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Carnegie of Craigo papers.

This collection relates mainly to the estate of Craigo with the associated lands of Dysart, Logie, and Ardoch which lie on the south bank of the North Esk near Montrose. The title deeds go back to the late fifteenth century, and in addition to the usual progression from that period, include an interesting series of deeds relating to the Temple lands of Ardoch, and another relating to property in the burgh of Montrose, one deed from which is a papal bull hitherto known only from a copy. There is also a series of deeds relating to the lands of Faichfield and Cocklaw in Aberdeenshire from 1740. Estate papers include a good run of rentals and accounts, virtually complete from 1705 to 1780 (81-9), and a small group of estate workers' account, 1770-81 (84).

There is comparatively little correspondence, but there are two small collections of letters and other papers, one of George Dempster of Dunnichen, a minor figure of the Scottish Enlightenment (93), and the other of George Arbuthnot, Auditor of the Exchequer in Scotland, who managed the finances of the 2nd Earl of Stair during his embassy to France, 1715-20 (92).

The Nicolson papers (105-23), which came to the Carnegie family through the marriage of Elizabeth, daughter of James Carnegie of Craigo, to Sir James Nicolson, 7th Bart., of Lasswade, include a run of title deeds for lands in St Leonards and the Pleasance in Edinburgh, but their main interest lies in the small section relating to the building of a house in Nicolson Street in 1766 (122). This includes a minutely detailed specification, as well as plans, accounts, and correspondence.

The collection contains, in addition to what is mentioned above, material relating to the families of Arbuthnot and Caterline, Gardyne of Lawton, Dempster in Montrose, Barclay of Johnstoun, and others.

The general arrangement is as follows:

1-5. Deeds relating to the lands of Craigo.

1. 1514, 1518, 1541.
2. 1552, 1554-5, 1562, 1579.
3. 1588-9, 1594-5, 1607-9.
4. 1615, 1620, 1630, 1632, 1637.
5. 1640, 1665, 1676, 1700-72.

6-7. Deeds relating to the ninth part of Craigo, called Scrymgeour's Land.

6. 1523, 1559, 1581, 1618-9, 1627, 1632.
7. 1640, 1665-6, 1678.

8. Deeds relating to Hill of Craigo, 1589-90, 1610, 1680, 1704, 1715, 1793.

9. Deeds relating to Baldwoie, Charlton, and Craigo, 1672-3, 1676.
10. Deeds relating to Hadderwick and Craigo, 1659, 1742.
- 11-14. Deeds relating to the Temple lands of Ardoch.
 11. 1498, ?1506, 1521-3, 1525, 1529.
 12. 1540-41, 1550, 1554, 1563-4, 1566, 1582. The deed of 1566 has the signature of James Sandilands, Lord Torphichen.
 13. 1591-3.
 14. 1619, 1621, 1626-7, 1632, 1643, 1664-5.
- 15-17. Deeds relating to the lands of Ardoch.
 15. 1523, 1559, 1581, 1586, 1591.
 16. 1626, 1636. The deed of 1626 has a fine royal seal of Charles I.
 17. 1666, 1671, 1673, 1675, 1681, 1703.
- 18-19. Deeds relating to the lands of Glenton or Muirton of Montrose.
 18. 1542, 1566, 1588, 1593.
 19. 1624, 1628, 1630, 1703, 1705, 1714, 1745.
- 20-24. Deeds relating to the lands of Logie Montrose.
 20. 1554, 1557, 1585-6, 1605, 1609. The deed of 1554 has a fine personal seal of John Hamilton, Archbishop of St Andrews.
 21. 1624, 1626, 1629-30.
 22. 1694.
 23. 1704.
 24. 1704, 1713-14, 1741, 1775, 1781, 1821.
- 25-28. Deeds relating to lands within the burgh of Montrose.
 25. 1490, 1506, 1518, 1593, 1611, 1613, 1615. The deed of 1518 is a bull of Pope Leo X for the foundation of St Mary's Church, Montrose. It is the original of a document hitherto known only in a copy (Adv.MS.35.5.9.B, f.51v), which was granted on the special plea of John Stewart, Duke of Albany and regent of Scotland (whose sister-in-law was the Pope's niece by marriage).
 26. 1622, 1630, 1662, 1666, 1674, 1676-7, 1679.
 27. 1685-6, 1692, 1694, 1698, 1703, 1705, 1714.
 28. 1721, 1729, 1736, 1739, 1745, 1753, 1770, 1778, 1786, 1788.

- 29-34. Deeds relating to the lands of Dysart.
- 29. 1526, 1528, 1532, 1553-4, 1573, 1576, 1607. The deed of 1573 has a large portion of the seal of James VI.
 - 30. 1631, 1641, 1658-9, 1666, 1674-6.
 - 31. 1679, 1681-2, 1698-9.
 - 32. 1700, 1703-4, 1707, 1715, 1732, 1735, 1739-40.
 - 33. 1744, 1747, 1769, 1785, 1788, 1794-5, 1801.
 - 34. 1821, 1827, 1829, 1843, 1848, 1851, 1858, 1882, 1891, 1912-13.
35. Deeds relating to the lands of Balwyllo, 1672-3, 1682, 1684-5, 1745.
- 36-38. Deeds relating to the lands of Pitforthie and Newton of Stracathro.
- 36. 1657-8, 1666, 1669, 1691, 1693.
 - 37. 1723, 1731-3, 1735-6, 1745-7, 1760, 1766-7, 1781-2, 1784-5, 1788.
 - 38. 1791, 1801, 1804, 1812, 1824, 1827, 1858, 1894-5.
39. Deeds relating to the lands of Caterline, 1729, 1835-6, 1839, 1740, 1744-5.
40. Deeds relating to the lands of Newmanswells, 1704-5, 1713, 1770.
41. Deeds relating to the lands of Dominical lands of Dun, 1672-3, 1682.
42. Deeds relating to the lands of Ballindean and Balledgarno in fife, 1769, 1772.
43. Deeds relating to the lands of Johnstoun, 1705, 1735, 1737.
44. Deeds relating to the lands of Hawkhillock, 1857-8, 1883-5, 1903, 1908.
45. Deeds relating to the lands of Cockston, 1765.
46. Deeds relating to miscellaneous properties: Fifth part of a tenement in Linlithgow, 1542; Manse of Farnell, 1634; Lands of Dunkenny, Forfar, 1651; East port of the lands of Gilchorne, Idvie, 1701; lands of Kinalty, Kirriemuir, 1707.
- 47-48. Deeds relating to the lands of Faichfield and Cocklaw.
- 47. 1629 (copy), 1740, 1742-3, 1751, 1754-5, 1759, 1772, 1774-5.
 - 48. 1785, 1812, 1825, 1845, 1850-51, 1903, 1919.
- 49-50. Wills.
- 49. 1656, 1659, 1663, 1669, 1696, 1700, 1704, 1721, 1729.

50. 1730, 1735, 1745, 1747, 1750, 1754, 1759, 1761, 1811, 1823, 1846.
- 51-3. Marriage Contracts.
51. 1631, 1647, 1667-8, 1673.
52. 1700.
53. 1705, 1707, 1713, 1722-3, 1733, 1735, 1738, 1744, 1803.
54. General retours, 1642, 1673, 1694, 1703, 1710, 1762, 1791.
55. Factories, curatories, etc, 1622, 1665, 1669, 1672, 1698, 1702, 1704, 1713, 1717, 1719, 1724, 1730, 1737, 1742, 1767, 1772, 1781.
56. Appointments, gifts, admissions etc, 1603, 1624, (both of two chaplainies in the Maisondieu at Brechin), 1635 (commission signed by Charles I to the dean and Chapter of Brechin authorising them to elect a bishop), 1663 (Licence to James Carnegie to preach, signed by the Bishop of Brechin, and ministers in the diocese), 1677, 1680-81, 1706, 1786.
57. Burgess tickets, 1665 (Perth), 1729, 1737, 1771, 1806, 1818 (all Montrose).
- 58-61. Bonds.
58. 1538, 1569, 1589, 1592, 1603, 1613, 1618-94.
59. 1700-32.
60. 1733-47.
61. 1756-1919.
- 62-9. Judicial Papers.
62. Papers in the case of James Mitchell, merchant in Montrose, against the heirs of Robert Anderson in Boat of Craigo, 1788-92. Papers in the case of Margaret Scott, heiress of Patrick Scott of Rossie against Davie Carnegie of Craigo, 1816-18.
63. 1588-1666.
64. 1667.
65. 1670-94.
66. 1695-1728.
67. 1731-1822.
68. 1824-5.
69. 1828-95.
- 70-71. Tacks.
70. Craigo, 1630-1732.
71. Faichfield, 1881-1919.

- 72-3. Plans, including miscellaneous architectural drawings.
- 72. Forfarshire estates, 1781-1893.
 - 73. Faichfield and Cocklaw, 1793-1919.
- 74-5. Rentals, including valuations, measures, apportionments of stipend etc.
- 74. Forfarshire estates, 1666-1892.
 - 75. Faichfield and Cocklaw, 1804-1923.
- 76-9. Inventories of writs.
- 76. Forfarshire estates, 1626-1858.
 - 77. Faichfield and Cocklaw, 1792-1923.
 - 78. Ballindean, 1759-69.
 - 79. 'Craig, Balwylo, Clenskenno, Dysart, Pitforthie, and Faichfield', 1908.
80. Inventories of plenishing (including roup rolls), mostly for Forfarshire including one for Craig house itself, 1704-1835.
- 81-9. Accounts etc.
- 81. Craig estate ledger and rental book, 1705-51.
 - 82. Craig estate ledger and rental book, 1753-63. This volume was originally the cash book and letter book of Alexander Dempster, merchant in Montrose, 1700-13, including notes on the birth of his family etc. It came to the Carnegies, along with the lands of Dysart, through his daughter and heiress Margaret.
 - 83. Forfarshire estate accounts, 1704, 1728, 1731, 1736-60, 1762, 1772-80, 1782, 1785, 1814.
 - 84. Estate worksheets, recording work done and payments made to labourers mostly for special projects such as draining, and building a lead for Craig Hill, 1762, 1770-81, 1809.
Craig flax mill accounts, 1772-5.
 - 85. Wood accounts, 1762, 1807-10.
Cess receipts for the Deanery of Brechin, 1634-40, 1667-8.
Receipt book for public burdens (mostly ministers' stipends), 1705-18, 1726-48, 1754-61.
 - 86. Edinburgh lawyers' accounts, 1726, 1739, 1758-87, 1810, 1841.
 - 87. Small estate receipts, 1568-1700.
 - 88. Small estate receipts, 1701-60.
 - 89. Small estate receipts, 1763-1917.

- 90-96. Estate and general correspondence.
90. 1663-4, 1679-80, 1699, 1708-99.
91. 1804-48.
92. Correspondence and papers of Robert Arbuthnot, 1719-27. Arbuthnot was Auditor of the Exchequer in Scotland and financial agent for the 2nd Earl of Stair during his embassy to France, 1715-20. Writers include Stair himself, and Sir John Clerk, 2nd Bart., of Penicuik. Miscellaneous papers relating to Excise, Customs, and Unexpired Teinds in Scotland, 1683-1730, probably belonging to Arbuthnot.
93. Correspondence of and concerning George Dempster of Dunnichen, 1766, 1773, 1785-6.
Letters of James Carnegie WS to his brother David, of Craigo, on estate business, 1818-9, 1821-3.
94. Faichfield estate correspondence, 1864, 1870-72, 1874, 1876-7, 1893, 1900, 1906, 1913, 1918-9.
95. Faichfield estate correspondence, 1920.
96. Faichfield estate correspondence, 1921-4, 1937.
97. Miscellaneous legal papers and estate memoranda, 1587, 1718-1920, the 1587 document is a list of heads of a contract of excambion between parts of Craigo.
98. Papers relating to Forfarshire roads and railways, 1809-93.
99. Papers relating to Forfarshire Prison Board, 1836-45.
100. Papers relating to fishings, 1761-1842.
Subscription list for Assembly Hall in Montrose, 1818.
Leaflet for Eastern Forfarshire Farming Association Spring Show, 1832.
101. Recipes, ca.1800.
102. London bills of David Erskine, 1st Earl of Buchan, 1724-31.
103. Miscellaneous material, ca.1660-1850, including a notebook of James Carnegie, minister of Barry, 1666; notebook concerning the Act of Union, 1707; notes on tanning of hides, 1711; printed goods list of William Mercer, merchant in Edinburgh, ca.1780; pedigree of Hay of Montquitter, 1850.
104. Hans van Schille, Manière de bien bastir ... Chasteaux, fortresses, ca.1580, bound in with a contemporary MS 'Tractatus de munimentis bellicis'.

Papers relating to the family of Nicolson of Lasswade, and to the Nicolson property on the south side of Edinburgh.

- 105-6. Deeds relating to the lands of St Leonards.
 - 105. 1625, 1643, 1651, 1653-5, 1657, 1660, 1691.
 - 106. 1702-4, 1709, 1714-16, 1718, 1720, 1723-4.
- 107. Deeds relating to the lands of Bristo, 1653, 1712-13.
- 108. Deeds relating to the lands of Gilmerton, 1653, 1655 (being a grant by Cromwell to James Campbell WS of the barony of Cumnock along with Gilmerton and much else), 1659-60.
- 109. Deeds relating lands in and around Edinburgh: Lands of Brunchoillis in Prestongrange 1602; House on the north side of the Canongate, 1604; Land between Dalry and Gorie, 1716.
- 110. Deeds relating to the lands of Balmounth in Fife, 1699, 1704.
- 111. Deeds relating to a salt pan at Prestonpans, 1573, and to land at Grangepans, 1705, 1710.
- 112. Tacks etc, relating to building sites in the New Town of Edinburgh, particularly Nicolson Street, 1762-3, 1787.
- 113. Tacks, 1714, 1722-3, 1725-6, 1732-3, n.d.
- 114-6. Judicial papers.
 - 114. Harie Osburne WS against Crichton of Lugton and St Leonards, 1638, 1653-5.
Nicolson against James Steedman, skipper in Grangepans, 1709, 1721-4.
Nicolson against Scott of Malleny, 1715, 1734-5.
George Catto, gardener in Backraw, against Nicolson for sums of money in connection with a sale by Catto to Nicolson of some yards in Backraw, 1727-30, 1755-9.
 - 115. 1665-1726.
 - 116. 1727-73.
- 117. Bonds, 1628-1729.
- 118. Rentals etc, including lists of debts and decreets of ranking, 1683-1789.
- 119. Formal estate and lawyers' accounts, 1722-35, 1765-79.

- 120. Small estate bills and receipts, 1700-66.
- 121. Inventories of writs, 1704-89.
Inventories of plenishing, 1767, n.d.
- 122. Accounts, plans, specifications, and correspondence relating to houses in Edinburgh, 1762, 1766-70, 1790-92.
- 123. Correspondence of the Nicolson family, 1707, 1726, 1755, 1757-60, 1762-6, including a letter of Michael Nasmith, 1766.
- 124-6. Business papers of Joseph Cauvin WS.
 - 124. Papers and accounts relating to the estate of William Douglas of Luce, 1795-1817. Douglas had become bankrupt, and had then shot one of his tenants. He escape the gallows on a plea of temporary insanity, but was forced to spend the rest of his life in Dumfries lunatic asylum. Cauvin was responsible for running his affairs for his trustees.
 - 125. Papers for the defence of Thomas Douglas on trial for forging Thistle Bank notes, 1792, 1816-17.
 - 126. Papers relating to the implementation of the marriage settlement of William Cockburn, wife of William Kennedy Lawrie of Redcastle, 1805-10.

Letterbooks and other papers relating to the Cramond estate.

- 127-35. Letter books of Col John Craigie Halket of Crammond and of his factor Andrew Lockhart.
 - 127. 1861-7.
 - 128. 1865-70.
 - 129. 1866-70.
 - 130. 1869-71.
 - 131. 1869-73.
 - 132. 1871-4.
 - 133. 1874-9.
 - 134. 1875-9.
 - 135. 1879.
- 136. Lawyers' accounts, 1894-1910.
Miscellaneous maps and plans, including a plan of Cramond Kirk, 1909.