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OF THE

FAMILY OF MONTGOMERY,

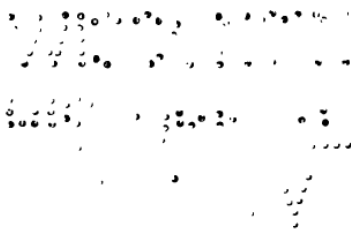
INCLUDING

THE MONTGOMERY PEDIGREE.

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THOMAS HARRISON MONTGOMERY.

It was in truth a noble saying of the late Lord Clarendon, "that birth conveyed no merit, but much duty, to its inheritor."—LORD LINDSAY.



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MONTGOMERYS OF MACBIE HILL, BARONETS.

Sir ROBERT MONTGOMERIE, Knight, of Giffen,¹ was second son of Sir John Montgomerie of Ardrossan, and brother of the first Lord Montgomerie. (P. 51.) He lived in the times of James I. and II.; and married Janet, daughter of Alexander Murray of Polmais,² by whom he had

Sir ADAM MONTGOMERIE, Knight, of Giffen, who succeeded him. He lived temp. James II. and III. He divided his lands between his two sons. These lands were afterwards acquired by Hugh, fifth Earl of Eglinton, which were confirmed to him by a charter under the great seal from James IV., April 23, 1503.³ His sons were,

- I. ALEXANDER, to whom he gave part of the lands of Giffen, the lands of Braidstane, &c.; and,
- II. Sir JOHN MONTGOMERIE, to whom he gave the lands of Keithedis, Hesylheads, Bangry, &c.

ALEXANDER MONTGOMERIE was still designed by the title of Giffen, though his chief had got a grant of that barony, which had recognised to the Crown; and by an after transaction, it was fixed as a part of the family estate of Eglinton, and remained with that family till Hugh, the third Earl, gave it to his second son, temp. James VI., Robert Montgomerie of Giffen, whose daughter Margaret became the wife of Hugh, the fifth Earl, to whom it was confirmed in 1505, as above.⁴ Alexander left a son,

ADAM MONTGOMERIE, also designed of Giffen, who lived in the reigns of James V. and Mary, and left seven sons, among whom were,⁵

- I. ADAM, and
- II. TROILUS, the progenitor of the Macbie Hill family.

TROILUS MONTGOMERIE is styled "the second son of Adam Montgomerie of Giffen," as a witness to a deed of Jonet Montgomerie, widow of James Wallace of Carnell, of the date January 6, 1538.⁶ He got for his patrimony the lands of Brimure, which he afterwards sold to Hamilton of Wishaw. He married Janet, daughter of Sir Hugh Montgomerie of Braidstane, afterwards Viscount Montgomerie of the Ardes, and had issue two sons,

- I. WILLIAM, and
- II. ADAM.

WILLIAM MONTGOMERIE of Macbie Hill, is stated by Douglas to

¹ See Douglas' Baronage. Burke's Commoners. Hist. Co. of Ayr. See also Playfair's British Antiq.

² Douglas' Baron. vol. i. 525.

³ Ibid.

⁴ Ibid.

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ Hist. Co. of Ayr, vol. i. 342.

have been born in 1590,¹ though the date seems too early if his mother was daughter of Sir Hugh Montgomerie. He acquired the lands of Macbie Hill. There was a "Robert Montgomerie of Macbie Hill, who got a charter of legitimation, dated March 4, 1531, for his two natural sons, William and John, who also is mentioned in a document in the year 1548;"² from this Robert's descendants they doubtless came into the possession of William, son of Troilus. William dying without issue left his estate to his brother.

ADAM MONTGOMERIE of Macbie Hill, said by the same authority to have been born in 1598, was a merchant burghess of Edinburgh. He married Helen, daughter of Galbraith of Kilcroich, in Lenox, and had,

I. ROBERT, his heir.

II. ADAM MONTGOMERIE, who married Grizel Montgomerie, of the house of Cullenan, by whom he had issue. He was Captain of the King's Life Guards at the Battle of Worcester, 1651, where he was killed.

III. WILLIAM MONTGOMERIE, who went to Poland, and died without issue.

IV. *Agnes*, who married, first, Thomas Baxter of Shrinston, and had a daughter,
1. *Elizabeth*, who married, in 1626, John Montgomerie, younger, of Brigend. (P. 74.) A fragment of their original marriage settlement is still preserved by their descendants in America. After his death, she married, secondly, James Crawford of Newark.

Agnes married, secondly, on January 20, 1614, George Montgomerie of Kirktonholme, son of the sixth laird of Skelmorlie, and had,

2. ALEXANDER MONTGOMERIE of Kirktonholme, father of

a. SIR WALTER MONTGOMERIE of Kirktonholme. (P. 138.)

V. *Barbara*.

Adam Montgomerie is mentioned in the marriage settlement of John Montgomerie, younger, of Brigend, with his grand-daughter, Elizabeth Baxter, in the year 1626,³ in which he gives his "advyse, consent, and assent," to her marriage.

ROBERT MONTGOMERIE of Macbie Hill, married Jean, daughter of Sir James Lockhart of Lee, by whom he had,

I. WILLIAM, his heir.

II. JAMES, who died without issue.

III. HUGH MONTGOMERIE, who was father of

1. ROBERT.

2. HENRY, and

3. WILLIAM.

IV. *Helen*, married John Rowat in Glasgow.

V. *Margaret*, married James Hamilton of Newton.

WILLIAM MONTGOMERIE of Macbie Hill, married Elizabeth, only daughter and heiress of John Peter of Whitehead, and had,

I. WILLIAM, his heir.

II. JAMES, who left no issue.

III. *Margaret*, married Alexander MacLeod, writer to the signet.

IV. *Jean*, married William Thynne.

V. *Elizabeth*, married James Ure of Shargatown.

¹ Baronage.

² Hist. Co. of Ayr, vol. i. 287.

³ Original MSS. and see p. 74.

VI. *Mary*, married Capt. Robert Telfor.

WILLIAM MONTGOMERIE of Macbie Hill,¹ married *Mary*, daughter of John Hooks of Gaunt, and had,

I. WILLIAM, his heir.

II. GEORGE MONTGOMERIE, married Margaret, daughter of Rev. W. Alexander Williamson, and had,

1. WILLIAM.

2. RICHARD MONTGOMERIE, who was Lieutenant-Colonel in the 51st Regiment of Foot.² He married Janet Hamilton of Newton, a cousin, who survived her husband and children many years, and died in 1823. By deed of entail she devised her estate of Newton to Sir James Montgomerie of Stobo Castle.³ They had,

a. JAMES GEORGE HAMILTON, who died without issue.

b. *Elizabeth*.

3. VAUGHAN, who was in the Revenue Customs.

III. NICHOLAS MONTGOMERIE, who married Margaret, daughter of — Deans of Woodhouselee, and had,

1. ALEXANDER.

2. WILLIAM, and

3. HOOKS.

IV. *Barbara*, who married Patrick Anderson.

WILLIAM MONTGOMERIE of Macbie Hill,⁴ married *Barbara*, daughter of Robert Rutherford of Bowland. He died, 1768, aged 85, and left

I. WILLIAM, afterwards Sir William, his successor, and

II. JAMES, afterwards Sir James Montgomery of Stanhope. (P. 148.)

Sir WILLIAM MONTGOMERY, Baronet, of Macbie Hill,⁵ was so created May 28, 1774. He married, first, *Hannah*, daughter and co-heir of Alexander Tomkins, County Londonderry, and had,

I. WILLIAM STYCE, an officer in the army, who died of wounds received in battle in America, aged 19. (Revolutionary War?)

II. *Elizabeth*, married, July 3, 1773, Luke, Viscount Mountjoy.

III. *Barbara*, married, 1774, Right Hon. John Beresford.

IV. *Anne*, married George, first Marquess Townshend.

Sir William married, secondly, in 1761, *Anne*, daughter of Henry Watt of Mount Lewis, and had,

V. GEORGE, his successor.

VI. ROBERT, Colonel of 9th Regiment of Foot, killed in a duel by Capt. McNamara, April 6, 1803.

VII. *Jean*, married Wm. Reynell of Castle Reynell, in Westmeath.

VIII. *Harriet*, married George Byng of Wrotham Park, Member of Parliament for Middlesex.

IX. *Amelia*, married, 1798, Charles Cobbe Beresford.

Sir William died December 25, 1788, aged 79, and was succeeded by Sir GEORGE MONTGOMERY, Baronet, of Macbie Hill, who died July 9, 1831, unmarried, when the line of the Montgomerys of Macbie Hill became extinct.

¹ Douglas' Baronage.

² Gent. Mag. xxv. p. 523.

³ Burke's Commoners.

⁴ Douglas' Baronage.

⁵ Burke's Commoners.