet in Overtoun, parish of Harray.

152. At Kirkwall, 23rd August 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 12th July 1620, given by Gilbert Simpstone, husband of Margaret Kirbister, to Richard Onstoun, portioner of that Ilk, in terms of DISPOSITION by the said Margaret with consent of her husband, of half merk udal land in Newclet in Ovirtoun there, in parish of Harray, which Disposition is dated at Kirkwall, 10th July 1620. Witnesses to the Sasine were, James Sinclair in Newclett in Eistaquoy there, William Flet in Kirbuster, James

Isbuster in Gramestoun, and George Petirsone in Newclet in Ovirtoun there. Robert Scollay is notary.

Magnus Craigie in Kirkwall, of 9d. land in Papdaill, and mill.

153. At Kirkwall, 23rd August, 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 22nd August 1620, given by Thomas Main, merchant burgess of Kirkwall, as bailie, to Magnus Craigie, burgess of Kirkwall, in terms of CHARTER by John Finlasoun, elder, burgess of Dundee, and Janet Cullen his spouse, and the said John as tutor testamentar to John Finlasoun, his grandson, lawful son and apparent heir of the deceased James Finlasoun, younger, sometime one of the bailies of Dundee, of the 9d. lands called Papdaill and mill thereof, which Charter is dated at Dundee, 13th April 1620: witnesses, James Peirsoun of Easter Liff, Mr. Henry Fithie, rector of Lundie, William Gray, sheriff clerk of Forfar, James Baikie, merchant in Kirkwall, and Mr. John Denmure, notary in Dundee, and James Robertsone his servitor. Witnesses to the Sasine, John Baikie and Thomas Moncreiff, merchants in Kirkwall, David Brow and William Broun, indwellers there. Henry Moncreiff, of the diocese of Orkney, is notary.

Renunciation by Oliver Houstoun in Deall in Evie to Hew Halcro of Aikeris, of chamber and booth, etc., in Midtown of Kirkwall.

154. At Kirkwall, 23rd August, 1620, is registered a Renunciation dated at Kirkwall, 5th August 1620, by Oliver Houstoun in Deall in Evie to Hew Halcro of Aikeris, of his chamber and foirbuith with a kitchen under the same, set in feu by the deceased William Halcro of Aikeris, father of the said Hew, to the deceased Magnus Angusone in Kirkwall and Elizabeth Donnaldsdochter his spouse, and wadset by them to the deceased Mr. John Houstoun, prebendary of the prebend of St. Petir, under

reversion for £40 Scots, and disponed by the said deceased Mr. John to the said Oliver, which subjects lie in the Midtoun of Kirkwall on the high street thereof " streikand to the northeist pairt of the said umquhile Magnus hall and dwelling housses " now pertaining to the said Hew, having on the southeast part the houses and dwelling place of the said deceased William Halcro now also pertaining to the said Hew, the ground and house sometime pertaining to Robert Sinclair of Campstane and now to Sir John Buchannan, knight, on the northeast, and the common street on the west. Witnesses, Patrick Murray of Gairth, David Heart, notary, and Gilbert Mowat, his servitor.

Sir John Buchanan, knight, and his spouse, of 9d. land of Work, and nesses thereof, in St. Ola parish.

155. At Kirkwall, 23rd August 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 21st July 1620, given by Mr. William Levingstoun, portioner of Saltoun, as bailie, to Sir John Buchanan, knight, and to Robert Ballenden, brother of Adam Ballenden of Stanehou, as procurator for Dame Margaret Heartsyid, spouse of said Sir John, in terms of CONTRACT between them and Robert Menteith of Egilsay, whereby the said Robert disponed to them the 9d. land of Work with the two Nesses thereof, one called the Halksnes, the other called the Carness, all in the parish of St. Ola, which Contract is dated at Edinburgh, 5th July 1620: witnesses, Thomas Buchanan, brother germane to said Sir John, Robert Elphinstoun of Hammegar, Mr. David Aistoun (*signs* Aisoun), and Robert Grahame, servitor to said Sir John. Witnesses to the Sasine were, Bernard Lindsay and Robert Grahame, servitors to said Sir John, Robert Woid, servitor to said Mr. William Levingstoun, William Spens, and John Johnestoun, indwellers in Werk, and William Setter in Kirkwall. Robert Kae is notary.

William Grot, son of William Grot of Tankerness, of subjects in the Isles of Sanday and Stronsay.

156. At Kirkwall, 23rd August 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 10th July 1620, given by John Colvill in Tankernes, as bailie, to William Grot, lawful son of the deceased William Grot of Tankernes, in terms of PRECEPT of Clare Constat by Hew Halcro, younger, fiar of that Ilk, and chaplain of the chaplainry of St. Salvatour in Orkney, and Hew Halcro, elder, of that Ilk, his father and administrator, to infest him as heir to his said father in 3d. land in Nearhous, 1d. land in Lantas in Overbuster, a towmale and houses in Nearhous, a towmale with the houses and tofts in Overbuster called Skaill in Burnes, a towmale with the houses and tofts called Southskaill, a towmale with houses and tofts called Neagair, a towmale with houses and tofts called Skarray, a towmale with houses and tofts called Holland in Burnes, a half farthing land in Stangasetter, a towmale with the tofts called Skegibuster in the Croce parish of Sanday, all in the Isle of Sanday, and three halfpenny land with the towmale and pertinents thereof within the town of Rothisholme, a towmale called Leslies towmale with houses and pertinents thereof, a towmale and toft called Garngayes towmale, three towmales with houses and tofts lying in Groabuster (Grogabuster in next sasine), a towmale with houses and tofts called Coitt lying in Clett, a towmale with houses and tofts called Henry Mowsies towmale in West Midgarth in Clett, a house and towmale and toft called Gregorie Kellochis towmale and house with the pasturage adjacent thereto, all in the Isle of Stronsay, and all held of the said Hew Halcro for yearly payment for every meill of 27 meills beir the sum of 40d. Scots with 3s. 4d. of augmentation, being in all £4: 13: 4, which Precept was dated at Kirkwall, 7th July 1620, witnesses thereto being, William Sinclair of Tolhoip, Thomas Main, bailie of Kirkwall, Robert Kae, notary, Patrick Swintoun, servitor to the

granter, and John Colvill in Tankernes. Witnesses to the Sasine (given on the lands of Nearhous *alias* Netherhow beside the house thereof) were, William Orrock in Netherhow, James Burgar in Bea, John Rid *alias* Hagar in Strynie, James Petirson there, William Archibald, servitor to said William Orrock, and John Thomsone in How in Sanda.

John Colvill of Tankerness, of same subjects.

157. At Kirkwall, 23rd August 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 10th July 1620, given by John Rid *alias* Hagar, indweller in Stryme, as bailie, to John Colvill of Tankernes in terms of CHARTER by William Grot, eldest lawful son and heir of the deceased William Grott of Tankernes, of all the above subjects, which Charter is dated at Tankernes, 9th July 1620: witnesses, William Sinclair of Tolhoip, Robert Kae, notary, and * Grott, the granter's brother. Witnesses to the Sasine (given on the lands of Nearhous *alias* Nethirhous in Sanda) were, William Orrock in Nearhous, William Archibald his servitor, James Burgar in Bia, James Peirson in Strynie, and John Thomsone in How in Sanda.

Helen Alexander, wife of George Sinclair of Ropness, in liferent, of Bull and holms of Ropness, in Westray.

158. At Kirkwall, 15th September 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 13th September 1620, given by George Sinclair of Ropnes to his spouse, Helen Alexander, in liferent, of his lands and Bull of Ropnes and holms pertaining thereto "fra the hiest of the hill to the lawest of the ebb," in the Isle of Westra. James Alschinder, brother of said Helen, takes sasine on her behalf. Witnesses to Sasine: Michael Balfour of Garth, Patrick Balfour his son, John Draver, grieve at the place of Ropnes, and Thomas Norie, servitor to the said George Sinclair. Robert Coltart is notary.

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Arthur Sinclair in Kirkwall, and his spouse, of sundry subjects in Shapinshay, Firth, Birsay and Kirkwall.

159. At Kirkwall, 27th October 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 25th and 26th October 1620, given by William Spence, merchant in Kirkwall, as bailie, to Arthur Sinclair in Kirkwall, and to John Spence, brother germane of Harry Spence in Scapa, as attorney for Marion Tulloch, spouse of the said Arthur, in terms of CHARTER to them by James Tulloch of Ness (with consent of)* assignee constitute by Patrick Vaus, merchant in Kirkwall, donator and having the gift of escheat and liferent of the said James from the Crown), of the following subjects pertaining to the said James in feu and heritage, held of the prebendary of St. Katharine in the cathedral kirk of Orkney, viz., $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land called Skennistoft in the Isle of Schapinscha with houses and towmales thereof, 2d. land in Holme sometime occupied by the deceased Alexander Bayne, a quoy of land in Deenes lying in the town of Skae, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Grimbuster in the parish of Firth, a room of land and house called Clok in the parish of Birsay, 2d. land lying besouth within the Dyke of Birsay sometime occupied by the deceased Oliver Huntoun, and two quoys of land called Tua Quoyis lying beside St. Olaes Kirkyard in Kirkwall, all lying within the earldom and bishopric of Orkney respectively; also half of the room and lands of Ness presently possessed and occupied by the said James and his tenants, in the parish of St. Andro: which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 16th October 1620, witnesses being Robert Chalmer of Ryssa, Harry Moncreiff, notary public, and Robert Kae, notary public. Witnesses to the Sasine (taken on the lands of Ness on 25th and on the lands of Grimbester on the 26th) were, Thomas Papla in Tankernes, William Lachtane, servitor to John Colvill of Tankernes, David Moncreiff in Kirkwall, William Moncreiff his son, and James Cowkan in Grimbister. Robert Kae is notary.

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Thomas Irving in Over Gersan, of 1d. udal land in Instablie in Northdyke, Sandwick, under reversion.

160. At Kirkwall, 2nd November 1620* is registered a Sasine dated 1st November 1620, given by William Stickler in Instablie, as bailie, to Thomas Irving in Over Gersan, in terms of CHARTER by John Kirknes, indweller in Kirkwall, and Margaret Thrissell his spouse, of 1d. udal land extending to a meills mailling of yearly rent, lying in the town of Instablie in Northdyk, in parish of Sandwik, under reversion, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 25th November 1619 (the precept being directed to Andrew Linkletter of Linkletter and the said William Stickler): witnesses, Alexander Paplai and John Diksone, indwellers in Kirkwall, and Alexander Johnstoun in Greinie. Witnesses to the Sasine, John Baikie in Bratoun in Skoirwall, Magnus Sklaitter, son of Robert Sklaitter in Newhous there, Andrew Irving in Instablie, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Margaret, Ursula and Marjory Fulsie, sisters of James Fulsie, in a tenement in Kirkwall.

161. At Kirkwall, 6th November 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 4th November 1620, given by Henry Moncreiff, notary public in Kirkwall, as bailie, to John Swentoun, minister of the Gospel at the kirks of Firth and Stenhous, as attorney for Margaret Fulsie, Patrick Vaus, merchant indweller in Kirkwall, as attorney for Ursilla Fulsie, and Henry Stevensone, merchant there, as attorney for Marjory Fulsie, being the three sisters of the deceased James Fulsie, in terms of PRECEPT of Clare Constat by Thomas Swentoun, archdeacon of Orkney, for infefting them as heirs to their brother in a tenement fore and back with yard, lying between the tenement belonging to the subchantor of Orkney and the tenement or

* The record states that three Instruments of Sasine were registered that day, but there is only the one recorded, and there is no break in the pagination.

piece of waste land belonging to the chancellor of Orkney on the south, the common way leading to the Laverok on the east, and the shore of the sea called the Oyse, in the town of Kirkwall, held of the granter for yearly payment of 24s. and 2s. of augmentation, which Precept is dated at the Palace of Birsay, 6th June 1620; witnesses, George Bishop of Orkney, Henry Stewart, sheriff depute of Orkney, Stephen Grege his servitor, and David Heart, writer. Witnesses to Sasine: Andrew Moresone, indweller in Channonrie, collector, William Andersone, gardener in Kirkwall, John Bankis, officer there, John Nicolsone in Ness, Gilbert Mowat and James Smyth, servitors to the notary, David Heart.

The same, in another tenement in Kirkwall.

162. At Kirkwall, 6th November 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 4th November 1620, given by same to same, in terms of PRECEPT of Clare Constat by Mr. John Gardin, subchantor of Orkney, to infest them as heirs foresaid in a tenement of land with yard, between the tenement of the archdeacon of Orkney on the south, the treasurer of Orkney's manse on the north, the common way to the Laverok on the east, and the Oyse on the west, which Precept is dated at the Palace of Birsay, 6th June 1620: witnesses as above, to Precept and Sasine respectively.

Rev. William Hair, at Shapinshay, and his wife and daughter, of 17 farthing land in How in Shapinshay.

163. At Kirkwall, 6th November 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 13th October 1620, given by William Irwing of Gairsta, as bailie, to William Hair, minister at Schapinscha, Katherine Thomsoun his spouse, and Margaret Hair, their lawful daughter, in terms of FEU CHARTER by George Bishop of Orkney and Zetland, with consent of the provost and chapter of the cathedral kirk of Orkney, of 17 farthing

land of the town and lands of How in the Isle of Schapinscha, sold formerly to the said William and his spouse by John Grot of Tresnes and now pertaining to the said Bishop as part of the patrimony of the bishopric "being mortefied thairto in all time cumyne," which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 15th (*sic*) October 1620: witnesses, Patrick Smyth of Braco, "our sone in law," Andrew Smith his brother, Mr. Henry Smith, minister, Robert Grahame "our" servitor, David Heart, notary, and Gilbert Mowat his servitor. Witnesses to Sasine: Andrew Smyth, brother to Patrick Smyth of Braco, Duncan Quhytlaw, slater, Robert Byris, cook, . . .* Mudie, indweller in Schapinscha, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

William Irving of Gairsta, of 2d land in Meanes called Shaltaquoy, and ¼d. land in How in Shapinschay.

164. At Kirkwall, 6th November 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 13th October 1620, given by James Andirsonne in Kirbister, as bailie, to William Irwing of Gairsta, on FEU CHARTER by the Bishop etc. (as above) of 2d. udal land of the Bishop's town and lands of Meanes called Schaltaquoy and a farthing udal land of the town and lands of How in Schapinscha, sold and disposed formerly to the said William Irwing by John Murray and* Hutchesone, indwellers in Schapinscha, and now pertaining to the patrimony of the bishopric, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 5th (*sic*) October 1620, witnesses being as above. Witnesses to Sasine: Matthew Hawerik in Meanes, John Draver there, John Hawerik there, Thomas Weik in Kirbister, Duncan Quhytlaw, slater, Thomas Mudie, servitor to the said William Irwing, and James Smith, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

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Patrick Smyth of Braco, of 2d. land called Vigga, and part of the Roisnes, in Holm and Paplay.

165. At Kirkwall, 11th December 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 6th December 1620, given by Daniel Craigie in Skaill in Holme, as bailie, to Patrick Smyth of Braco in terms of FEU CHARTER by the Bishop etc. (as above) of 2d. land called Vigga with that part and portion of the Ness called Roisnes pertaining thereto in the parish of Holme and Paplay, which Charter is dated at the Palace of the Yairdis in Kirkwall, 5th October 1620: witnesses, Mr. Henry Smyth, minister, Robert Grahame and Andrew Smyth, the Bishop's servitors, David Heart, notary, and Gilbert Mowat his servitor. Witnesses to Sasine: Mr. Patrick Inglis, minister at Kirkwall, John Coupland in Skaill, Magnus Ayme in Swartaquoy, Andrew Garioche in Vigga, Edmond Craige, brother germane to the said Daniel, Steven Greg, servitor to Henry Stewart, sheriff depute of Orkney, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Hew Halcro of Aikers and Margaret Stewart, his spouse, in subjects in South Ronaldsay.

166. At Kirkwall, 11th December 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 9th December 1620, given by Arthur Halcro in Holland, as bailie, to Hew Halcro of Aikeris and to William Halcro, son of the deceased Edward Halcro in Kirkwall, as attorney for Margaret Stewart, spouse of the said Hew, in terms of CHARTER and Disposition by Patrick Halcro, brother germane of said Hew, with consent of Helen Erskene his spouse, of his $3\frac{1}{4}$ d. land in Aikeris, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Lythes, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Papla, $\frac{1}{4}$ d. land in Wydwall, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land in Thuragar, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. land and four settings mailling more in Tarland, with pertinents, lying in the Isle of South Ronaldsay, which Charter is dated at Halcro and Kirkwall, 22nd November and 9th December 1620: witnesses, Robert Menteith of Egilschaw, Andrew Bruce

of Balquharg, Patrick Smyth of Braco, David Heart, notary, and Gilbert Mowat his servitor, Harry Stewart, sheriff depute of Orkney, Hew Halcro of that Ilk, Edward Stewart of Brugh, Mr. Harry Aitkin, commissary of Orkney, and Mr. Daniel Callender, minister. Sasine was given on the ground of the respective lands (including the lands of Aikeris at the house presently inhabited by Andrew Petirsone) before these witnesses, Nicol Hall in Clett, Andrew Collie there, Magnus Halcro in Burrowstoun, John Williamsone, servitor to Magnus Quhytheid in Thuragare, Andrew Petirsoun in Southtoun of Wydwall, William Tailyeour elder in Wydwall, William Tailyour elder in Papla, James Sutherland *alias* Fairwell in Lythes, David Halcro, brother of said Hew, Archibald Brimbister and David Ogstoun, servitors to said Patrick Halcro, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

John Crantit in Kirkwall, and Clara Swan, his spouse, in piece of ground in Kirkwall.

167. At Kirkwall, 11th December 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 13th November 1620, given by James Deldell, merchant in Kirkwall, to John Crantit, tailor in Kirkwall, and Clara Swan his spouse, in terms of CHARTER by him with consent of Agnes Gude his spouse, in their favour of this date, of a piece of waste ground 73 feet long and 18 feet broad (for building a house and kailyard), also part of a peatyrd 30 ft. by 10 ft., which waste ground is part of the tenement belonging to the said James Deldell, and is bounded between the rest of the said tenement on the east and south, the kailyard on the west, and a part of the tenement of the deceased John Sinclair, skipper in Kirkwall, "fra the hall window of his hous downward" on the north. Witnesses to Sasine: Edward Potinger, skipper in Kirkwall, Henry Garrioche in * and James Garrioche his son. David Heart is notary.

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Alexander Sutherland in Blanksetter, in 2½ meills mailling in Paplay in South Ronaldsay.

168. At Kirkwall, 14th December 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 12th December 1620, given by Robert Birstane, portioner of Kirkhous, as bailie, to Alexander Sutherland in Blanksetter in Sanct Margarets Hoip, in terms of CHARTER by Janet Williamsone, widow of Magnus Williamsone in Papla in South Ronnaldsay, of her two meills mailling or farthing land presently possessed by Isobel Borthuik, widow of John Williamsone in Papla, and her half meills mailing of land presently possessed by Janet Young there, all lying in the town and lands of Papla in St. Petiris parish of the Isle of South Ronnaldsay, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 20th May 1620: witnesses, Mr. William Bruce, reader at Kirkwall, John Robiesone, messenger, Thomas Harper, indweller in Kirkwall, Magnus Tailyeour, son of Peter Tailyeour there, Robert Home, brother to William Home of Flandergaist (*sic*), Captain Thomas Knichtsone of Aith, and Patrick Sandis, servitor to Mr. Harry Aitkin, commissary of Orkney and Zetland. Witnesses to Sasine: Patrick Halcro in Fea, Donald Polsone in Scowis, William Birstane in Clettis, John Birstane his lawful son, John Smyth in Lythes, and the said Patrick Sandis. Mr. Henry Aitkin is notary.

John Smyth in Lythes, in ½d. land in Grysbach, in South Ronaldsay, under reversion.

169. At Kirkwall, 14th December 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 12th December 1620, given by the said bailie to John Smyth in Lythes in terms of CHARTER of Wadset by Margaret Birstane, widow of Edward Smyth in Clettis, Marion and Barbara Birstane, lawful daughters and heirs portioners along with Katherine Birstane elder, spouse to the said John Smyth, and Katherine Birstane, younger, spouse to Nicol Smyth in Clett there, sister of the deceased

Thomas Birstane, in Grysback, and by Thomas Clett in Quhytis, spouse to said Marion, the said Nicol Smyth, spouse to said Katherine Birstane younger, and by Robert Scotlie, spouse to said Barbara, for their interests, of their four parts of the half d. land in Grysback pertaining to them by decease of their said father, lying in St. Peters parish in South Ronnaldsay, under reversion for £140 Scots: which Charter is dated at Halcro and Grysback, 11th and 12th December 1620: witnesses, Patrick Halcro in Fea, Robert Birstane, portioner of Kirkhous, Donald Polson in Scowes, William Birstane in Clettis, Alexander Sutherland of Blansetter, John Birstane in Clettis, and Patrick Sandis. Witnesses to Sasine: the said Patrick Halcro, Donald Polson, William Birstane in Clettis and John Birstane his son, and Patrick Sandis. Mr. Henry Aitkin is notary.

Thomas Auchinleck in Kirkwall and Katherine McKenzie, his spouse, in a lodging and piece of ground in Kirkwall.

170. At Kirkwall, 14th December 1620, is registered a Sasine dated 9th December 1620, given by Captain Thomas Knichtson, provost of Kirkwall, as bailie, to Thomas Auchinleck, indweller in Kirkwall, and to Patrick Smyth, merchant in Dundee, as attorney for Katherine McKenyie, spouse to said Thomas, in terms of CHARTER by William Grott, eldest lawful son and heir of the deceased William Grot of Tankernes, with consent of Mary Scollay, widow of said William, as liferentrix, and John Colwill in Tankernes, now her spouse, of the lodging and house with close and piece of waste ground adjacent thereto pertaining to them, lying in Kirkwall, having on the east and south the burn called St. Olaes burne, to the west the tenement and lodging inhabited by Magnus Craigie, and the King's high street on the north, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 2nd December 1620:

witnesses, Patrick McKenzie, son of John McKenzie in Deernes, Gilbert Mowat, servitor to David Heart, writer, and Robert Kae, notary. Witnesses to Sasine: James Baikie, merchant, John Reid, Magnus Hardie, William Mertine, indwellers in Kirkwall, and Magnus Johnstone in Muill (?). Robert Kae is notary.

Alexander Paplay in Kirkwall, in the mailling of Beinzaquoy, in Firth, under reversion.

171. At Kirkwall, 2nd February 1621, is registered a Sasine dated 27th January 1621, given by Thomas Moncreiff, merchant in Kirkwall, as bailie, to John Baikie, merchant in Kirkwall, as attorney for Alexander Paplay, indweller there, in terms of CHARTER of Wadset by the deceased Henry Halcro of that Ilk of his room and mailling of Beinzaquoy in the parish of Firth, under reversion (sum not stated), which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 15th June 1603: witnesses, Magnus Hourstane, servitor to the Earl of Orkney, Patrick Vaus, merchant, Arthur and William Sinclair, brothers germane, Gilbert Donnet, and James Jack, notary public. Witnesses to Sasine: William Miller in Firth, James Firth, Robert Germestoun in Cottaskart, Gilbert Flett in Cowbister, and Robert Matches. Henry Moncreiff, of the diocese of Orkney, is notary.

James Baikie in Kirkwall, in the same, as assignee of said Alexander Paplay.

172. At Kirkwall, 2nd February 1621, is registered a Sasine dated 27th January 1621, given by Thomas Moncreiff, merchant, as bailie, to James Baikie, merchant in Kirkwall, in terms of a " Letter of right " by Alexander Papla, indweller in Kirkwall, " upoun the selling assignatioun and dispositioun " to the said James of his right and title of wadset of the room and mailling of Beinzaquoy, in the parish of Firth, his entry thereto to be at this

instant crop 1621, which Deed is dated at Kirkwall, 29th November 1620: witnesses, John Menteith, merchant burghess of Edinburgh, William Cragie, indweller in Kirkwall, and Harry Moncreiff, notary public. Witnesses to Sasine: Robert Germestoun in Cottaskart, William Miller in Firth, Gilbert Flett in Cwbister, and Robert Matches.

Jerome Kirkness in Mousland, in 1d. land in Sorwall in Northdyke, parish of Sandwick.

173. At Kirkwall, 28th February 1621, is registered a Sasine dated 23rd February 1621, given by Jerome Tulloch of Quhome, as bailie, to Jerome Kirknes in Mousland, in terms of CHARTER by Andrew Dingwall to him of his udal and heritable 1d. land conquest by him from John Dingwall his father and Oliver Dingwall his father's brother, pertaining to them and sometime to the deceased James Dingwall in udal and heritage, with quoy, tumells, etc., lying in the town and lands of Sorwall in Northdyik, in the parish of Sandweik, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 14th November 1620: witnesses, James Tulloche of Rothisholme, Arthur Sinclair, burghess of Kirkwall, John Kirknes, son of David Kirknes in Kirkwall, Gilbert Donnet there, and Alexander Scharp there. Sasine was given on the ground of the said 1d. land beside the house called Newhous in Northdyik before witnesses, Magnus Irwing in Overgersan, William Beatoun in Leafa, James Broun in Newhous in Quhome, Magnus Broun, his brother's son, there, Magnus Sklaitter, son of Robert Sklaitter in Newhous in Northdyik, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

John Beatoun of Cluik, and Elizabeth Spens, his spouse, in 2d. land in Kirktown, and quoy of Busquoy in Stromness.

174. At Kirkwall, 28th February 1621, is registered a Sasine dated 26th February 1621, given by Jerome

Tulloche of Quhome, as bailie, to John Beatoun of Cluik, and to David Beatoun his lawful son as attorney for Elizabeth Spens his mother, spouse of said John, in terms of CHARTER by Patrick Murray of Gairth to them of his 2d. land in the Kirktown of Stromnes, and his quoy of land called Busquoy in Uttertoun of Stromnes, with tumells, etc., all in the parish of Stromness, which Charter is dated at Kirkwall, 10th November 1620: witnesses, Mr. Robert Henrysoun of Holland, Alexander Broun of Breknes, David Heart, notary, Gilbert Mowat his servitor, and Oliver Houstoun in Deall. Witnesses to Sasine: Robert Sinclair in Skail, William Craigie in Weitquoy, Jerome Kirknes in Mousland, and James Beatoun in Sutherquoy. David Heart is notary.

Magnus Irwing of Over Gersan, in 4 settings mailling in Earying in Kirbuster, and meadow in Clowagar in Stromness.

175. At Kirkwall, 28th February 1621, is registered a Sasine dated 23rd February 1621, given by the said bailie to Magnus Irwing of Overgersan, in terms of CHARTER by Magnus Sinclair in Gorne, with consent of Marjory Irwing his spouse, of four settings mailling in Earing in Kirbuster, and half leispund butter's mailling of meadow in Clowagar, in parish of Stromness, sold to the said Magnus Sinclair and his spouse by John Irwing in Lie, which Charter is dated at Gorne, 23rd February 1621: witnesses, Robert Grahame and Andrew Smyth, servitors to George, Bishop of Orkney, William Cragie in Waitquoy, Jerome Kirknes in Mousland, and James Tulloche of Quhome. Witnesses to Sasine: Andrew Linkletter in Northtoun, Alexander Linkletter his son, James Broun in Newhous in Quhome, James Moir in Earing, William Irwing, brother to said Magnus Irwing, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Magnus Brown, younger, nephew of Magnus B. elder in Newhous in Quhome, of udal land there, in Stromness.

176. At Kirkwall, 28th February 1621, is registered a Sasine dated 23rd February 1621, given by Magnus Brown elder, in Newhous in Quhome, to Magnus Broun younger, his brother's son (for love and favour and certain good deed), of his brother's part of heritable udal land with tumells, quoys, etc., aired by him after the deceased James Broun, his father, and the deceased Marion Lylburne, his mother, lying in the town and lands of Newhous in Quhome, in parish of Stromness, and of the half of the other brother part of land which pertained to the deceased John Brown, brother of said Magnus Brown elder, and father of said Magnus Broun younger, lying in the said town and lands, reserving liferent of said Magnus Brown elder. Witnesses to Sasine: Jerome Tulloche of Quhome, John Redland of that Ilk, Andrew Linkletter in Northtoun, Alexander Linkletter his son, Magnus Irwing of Overgersane, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

Alexander Linklater, son of Andrew L. in Northtoun in Birsay, in 4 merk udal land of Sorpuill in Kirbister, in Stromness.

177. At Kirkwall, 28th February 1621, is registered a Sasine dated 23rd February 1621, given by Andrew Linkleter in Northtoun, in the parish of Birsay, to Alexander Linkletter his eldest lawful son (for love and favour), of his four merk udal land called Sorpuill in Kirbister, presently possessed and occupied by John Moir, lying in the parish of Stromness, reserving that coithous called Earying with the outbreck lands pertaining thereto presently occupied by James Moir, in terms of CHARTER by the said Andrew with consent of his spouse (not named), and reserving their liferents, which Charter is dated 24th January 1621. Witnesses to Sasine: Jerome Tulloche of

Quhome, Magnus Irwing of Overgersane, John Moir in Sorpuill, James Moir in Earying, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.

John Linklater, son of said Andrew, in cothouse called Earying, $\frac{1}{4}$ d. in Over Burgh, and piece of land in Watsetter.

178. At Kirkwall, 28th February 1621, is registered a Sasine dated 24th February 1621, given to James Moir in Earying in Kirbister as attorney for John Linkleter, lawful son of Andrew Linkletter in Northtoun, in parish of Birsay, in terms of CHARTER by the said Andrew, with consent of Margaret Sklaitter his spouse, to his said son (for love and favour), of his coithous called Earying and whole outbreck lands pertaining thereto, being part of his four merk udal land called Serpuill in Kirbuster, in parish of Stromness, and presently possessed by the said James Moir; also a farthing land in Overbrugh extending to a meills mailling in land maills wadset to the said Andrew by William Andersone for £40; also another farthing land in Overbrugh wadset to the said Andrew by Geills Andersone with consent of Magnus Sinclair her spouse for £30, which two farthing lands lie in the parish of Harray; also a piece of land in Watsetter wadset to the said Andrew by James Cursetter, in the parish of Firth: which Charter is dated 24th January 1621, and reserves the granter's liferent. Witnesses to Sasine: Jerome Tulloche of Quhome, Magnus Irwing of Over Gersane, William Andersone in Overbrugh, James Schewartsone there, James Diksone there, Thomas Corrigill in Winksetter, Magnus Cursetter in Watsetter, and James Smyth, servitor to the notary, David Heart.