
THE BARONY OF PRESTONGRANGE

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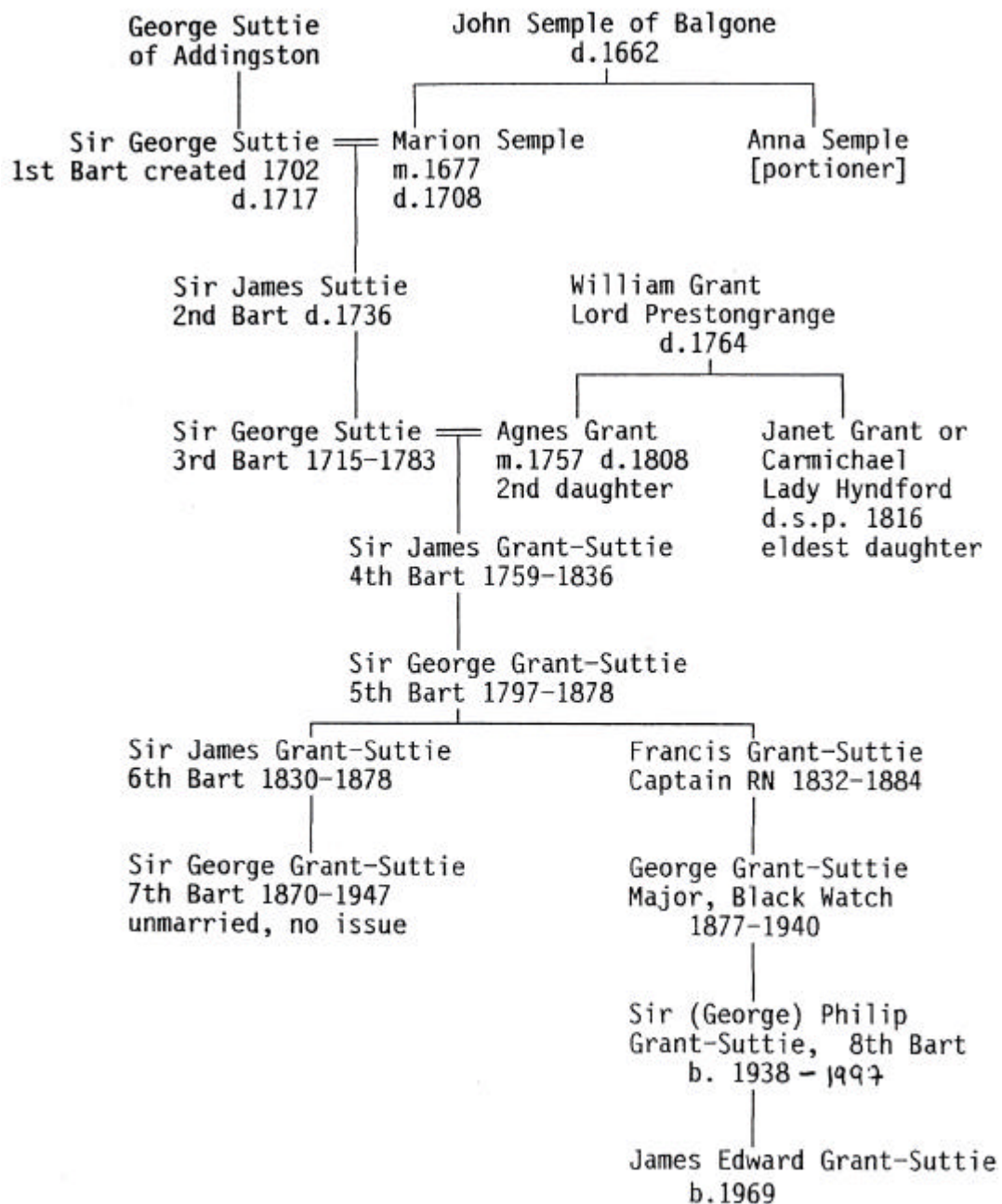
1. SUMMARY AND OVERVIEW:¹

- 1.1. Sir George Suttie, 3rd Baronet, married Elizabeth, daughter and in her issue heiress of entail of William Grant, Lord Prestongrange, who had purchased the barony of Prestongrange and others. Sir George's son Sir James Suttie, 4th Baronet, who had succeeded to Balgone in 1783 on his father's death, succeeded *inter alia* to Prestongrange in 1818, and took the name Grant-Suttie. He consolidated his title to Prestongrange by a charter in progress in 1822 (the last charter in progress of this Barony).
- 1.2. Sir George Grant-Suttie, 5th Baronet, succeeded to the barony of Prestongrange on his father's death in 1836, and consolidated the entails with a new entail of the estates including Prestongrange in 1866.
- 1.3. Sir Philip Grant Suttie, 8th and present Baronet, succeeded Prestongrange in 1947 as heir of the 1866 entail, then a minor aged 8 and, when of age, disentailed in 1961.

¹ This report is concerned expressly with title to the Barony of Prestongrange, and other lands and baronies are referred to only incidentally.

CRANT-SUTTIE OF BALGONE AND PRESTONGRANGE

outline pedigree to show succession of title to entails



2. THE BARONY OF PRESTONGRANGE

- 2.1. Prestongrange was part of the lands of Newbattle Abbey and within the Abbey's Barony of Newbattle. For example a charter of James V in 1526 granted the abbot licence to build a harbour to protect from storms the fishers *super litus maris infra terras de Prestoun-grange in baronia de Newbotle*, and on suppression of that abbey the lands were granted to Mark Kerr (who sometimes used the designation "of Prestongrange"¹) by Charter under the Great Seal 1587; in 1591 King James VI ratified a charter *..de terris de Prestoungrange cum manerie et villa ...* and other lands *. . . omnes dictas terras &c erigendo in liberam baroniam de Prestoungrange . . .* and incorporated this into the lordship of Newbattle, at the same time creating Mark Kerr a lord of Parliament as Lord Newbattle².
- 2.2. In 1606 Lord Newbattle was created Earl of Lothian, and in 1620 his son Robert 2nd Earl of Lothian had a Charter of *novodamus* which incorporated the lands and barony of Prestongrange into the lordship of Newbattle, with a further charter incorporating other lands into the lordship in 1621. He then in 1622 disposed the lands and Barony of Prestongrange, under reversion, to Alexander Morison, Advocate, who had a Charter pass the Great Seal with the lands and Barony of Newbattle in Special Warrantice, the Earl having made provision for his countess, whose marriage contract had been secured on Prestongrange. Alexander Morison had this in security for 40,000 merks advanced under a contract dated 24 December 1622, registered in the Books of Council and Session 23 July 1623³.

¹ e.g. he was so designed when appointed a Gentleman of the Bedchamber to King James VI in 1580 (RegPC III.323]

² RMS III.351, V.1307, 1941

³ RMS VII 1704, 2126; VIII 150, 331, 332

- 2.3. Robert 2nd Earl of Lothian renounced the reversion 1 August 1623 (Alexander Morison obtained a Decreet of Declarator that the right of reversion was void 29 November 1628), and Alexander Morison had a Charter of *novodamus* pass the Great Seal 29 August 1622 of *terras et baroniam de Prestoungrange* ... incorporated *de novo* into the *liberam baroniam de Prestoungrange*, with the lands and barony of Newbattle (likewise incorporated *de novo*) in special warrandice. This Charter of *novodamus* in favour of Alexander Morison, Advocate, is for present purposes the root of title of the Barony of Prestongrange¹.
- 2.4. Alexander Morison of Prestongrange was served heir to Alexander Morison of Prestongrange *unius senatorem supremi senatus*, his father, 3 January 1632², and William Morison of Prestongrange was served heir to Sir Alexander Morison of Prestongrange, his father, 31 December 1684³.
- 2.5. Thereafter the Barony of Prestongrange came into common ownership with the Barony of Dolphinston, and both were contained in a Charter of Vendition in favour of William Grant, 1746. [see following]

¹ RMS VIII.366. This report concentrates on the essentials; a full documentation is listed in the Inventory in the Balgone Writs, box 6, bundle 4, and the original writs in box 5.

² SRO: C22/12.48

³ SRO: C22/37.333; the precept of sasine furth of chancery is in the Balgone Writs Box 5.

3. **WILLIAM GRANT, LORD PRESTONGRANGE'S ESTATES INCLUDING THE BARONY OF PRESTONGRANGE**

3.1. William Grant, admitted Advocate 1722, King's Advocate (i.e. Lord Advocate) 1746-54, a Lord of Session as Lord Prestongrange 1754 to his death 3 May 1764, was second son of Sir Francis Grant of Cullen, Baronet, sometime Lord of Session. By his wife Grizel, daughter of the Rev. John Millar, Minister of Neilston¹, he had issue four daughters, of whom the elder two are significant in succession to the estates.

1 Janet, married 16 January 1749 to John Carmichael², Advocate (admitted 1737) then younger of Skirling, later of Castlecraig, who succeeded to his paternal inheritance of Skirling 1759, then succeeded his cousin as 4th Earl of Hyndford 19 July 1767, and died at Edinburgh without issue 21 December 1787. Janet, Dowager Countess of Hyndford, died at Prestongrange 6 July 1818.

2 Agnes, married 7 June 1757 to Sir George Suttie of Balgone, 3rd Baronet³. He died 25 November 1783 aged 68, and Agnes, Lady Suttie, died 25 April 1809, leaving with other issue:

Sir James Suttie, eldest son, 4th Baronet, who succeeded his father in the Balgone estates in 1783 and succeeded as heir of entail to the Grant estates (in particular the Barony of Prestongrange) on the death of his maternal aunt Janet Countess of Hyndford in 1818. He thereafter took the name Grant-Suttie.

¹ Marriage contract dated 7 and 23 November 1727, listed in the Inventory of Prestongrange Writs.

² Marriage contract dated 9 January 1749, listed in the Inventory of Prestongrange Writs.

³ Marriage contract dated 7 June 1757 listed in the Inventory of Prestongrange Writs.

3 Jane married 1756 Robert Dundas of Arniston, Lord President of the Court of Session¹, from whom descend the Dundas Baronets of Arniston.

4 Christian, who died unmarried².

3.2. William Grant had a Charter of the Barony of Prestongrange and others pass the Great Seal 26 July 1746, of which the Signature reads in abstract:

Signature ... Giving Granting and Disponing ... in Favours Of William Grant Esquire, His Majesty's Advocate, ... Heretably and Irredeemably ALL AND WHOLE the Lands and Barony of Prestongrange containing and comprehending the Lands Teinds and others underwritten viz^t ALL AND HAILL the Lands and Dominical Lands of Prestongrange with the Mannour place and Town thereof with houses biggings yards orchyards coals coaleriesparts pendicles and pertinents of the same with the Salt pans Teinds and other pertinents thereof Together with the Cunnigary adjacent to the said Lands of Prestongrange The lands of Saltpreston with the half of the Town of Saltpreston with houses biggings and pertinents thereof with the Arable Lands lying in the said Town the miln and Miln Lands att Prestongrange with the Harbour called Achesons Haven with the two Corn milns adjacent thereto called the Sea Milns Together with the Ciningarys lying towards the sea The lands of Couthrople with the Mannour place thereof and Sixty four Acres of arable Land lying on the West part of the Lands of Prestongrange of old

¹ Marriage contract dated 7 September 1756 listed in the Inventory of Prestongrange Writs.

² She is not listed in the published genealogies of the Grants of Cullen and Monymusk.

possessed by umq¹¹ James Adamson, the Lands of Souterclouts and whole Salt pans within the said Barony with the Kains and Teind Salt belonging thereto Together with the whole Teinds great and Small of the whole Lands and others respective above written and Teind fish belonging to the said Barony with the Coals Coal heughs Tenents Tenendries Feu farms parts pendicles and pertinents of the same AND also all & haill That South Isle of the Church of Salt Preston with the Advocation Donation & Presentation of the Ministers thereof and Right of Patronage of the same united and annexed to the said Isle with all the privileges of the same all lying within the Constabulary of Haddington & Sherifffdom of Edinburgh AS PRINCIPAL AND LIKEWAYS ALL AND WHOLE the Lands and Barony of Newbotle with the Mannour place Houses biggings yards Orchyards Dove cotts Woods Meadows Milns fishings Annexes Connexes Tenents Tenendries & Services of free Tenents feu farms and duties thereof & haill pertinents of the Samelying within the said Sherrifffdom of Edinburgh And that in Special Warrantice & Security of all and whole the said Lands and Barony of Prestongrange conatining and comprehending the Lands and others above mentioned with the pertinents principally disponed So that if it shall happen the said principal Lands above written or any part thereof to be evicted from the said William Grant Esquire & his forsaides so that they cannot freely and lawfully use & enjoy the same shall then and in that case it shall be lawfull to the said William Grant Esq^r and his forsaides to have full and free regress ingress and access in and to the forsaid Lands and Barony of Newbotle , with its pertinents granted in Warandice as said is or to as much thereof as shall correspond to the said Eviction pro rata to be allways enjoyed & possess'd by them untill they be enabled to possess the said Lands and Barony of Prestongrange

comprehending as above & every part thereof & that without any molestation or disturbance AND . . . [other lands etc.] ... WHICH LANDS Baronys Right of Patronage & others above written pertained heretably of before to the now deceast William Morison of Prestongrange Elder Holden by him of His Majesty and his Royal Predecessors as Immediate lawfull Superiors thereof in Chief AND WERE in virtue of a Decreet of Sale pronounced by the Lords of Council and Session upon the Thirtieth day of July One thousand seven hundred and fourty five years In a process of Ranking and Sale at the Instance of John Viscount of Arbuthnot Against the said William Morison Elder of Prestongrange & his whole Creditors therein mentioned and all others having or pretending to have Interest and also after the decease of the said William Morison Elder Against William Morison younger of Prestongrange his only lawfull son and apparent heir Duely and Lawfully ADJUDGED DECERNED AND DECLARED to pertain and belong to the said William Grant Esq^r (in the said Decreet designed Mr William Grant Advocate) and his heirs and assignys heretably and irredeemably as the highest offerer and lawfull purchaser of the same upon his paying or consigning the Sum of One hundred and twenty four thousand One hundred pounds Scots money ... [etc./ etc.]¹

- 3.3. This was followed by a Charter of Vendition in favour of William Grant, King's Advocate, of *TOTAS ET INTEGRAS terras et Baroniam de Prestogrange continen' et comprehenden' ... NECNON TOTAS ET INTEGRAS Terras et Baroniam de Newbottle ... Et hoc in speciale warrantum et securitatem totarum et integrarum predict' terrarum et Baronie de Prestongrange ... QUAEQUIDEM Terre Baronie ... [etc] ... ab ante herediatarie ad Gulielmus*

¹ SRO: SIG1/70/2

Morison de Prestongrange seniore dune defunctum pertinuerunt ... In capite tent" Et virtute decreti venditionis per Doiminos Concilii et Sessionis pronunciat' trigesimo die mensis Julii anno domini millesimo septemgesimo quadragesimo quinto ... ADJUDICATE decreta et declarate fuere ad dictum Gulielmum Grant ... with common form proviso for a single sasine at the manor place of Prestongrange or and place upon the soil of the said lands and barony with Reddendo for the lands and Barony of Prestongrange £55.0s.8d Scots at blench farm being a proportion of the ancient blench farm of £60; ... at Edinburgh 26 July 1746 ... sealed and registered 11 September 1746¹.

3.4. The Consequent sasine was dated 26 September and registered 27 September 1746 in Particular Register of Sasines Sheriffdoms of Edinburgh Lib 132 ff.176-180².

3.5. In 1760 William Grant entailed his barony of Prestongrange and others in favour of his eldest daughter Janet Grant or Carmichael (afterwards Countess of Hyndford) and the heirs male of her body, whom failing (as in the event was the case) his second daughter Agnes Grant, Lady Suttie and the heirs male of her body (who in the event succeeded) , and other remainders which are irrelevant. In abstract:

Deed of Tailzie by William Grant of Prestongrange, dated 24 March 1760, registered in the Register of Tailzies Lib 14 ff. 256-279 17 July 1764, in favour of myself and the heirs male of my body whom failing to the heirs whatsoever of the said heirs male, whom failing to Janet Grant spouse to John Carmichael of Castle Craig Esquire my eldest lawful daughter and the heirs male of her body, whom failing to Agnes Grant spouse to Sir George

¹ Original charter in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 3

² Original instrument of sasine in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 3

Suttie of Balgone, baronet, my second lawful daughter, and the heirs male of her body, whom failing to Jean Grant spouse to Robert Dundas of Arniston Esquire his majesty's advocate my third lawful daughter and the heirs male of her body, whom failing to Christian Grant my fourth lawful daughter and the heirs male of her body [etc] ... ALL and WHOLE the lands and Barony of Prestongrange ... ALL and WHOLE the south isle of the Church of Saltpreston ... AND SICKLIKE ALL and WHOLE the Lands and Barony of Newbottle ... in special warrandice and security of all and sundry the Lands and Barony of Prestongrange principally disposed AND SICKLIKE ... [other lands and baronies] ... BUT ALWAYS ... [provisions of tailzie etc] [power to infeft husbands and wives of heirs of entail and apparent heirs in liferent.]¹

- 3.6. William Grant, Lord Prestongrange, died 3 May 1764, and his elder daughter made up her titles. In abstract:

Instrument of Resignation by procurator for the deceased William Grant of Prestongrange, on a procuratory of resignation contained in the tailzie 1760,, in favour of Mrs Janet Grant of Prestongrange 23 February 1765, of lands contained in the Tailzie².

Charter of Resignation under the Great Seal, of lands contained in the Tailzie 1760, in favour of Janet Grant of Prestongrange, spouse of John Carmichael of Castlecraig, 23 February 1765, written to the Seal and Registered 3 July 1765³.

¹ Extract copy in Balgone Writs Box 6 handle 3

² Original instrument in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 3

³ Original charter in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 3

Instrument of Sasine consequent to the Charter
1765, 16 October 1765, registered 29 October
1765, General Register of Sasines lib 255
ff.270-294¹.

- 3.7. There is among the Balgone Writs an "Inventory of the Title Deeds of the Whole Lands and Estate which pertained to the deceast William Grant of Prestongrange Esquire one of the Senators of the College of Justice . . . And Settled by him upon Jannet Grant Carmichael his eldest lawfull daughter ..." extending to some 140 pages, originally compiled in 1765 with later additions to ca 1805².
- 3.8. Janet Grant or Carmichael, then Dowager Countess of Hyndford, died at Prestongrange 6 July 1818. Her sister Agnes had predeceased her on 25 April 1809, leaving an heir male Sir James Suttie, eldest son, 4th Baronet, who had succeeded his father in the Balgone estates in 1783 and now succeeded as heir of entail to the Grant estates (in particular the Baronies of Prestongrange, and others).

¹ Original instrument in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 3

² Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 4. A summary list of contents is Appendix I to this Report.

4. THE GRANT-SUTTIE ESTATES INCLUDING THE BARONY OF PRESTONGRANGE

- 4.1. Sir James Suttie, 4th Baronet, succeeded to the Grant estates of his maternal aunt in 1818; he thereafter adopted the name of Grant-Suttie, and made up title to his estates by a Charter of Resignation in 1822 of the Grant (Prestongrange and others) estates. In abstract:

Extract Retour of the Service of Sir James Grant Suttie, Baronet, of Prestongrange and Balgone as heir of tailzie and provision in special to Janet Grant of Prestongrange Countess of Hyndford, his aunt, narrating that Janet Grant of Prestongrange, Countess of Hyndford, eldest lawful daughter of the deceased William Grant of Prestongrange one of the Senators of the College of Justice, relict of John Earl of Hyndford, and aunt of Sir James Grant Suttie Baronet of Prestongrange and Balgone, bearer of these presents, eldest born son of Lady Agnes Grant or Suttie now deceased, second-born daughter of the said deceased William Grant and spouse of the deceased Sir George Suttie Baronet of Balgone, died vested and seised as of fee ... [in the lands entailed 1760, in particular} *IN OMNIBUS ET SINGULIS Terris et Baronia de Prestongrange ...* etc. 30 November 1822¹.

Consequent Precept furth of Chancery 7 December 1822².

Consequent Instrument of Sasine dated 9 December recorded 23 December 1822 General Register of

¹ Contemporary Extract in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 5.

² Original wit in Balgone Writs Box S handle 5.

Sasines Lib 259 ff.227-253².

Procuratory of Resignation by Sir James Grant Suttie of the lands contained in the preceding sasine, 12 December 1822³.

Signature for a charter in favour of Sir James Grant Suttie of Prestongrange and Balgone, Bart., eldest lawful son of Dame Agnes Grant or Suttie, second lawful daughter of the deceased William Grant of Prestongrange Esq., one of the Senators of the College of Justice etc. and spouse of the late Sir George Suttie Baronet of Balgone, and to the heirs male of the body of the said Sir James Grant Suttie ... etc. and other heirs by a deed of Taillie executed by the said William Grant, in ALL AND WHOLE the Lands and Barony of Prestongrange containing and comprehending ALL AND WHOLE the lands and dominical lands of Prestongrange ... AS ALSO ALL AND WHOLE the south aisle of the Church of Salt Preston, with the advocation etc as for the Principal AND SICKLIKE ALL AND WHOLE the Lands and Barony of Newbottle ... in special warrandice of all and sundry the lands and Barony of Prestongrange ... [and others] ... BUT ALWAYS with and under the CONDITIONS PROVISIONS restrictions etc., contained in a Disposition and Deed of Taillie of the said lands and Bar6nies of Prestongrange and others dated 24 March 1760 recorded in the Register of Taillies 17 July 1764 ... [narrating details -- see extract copy in Balgone Writs.] ... narrating resignation for new grant ... at Edinburgh 20 December 1822¹.

¹ SRO: SIG2/88.388

² Original Instrument in Balgone Writs Box 6 handle 5.

³ Original writ in Balgone Writs Box 6 handle 5.

Charter of Resignation under the Great Seal consequent on the preceding signature, 20 December, sealed and registered 28 December 1822¹.

Disposition by Sir James Grant Suttie of the entailed Prestongrange estates in favour of himself in liferent and George Grant Suttie his only son in fee, 27 January 1823².

Instrument of Sasine consequent on the last, 27 January 1823 registered 30 January 1823 General Register of Sasines Lib 1263 ff.193-217³.

- 4.2. Sir James Grant-Suttie, 4th Baronet, died 20 May 1836, aged 77, succeeded by his eldest son Sir George Grant-Suttie, 5th Baronet, who made up title as follows (in abstract):

Extract General Retour of Sir George Grant Suttie Baronet, heir to his father, 2 November 1837⁴.

Instrument of Sasine in favour of Sir George Grant Suttie Baronet in the entailed Prestongrange estate, 17 June 1837, consequent to charter 20 December 1822, registered 1 August 1837 in General Register of Sasines Lib 1901 ff.159-186⁵.

- 4.3. Sir George made successive changes to the entail, as follows:

Disposition and Deed of Entail by Sir George Grant Suttie Baronet in favour of himself and the other heirs of entail; dealing with changes to the

¹ Original charter in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 5.

² Original wit in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 5.

³ Original instrument in Balgone toils Box 6 bundle 5.

⁴ Contemporary extract in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 5.

⁵ Original instrument in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 5.

entailed estate consequent on the construction of the railway, 28 August 1845, registered in the Register of Tailzies Lib 110 ff.135-170¹.

Consequent Instrument of Resignation Ad Remanentiam 25 October, registered 30 October 1845 in Particular Register of Sasines Sheriffdoms of Edinburgh Lib 1763 ff.187-209².

Two Deeds of Consent to Disentail by Captain James Grant Suttie, residing at Maines House, Chirnside, county of Berwick, upwards **of age** 25, heir next in succession and heir apparent of Sir George Grant Suttie of Prestongrange, and George Grant Suttie, Captain in the 75th Foot, third in succession, of full age, presently stationed at Aldershot, England, 20 and 23 February 1865; and Francis Grant Suttie, Commander RN, in command of HMS Salarnis stationed at Woolwich, temporarily residing at Prestongrange, second in succession, 29 December 1864³.

Instrument of Disentail 1 June 1865 by Sir George Grant Suttie of Prestongrange and Balgone, Baronet, heir institute of entail in possession, of the 1760 and 1845 tailzies, with consents, registered in the Register of Tailzies Lib 154 ff.62-85 and General Register of Sasines Lib 3441 ff.30-50⁴.

Entail by Sir George Grant Suttie of Prestongrange, narrating (1) entail by the deceased William Grant of Prestongrange, one of the Senators of the College of Justice dated 25

¹ Original writ in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 6.

² Original instrument in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 6.

³ Original writs in Balgone Brits Box 6 bundle 6.

⁴ Original instrument in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 6.

March 1760 recorded in the Register of Tailzies 7 July 1764 and in the Books of Council and Session 17 September 1764; (2) entail by Cornelius Elliot WS with consent of Mrs Grissell Miller, widow of the said deceased William Grant of Prestongrange dated 8 May recorded in the Register of Tailzies 23 dec 1780 and the Books of Council and Session 12 April 1781 (3) entail by myself 28 August registered in the Register of Tailzies 5 September 1845 (4) Contract of Excambion dated 9 recorded in the Register of Tailzies 16 March and in the Books of Council and Session 19 June 1852; that (1) was the leading entail, others were in favour of same series of heirs; that on 28 February 1865 petitioned Lords of Council and Session to disentail whole lands of Prestongrange, and others, with consents of his three sons, and instrument of disentail recorded in the Register of Tailzies 21 August 1865, and narrating previous agreement between me and my three sons dated 29 December 1864 and 2 January 1865, since recorded or about to be recorded in the Books of Council and Session, provided for new entail, to heirs male of my body whom failing to heirs whomsoever of my body etc. of ALL and WHOLE the Lands and Barony of Prestongrange ... the lands of Cowthrople, Souter Clouts AND SICKLIKE ... [other lands] ... ALL and WHOLE the Lands and Barony of Newbottle ... in special warrandice of all and sundry the Lands and Barony of Prestongrange AND SICKLIKE ... [other lands and baronies] ... which whole Lands and others hereinbefore described shall be designed and known in future by the general name of "The Entailed Estate of Prestongrange, Balgone and others" and Lastly ...[others] ... subject to provisions etc in my contract of marriage 1 September 1829 between me and the now deceased Lady Harriet Charteris afterwards my wife sixth daughter of the Rt Hon Francis Charteris Earl of Wemyss and

March ... complex details of bonds of provision son's marriage contract etc. dated at Edinburgh 29 December 1865, Registered in the Register of Tailzies 18 January 1866, General Register of Sasines 30 January 1866, the Books of Council and Session 27 February 1866¹.

Receipt for Casualty due to the Crown in respect of the lands of Prestongrange and others 4 February 1887, including Caskieben².

- 4.4. Sir George, 5th Baronet, died 19 June 1878, aged 80; his son and heir Sir James died some four months later, 30 October 1878, aged 48, leaving issue an only surviving son, a minor aged 8, who succeeded. Sir George Grant Suttie, 7th Baronet.
- 4.5. Sir George, 7th Baronet, died unmarried 19 May 1947 aged 76, and was succeeded by his first cousin once removed and next heir of entail. Sir (George) Philip Grant-Suttie, 8th and present Baronet, then a minor aged 8 (born 20 December 1938, came of age 21 in 1959)
- 4.6. The curator bonis of Sir Philip recorded Notice of Title 28 January 1953, including the Barony of Prestongrange and others recorded in the Registers of Sasines of East Lothian, Berwick, Midlothian and Aberdeen. This narrates *inter alia* Special Service of Sir George Grant-Suttie, 27 January 1879; Notice of Title of Sir George Grant Suttie recorded 13 April 1880; death of Sir George Grant-Suttie 19 May 1947; General Service of Sir George Philip Grant-Suttie dated 7 and recorded 9 June 1950³.

¹ Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 7

² Balgone writs Box 6 bundle 7

³ Original document in Balgone Writs Box 6 bundle 6.

4.7 Sir (George) Philip Grant-Suttie disentailed the estates by Instrument of Disentail dated 5 January 1961, Decree in the Court of Session to record the disentail 19 January 1961, registered in the Register of Tailzies 20 February 1961 lib 247.108, followed by a disposition to himself 3 May 1961¹.

4.8. Thereby Sir Philip Grant-Suttie has good title to the Barony of Prestongrange.

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¹ Original documents in Balgone Writs Box 5 handle 6; recorded in the Register of Tailzies 247.109, Registers of Sasines East Lothian 528,124, 528.193. 53Q.173; Berwick 408.29, 408,65, 409.82; Midlothian 11,211.54, 11,217.18; 11,151.104; Aberdeen 3885.142, 3887.201, 3902.85.

APPENDIX I

"Inventory of the Title Deeds of the Whole Lands and Estate which pertained to the deceast William Grant of Prestongrange Esquire one of the Senators of the College of Justice ... And Settled by him upon Jannet Grant Carmichael his eldest lawfull daughter ..."¹

pages 1-15 Writs of Craigenfeoch and Neilstown which belonged to Mrs Grant.

pages 16-23 Writs of the Lands and Barony of Prestongrange:

1 Charter under the Great Seal in favour of Robert Earl of Lothian, Lord Newbottle, of the Lands and Baronies of Newbottle, Prestongrange, Salt Pans within the Barony of Salt Preston, lands of Cowthropple and lands and barony of Leithenhopes, 3 February 1620.

2 Charter of the same lands wwith novodamus and erection of the barony of Newbottle, 3 February 1620

3 Consequent sasine 5 April 1620

4-9 Procuratory of Resignation, Instrument of Resignation, Charter of Resignation, Precept of Sasine, Instrument of Sasine, and Ratification 29 March to 24 August 1621

10 Extract Contract between Robert Earl of Lothian and Alexander Morison, whereby for 40,000 merks advanced, the Earl disponed the Lands and Barony of Prestongrange, Lands and Barony of Leithenhopes and Muirfoot, in security, with the Lands and Barony of Newbattle in warrandice dated 24 December 1622

¹Balgone Writs Box 5 bundle 4. This was originally compiled in 1765, bat there are later additions up to circa 1805.

registered in BC&S 23 July 1623

11-12 Letters and Procuratory of Requisition against William Earl of Lothian, charged to enter heir and redeem the said lands, 12-29 December 1627

13-15 Charter of the lands as at 10 above, by Robert Earl of Lothian to Alexander Morison, to be held of the Earl for payment of one silver penny yearly, and consequent sasine, 30 April to 31 May 1.622.

16 Charter under the Great Seal of the said lands in favour of Alexander Morison, for payment of £60. Scots feu duty, 11 July 1622. [this appears to be the root of title to these baronies]

17-18 Renunciation by Robert Earl of Lothian of right of reversion 1 August 1623 and Decreet of Declarator that the right of reversion is void, 28 November 1628.

19 Decreet of Sale in favour of William Grant (afterwards Lord Prestongrange) 30 July 1745.

20 Charter of Sale consequent to the last 26 July 1746.

21 Instrument of Sasine consequent to the last, 27 September 1.7 4 6.

22 Precept furth of Chancery for infefting William Morison as heir to Alexander his father 31 March 1685.

23 Discharge and Renunciation granted by Mr Charteris to Mr Grant of the whole debts to which he had right and which affected the Estate of Prestongrange, registered in Register of Sasines 3 June 1748.

page 24 Tenement in Prestonpans purchased from Anne
and Janet Cannies

pages 25-47 The Lands of Hairhead, Bothwell and Winsheill
acquired from William Baird of Newbyth.

pages 49-79 The lands of Falside acquired from Robert
Dundas of Arniston

page 80 Lands and Barony of Caskieben, Aberdeenshire

pages 81-94 The lands of Leithenhopes purchased from Mr
Charteris of Amisfield.

pages 94-103 Stable, Hay-loft, etc in Canongate

pages 104-107 Lord Prestongrange's Settlements and Titles
in the person of the Countess of Hyndford:

- 1 Extract Disposition and Deed of Entail [see above]
- 2 Extract Trust Right and Disposition by the deceast
William Grant in favour of Mrs Grizel Miller his
spouse, and trustees [named] of his whole personal
estate and real estate other than that contained in
[the Tailzie], dated 26 August registered in Books of
C&S 17 September 1764.
- 3 Additional Nomination of Sir George Suttie as one
of the trustees, registered same date.
- 4 Instrument of Resignation 1765 [as above]
- 5 Charter of Resignation 1765 [as above]
- 6 Consequent Instrument of Sasine [as above]
- 7 "The Trustees accepted of the Trust and by
Sederunt dated 27th November 1773 they ordered the

Rights to the Subjects after mentioned, then purchased by them to be taken in the name of Cornelius Elliot writer to **the** Signet their Doer, for their **behoof**, under backbone, to **be** redisposed to them when he shall be desired"

pages 107-134 Titles to the Estate purchased by the Trustees: [irrelevant to present needs; noted a charter of the Lands and Barony of Colbronspath, Berwickshire, 1634 granted by Sir James Nicholson, but this was in warrandice only.]

pages 135-138 Inventory of different Liferent superiorities granted by the Countess of Hyndford with the Concurrence and acquiescence of her heirs of Entail.

page 139: Inventory of the Marriage Contracts in the Family of Lord Prestongrange:

1 Marriage Contract betwixt the deceased William Grant Esq., Advocate with consent of his Elder Brother and Mrs Grizell Miller with consent of her father and others therein mentioned dated the 7th and 23rd Nov 1727

2 Marriage Contract between John Carmichael of Castlecraig and Mrs Janet Grant eldest lawful daughter of the said Wm. Grant dated 9 January 1749

3 Inst. of Seisin of an annual rent of £200 out of the Lands of Slipperfield and Skirling dated the 7 and recorded 13 April 1749.

4 Contract of Marriage betwixt Robert Dundas of Arniston & Miss Jane Grant third daughter of the said Wm. Grant dated 7 Sepr 1756

5 Seisin thereon over the Barony of Shank dated 20 & recorded 25 Sept 1756

6 Contract of Marriage between Sir George Suttie Bt

& Miss Agnes Grant the second daughter of the said Wm.
Grant dated 7 June 1757.

7 Inst. Of Seisin over the Lands of Balgone in
Security of an annual rent of £200 stg. Dated 24 Octr
Recorded 1 Nov 1757

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