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## Possible origins of the early Kincaid coat of arms

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It has been showed by this author in another paper that most registered coat of arms for Kincaids are like that of the Crawfords (see “The similarity of Kincaid and Crawford coat of arms”<sup>1</sup>). The Kincaid of Kincaid coat of arms is most similar to the Crawfords of Ferme and Haining. The earliest record of a Kincaid coat of arms was that of George Kincaid, senior, bailie for the barony of Broughton, on January 10, 1505/6.<sup>2</sup> Records of Crawford coat of arms go back to the 13<sup>th</sup> century. This makes one suspect that the early Kincaid coat of arms actually derived from a Crawford. This paper presents evidence of early Crawford connections to Kincaids or their lands.

There is strong evidence that Crawfords lived next to the Kincaids lands and that the Kincaids were associated with them. On the other side of the Glazert River and to the north of the Kincaid lands lie the lands formerly known as East and West Baldorran (aka Baldoran, Baldorane, Ballindorrane, etc.). These form part of the present day of Milton of Campsie. The earliest located record of these lands was in 1464 when they were noted as having been sold by Thomas Swyft, burgess of Edinburgh, to James, Lord Livingston during the reign of King James II (16 October 1430 - 3 August 1460):

{A.D. 1464} Apud {blank} Rex concessit Jacobo Domino Levingstoune et heredibus ejus, -terras de Baldorane, vic. Striveline; -quas Tho. Swift, burgen. de Edinburgh, in manus Regis Jac. II. personaliter resignavit. Test Jacobus, Episcopus S. Andree, Avunculus Regis, {blank}.<sup>3</sup>

Lord Livingston quickly resigned Baldorran to John Stewart, Lord Darnley as confirmed by grant dated 1 September 1464:

Apud Dundee 1 Sep. {A.D. 1464}. Rex concessit Johanni Domino Darnele, et heredibus ejus, -terras de Baldrane, in comitatu de Levenax, vic. Striveling; -quas Jac. dom. Levingstoune apud Invernese personaliter resignavit. Test. Jacobus, Episcopus S. Andree, Avunculus Regis; Andreas, Dom. Avandale, Cancellarius; Dvid, Comes Craufurde et Dom. Lindesay; Colinus, Com. de Ergile, Dom. Cambell, Magister Hospitii Regis; Joh., Dominus Dernle; M. Joh. Culquhone de eodem, Miles; M. Arch., de Quhitlaw, Archidiaconus Moravien., Secretarius Regis; M. David de Guthre de Kincaldrum, Thesaurarius Regis.<sup>4</sup>

Lord Darnley wadset the west half of the lands of Baldorran to Patrick Colquhone of Glyn as confirmed by charter on 31 July 1465:

Apud Striveling, 31 Jul. {A.D. 1465}. Rex concessit Patricio Culquhone de Glyn, et heredibus ejus, -occidentalem dimedietatem terrarum de Baldoranis, in comitatu de Levenaux, vic. Striveling; -quam Joh. dom. Dernlee resignavit. Test. Andreas, Dom. Avandale, Cancellarius; Colinus, Com. de Ergile, Dom. Cambell, Magister Hospitii Regis; Gilbertus, Dominus Kennedy; Jac., Dominus Levingstoun, Magnus Camerarius; Robertus, Dominus Boyde; Alex. Boyde de Drumcoll, Milles; M. David de Guthre de Kincaldrum, Thesaurarius Regis; M. Arch., de Quhitlaw, Secretarius Regis.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Kincaid, Peter Anthony. “The similarity of Kincaid and Crawford coat of arms “. <http://kyncades.org/coatarms.pdf>.

<sup>2</sup> Stevenson, John Horne and Marguerite Wood. *Scottish Heraldic Seals*. Glasgow, 1940. Volume II, p. 441.

<sup>3</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 170, no. 795.

<sup>4</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 174, no. 809.

<sup>5</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 179, no. 843. When the Colquhons later sold their west half of Baldorane to the Stirlings they were referred to as a 50s. land of old extent. This suggests the lands formerly held by Thomas Swyft were a 100s. or £5 land of old extent.

John Stewart, Lord Darnley, conveyed the east half of Baldorran to James Stewart of Albany (natural grandson of Murdoch Stewart, Duke of Albany and Earl of Fife and Menteith) on 10 March 1457:

Be it kende til all men be thir present letteris me Johne Stewart of Dernle Lord of that Ilk to haue giffin and grantit and be thir my present letteris giffis and grantis to my weilebelouit cosing James Stewart of Albyne, the natu rale sone vmquhile of James Stewart, Schir Mordacht Stewartis sone, vmquhile Erle of Fiff and of Menteith, the tane half of Ballindorane, with the pertinens lyand within the erldome of the Lewenax, and within the schirefdome of Striueling. Halding and to be hade to the saide Jamys, and till his ayris of his body lauchfulli gottyne, of me and myn ayris and successouris, the forsaide lande in fee and heretage, be all richt merkis and diuisis, in buskis, planys, muris, and marrais, in wayis, roddis, in wateris and in stankis, in medois, pastouris, and lesouris, in myllis, myltouris, in fisching, foulyng, halking, and huntyng, in peting, turwing, and coling, in bludwitis, merchetis, and herzeldis, with all and sindry fredomys, comoditeis, and aisiamentis, with thare pertinens, alswele nemmyt as vnnemmyt, als wele vndir the erde, as above, wyth fre entray and passage to the saide landis, sa frely, quyтли, honerabli, wele, and in pese, as I or my predecessouris the fornemmyt landis brokit of befor tyme; with the preuilegis and fredome contenit in my chartir of the landis of Baldorane; he geifande thare of the forsaide Jameis and his ayris, to me and to myn ayris, three suttis at thri heide courtis of the zere alanerly, for all vthir actionis or demande of the saide landis may be askit or requerit in tym to cum: And attoure, giff it happinnis, as Gode forebeide, that the fornemmyt landis beis recouerit or optenyt fra the said Jamys or fra his airis, be law ciuill or canone, I the saide Johnne Sthewart and myn ayris sale mak to the saide Jamys and to his airis, ten markis worth within my landis off Auandale, quhar that he or his ayris thinkis best, outtakand my manys and chemys, with sik fredome and preuilegis as is beforsaide: And I the said Johnne and myn ayris sall warrande and defende for evir mair agane all dedly men or woman, the saide landis with thar pertinentis, to the saide Jameis and till his ayris: In witnes of the quhilk thing I haue set to my sele, at Glasgw the tend day of Marche, the zer of our Lorde a thousand four hundreth fifti and sevin zeris, with thir witnes, Johne Stewart of Murelee, Schir Johne Robertone, chappellane, Henry Mychelsone, Robyn of Inchenyn, and Arthour Robertsone, and Matho Stewart of Castiltone, and Johne Stewart of Albany, son to the said Jamys, with Schir Johnne of Setoune, and mony vthir.<sup>6</sup>

However, there clearly was a problem with the title. As noted above, Lord Darnley obtained a Crown charter of the lands of Baldorran resigned by Lord Livingston on 1 September 1464. Shortly thereafter, on 7 January 1464/5, Lord Darnley regrants the east half of the lands of Baldorane to James Stewart of Albany and this charter was confirmed by the King on 12 January 1465/66:

Apud Striveling, 12 Jan. {A.D. 1465/66} Rex confirmavit cartam Johanis Stewart domini de Dernile, -[qua concessit Jacobo Stewart de Albany, filio naturali quondam Jac. Stewart filii quondam D. Murdaci Stewart quondam Ducis Albanie comitis de Fyf et de Menteth, pro ejus servitio, &c.,--mediam partem orientalem terrarum de Baldorane, in comitatu de Levenax, vic. Striveling:--Tenend. dicto Jac. et heredibus ejus de corpore ejus legitime procreatis in perpetuum:--Reddend. tres sectas ad tria placita capitalia de Baldorane:--Test. And. dom. Avandale cancellario Scotie, M. Geo. de Abernethy preposito ecclesie collegiate de Dunbertane, Murdaco Stewart milite, Mat. Stewart de Cassiltoune, Joh. Maxwell de Nethyrpollok, et M. And. de Menteith:--Apud burgum de Striveling, 7 Jan. 1464]:--Test. Andreas, Episc. Glasguen.; Andreas, Dom. Avandale, Cancellarius; Colinus, Com. de Ergile, Dom. Cambell, Magister Hospitii Regis; Gilbertus, Dominus Kennedy; Joh., Dominus Dernle; Jac., Dominus Hammiltoun; Alex. Boyde de Drumcoll, Miles; M. Joh. Culquhone de eodem. Miles, Compotorum Rotulator; M. David de Guthre de Kincaldrum, Thesaurarius Regis; M. Arch., de Quhitlaw, Archidiaconus Moravien., Secretarius Regis.<sup>7</sup>

The east and west half of the lands of Baldorran continued with the Stewarts of Baldorane and Colquhones of Glyn on into the 1500s. One can follow the chain of title from them through available records. The above simply establishes that the chain of title for the lands started with Thomas Swift, burghess of Edinburgh.

<sup>6</sup> Fraser, William. *The Stirlings of Keir: And Their Family Papers*. Edinburgh, 1858. p. 233-235, no. 36.

<sup>7</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 179, no. 858. See also: Fraser, William. *The Stirlings of Keir: And Their Family Papers*. Edinburgh, 1858. p. 232-233, no. 37.

One first wonders how Thomas Swift, burghess of Edinburgh, acquired the lands of Baldorane. As there is no evidence of Thomas Swift having been granted the lands of Baldorane, one suspects that he inherited the lands. So either Baldorane came from the Swifts or from a maternal line. The latter is where the Crawford connection comes in.

Thomas Swift, burghess of Edinburgh is an easy person to identify. The style of "burghess of Edinburgh" was an indication of status in the community. There were a limited number of such burghesses. We are further helped by there being little evidence of persons with the Swift surname in Edinburgh at that time (ie. it was not then a common name).

The following records show that Thomas Swift was the son and heir of John Swift, burghess of Edinburgh, and Alice of Crawford, daughter of Robert of Crawford, and that he was later a bailie of Edinburgh and held the high office of Conservator of Privileges of the Scots nation in the Dukedom of Burgundy:

- Charter by Archibald, (fifth) Earl of Douglas, Lord of Galloway and Annandale, and of the barony of Bothwell, granting to **Alice of Craufurde, daughter of the late Robert of Craufurde, and her spouse John Swyft, burghess of Edinburgh**, the whole lands of Wester Moffat with pertinents, and the lands of Donsystoun, lying in the barony of Bothwell and sheriffdom of Lanark, **in which lands the late Robert Craufurd, father of Alice, died last vest and seised**, the lands being in the Earl's hands by recognition in default of the suit of the true heir: To be held the said lands in Alice and John and the survivor of them and the heirs between them lawfully born or to be born, whom failing, to the true heirs whomsoever of Alice, of the Earl and his heirs in fee and heritage; Rendering yearly one silver penny at the feast of St. John Baptist on the soil of Wester Moffat in name of blench farm, if asked. Given under the Earl's seal at Bothwell 11 January 1432-3. Witnesses James Douglas of Balvany, the Earl's uncle, Sir William Crichton of that Ilk, knight, Mr. William of Foulis, provost of Bothwell, David de Moravia, Thomas Symontoun and William of Liberton, burghess of Edinburgh. The Earl's seal is appended in good condition. {This charter was confirmed by King James the First under the great seal at Edinburgh 30th January 1432-3. Witnesses John Forestar of Corstorfin, knight, the king's chamberlain, Mr. Walter Stewart, dean of Moray, treasurer, Mr. William Foulis, provost of the collegiate church of Bothwell, privy seal, Walter Ogilvy of Lunterthin, knight, and Mr. Richard Crag, the king's clerk}.<sup>8</sup>
- Apud Edinburgh, 27 Feb {A.D. 1458/9}. Rex declaravit certas cartas et literas tallie &c. factas per **Joh. Swift, burgen. de Edinburgh** de terris ejus et tenementis in burgo de Edinburgh, in prejudicium **Tho. Swift filii ejus et heredis** -- invalidas esse et nullius roboris vel momenti, &c.<sup>9</sup>
  - Jacobus Dei Gratia, Rex Scotorum; Universis et singulis Ligiis et Subditis nostris ad quorum notitias presentes litterae pervenerint, Salutem. Quia intelleximus **quod Johannes Swift, burgensis burgi nostri de Edinburgh**, certas cartas et litteras talliae, de certis tenementis et terris jacent. in burgo nostro de Edinburgh, sua propria autoritate, absque nostra confirmatione, consensu et licentia, certis prolibus ipsius quondam Johannis, fratribus et sororibus Thomae Swift, fecit, concessit et deliberavit, cum saisina inde facta; in nostri et successorum praejudicium ac in exhaeredationem **Thomae Swift, filii sui et haeredis**, ipsiusque damnum non modicum et gravamen: Vobis igitur universis et singulis Ligiis et Subditis nostris quorum interest, declaramus per praesentes, dictas donationes, concessionones, infeodationes, tallias et saisinas, alias factas per praedictum Johannem Swift, suis prolibus praedictis, in dicti Thomae sui filii et haeredis exhaeredationem, invalidas esse, et nullius roboris aut momenti fore in futurum. Datum sub

<sup>8</sup> Historical Manuscripts Commission. "The Manuscripts of the Duke of Hamilton". *Eleventh report of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts*. London, 1887. Appendix, part VI, p. 17-18, no. 19. Donsystoun likely included parts of what is today Wester Dunsystoun and Easter Dunsystoun of which Craigends is centered between. Moffat is just to the north/northeast and Wester Moffat was likely Moffat Mills. The charter specifically states that the lands were in the Earl's hands by "*recognition in default of the suit of the true heir.*" Thus, Robert of Craufurde must have had a legitimate male heir. However, this heir did not pay the relief duty on becoming of age and thus forfeited the lands. As a result, his sister was entered in the lands in his place.

<sup>9</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 147, no. 681. The charters to Thomas Swift's siblings that were being voided are given later in this paper.

Magno Sigillo nostro, apud Edinburgh, penultimo die mensis Februarii, Anno Domini, millesimo quadringentesimo, quinquagesimo-octavo, et Regni nostri, vicesimo tertio.<sup>10</sup>

- Charter by **Thomas Swyft, burghess of the burgh of Edinburgh**, alienating to James Lord Hamilton his whole lands of Wester Moffat and Doynsiston in the barony of Bothwell and sheriffdom of Lanark, for the sum of three hundred pounds Scots; To be held by Lord Hamilton and his heirs from the granter and his heirs of the Lord of Bothwell in fee and heritage; Rendering yearly to the lord of Bothwell and his successors, one silver penny, etc. as in the previous writ. Dated at Wester Moffat; Witnesses Gawin Hamilton, Provost of Bothwell, and George Graham, provost of Hamilton collegiate church, Matthew Stewart of Castilten, William Cleland of that Ilk, Mr. William Bane, William Stenston of that Ilk, Richard Hamilton, and Walter Hamilton. {No year given, c. 1462}.<sup>11</sup>
- {4 June 1478} The lords appoint 4 October next, with continuation of days, for **Thomas Swift** to prove that the obligation made by the late Sir George of Crichton of the Cairns to the **late John Swift, his father**, regarding the sum of £13 2s 6d was sealed with the seal of the late William of Cranstoun and procured with the said late Sir George, and failing thereof, Sir James of Crichton, the son and heir of the said late Sir George, is to be released of his claim concerning the said sum in the future.<sup>12</sup>
- 26 November 1479. Warrant by **Thomas Swift**, Alexander Creichtoun and William of Dunsare, **bailies of Edinburgh**, narrating that complaint has been made by the craft of cordiners that the lieges are defrauded by insufficient work of ignorant persons both in 'blak werk and barkit lethir' daily sold and bought within the town and the freedom and privileges of burghesses destroyed thereby, and ordaining certain persons (named) of the said craft to search on market-day for any insufficient work and to mark it and produce it to the Provost and bailies who shall punish the offenders.<sup>13</sup>
- 16th December 1479. Notarial Instrument narrating that **Thomas Swift, one of the bailies of Edinburgh**, did, at the instance of Robert Vaus, burghess there, with consent of Cristiana, his spouse, give possession and sasine to a religious man, Friar John Mure, Bachelor of Sacred Theology, vicar-general of the order of Friars Preachers of the kingdom of Scotland, of a tenement or land let in feufarm to the said Robert and Christian by the said vicar-general, lying on the south side of the Cowgate between the lands of the late Henry Dicson and William Slater on the east, the land of the late David Laverok on the west, extending in length nine perches from said street towards the south, and one ell of land in breadth, which the said Robert and Christian resigned, and of which the bailie gave sasine as requested, the said Cristian afterwards, in the absence of her husband, swearing upon the gospels, before the bailie in full court, that she consented freely to the resignation. Edinburgh 16th December 1479. Witnesses, William Bell, Sir John Lile, chaplain, Robert Lowrisoun, John Farnly, Gilbert Jameson, James Harcars, serjeants. Notary, William Farnly, clerk of St. Andrews diocese, by imperial and royal authority.<sup>14</sup>
- Apud Edinburgh, 29 Jan. {A.D. 1482/1483} Rex - pro singulari favore quem gessiterga familiarem servitorem suum **Thomam Swift**, et pro ejus fideli servitio sibi impenso, ac de prudentia, literatura et circumspectione ejusdem quam plurimum confisus, -constituit et ordnavit dictum Thomam Swift, pro toto tempore ejus vite, -Conservatorem privilegiorum nationis Scotie, infra partes et dominia ducis Burgundie; -quod officium tunc vacabat per decessum quondam Anselmi Andournes de Cortoquhy militis.<sup>15</sup>

The above shows that Thomas Swift came to hold the lands of Wester Moffat and Dunsyston by inheriting them or being given them by his mother, Alice Crawford. Given this, it is equally possible that Thomas Swift acquired the lands of Baldorane the same way. This would make Robert of Crawford a prior holder of the lands of Baldorane.

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<sup>10</sup> Buchanan, Robert. *Tracts illustrative of the traditionary & historical antiquities of Scotland*. Edinburgh: J. Stillie, 1836. p. 70-71 (carta 108, Jacobi II., fol. R. 60, lib. 6).

<sup>11</sup> Historical Manuscripts Commission. "The Manuscripts of the Duke of Hamilton". *Eleventh report of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts*. London, 1887. Appendix, part VI, p. 18, no. 20.

<sup>12</sup> The Records of the Parliaments of Scotland to 1707, K.M. Brown et al eds (St Andrews, 2007-2011), 1478/6/17. Date accessed: 25 July 2011.

<sup>13</sup> National Archives of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK. GD348/3. Based on abstract given by the National Archives of Scotland.

<sup>14</sup> *Calendar of the Laing Charters A.D. 854-1837 belonging to the University of Edinburgh*. Ed. Rev. John Anderson. Edinburgh: James Thin, 1899. p. 45, no. 176. See also no. 177.

<sup>15</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 324, no. 1548.

The following clearly shows that Thomas Swift's father, John Swift, burges of Edinburgh, was an important figure in that City. He was, at various times, a customar, bailie and councillor of Edinburgh, and had children Thomas, Robert, Henry, John, Walter and daughters Elizabeth and Georgeo.

- Apud Edinburgh, 11 Jun. {A.D. 1427} Rex concessit **Johanni Swyft burgensi de Edinburgh et Alisone sponse ejus**,—quoddam tenementum jacens ex parte australi vici regii prope crucem in burgo de Edinburgh, inter tenementum cujusdam Pat. de Hil ex parte una et tenementum Joh. de Turribus de Inverleth ex parte altera;—quodquidem tenementum Jacobus Gray filius quond. Wil. G. aurifabri et Mariota sponsa sua resignaverunt:—Tenend. dict. Joh. et Alisone et eorum alteri diutius viventi et heredibus inter ipsos legitime procreatis, quibus deficientibus, legitimis et propinquieribus heredibus quibuscunque dict. Joh. in feodo :—Reddend. annuatim heredibus quond. Rogeri Wygmer militis 7 marcas, et regi firmam burgalem et servitia debita et consueta.<sup>16</sup>
- {A.D. 10 March 1432/3} Omnibus . . . Johannes Heres burgenfis burgi de Edinburgh et dominus Willelmus Heres canonici regulares . . . Sancte Crucis . . . salutem . . . Noueritis nos vnanimi consensu . . . assedasse et ad feodifirmam dimisisse . . . Andree Bel burgensi dicti burgi . . . terrara nostram . . . iacentem in tenemento nostro inter terras Willelmi Trewnot ex australi et boreali . . . quod . . . tenementum . . . iacet in dicto burgo ex parte australi Vici Regii . . . inter communem venellam que dueit ad Fratres Predicatores . . . ex parte orientali . . . et terram abbatis de Melros ex parte occidentali . . . Tenendam . . . in feodo et hereditate . . . Reddendo inde annuatim . . . regi seruicium burgi . . . et nobis heredibus nostris et assignatis viginti solidos . . . Scocie ad . . . terminos vsuales . . . tantum . . . In cuius rei testimonium sigilla nostra . . . carte nostre sunt appensa et ad maiorem . . . rei . . . firmitatem sigillum commune burgi . . . vnacum sigillo Thome Smyth balliui . . . carte nostre appendi . . . procurauimus hiis testibus Johanne de Leuingtoun preposito . . . **Johanne Swift** et Patricio de Foulis **balliuis** . . . Johanne Bigholme decano gilde • Alexandro Naper Willelmo Corour Forstar Thoma de Berwic Johanne de Farinle Willelmo Purrok Willelmo Fysch Thoma de Farinle Johanne Wodman Willelmo Redeschaw Alexandro Robisoun Jacobo Vnthank Roberto Gray et Johanne Broun Clerc notario publico burgensibus . . . Thoma Haswel Willelmo Kennysoun et Willelmo Schersmyth seriandis . . . apud Edinburgh x die mensis Marcii anno Domini m<sup>o</sup> cccc<sup>o</sup> xxxii<sup>o</sup>.<sup>17</sup>
- 27 February 1433. Charter of sale by John Farnell, burges of Edinburgh, in favour of Alexander Napier, younger, burges there, of an annual rent of 30s Scots from his land or house in Edinburgh in tenement of William Purrock on east side of the crossing called "Througange". Witnesses: John Levington, provost of Edinburgh; **John Swift**; Patrick Foulis; and Thomas Smith, **bailies of the burgh**; William Currou Forrester; Alexander Stanley; John Biggam; William Fish; David Laverock; John Cairns; Thomas Arthurlie; Thomas Liberton; and John Brown Clerk, notary public, burgesses of the burgh; William Kemisoun; William Shearsmith; and Thomas Haswell, serjeants of the burgh.<sup>18</sup>
- ("Account of **John Swift** and Thomas of Berwick, **customars of the Burgh of Edinburgh**, given at Linlithgow, 5 June 1434.) "Charge. Arrears, £66, 19s. 2 1/2 d. Custom of 5 score and 10 lasts, 9 sacks, 23 1/2 st. wool (£1479, 19s. 5 1/2 d.), 54,099 woolfells (£360, 10s. 11d.), and 41 lasts, 9 daces, 8 hides (£110, 12s. 10d.) in 12 ships at port of Leith (£1951, 3s. 2 1/2d.). Sum, £2018, 2s. 5d. old money; in new money, £2421, 14s. 10d." {Ex. Rolls, vol. iv, p. 573}.<sup>19</sup>
- ("Account of Thomas Berwic and **John Swift**, **customars of the Burgh of Edinburgh** given in at Stirling, 16 July 1435.) "Charge. Arrears, £92, 7s. 9 1/2d. Custom of 5 score and 1 last, 3 sacks, 7 1/2 st. wool (£1351, 1s. 8 1/2d.) in 12 ships at port of Leith, 38,800 5 score and 18 woolfells (£259, 6s. 5 1/2d.), 12 lasts, 10 daces, 3 hides (£33, 7s. 6d.), 29,011 schorlings (£96, 13s. 11d.), 33,983 futefells and scaldings (£56, 12s. 5d.), and 12,408 lenterware (£6, 4s. 1d.) in some of said ships; and of white salt exported from the realm during course of the account (£20, 18s.), (£1824, 4s. 4d. old money; in new, £2189, Os. 11d.). Sum, £2281, 8s. 8

<sup>16</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513.* Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 18, no. 92.

<sup>17</sup> *Registrum Cartarum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii de Edinburgh: A series of charters and original documents connected with the church of St. Giles Edinburgh, M.CCC.XLIV. -- M.D.LXVII.* Edinburgh: 1859. p. 56, no. 40.

<sup>18</sup> National Archives of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK. GD430/5. Based on abstract given by the National Archives of Scotland.

<sup>19</sup> Irons, James Campbell. *Leith and its antiquities from the earliest time to the close of the nineteenth century with numerous illustrations, biographical sketches and portraits of members of parliament, provosts distinguished ministers, &c. &c.; also and appendix of charters, deeds, and documents, relating to the Burgh.* Edinburgh: Morrison & Gibb Ltd, 1898. Vol. I, p. 538.

- 1/2d." {Ex. Rolls, vol. iv. p. 619.}.<sup>20</sup>
- Apud Edinburghe, 18 Sep. {A.D. 1439}. Rex, de avisamento consilii sui generalis, concessit et assignavit **Johanni Swifte burgensi de Edinburghe**, et heredibus ejus,—tenementum in burgo de Edinburghe situatum ad portam orientalem cimiterii parrochialis ecclesie Beati Egidii ejusdem burgi ;—quod Rob. de Lawedre burgen. de Edinb. genitori regis vendidit pro 400 lib ;—pro eo et ex eo quia prefatus Joh. pro prefato genitore regis 150 lib. pro resto dict. 400 lib. prefato Rob. de L., prout prefatus Joh. de mandato dicti genitoris regis ipsum obligaverat, plenarie persolvebat &c.<sup>21</sup>
    - James, etc. Know that, from the advice of our last general council held at Edinburgh, we have given, granted and assigned to our beloved and faithful **John Swift, burgess of Edinburgh**, our tenement lying in our burgh of Edinburgh at the east gate of the cemetery of the parish church of the Blessed Giles. Which tenement the late Robert Lauder, burgess of the said burgh, sold to our father [James I] for £400. All the rightful boundaries, freedoms, etc., to be held by John Swift because he paid £140 for the remainder of the £400, as he was obliged by mandate of our father; and also because John paid a further £100 to Robert and his procurator, William Lauder of Halton, extorted from him and not owed; and also for £187 in various pennyworths, received from John by our father and mother before the king's death, as declared in our exchequer by the auditors, due to him, which total sum extends to £437. Notwithstanding we wish that, whenever we or any heir should pay the total sum of money to John Swift, the tenement should revert to us and our heirs, concerning which reversion we hold letters handed over by John; meanwhile he is to make the due and customary services. We grant moreover that the said John and his heirs should hold the fruits of the tenement for its repair and upkeep and for the losses he has incurred on account of us, and dispose of them freely until we or our heirs relieve him. Great seal appended, Edinburgh, 18 September in the third year of our reign {1439}'.<sup>22</sup>
  - Omnibus . . . Simon Dowele filius et heres quondam Johannis Dowele burgensis de Edinburgh salutem . . . Noueritis me . . . vendidisse . . . Andree Bel . . . burgensi vnum annum redditum viginti solidorum . . . Scocie . . . leuandorum ad festa Penthecostes et Sancti Martini in hyeme . . . de . . . tenemento meo iacente in dicto burgo ex parte boreali . . . inter tenementum Ade Cant ex parte orientali . . . et tenementum quondam Ade de Knox ex parte occidentali . . . pro . . . summa pecunie michi . . . persoluta . . . Tenendum . . . a me . . . in feodo et hereditate . . . In cuius rei testimonium sigillum meum . . . est appensum vnacum sigillo Lancelothy de Abernethi . . . balliui sasinam dantis . . . apud Edinburgh decimo octauo die mensis Septembris anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo quadragesimo quinto hiis testibus . . . Adam Cant Thoma Smyth **Johanne Swyft** Johanne Leuingtoun Jacobo Vnthank Johanne Blak Johanne Halkerstoun . . . **burgensibus** • Thoma Haswel et Willelmo Schersmyth seriandis • cum multis aliis.<sup>23</sup>
  - Apud Edinburgh, 24 Apr. {A.D. 1450} (Rex confirmavit cartam) {blank – details since lost} [(qua) . . . Test. Tho. de Cranstoune, Wil. de Libertoune, Lanceloto de Abernethi, Joh. de Dalrympill, Simone de Schele, Andrea Bel, **Joh. Swyft**, Tho. Clerc, **burgen. de Edinburghe**, unacum sigillo Pat. de Cokburne tunc prepositi de Edinburgh: —Apud Edinburgh, Jul. 31, 1447]: —Test. Wil. Episc. Glasguen.; Jac., Epis. S. Andree; Wil., Dominus De Creichtoun, Cancellarius; Andreas, Abbas de Melros, Thesaurarius et Confessor Regis; Wil., Dom. Somerville, Miles; Pat. Dom. Glammys, Magister Hospitii Regis; And., Dom. le Gray, Miles; M. Joh. Arous, Archidiaconus Glasguen, Clericus Regis; M. Geo. De Schoriswod, Rector de Cultre, Clericus Regis.<sup>24</sup>
  - Swift chartar maid to his soun vpon a land wedset be the king. Omnibus . . . **Johannes Suyft burgensis de Edinburgh** . . . salutem • Noueritis me . . . dedisse . . . **filio meo Roberto Suyft** . . . tenementum meum . . .

<sup>20</sup> Irons, James Campbell. *Leith and its antiquities from the earliest time to the close of the nineteenth century with numerous illustrations, biographical sketches and portraits of members of parliament, provosts distinguished ministers, &c. &c.; also and appendix of charters, deeds, and documents, relating to the Burgh*. Edinburgh: Morrison & Gibb Ltd, 1898. Vol. I, p. 539.

<sup>21</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 50, no. 207.

<sup>22</sup> The Records of the Parliaments of Scotland to 1707, K.M. Brown et al eds (St Andrews, 2007-2011), A1439/9/2. Date accessed: 25 July 2011.

<sup>23</sup> *Registrum Cartarum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii de Edinburgh: A series of charters and original documents connected with the church of St. Giles Edinburgh, M.CCC.XLIV. -- M.D.LXVII*. Edinburgh: 1859. p. 72, no. 54.

<sup>24</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 79, no. 341.

quod alias fuerit quondam Jacobi Rede iacens . . . ex parte australi Vici Regii inter cimiterium ecclesie parochialis Beati Egidii . . . ex parte occidentali . . . et terram Patricii Cant ex parte orientali . . . Tenendum . . . quousque ipsum contingat ad beneficium ecclesiasticum valoris viginti librarum annuatim promoueri • et si . . . huiusmodi beneficium minima fuerit consecutus et dictum Robertum contigerit maritare post ipsius decessum suis heredibus de corpore suo legitime procreandis • quibus deficientibus **Henrico Suyft filio meo** fratri dicti Roberti et heredibus suis de corpore suo legitime procreandis • quibus forsitan deficientibus **Johanni Suyft filio meo** et heredibus suis de corpore suo legitime procreandis • quibus forte deficientibus **Waltero Suyft** et heredibus de suo corpore legitime procreandis • quibus deficientibus **Georgeo et Elizabeth filiabus meis** et heredibus de ipsarum corporibus legitime . . . procreandis • quibus deficientibus . . . heredibus meis quibuscunque • de . . . rege . . . in feodo et hereditate . . . vt in pignore . . . quousque contingat . . . regem . . . persoluere summam quatuor centum et triginta septem librarum . . . Scocie pro redempcione tenementi . . . Quo tenemento relaxato volo quod si tempore relaxacionis . . . dictus Robertus ad beneficium minime fuerit promotus . . . summa predicta . . . per quatuor porciones equales inter dictos quatuor filios meos diuidatur • Et fi medio tempore dictum . . . ad beneficium contingat promoueri volo tunc quod dicta summa inter dictos Henricum Johannem et Waltherum equaliter diuidatur • Et si quemquam ipsorum ante diem solucionis dicte summe claudere extremum contingat volo quod ipsa summa inter . . . superstites diuidatur • Insuper dedi . . . dicto Roberto . . . annum redditum meum triginta sex solidorum et octo denariorum . . . Scocie leuandorum . . . ad terminos burgi consuetos de . . . tenemento supradicto . . . qui . . . annuus redditus fuerat michi impignoratus per quondam Robertum de Nudre et Agnetem sponsam suam pro summa . . . pecunie . . . Tenendum . . . vt premititur . . . in feodo et hereditate . . . vt in pignore . . . quousque contingat dictam Agnetem de Nudre heredes suos vel assignatos persoluere dictis filiis meis seu eorum heredibus . . . vno die inter solis ortum et . . . occasum in ecclesia parochiali Beati Egidii . . . super summo altari . . . summam triginta sex librarum . . . Scocie • Reddendo . . . annuatim . . . regi firmam burgi . . . ac Elizabeth filie mee decem marcas annui redditus . . . Scocie pro . . . tempore vite sue ad terminos burgi consuetos . . . quousque contingat dictum Robertum . . . vel heredes . . . quibus deficientibus vnum filiorum meorum predictorum vel eorum heredes . . . persoluere dicte Elizabeth pro ipsius adiuuamine ad maritagium suum contrahendum vno die inter solis ortum et . . . occasum in ecclesia supradicta super altare Beati Jacobi . . . summam centum librarum . . . Scocie tantum . . . cuius . . . tenementi et annui redditus . . . sasinam . . . per manum Johannis de Haliburtoun balliui . . . dedi . . . Roberto filio meo tanquam fibi et personis suprascriptis in dicta tallia insertis • referuato . . . michi pro . . . tempore vite mee franco . . . tenemento . . . dicti tenementi et annul redditus . . . Insuper . . . nolo quod licitum sit dicto Roberto . . . aut cuicunque alteri filio meo aut eorum heredibus . . . tenementum . . . seu . . . annum redditum . . . alienare . . . aut quouismodo . . . ad firmam dimittere . . . nisi tantum pro vnus anni termino • et in casu quo . . . pretensa . . . alienacio seu assedacio pro gressuma vel alias facta fuerit volo quod nullius existat vigoris . . . et quod incontinenter post . . . ad proximum fratrem alienantis fibi de iure succedentem . . . tenementum seu annuus redditus alienatus reuertatur . . . In cuius re! testimonium sigillum meum vnacum sigillo communi dicti burgi et sigillo dicti balliui sasinam dantis . . . eft: appensum apud Edinburgh vltimo die mensis Nouembris anno Domini m<sup>o</sup> cccc<sup>o</sup> quadragesimo octauo testibus Patricio de Cokburne preposito . . . Johanne Lamb et Johanne de Farnyle balliuis . . . Adam Cant decano gilde • Thoma Smyth thesaurario . . . Willelmo de Cranestoun Willelmo de Libertoun Thoma de Berwic Johanne de Bigholme Jacobo de Prestoun Jacobo de Balbirny Willelmo Cammeroun Andrea Bell • Johanne Brone Clerc et Thoma Brone Clerc notariis publicis • cum multis aliis.<sup>25</sup>

- Swyft chartar maid to his soun Henry. Idem Johannes concessit eciam cartam sub sigillo suo et sigillo Johannis de Haliburtone balliui . . . ac sigillo communi . . . burgi **Henrico Suyft filio suo** de tenemento suo alias Henrici Aytoun iacente prope Archum Inferiorem . . . ex parte australi Vici Regii inter terram quondam Stephani Lioune ex parte occidentali et terram Roberti Lamb ex parte orientali • Tenendo . . . dicto Henrico et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Johanni Suyft filio** . . . et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Waltero Suyft** et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Roberto Suyft** si ipsum maritare contingat et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Georgeo et Elizabeth filiabus suis** et heredibus suis quibus omnibus deficientibus . . . heredibus dicti Johannis . . . patris quibuscunque de . . . rege . . . Reddendo inde annuatim . . . regi firmam burgi . . . ac Clementi de Farnyle heredibus suis et assignatis quadraginta solidos . . . Scocie annui redditus ad . . . terminos vsuales • cum ceteris clausulis et testibus in superiori carta notatis.<sup>26</sup>

<sup>25</sup> *Registrum Cartarum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii de Edinburgh: A series of charters and original documents connected with the church of St. Giles Edinburgh, M.CCC.XLIV. -- M.D.LXVII.* Edinburgh: 1859. p. 83-85, no. 62.

<sup>26</sup> *Registrum Cartarum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii de Edinburgh: A series of charters and original documents connected with the church of St. Giles Edinburgh, M.CCC.XLIV. -- M.D.LXVII.* Edinburgh: 1859. p. 85-86, no. 63.

- Swift chartar to his soun Jhone, Idem **Johannes Suyft** concessit eciam cartam sub suo sigillo et sigillo Johannis de Haliburtonne balliui . . . ac sigillo communi . . . burgi **Johanni Suyft filio suo** de tenemento alias quondam Jacobi Gray iacente . . . ex parte australi Vici Regii inter terram quondam Johannis de Levingtounne ex parte orientali et terram alias Henrici Goldesmyth ex parte occidentali • Tenendo . . . dicto Johanni et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Waltero Suyft** et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Roberto Suyft** et heredibus suis si ipsum maritare contingat quibus deficientibus Henrico Suyft et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Georgeo et Elizabeth filiabus meis** et heredibus suis quibus omnibus deficientibus . . . heredibus dicti Johannis quibuscunque de . . . rege . . . Reddendo inde annuatim . . . regi firmam burgi . . . et heredibus . . . quondam Georgei [Gregorii] Logane septem marcas annui redditus . . . Scocie ad terminos Penthecostes et Sancti Martini . . . et Waltero Suyft . . . sex marcas annui redditus . . . ad terminos supradictos • cum ceteris clausulis et testibus eisdem in . . . carta . . . concessa Roberto Suyft . . . notatis.<sup>27</sup>
- [Swift chartar] to his soun Walter. Idem Johannes Suyft concessit eciam cartam sub suo sigillo et sigillo Johannis de Haliburton balliui . . . ac sigillo communi . . . burgi **Waltero Suyft filio suo** de . . . annuo redditu sex marcarum . . . Scocie . . . leuandarum ad terminos Penthecostes et Sancti Martini . . . de tenemento quod alias fuerat quondam Jacobi Gray iacente ex parte australi Vici Regii . . . inter terram quondam Johannis de Levingtoun ex parte orientali et terram alias Henrici Goldesmyth ex parte occidentali • et de . . . annuo redditu sex marcarum . . . Scocie . . . leuandarum ad terminos supradictos de tenemento quondam Thome Rynde iacente ex parte boreali Vici Regii . . . inter terram alias Simonis de Fersith ex parte orientali et terram quondam Johannis Bane ex parte occidentali • Tenendos . . . dictos annuos redditus . . . dicto Waltero et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Johanni Suyft** et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Henrico Suyft** et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Roberto Suyft** si ipsum maritare contingat et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Elizabeth et Georgeo filiabus dicti Johannis** et heredibus suis quibus omnibus deficientibus . . . heredibus dicti Johannis quibuscunque de . . . rege . . . que vero carta in se continet clausulas et testes in prima carta specificatas.<sup>28</sup>
- [Swift chartar] to his doucher Elizabeth Swift. Idem **Johannes Suyft** concessit eciam cartam sub suo sigillo et sigillo Johannis de Haliburtonne balliui . . . ac sigillo communi . . . burgi **Elizabeth Suyft filie sue** de . . . annuo redditu decem marcarum . . . Scocie . . . leuandarum ad terminos Penthecostes et Sancti Martini . . . de tenemento alias Jacobi Rede iacente . . . ex parte australi Vici Regii inter terram Patricii Cant ex parte orientali et cimiterium ecclesie parochialis Beati Egidii . . . ex parte occidentali • Tenendum . . . supradictum . . . supradicte . . . pro . . . tempore vite sue et post decessum suum **Roberto Suyft** . . . si ipsum maritare contingat et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Henrico Suyft** et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Johanni Suyft** et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Waltero Suyft** et heredibus suis quibus deficientibus **Georgeo Suyft filie sue** et heredibus suis quibus omnibus deficientibus . . . heredibus dicti Johannis quibuscunque de . . . rege . . . vt de pignore . . . quousque . . . aliqui filiorum dicti Johannis seu eorum heredes persoluerint . . . supradicte Elizabeth vno die inter folis ortum et . . . occasum in ecclesia parochiali Beati Egidii . . . super summo altari . . . summam centum librarum . . . Scocie • Et concessit supradicte Elizabeth omnes fructus . . . eiusdem annul redditus quamdiu in manibus ipsius Elizabeth iacuerit sic quod pro fructibus eiusdem . . . ante solutionem dicte summe . . . dicti filii mei comptotum nullatenus exigent • que vero carta in se continet clausulas et testes in prima carta specificatas.<sup>29</sup>

So who was the above noted Robert of Crawford? We know that he his daughter, Alice/Alison, was old enough to have married John Swift before 1427. Therefore, this Robert of Crawford of Wester Moffar and Dunsynton flourished a generation earlier. Given John Swift's high status in Edinburgh, one has to suspect that his father-in-law was the Robert of Crawford who was constable of Edinburgh Castle, under his brother Sir William Crawford of Ferme<sup>30</sup>, at the turn of the century:

<sup>27</sup> *Registrum Cartarum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii de Edinburgh: A series of charters and original documents connected with the church of St. Giles Edinburgh, M.CCC.XLIV. -- M.D.LXVII.* Edinburgh: 1859. p. 86, no. 64.

<sup>28</sup> *Registrum Cartarum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii de Edinburgh: A series of charters and original documents connected with the church of St. Giles Edinburgh, M.CCC.XLIV. -- M.D.LXVII.* Edinburgh: 1859. p. 87, no. 65.

<sup>29</sup> *Registrum Cartarum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii de Edinburgh: A series of charters and original documents connected with the church of St. Giles Edinburgh, M.CCC.XLIV. -- M.D.LXVII.* Edinburgh: 1859. p. 87-88, no. 66.

<sup>30</sup> Fraser, William. *The Douglas Book.* Vol. III (Charters). Edinburgh, 1885. P. 403, no. 348. Sir William of Crawford, knight, lord of Ferm, then keeper of the castle of Edinburgh, was a witness to a charter by Thomas Mawtalen, lord of Halsingtoun and Ormistoun, to Robert Dikison, lord of Hucheonfeld, the lands of Ormistoun in the Sherifffdom of Peebles at Edinburgh on 4 January 1406.



- 16 March 1407, from 17 March 1406 to date... Et eciam pendent quadraginta marce capte a costumariis per **dominum Willelmum de Crauford, militem**, asserentem dictam summam comiti de Douglas debitam pro custodia castri de Edynburgh de anno quo fuit conflictus de Homyldoun, et viginti marce a costumariis per **Robertum de Crauford capte**, qui asserit hujusmodi summam sibi deberi pro officio constabularii castri de Edynburgh, licet non sit.<sup>31</sup>
- 13 May 1409, from 16 March 1407 to date ... Et allocate pro lignis et tabulis, emptis per **dominum Willelmum de Crauford** ad reparacionem quarundem domorum in castro de Edynburgh, et solutis per computantes, x li. xiiij s. iiiij d. Et comiti de Douglas, percipienti pro tempore vite sue ducentas marcas pro custodia castri de Edynburgh, de custuma dicti burgi, per recepcionem **domini Willelmi de Crauford**, ut patet per unam indenturam factam inter dictum dominum Willelmum et costumarios de Edynburgh sub sigillo suo, ostensam super compotem, de anno hujus compoti, cxxxiiij li. vj s. viij d. Et Waltero de Haliburton, marito ducissa Rothissaye, in partem pensionis sibi debite racione dicte ducisse, sponse sue, de anno hujus compoti, ut patet per eandem indenturem dicti **domini Willelmi de Crauford**, ostensam super compotum, clviiij li. xiiij s. vij d. quam summam costumarii dicunt quod dictus **dominus Willelmus de Crauford** cepit et non per manus suas. Insuper petunt allocacionem dicti costumarii computantes de centem triginta tribus libris sex solidis et octo denariis, quam pecuniam idem **dominus Willelmus de Crauford** cepit de custuma dicti burgi contra voluntatem ipsorum costumariorum. Item, petunt allocacionem de viginti marcis captis de custuma dicti burgi per **Robertum de Crauford, fratrem dicti domini Willelmi**, prout patet per literam ipsius Roberti sigillatam signeto dicti domini Willelmi ostensam super compotem ... Et de quadraginta marcis simili modo captis per dictum **dominum Willelmum de Crauford**, pro eo quod dicebat quod comiti de Douglas debebatur dicta summa pro custodia castri de Edynburgh de anno quo fuit conflictus de Homyldoun. Et de viginti marcis simili modo contra voluntatem ipsorum captis per **dictum Robertum de Crauford**, qui dixit illam summam sibi deberi pro officio constabularii castri de Edynburgh, de quo non constat auditoribus...<sup>32</sup>
- 17 July 1410 ... from 13 May 1409 to date ... Et **Roberto de Crauford**, de dono domini gubernatoris, prout fatebatur super compotum prefacto Roberto fatente receptam super compotum per literam suam, vj li. xiiij s. iiiij d., de quibus est eciam computandum cum eodem.<sup>33</sup>

Sir William Crawford of Ferme (a cousin of Archibald, Earl of Douglas and lord of Galloway and Annadale)<sup>34</sup> held the lands of Hallis of Erth and Heetoun of Erth, the common boat of the port of Erth, the lands of Kyrkle and le Grene, Douglasferme, the lands of Manuell (Hayning with its Mains, Mandirstoun, Nicholetoun, Gillandrislande with the Manuelrig, Gilmudylande, Estir Ballinbruych, Westir Ballinbruych, with the mill of Manuell), the lands of Kilbabirtoun, and was succeeded by his son and heir, Reginald Crawford of Haining:

- Charter by Archibald Earl of Douglas, lord of Galloway, granting to **Sir William of Crawford, knight, lord of the Ferm**, for his praiseworthy service in the onerous charge of keeping the castle of Edinburgh while the Earl was detained in England, all the lands of Hallis of Erth and Heetoun of Erth, with the cottages, cruives, and fish ponds of the said lands, and with the common boat [batella communi] of the port of Erth; to be holden to the said William and his heirs of the Earl and his heirs, in fee and heritage for ever: Performing therefor yearly the services used and wont. With clause of warrandice. In witness of which the Earl has caused his seal to be affixed after his escape from his enemies of England, at Edinburgh, 20th August 1409. Witnesses, James of Douglas, squire, the Earl's brother, Sirs James of Douglas, lord of Dalketh, John of

<sup>31</sup> *Rotuli Scaccarii Regum Scotorum: The Exchequer Rolls of Scotland*. Ed. George Burnett. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1880. Volume IV (A.D. 1406-1436), p. 44-45.

<sup>32</sup> *Rotuli Scaccarii Regum Scotorum: The Exchequer Rolls of Scotland*. Ed. George Burnett. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1880. Volume IV (A.D. 1406-1436), p. 80-81.

<sup>33</sup> *Rotuli Scaccarii Regum Scotorum: The Exchequer Rolls of Scotland*. Ed. George Burnett. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1880. Volume IV (A.D. 1406-1436), p. 117.

<sup>34</sup> Fraser, William. *The Douglas Book*. Vol. III (Charters). Edinburgh, 1885. p. 408-409, no. 361 {As 'William of Craufurde, lord of Ferme, knight, his well beloved cousin', he was one of the witnesses to an undated confirmation by Archibald Earl of Douglas and lord of Galloway and Annadale to a charter, dated 31 October 1408 at Edinburgh, by James of Douglas, lord of Abircorne, his brother, to Patrick Reede Ramsay, the lands of Little Drumqwhendill} & *Ibid*, p. 409, no. 362 {As 'William of Craufurde, the Earl's cousin, knight', he was a witness to an undated charter at Edinburgh by Archibald Earl of Douglas and lord of Galloway and Annadale to Gilbert Geresoun, of the lands of Mekil Daltoun and Dormont}.

Montgomery, lord of Ardossane, John of Setoun, William of Murehed, knights; also Masters Alexander of Carnis, provost of the College Church of Lincluden, and Matthew of Gedes, rector of the church of the Forest, clerks, and many others.<sup>35</sup>

- Apud Edinburgh, 17 Jan {A.D. 1424}. Rex concessit **Reginaldo de Crawford, filio et heredi Wil. de Crawford militis**, --terras de Manuell, viz., le Hayning cum le Maynis ejusdem, de Mandirstoun, Nicholetoun, Gillandrislande cum le Manuelrig, Gilmudylande, Estir Ballinbruych, Westir Ballinbruych, cum molendino de Manuell, vic. Strivelyne; --quas dict. **Wil. de Crawford** resignavit:--Tenend. dicto Reginaldo et heredibus ejus masculis de corpore ejus legitime procreatis, quibus deficientibus, legitimis et propinquieribus heredibus dicti Wil. quibuscunque; reservatis dicto Wil. libero tenemento pro toto tempore vite ejus, ac rationabili tertia Jonete ejus sponse. Test. Willelmus, Episcopus Glasgwen., Cancellarius; Johannes Forestarii (de Corstorfyne), Camerarius; Joh. De Cameroun, Prepositus Ecclesie Collegiate de Lincludane, Secretarius Regis.<sup>36</sup>
- Charter by Archibald Douglas Duke of Touraine, Earl of Douglas and of Longawyle, lord of Galloway and Annadale, granting to **Reginald of Crawford, son and heir of Sir William of Crawford, knight**, the lands of Kyrkle and le Grene, with the pertinents, in the barony of Bothwylle and sheriffdom of Lanark, which had belonged heritably to Sir William, and were resigned by him in the granter's hands; to be held to the foresaid Reginald, his heirs and assignees, of the Duke, his heirs and successors, earls of Douglas, in fee and heritage for ever, with mills, multures, and their sequels, blwdwete and birchinsake, hereyelds, and merchets of women, etc., reserving to Sir William his frank-tenement for life, for payment of one silver penny at the feast of St. John the Baptist, in name of blench ferm, if asked only. At Bothwylle, 13 October 1425. Witnesses, Sir John Forstare, lord of Corstorphyn, Sir William Murhede, lord of Lauchoke, Thomas of Kyrkpatryke, knights, John Lyndissay, lord of Dunrode, Adam of Dalyhele, Daudid of Murray.<sup>37</sup>
- Charter by Archibald Duke of Touraine, Earl of Douglas and Longavile, lord of Galloway and Annadale, granting to **Reginald of Craufurd, son and heir of Sir William of Craufurd, knight**, the lands called Douglasferme, with the pertinents, lying upon the bank of the water of Clyde, near Ruglene, within the sheriffdom of Lanark, which lands formerly belonged to the said Sir William, and were resigned by him; the said lands to be holden and possessed to the said Reginald, his heirs and assignees, of the said Archibald and his successors, earls of Douglas, in fee and heritage for ever. Paying therefor annually one silver penny at the feast of St. John Baptist, in name of blench, if asked only. With clause of warrandice. Sealed in presence of Sir John Forestare, lord of Corstorphyn, William of Murehede, lord of Lauchok, Thomas of Kilpatrik, knights, John of Lyndesay, lord of Dunrod, Adam of Dalyhele, and David of Moray, with many others, witnesses. [1425].<sup>38</sup>
- Precept by Archibald Duke of Touraine, Earl of Douglas and of Longavile, lord of Galloway and Annadale, directing Adam of Dalyhele, and David of Moray, his bailies, to infest **Reginald of Craufurd, son and heir of William of Craufurd, knight**, in the lands of Douglasferme, with the pertinents, lying in the regality of Douglas, within the sheriffdom of Lanark. Dated at Bothwylle the 13th day of October 1425.<sup>39</sup>
- Transumpt made in presence of Symon of Dalgles, canon and official of Glasgow, at the request of **Reginald of Crawford of Hayning**, of a charter by Archibald Earl of Douglas and lord of Galloway, granting to **William of Crawford**, for his service, the lands of Douglasferme, with the pertinents, lying on the east side of the town of Ruglyn, on the bank of the Clyde, within the sheriffdom of Lanark and the regality of Douglas; which lands belonged to John of Towers, son and heir of the deceased Sir John of Towers, knight, and were resigned by him; to be holden the said lands to the said William, of the Earl and his heirs, in fee and heritage for ever: Paying therefor one silver penny yearly, if asked, in name of blench. With clause of warrandice. Dated at the castle of Bothwell, 21 May 1400, before George Earl of Angus, Sir John of Edmonstoun, lord of that ilk, William Stewart of Tevidale, William of Borthwyc of Catkwn, knights; Master John of Mertoun, provost of Bothwell, William of Hay, lord of Lochorwart, Patrick of Moray, William of Murhede, and Master Alexander of Carnis, clerk, with others. Transumpt, dated ninth July 1454, at Glasgow, before three witnesses, Masters and Sirs John Arrowse, archdeacon of Glasgow, Gilbert of Park,

<sup>35</sup> Fraser, William. *The Douglas Book*. Vol. III (Charters). Edinburgh, 1885. p. 405, no. 356.

<sup>36</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 2-4, no. 14.

<sup>37</sup> Fraser, William. *The Douglas Book*. Vol. III (Charters). Edinburgh, 1885. p. 415, no. 383.

<sup>38</sup> Fraser, William. *The Douglas Book*. Vol. III (Charters). Edinburgh, 1885. p. 415-416, no. 384.

<sup>39</sup> Fraser, William. *The Douglas Book*. Vol. III (Charters). Edinburgh, 1885. p. 416, no. 385.

- John of Camera (Chamber), Thomas Cady, vicars of Dundonald, Crawford-Lyndissay, and Waylstoun, William Arthurlee and John Michaelson, presbyters of Glasgow diocese, with others.<sup>40</sup>
- Apud Edinburgh, 23 Feb. {A.D. 1425/26} Rex concessit Henrico Forstare, filio Joh. F. de Corstorfyne militis, magistri hospitii regis,—terras de Kilbabirtoun, vic. Edinburgh;—quas **Wil. de Crafurde miles** personaliter resignavit:— Tenend. dict. Hen. F. et heredibus ejus, in feodo:— Reddend. wardam, vel relevium cum maritagio cum contigerint, &c.;— Faciend. tres sectas ad tria placita regis capitalia ad curiam de Edinburgh:— Test. Rob. de Lawedre (de Bas), Miles, Justiciarius; Johannes Forestarii (de Corstorfyne), Camerarias; Walterus de Ogilby (de Lumtrethen), Thesaurarius; Johannes Cameroun, Custos Privati Sigilli; Edwardus de Lawedre, Archisiaconus Landonie in Ecclesia S. Andree, Clericus Regis.<sup>41</sup>

So we know that the Thomas Swift, burghess of Edinburgh, who held the lands of Baldorane, was the son of John Swift and Alice Crawford, daughter of Robert of Crawford of Wester Moffat and Dunsyston. Given the status of John Swift, it is conjectured that his father-in-law was Robert of Crawford, constable of Edinburgh Castle under his brother, Sir William Crawford of Ferme, Keeper of Edinburgh Castle. The family of the latter has coat of arms most similar to the Kincaids of Kincaid. So if these Craufords were anciently in the lands of Baldorane next to the lands of Kincaid, then the Kincaids could have acquired their coat of arms from them if there was marital connection.

There are a couple of references that connect the early Kincaids to the family of Sir William Crawford of Ferme. First of all, as shown above, Sir William Crawford of Ferme's son and heir was Reginald Crawford of Haining, an estate southwest of Linlithgow. His lands included the lands of Manuel which also had the mill of Manuel. He was almost certainly the 'Reginaldo de Crafurde de Hannyn' who was a witness to a charter by James of Hamilton, Lord of Cadzow, to William Bailey of 'Enschau' of the lands of Udston in the barony of Cadzow on 12 May 1444.<sup>42</sup> He was also likely the 'Reginald of Crafurde of Hayning' who, as shown above, on 9 July 1454, requested a copy be made of the grant of the lands of Douglasferme to William of Craufurd.<sup>43</sup> It is thus relevant that an account of the customs of the burgh of Linlithgow for the period 6 July 1445 to 6 July 1446 includes a payment to 'Reginaldo de Craufurde' for keeping the manor of Linlithgow.<sup>44</sup> While this possibly relates to another person, Reginald Crawford of Haining is the nearest Craufurd with the status to be keeper of the King's manor of Linlithgow (which over the next 20 years developed into Linlithgow Palace). By 6 October 1461, Reginald Crawford of Haining was deceased.<sup>45</sup> Curiously, in that year, John of Kincade, emerges as keeper of Linlithgow Palace and occupying the mill of Manuel; both formerly held by Reginald Crawford of Haining.<sup>46</sup> The mill of Manuel was then held in wardship.<sup>47</sup> This raises the question of whether John of Kincade held these as a servant of the Crown or as the tutor or curator of the heir of Reginald Crawford of Haining (i.e. John of Kincade being a near relative).

The next reference relates to a brother of Reginald Crawford of Haining. The records of the Abbey of Holyrood state

<sup>40</sup> Fraser, William. *The Douglas Book*. Vol. III (Charters). Edinburgh, 1885. p. 401, no. 342.

<sup>41</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 6, no. 33.

<sup>42</sup> *Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum: The Register of the Great Seal of Scotland A.D. 1424-1513*. Ed. James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. p. 115, no. 511.

<sup>43</sup> Fraser, William. *The Douglas Book*. Vol. III (Charters). Edinburgh, 1885. p. 401, no. 342.

<sup>44</sup> *Rotuli Scaccarii Regum Scotorum: The Exchequer Rolls of Scotland*. Ed. George Burnett. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1882. Volume V (A.D. 1437-1454), p. 224 {6 July 1446, from 6 July 1445 to date ... Et per solucionem factam Reginaldo de Crafurde, ad suas expensas in manerio regis de Linlithqw, custodienti illud per aliqua tempora, de mandato regis, xxvj s. viij d.}.

<sup>45</sup> National Archives of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK. GD237/16/4.

<sup>46</sup> *Rotuli Scaccarii Regum Scotorum: The Exchequer Rolls of Scotland*. Ed. George Burnett. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1884. Volume VII (A.D. 1460-1469), p. 47-49. {A.D. 1461 ... Memorandum quod idem comptans non onerat se de molendino de Mannuel, quod valet per annum iij bollas j ferlotam j peckam cum tercia parte ferlote farine avenatice, quia dictum molendinum est in manibus Johannis de Kincade durante voluntate regine ... Et eidem, per solucionem factam Johanni de Kyncade, custodi palatii de Linlithqw, pro reparacione dicti palatii erga adventum regis Anglie de mandato regine, custode privati sigilli testante mandatum super compotum, xxvj s. viij. d.}.

<sup>47</sup> *Rotuli Scaccarii Regum Scotorum: The Exchequer Rolls of Scotland*. Ed. George Burnett. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1884. Volume VII (A.D. 1460-1469), p. 403 & 535.

that Archibald Crawford, Abbot of Holyrood from 1457 to 1483, was the son of Sir William Crawford of Haining,<sup>48</sup> In his first year, two of his squires (scutiferis) were Patrick of Kynkad and George of Kynkad; as noted in a charter by Archibald Crawford, Abbot of Holyrood, dated 12 August 1457.<sup>49</sup> It should be noted that the latter George of Kynkad fits well as the George Kincaid who was bailie for the Abbot of Holyrood in the 1490s.<sup>50</sup>

Finally, there is another curious record that connects the early Kincaids to the Crawfords in terms of land holdings. On 7 December 1489, one *Thomas Craufurd in le Cotis* witnessed an instrument of sasine in favour John Tower of Innerleith of the lands of Innerleith and Dalry and others.<sup>51</sup> The lands of 'le Cotis' (i.e. Coates, Cottis, Coittis) that Thomas Crawford held were a few years later held by Thomas Kincaid of Coates, Constable of Edinburgh Castle.<sup>52</sup> As the lands of Coates were held by the Abbey of Holyrood, this suggests further ties between the Kincaids and the above noted Archibald Crawford, Abbot of Holyrood.

In conclusion, it is recognized that the only thing that can be conclusively said is that the lands of Baldorane, next to the lands of Kincaid, were once held by Thomas Swift, burghess of Edinburgh, son of John Swift and Alice/Alison Crawford. However, the above does show that it is certainly possible that the Kincaids acquired their coat of arms by being connected to the family of the Crawfords of Ferme and Haining. This hinges on the view that 1) Thomas Swift got the lands of Baldorane from his mother Alice Crawford, daughter of Robert of Crawford; and 2) this Robert of Crawford was the brother of Sir William Crawford of Ferme and Haining.

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<sup>48</sup> *Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis Munimenta Ecclesie Sancte Crucis de Edwinesburg*. Edinburgh, Bannatyne Club, 1840. p. xxxi.

<sup>49</sup> *Registrum S. Marie de Neubotle: Abbacie Cisterciensis Beate Virginis De Neubotle Chartarium Vetus: Accedit appendix cartarum originalium 1140-1528*. Edinburgh: Bannatyne Club, 1849. p. 240-242, no. 284.

<sup>50</sup> "Protocol Book of James Young 1485-1515." The Scottish Record Society. Ed. Gordon Donaldson. Edinburgh: Printed for the Society by J. Skinner & Company, Ltd., 1941-52. Volume 74 (December 1940), nos. 520, 528, 621, 641, 642, 676, 717, 816, 817, 826, 840. & National Archives of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK. GD348/4.

<sup>51</sup> National Archives of Scotland, Edinburgh, UK. GD297/277.

<sup>52</sup> "Protocol Book of John Foular 1503-1513: Volume 1 (continued)." The Scottish Record Society. Edinburgh: Printed for the Society by J. Skinner & Company, Ltd., 1940-1. Volume 72 (December 1939), p. 170, no. 894. & Glasgow City Archives, Glasgow, UK. Lennox of Woodhead Papers, T-LX 1/8/2. & *Compota Thesaurariorum Regum Scotorum: Accounts of the Lord High Treasurer of Scotland*. Ed. Sir James Balfour Paul. Edinburgh: H.M. General Register House, 1901. Vol. IV (A.D. 1507-1513), p. 445-446.