

Selbally

While in Sutherland Gordon of Selbally
says his Robert Gordon was employed
in settling disputes between — &
he also chiefly he directed his
between the Laird of Sutherland &
Lord Reay — who were like to go
to law over the — of Durness -
now great
Lord Reay was in dire financial
trouble; this since 1626 he had raised
thousands of men for Protestant side
of the contⁿ war on the continent, in this
he had contracted very large debts
In addition he was involved in
marital troubles (Lord Reay
was married five times) his first
wife Lady — Mackenzie died about
1630 - She had borne him five children
(the eldest, John, was to succeed his father
as Lord Reay - but) soon after her death

he married Rachel Winstanley, but because
- he had obtained a decree of nullity
on less grounds than she had already
a husband in Ireland. After he
broke with Rachel Winstanley he
married Eliz Tame on -

Gordon
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~~Argus Fracking (of Bishouse?) married~~
to his 2nd wife Jean Gordon, daughter
of Sir Alex^d. Gordon. He died in 1634
much lamented, "being a very active
& able gentleman" He was taken
away by sickness. The wife was
afterward apprehended & executed who
at her death confessed the crime
~~What a more than likely~~
wretched woman

1637.
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They waited for Sir R. G. in the meantime
the S. of S. advanced "a good sum"
upon the mortgaged wadset of Thurkess-
Sir Robert G. when he arrived advised
the S. of S. not to buy Stralumscross
but the master was continually ill (the
year ensuing)

1638.

Lady Nay (Rachel Hamilton) got
a sentence against her husband
"She came with great pompe into Scotland
to prosecute her husband
the Council strongly against Nay.
the Hamilton episode
not long after Sir. Tarron died in
Stralumscross leaving a daughter

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~~Colonel John Bruns & Costell was the
brother of Col. Hector Bruns. Both
Bolts fought in Germany.~~

1636.

Gordon of Sallalby

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The Duke of Lennox amissions for his tenents
& surrenders gave a horner to the Ex. of S
the Bishop of Caithness, Sir Robert Gordon
James Saltukland Tullo of Duffus &
Robert Gray of Sleibo - to value his lands
& southerfaw, Strathnaver, Assynt,
Edderachiles, Durness & Sliochelles, &

a likewise to augment his stipends & maintenance
of his minister in every parish as they the
church tithes - after great trouble
the valuation of his lands & the provision
of his ministers were settled by the
common consent of his laity & churchmen

This was the year in which the famous freebooter
Gildewy was taken & executed with seven
accomplices - Hanged at the Mercat - x of Ed 6th

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Low may in debt selling his lands of Strathnaver
& Edderachiles. Ed: "buy fair for the
MacKenzie lying next unto assent"

1686.

Jean Drummond died 1637
in Schenbrunn 29th December.
"answering him."

1687.

late R. & S. Was chosen
King to the King
Change: the King's innovation following it
be against the constitution being in
any such change with a meeting
Assembly or Parliament
the General Assembly
earl's brother George Gordon chosen
laik - elder
Master John Gray. Dean of Carlisle
died 21 Jan. 1638

1638

Nov. 1638
See Oliver
Adelmer
at Glasgow
1638.

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1 Col: Robert Bruce Laird of Foulis
2 Col: John Bruce of Bessell
~~both died in Germany - brothers~~ ^{Cousins}

Col: Robert died of a wound in his leg
given to John R: of Bessell.

They were succeeded by:- Col: Hector M. laird
1 Foulis + Robert Bruce of Bessell
younger brother of above.

Col: Hector R: Was made a K: Baron
by settled less affairs of their house -
then returned to Germany - taking
various gentlemen out of Ross & Sult: among
them Adam Gordon of Killeabankib. (Carroll)
+ John Gordon of ~~of~~ Sidera.

Hector Bruce died two months later & was
succeeded by a son born posthumously

Sir Alex: Gordon's eldest son, Captain
Alexander Gordon, embarked at Altona
with a strong company of able young
men - for service of the Crown of Sweden
This son died at the age of 30.

1637

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Gordon Falkland

DUNROBIN 5th February 1747.

Dear Sir.

I have your favour of the 24th January. As to the

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Jan 21

1630

John Gray Dean of Caithness died in Drusick
3 wth Son of Robert Gray of St. Cuthbert
The Glasgow Assembly 1633

Gordon of Saltbay.

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Sale of Stratnaver to Sir E. of S:

"Stratnaver or Schederachiles"

"The Lrd Bay was much troubled in Jeit"

His eldest son John - married to Isabel Sinclair
eldest of S. of Caithness.

Schederachiles "lay fair for his chancery
lying next unto Assint - (which country the
said) Seaport Water of late evicted from
Donald Neilson, his rightens in his h-

therof"

See Sir R. G. advised his said master to

buy Stratnaver

In last year Ranhes Winter got a
Verdict against Lrd Bay in London
she took her case to Scotland where she
obtained a Verdict that she was still his
wife - & he was to pay her £2,000 sterlins
for her by part maintenance & £300 yearly
during his now absence -

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Jean Drummond Comptress of S: died in
Edinburgh 29th Dec 1637 - of consumption

a few

own country had in many cases become
officers of rank, though such as Colonel
William Bonn son of John Bonn who
who commanded the Scots
Brigade & Colonel Malcolm a son of the
taekman of Skene. These men brought with
them a record of distinguished service & similar
glory that later became the splendid tradition
of army service that gave the Highland
regiments of the English army a special
reputation for indomitable courage.

But lowland Scotland reigned with
discontent

But in this 1633

But the visit of Robert Gordon to Culoden
in 1633 was concerned with settling disputes
between Lord Caw Earl of S: & Lord Nay
Gordon of Galloway says they were likely to
go to law over the lands of Durness.
Now Nay's ~~was~~ was mainly in debt
was mainly in debt - had matrimonial
troubles as well. His first wife Mary B
Barkesie ~~had~~ was dead & he
had married a woman called Rachel W.

but he obtained a decree of nullity
on the grounds that she had a
another husband in Ireland (She
had born him one son, called Durval;)

In 1632 he married Elizabeth
Pernson Thomson "a woman of low birth" according
to Gilbert Gordon, who states that
"it was impudent to Lord May as a noble
of great worth that a man of his
reputation in the world should have
married a woman of low birth, without means
without friend; & chiefly at such a time
whenas his honour lay in fortune bay at
stake, & he being uncertain every day when
he shold have been called to fight
against David Ramsey. But in malice
of love too wisest all to flee."

Gordon
Hob³
at this time he settled many differences
& variances among his friends in the north;
& chiefly he took great pains to reconcile the
L. of S. & Lord May who were likely to go to war
for the lands of Dumur & divers other matters

John 13th Earl. Gordon of Galloway - P 4129

Sir Alex^d & family went to Ireland
to escape persecution for his continuing a
Roman Catholic

1631. Alex^d Murray alias died of a fall from
a stair in Tain - $\frac{1}{2}$ of his estate fell in
Ward to the E & S.

1631 Angus Trahay of Bishouse married Jean Foster
the daughter of Sir Alex G. of Nairnall -

3 years later he died leaving no heir & was
succeeded by William Trahay his eldest
son by 1st wife - Jane Stephen

R H 451-2
It was Angus who was taken away
by witchcraft - The witch was afterward apprehended
executed, who at her death confessed
Hamilton was employed in raising an army
for the k. of Leaven

Lord May married Elizabeth Taron
& took her to Strathmullen

see May & Strathmullen P-403 463

Sir.

As one studies such information as is
available to the British people in Suf-
fice of Britain on our entry to the Common
Market it becomes ^{ever more} ~~certain~~ plain that it is
a threat to our two best friends N. Z &
Australia. No ~~matter~~ how it is glossed
over they ^{are to} will be sacrificed; for what?

~~Our~~ may war. No one who remembers
~~the~~ first world war will ever forget
~~the~~ sacrifices & loss aid they cause this
country. For that reason Britain
was always spoken of as 'home'; but
the ^{our} ~~the~~ politicians - not the men in
nation - are willing to sacrifice ~~the~~
² sons ³ grandsons (if ~~two~~) & perhaps
their independence, ~~hilkent~~ for what is
~~at~~ ~~not~~ ~~the~~ natural - not by any means
too friendly of continent as ~~now~~.

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Garden of Sallach -

Lord Buchtree was the son of James Stewart
Sometimes Earl of Arran & Chancellor of Scotland
according to Gordon. He hated Hamilton.
King & Ramsay were 6 months in
the Tower were released after giving
sureties for their behaviors
and King returned to Edinburgh.
Gustave Adolphus was Dean
of this time.

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The business did cost Lord. King much
of his means, besides the loss of his place
of employment in Germany & the
perpetual hatred of the Queen &
Hamilton & all their friends & dependants.

Lord Buchtree was put on trial in
Edinburgh

& 14th February 1632. Sent to St. Margaret's

P 459 Lady Jean Drummond -

460 Lord Sutherland began to redeem
the walied lands of the Estate -
in particular the lands of Strathleet
called Tarrells lands which had been
broken away by William 3rd Lord
Sutherland 300 years before

by mail-coach, or if wealthy, had driven their ~~deep-upholstered~~^{well} travelling carriages over the newly-made roads of England and the continent.

How social was the life of the old country-houses ! In summer and autumn there was a constant series of visitors, ~~at~~ ^{of} ~~Orniston~~ who came not for week-ends, but for a fortnight, a month or even longer. And the visitors brought their maids and valets, their children, even the governess. There were also the county neighbours. In the summer of 1866, Forfarshire was very gay, " every day we go somewhere or someone comes to see us" writes Helen. The day before, the Carnegies of Lour had driven over with all their party and arrived at half-past-nine in the evening on an impromptu visit. One week there was a ~~Review~~ of the Volunteers. They had the Colonel staying with them, but Helen thought the Review was not a great success. In July they got up a monster picnic at their cottage ~~at~~ ^{Loch} Fethie. This had taken much preparation. She herself had sewn yards and yards of pink ruffles for the cottage curtains. There was a large party in the house and the night before they had danced till one in the morning, but they were up early to see to the last preparations and arrange the flowers for the tables. " There was amusement for everybody. The military

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Gordon of Saltashy.

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- 1634 Captain Adam Gordon, the 2^d of S. brother
killed at the x^t of Nordlingen ^{age 23]} in Germany
P. 47 Germany - William Hobson was son of
John Hobson commanded the Scotch
Brigade that day.
461. Sir Robert Goring son born - 4th Sept. 1632
King Charles 9th Earl of Carlisle his
godfather - he was called Charles
after the King - of course
- 461 The same year the Earl of S: Son John
Gordon - Lord Stratford was born - 28th Novth
462. 17 June 1633 R. Charles crowned at
Holyrood - "This was a joyful sight
to the whole nation" Sir Robert G. carried
the Kings train from the castle to the abbey
together with 4 early eldest sons
were included Lord Scrope, the 2^d y. George
eldest son.
- The next day after the coronation
King Charles had a Parliament
at Edin^{burgh}
- Proxy to Denmark. The earl of S. stayed at home dieg-
ing his parliament. He sent his proxy
the Duke of Lennox

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Gordon of Salbally

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Earl's 2nd son born 2nd November 1663

Sir Robert Gordon after the King's visit went on to Salbally. "At this time, he settled many differences & variances among his friends". chiefly he "reconciled" Lord Reay & the Earl of S. chiefly about the lands of Durness -

at last - "all controversies were taken away" & a contract between them was passed & subscribed by them at Dornoch - whereby the S. of S. gave the lands of Durness in fee, (few) to Lord Reay. By this contract Lord Reay was bound to serve the Earl of S. & to accompany him at all parliaments & conventions.

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THE HOUSE OF COMMONS AND THE HOUSE OF PEERS
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~~whistle of war~~

~~and I want to go and what's idea?~~

I am going to the fair

To the fair of the house of the lord in the year of

the

the men of the hour are going to the sea
the men of the hour

and going to the sea

and going to the sea

I am going to the fair

I am going to thevguinjhgd

Gordon of Salsbury.

- 1636 Lord Sutherland died of small-pox
in Dornoch - 5 years old left in
Dornoch - parents in 90th
- 1637 Jean Drummond C^o & S. Died of
consumption in Edinburgh, buried in Dornoch
2 sons & 1 daughter:
- New prayer book imposed on Scotland
without consultation with the S. church
by General Assembly in the Clergy.
- The Glasgow assembly 1638 to arrange
new rules - over the new prayer
book abolished episcopal pray - (in
scoldies of Perth - the high Commission
the Clerical work etc
George Gordon - sent to the S. of S. called
was sent to this assembly to
represent Culross
- 487-8 21 Jan 1638. Master John Gray
Dean of Caithness died at Dornoch
he was 3rd son of Gilbert Gray of
Stobo. His eldest son was Robert Gray
of Achekling.
1639. Hostilities began. The Eng. invaded
H. S. Anna Bruce 1639.

CYDERHALL

Nov 6th 1746

you consider it in copies when you receive
your letter from Dr. G. S. & C. — I
am very sorry to hear — but I am
Dr: Sir

I had no letter from you since the one from
Tender Hall and my Lord

not long ago from Dr. G. S. — I am
very sorry to hear — but I am
very sorry to hear — but I am

very sorry to hear —

in consequence of your illness —

S. R. G. 1746

— Shadwell

These also will be sent to you by the post office

in time to be sent to you by the post office

in time to be sent to you by the post office

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CYDERHALL

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6th November 1746

Dear Sir,

I had no letter from you

past but a very small part of
the street being a great deal worse, and
the main part of the street being
of stone and Caversham stone which
is a very good stone

and very strong

the first pittler in London was Dr. S. & is

now well & recovered or the greatest part

of the street is now done

but there are still some parts left
and the new street is now to be built -

to be built by the same persons

but I do not know how long it will take

the above houses and houses now
are about 2 ft. off a great deal weathered away
but always in a better state than at first

the houses are to be built fresh up

- but not in such a way

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Lord of Saltair

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4th Sept 1632. Sir Robert Gordon son, Charles, was born - The King was his godfather

25th November 1632. Lord Sutherland's eldest son died of small pox - Called Lord Strathnaver was born in Dorset -

1633 " K. Charles came into Scotland,

received with joyful acclamations

Sir R. G. being Vice Chamberlain of Scotland carried his King's Train from the Castle to
the St. Giles' Abbey (Holyrood)

The very next day a safety w. C. passed to
law (s) for the Earl (Sir) the Sheriffdom of Sutherland

1634. Captain Adam Gordon killed at the
Battle of Nottingen 27th August 1634.

The Scottish brigade was command by

Col: William Gars, son of John Gars Robson

10th Oct 1634 - The Earl's Dauphine Team was born

they were still being enlisted for service
abroad, in the Swedish army - Adam Gordon
Kilmalcolm levied a number of men in
Sutherland & sailed with them

Foxton - of Saltlacy.

P. H. D.

1636.

Sir. R. G. bought ten lands of Drury in
Bunay from Robert Inner Drury, ²
settled himself in that place prorice in a
convenient place beside the Cr. of Huntly
and far from his nephew the E. of Suth.

470.

Earl of Saltlacy's 3rd son - Robert
born 1638 - on Saltlacy ^{3 Nov. 1633 his}
^{2nd son was born at Donibristle called George}
Coronation - of earls elected - sons

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R. G. mediated between Lord Reay & the Eng.
Lord Reay received a charter for ^{of} the
lands of Burness by this contract, and Reay
but Lord Reay came under the Eng. S.

"banners colours & Lord Reay renounced
the warrenclie of Stratmores to the Eng. S.

^a which had formerly been so much trouble
& dispute between Lord R. & Sir Robert G
during his earl's minority.

471.

Battle of Noddington - Lord George Gordon
killed 1634

Sallachy.

462. 3. Nov. 2. ^{1633.} 2nd Son of E. of Sutherland born

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Sir Robert Gordon's.

"The E. of Sutherland gave his lands of
Tavers in Fife, to his son Reginald his heir
for ever service

"By his contract Lord Reginald his heir are
bound to serve the E. of S: to come into S:
at every weapon & hour & to come under "the S:
Weaponsheaf". Herby also Reginald doth
~~renounce~~ renounce the Warrentee of Chatmores
to the E. of S: which had formerly bred so much
trouble & dispute betwixt the Lord Reginald & Sir
Robert G. during the last his minority.

Weaponsheaf.
to E. of
Southland

1634.

The battle of Hoddlescot Nortlingen -
Captain Adam Gordon the son of S: brother
killed. The Scottish contingent was
commanded by Col: Will Gun. by Sir J:
(John Robertson -)

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472.

Lord Reginald resolved to sell the lands of
& Achincru & some other lands about Chatmores
He offered them first to Robert Gray of

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1634

For Achimor lands. One of more complicated
involved transactions. Robert Gray
accepted. → asked his S. of S. for his warrant for
he had the superior. This he gave under
condition

In the meantime Lord Grey struck a bargain
with S. Tollemache of Smythe alleging better
conditions given him by Sir J. G. Earl -
Earl refused his warrant - To timely say
briefly "the bands are fitted for the S. of S."

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1631 -

Angus Tracy of Bickmore.

married Jean Gordon - her daughter of
Sir Alex Gordon of Neidale -

He died in 1634 "much lamented in
that place, being a very active & able
gentleman; he was taken away by
whitesmiths. The wife was afterward
apprehended & executed who at her arrest
confessed ~~to~~ the cryme - .

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~~But for~~

Our less ones

Gordon of Saltcoats

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1634?

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1637

Lod Nay had not given his wodett to his
uncle Sir R.G. for lands of Fair, Torrisdale
& other lands of Strathnaver. Sichendry &
mutual consent & agreement for redemption
thence until 1638
The E. of S. gave his consent to this

Sir Hector Munro (married to Lod Nay's
daughter?) died at Hambrough — his
wife had a son after his death, who
succeeded to title — Gordon says he was
created a Baronet

The recruiting of men for the war on the
Continent — Sweden where Gordon of
Kilmallock Adam was promoted to
Captain & levied a company of
men (able) levies men in Falkland
which he shipped from hence —

Sir R.G. came into Sutherland to settle
some questions which arose between Lod Nay
& the E. of S. about the herds & flattmaw

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