

Gorrenberry Tree Draft1

Starting with Robert Elwald seventh plus or minus one;
Robert Elwald brother John;

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to the unity of the church. Master John Fogo was also conspicuous in his hostility to Harding. The debate appears to have been carried on with much bitterness on both sides, but in the end the counsels of the University prevailed and Scotland withdrew its obedience from Benedict and adhered to Martin. The records of the Faculty of Arts contain no further allusion to the matter except that on October 10, 1418, it was agreed, as a mark of favour and goodwill, that the Rector should have ten shillings for his expenses in attending the general council at Perth.

There is no mention of Elwold as Rector in any University document, and his name had not been known to the compiler of a list of rectors drawn up about 1533. Nevertheless, Bower is almost certain to be correct in attributing this distinction to him. John Elwold, or Elwald, was a determinant in Arts of the University of Paris in 1399, and a Licentiate in the same year. This achievement was an uncommon occurrence at the time, the usual interval between these degrees being from two to three years. He began to lecture in 1400, and took an active part in the affairs of the English Nation until 1406, when he may have returned to Scotland. He was twice elected Procurator of his Nation in 1401, and while in office he drew attention to the fact that its members were not getting their proper share of bursaries at the Sorbonne. He held one himself, and appears to have been successful in his efforts on behalf of other 'supposts.' In 1401 and 1402 several of his own countrymen determined under him. He is last heard of at Paris as one of three provisors for the feast of St. Edmund, appointed on November 11, 1406. Very little information is available as to his career in Scotland. He is doubtless the John Elwalde who figures in the index to volume vii. of the *Calendar of Papal Letters* as 'canon of Glasgow, rector of Markinch and vicar of Selkirk Regis, afterwards rector of Kirkandrews and Kirkiner, with the rectory of Markinch in commendam.' The two entries in the text of the volume relate to the year 1423, and describe Elwold as Licentiate of Theology as well as Master of Arts. They afford a good example of the complicated manner in which ecclesiastical benefices were wont to be given, resigned, or exchanged.¹

John Fogo, whom Bower calls 'magister in sacra pagina,' and Boece 'sacrarum literarum professor,' may have been a member of the Faculty of Theology at St. Andrews. He was at this

¹ *Scotichronicon*, l. xv. c. xxiv.; *Auctarium*, vol. i. cols. 790-934; *Cal. of Papal Letters*, vol. vii. pp. 251, 269. **The Scottish Historical Review** VOL. VIII, No. 32 JULY 1911 The Beginnings of St. Andrews University

John Elwald was rector of St Andrews, then he became, Canon of Glasgow, then Rector of Kirkandrews (church of St Andrews), of the diocese of Whitethorne of St Ninian.

Brings us to;

On 20th September, 1484,³ Angus again executed a precept directed to “Walter Scot de Edschan, Radulpho Ker, fratri Wateri Ker de Cesfurd et Willielmo Elwaldo de goranbery” to infest Robert Elwald of the Redheuch in the 20 merk lands of Over and Nether “Larrostane.”

On 13th November, 1489,³ at “Calco,” the earl directed a further precept to William Ker of “Mersyntoune Radulpho Ker de Primsyde louch, Wilielmo elwad de gouinbery et Wilelmo gledstansys” to infest Robert Elwad of the “Redehuch” in the lands commonly called “redehuch,” “layhauch,” “hartsgarth,” “caraschele,” “dawmane,” and “larostansys superior et inferior,” lying in the lordship of “Lyddalisdale;” and on 13th June, 1497,⁴ in presence of Ninian Elwald, Robert Elwald, William Elwald, John Elwald, Andrew Elwald, John Crosar, Quyntin Crosar, John Grame, and George Forstar, sasine of all the foresaid

William Elwald of Gorrenberry, is one with; Walter Scot of Edschaw (incorporated into Buccleuch), and brothers Rudolph and Walter Ker of Cessford

(now Duke of Roxburghe).

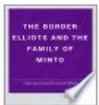
William Elwald of Gorrenberry is listed with Gledstanis (land on east side of road from Hawick, to Stobs, with a lot of Colliery (coal operating forts on it, from Hummel Knows to Coklaw; a mound on the hill with coal coking facility).

The names Ninian, and Andrews have associations to John Elwald rector of St Andrews 1418, and rector of Kirkandrews of Debatable Land.

It is felt that William Elwald of Gorrenberry is the brother of Robert Elwald ten becoming of Redheugh, Hartsgarth, and Laristons lands which he is being infeted (deeded) with.

Sons of William Elwald de (of) Gorrenberry are;

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Archeis Will

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There were five Elliots among them, namely, Archibald of Fallinesche, Martin of Redheugh, Robert of Redheugh, 'William Elliot called young William,' and 'William Elliot called Archeis Will.'¹ Robert of Redheugh, who was the chief of the clan, appeared in person, and Gawin Elliot for his brother called Archeis Will, and they in the presence of the Queen's grace received their valentines² of the persons culpable of thefts and other crimes, and were charged to apprehend and take the same persons contained in the valentines to be presented by them before the Justice or his Deputes in Jedburgh at sic days as shall be required thereto to underly the law for the same.³

¹ Archeis Will belonged to the Gorumberry family (*Register of Privy Council*, ii. 17). 'Young William' may perhaps have been the son of 'Elder Will Elliot,' who was the head of one of the 'branches' of the clan.

² Valentine : a sealed letter sent by royal authority for the purpose of apprehending disorderly persons.—Jamieson.

³ *Register of Privy Council*, October 25, 1561, i. 169.

Archeis Will is son of William (Elder Will?) of Gorrenberry, and brother to Gawin Elliot of Horsleyhill, has son Young William.



The History of Liddesdale,
Eskdale, Ewesdale,
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Willaim, Gavin and Archibald 1515-16 likely Wm de Gorrenberry sons.

It is felt the sons of **William** Elwald, Gorrenberry are;

William, Gavin and Archibald Elwald.

Where the sons of William are;

It is felt that William Elwald died early and his brother took on raising the family and that is why the name is **Archeis** William (Elwald).

Archeis William (**William Elwald**) as one can see has brother **Gawin Elwald**.



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"Gavin Elwald"

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It is felt that **Archeis Will** (William Elwald) is the father of **William, Robert and Andrew Elliot** and his brother **Gavin Elwald** the baillie (legal clerk) for Bothwell and t is the father of **Gavin the Clark** (clerk) and **Archie Keen** (keen/wise) **Ellot**.

Gavin Elwald baillie (clerk of deeds) for Bothwell and the Hermitage Castle, took on raising the sons of **William Elwald** (Archeis Will), and was as an uncle considered their father. Though **William, Robert and Andrew** are of Gorrenberry, sons of **William Elwald** (Archeis Will) with **Gavin the Clark** (clerk) and **Archibald Keen** (wise) are of land of Horsleyhill acquired by baillie **Gavin Elwald** of Horsleyhill.

Robert Elwald 9

Robert Elwald 10 Wm of Gorrenberry



1515

Letters and Papers, Foreign and Domestic, of the Reign of Henry VIII

edited by J. S. Brewer

Hob Will Gawin

others. (7.) Of _____ of Haltwesill in England, 14th Jan. last, by Will. Gawin, and Arch. Elwald, brother, Will Elwald, called "Sydears," Rolle, Hob and Wille Elwald son to Jok Elwald of Thorley's Hope, Jok Elwald brother to Will Elwald of Thorley's Hope, Will Nykson called "fingerless Will," Will Nykson of the Stele, Ector Nykson, Henry Nykson's son, Ingraham Nykson, Lyon, Croyser, and others. (8.) Of William Hopper of Unthank, in the lordship of Bywell, 12 Feb. last, by Wille Elwald, called "Sidears," Jok Dande and Will Elwald, brother, sons to Jok Elwald, David



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Wm of Gorrenberry

William

Gawen

Arche

1515



1545-1569

By Scotland. Privy Council

"Gawin Elwald"

Halieburtoun of Mortoun, James Ormistoun of that Ilk, Robert Scot, sone to Walter Scot of Syntoun, Robert Scot of Howpaslot, Thomas Scot of Hanyng, George Turnbull of Halroule, George Ker of Lintoun, Sym Scot of Alanehauch, Thomas Turnbull of Bethroule, Hectour Turnbull of Mynto, Williame Dowglass of Caveris, Walter Reddale of that Ilk, David Turnbull of Wauchop, Thomas Turnbull his bruther, Johne Rutherford of Hunthill, Robert Elwald of Reidheuch, Gawin Elwald for his bruther, callit Archeis Will, and in presence of the Quenis Grace

Archeis Will

(of Gorrenberry; Elder Will)
(son of William, adopted by uncle Archie)

Gavin Elwald

(baillie legal of Bothwell)

APPENDIX No. LXIII.

BOND BY CERTAIN OF THE ELLIOTS TO ENTER THOMAS ROUTLEGE A PRISONER TO THE LAIRD OF FERNYHIRST, dated 30th January 1561-62.¹

BE it kend to all men be this present writing, that we, Arche Elliot of the Tawnyche, Gawyne Elliot his sone and apperand air, Jhone Elliot of Copschaw, Woll Elliot callit Elder Woll, ane as all, and all as ane, bynds and obliss ws, oure airs, executors, and assignais, to enter Thomas Routlege, upoun Witsunday nixto cum, within the irn yettis of the Fairneherst, as hail man and feir, without fraude or gyll, and thair to remane qubill lawfull entre be takin of him be Sir Jhone Ker of Farneherst, Knycht, his airs or assignais, ane or ma, wnder the pane of thre hundreht angell nobillis, be this our band, writtin at Hawik the penult day of Januar, in the yeir of God ane thousand fyf hundreht thre score ane yeir: And for the mair securite we haif subscrivit this present band with our bandes at the pen, befor thir witness, Williem Elliot of Horsliehill, Will Elliot of Gorrinberry, with oder diuerss.

To ane rycht honorabill man
Sir Johne Ker of Farneherst, Knycht, and Sir Thomas Ker, Knycht, his son and apperand air.

ARCHE ELLOT, with my hand at the pen.
JHON ELLOT, with my hand at the pen.
GAWIN ELLOT, with my hand at the pen.
WILL ELLOT, with my hand at the pen.



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Archeis Wm Elwald

(Wm of Gorrenberry; Elder Will)

Sons of Horsliehill raised by uncle Gawen;

William

(Gawines Will)

**Robert
Ellot**

(Gawines Hob)

Andrew

(alias Dand)

William, Robert and Andrew are of Gorrenberry then of Horsliehill, because they are being raised by their uncle Gavin Elwald who is the baillie, legal administrator for the Bothwell of the Hermitage Castle estate.



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Gavin the Clark (clerk) Archie Keen (wise)
Gavin;



1569-1578
By Scotland. Privy Council

Kirktoon of Stewartoun. Robert Fraser of Overtoun with my hand at the pen. Williame Rutherfurde of Langnewtoun. Adame Scott of Burnfute. Williame Dowglas of Bonejedburgh. Johnne Hadden of that ilk. Hector Turnbull of the Barnhillis. George Ker of Gaitschaw. David Anislie of Fawlay. **Gawin Elliot** of Horsliehill. George Turnbull of the Toure. Will Scott of Harden. Andro Ker broder to Cesfurde. Andro Dowglas of Tim-pindene; and all thir with thair handis at the pen led by the Justice Clerk.



1569-1578
By Scotland. Privy Council
"Gawin Elliot"

Gavin Elliot of Baillillie and spouse Jean Scot,

Apud Halyrudhous; xv die Octobris, anno Domini j^mv^olxxiii^o.

Anent our Sovereane Lordis letters raisit at the instance of **Gawin Elliot** of **Baileycley**, and **Jean Scott** his spous, makand mentioun [in the same terms as the minute of 24th September, p. 280, down to the adjournment]. Quhair-for this day, viz, the xv day of October instant, wes assignit to the saidis Margaret and Walter for thair comperance, under the pane of rebelloun and putting of thame to the horne; with certificatioun to thame and thair failyeit,

The Elliots of Horsleyhill

Descendants of William Elliot of Laniston, the 2nd son of Robert the 11th of Redheugh William, who was alive in 1515, was said to have married the heiress of Horsleyhill

Lairds are felt to be of the first son, so it is felt Wm, since name is so prominate among as first sons and Wm of Larriston that Wm not Robt is the first son.

Gawenis Hob

Robert, 2nd Laird
executed 1504

Gavin, 3rd Laird
d. 1505

William, 4th Laird
b. 1546, m. Margaret Turnbull
alive in 1616

Gawin Elliot of Horsleyhill
Charter of Horsleyhill 1555
d. by 1564
m. 1stly (name unknown)

Came to a conclusion that Clementis Hob had a claim to the land while he was living. After his death there was no male claim to the land. So Clementis is felt to be the only surviving son of Andrew (Andro; alias Dan) m. 2ndly a sister of Mac Dowell of Makerston

William, 5th Laird
d. 1580
m. 1stly Elizabeth Kerr, 1
Robert, 6th Laird
m. Agnes Scott
d. 1592

Archibald (Kene)
Gavin of Baillillie & Stobs
m. by 1567 Jean Scott
(Widow of Robert the 15th)
bought Stobs 1580
Daughters only

Robert alias Clementis Hob
adopted by uncle
Clement Crosar
d. 1578-9

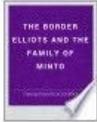
Robert baillie of John Hamilton estate
Armagh, Ulster, Ireland believed to die in Irish
Revolt of 1642, had son Robert a surveyor.

Daniel of Tullykeltier, a Somerville
(Hamilton) Estate, a cualter/catter
purchaser for estate.

Clementis Hob (Robert Elliot) was raised by uncle Clement Crosar of Stobs

In should be noted that after the death of Clementis Hob, that Stobs was acquired by Clementis Hob's uncle Gavin Elliot

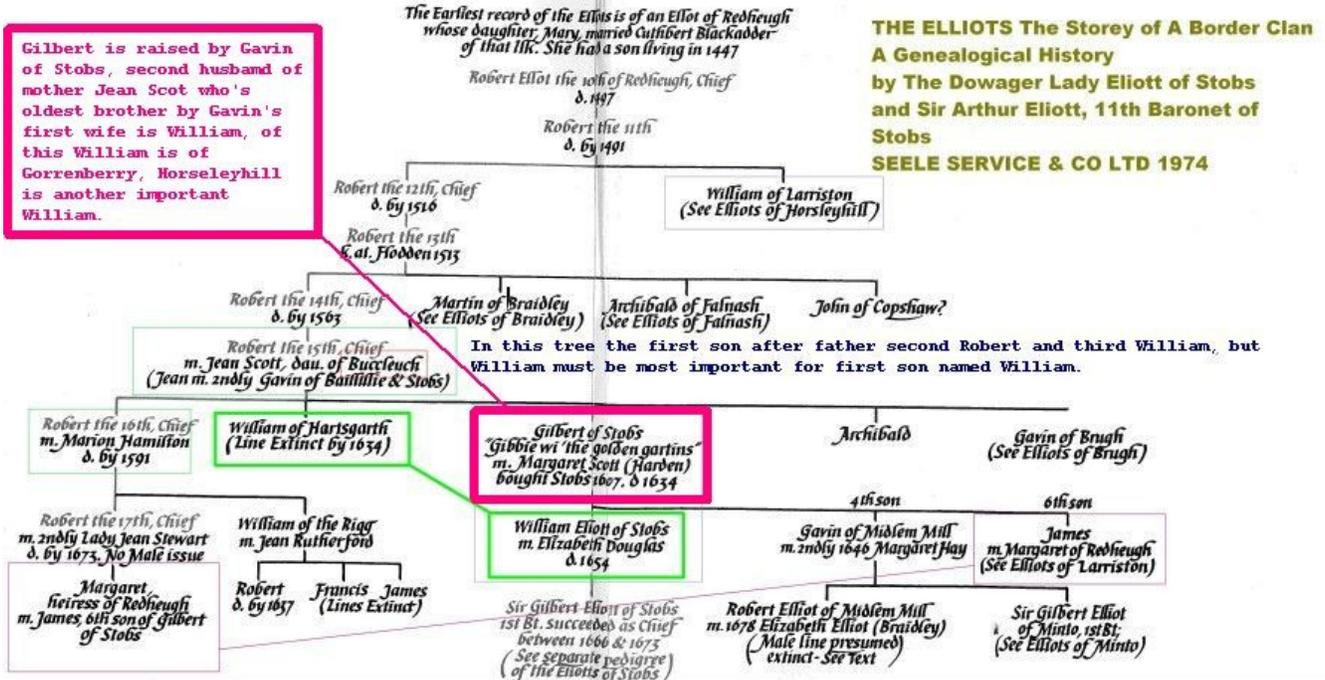
Gilbert



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'No. V.—Robert, the eldest son, appears in 1546, 1547, 1548, and 1553. He succeeded his father before 1557, during which year he is mentioned as *eldest*, when Martin, his brother, is also referred to. In 1561 he is called of Redheugh, and in 1563 was appointed Captain of the Hermitage. He married "Marjorie Hamiltoun,"² and had [five] sons, Robert, Gibbie or Gilbert, William of, or in, Hartscharth (who married Jane Rutherford, one of the co-heiresses of Gawin Elliot of Stobs), Archie [and Gawin]. Robert Elliot of Redheuch died before 1566.

Marjorie Hamilton had five sons;



Robert, William of Hartgarth line extinct when Gilbert of Stobs died in 1634.

quite distinct pieces of evidence, the one having reference to the family relations of the two Gilberts, and the other derived from the deeds above mentioned.

1. As regards their family relations, the facts, so far as they concern us, stand thus:—

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GILBERT OF HORSLIEHILL.

1. His wife was *Margaret Scott*.
2. His eldest son was named *William*,
3. His second son *Gilbert*.¹
4. He had a younger son called *James*.

GILBERT OF STOBS.

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3. His second son *Gilbert*,
4. His sixth son *James*.

George Francis Scott Elliot shows Gilbert of Horsliehill also of Stobs.

¹ *Register of Privy Council*, viii. 726, 844. Robert Elliot of Dynliebyres and Gilbert Elliot his brother were witnesses to Redheugh's signature. These were sons of William of Hartsgarth, who was executed in 1607.

² Sir W. Fenwick to the Earl of Cumberland, May 26, 1611.—Charlton's *North Tynedale*, 74.

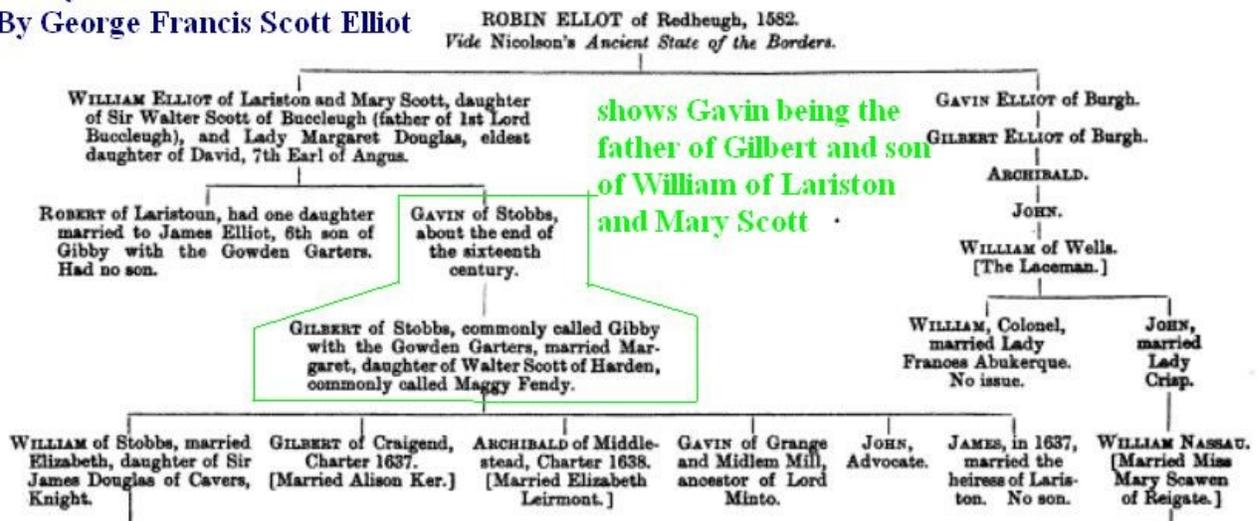
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Sons of William of Hartsgarth are Robert and Gilbert named after the older Robert and next younger brother Gilbert. It should be noted that Gilbert's oldest son is William not Robert or Gilbert, which places the importance of William as his brother over Robert.

TABULAR PEDIGREE ACCOMPANYING THE 'ACCOUNT OF THE FAMILY OF STOBS,' 1788.

A few additions have been made, which are distinguished by being enclosed in square brackets.

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Out of six sons Gilbert does not name one Robert, but his first is William of Stobs, second Gilbert then Archibald and Gavin.

It is felt that Gilbert's biological father is Robert 15th, married to Jean Scot sister to Buccleuch, but after Robert 15th, died Jean Scot married Gavin of Horsleyhill, Baillillie (named after Gavin being baillie to Bothwell, and purchased for Andrew (Dand) near Buccleuch, and returned to Buccleuch after death of Andrew brother to Willaim and Robert, son of Archeis Will (William Elwald of Gorrenberry), but brother Gavin took care of them and referred as Gawenis Will and Gawenis Robert, because the uncle was raising them. Similar to Clementis Hob second son of Andrew, when his uncle Clement Crosar was raising him, and Archeis Will, when uncle Archibald Elwald was raising William Elwald of Gorrenberry. Since Gavin was baillie of Bothwell, and created sasine/deeds and knew how to acquire land he acquired the lands of Horsleyhill, Baillillie, and for Gilbert's first son

William he acquired Stobs.

THE ELIOTTS OF STOBS

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Rulewater and Its People: An Account of the Valley of the Rule and Its ...

By George Tancred

"Maggie Kidd" Stobs

THE PEDIGREE OF THE ELIOTTS OF STOBS

There seems no doubt that Gilbert Elliot, better known as 'Gibbie wi' the Gowden Garters,' was the founder of the family which retained the estate of Stobs till a recent date, although he was not the first of that name to possess it. Gavin Elliot of the Horsliehill family owned it from about 1584 until his death in 1606 or 1607. Gilbert Elliot succeeded to it—on what terms is not known. As to the parentage of Gibbie there is no reliable information.

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No. VII. — **Robert of Rosbough and Lariston** was a minor when he succeeded his father in 1591. Served heir to him, 1619. Married, 1st, a sister of John Murray, created Earl of Armandale in 1624, by whom he had no issue, and, 2ndly, Lady Jean Stewart, daughter of Francis, Earl of Bothwell. He was dead in 1666.

WILLIAM, in, or of, **Hartgarth** married Jean, daughter of Thomas Rutherford of Edgerston, and granddaughter and one of the co-heiresses of Gavin Elliot of Stobs.

Glasgow



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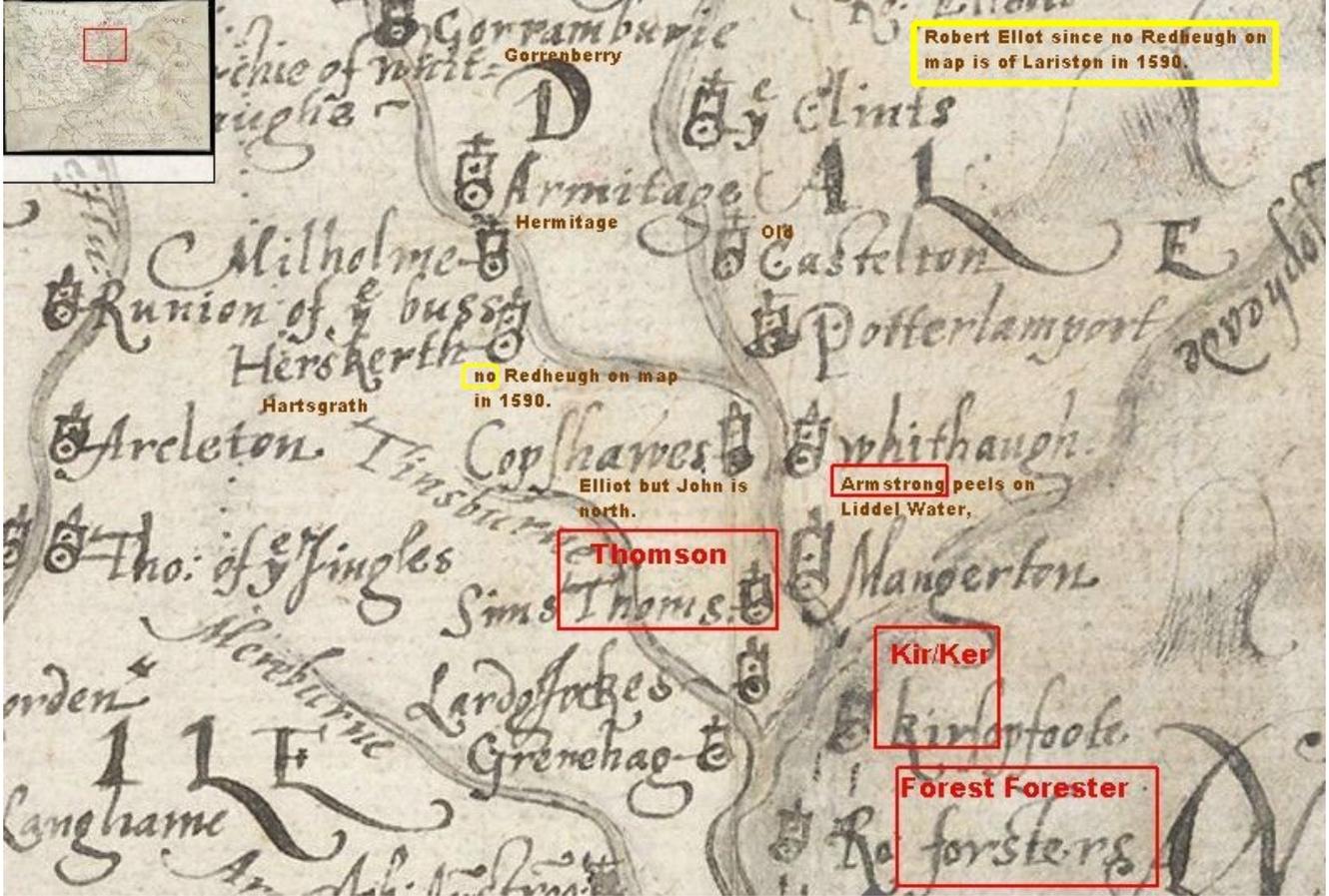
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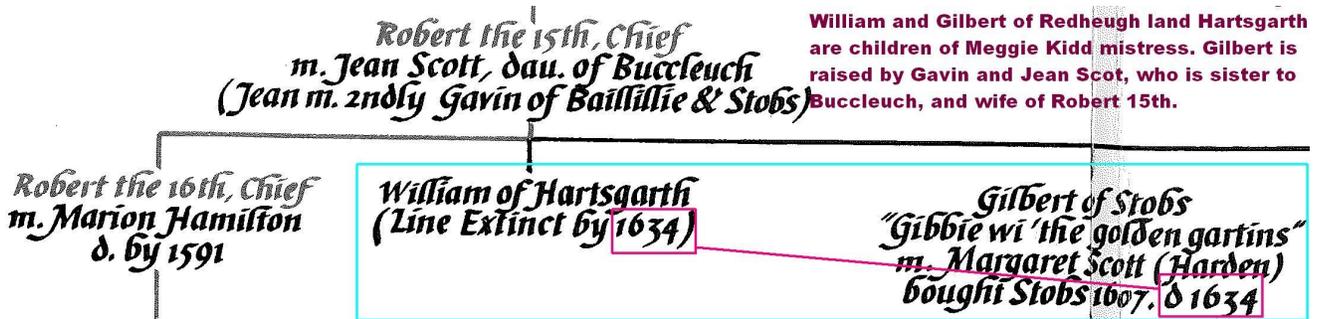
Gilbert Elliot, commonly called 'Gibbie wi' the Gowden Garters,' had a charter of the Town o' Rule in 1632. He married Margaret, who usually went by the name of Maggie Fendy,

¹ Thomas Beattie of Meikledale, so well known for his outspoken diary, born in 1736 and died in 1826, was owner of the farm of Hartsgarth, and states that he has seen Meg Kidd's residence there, which was a tower or peel built by the laird of Lariston. It was afterwards pulled down and the material used for the present house. There is nearly always some foundation for tradition, but lapse of years usually has the effect of perverting facts.

Early Map of Corehead: 1590



Note; Robert Elliot in 1590 is from Lariston, where he is listed. Redheugh is not listed on the 1590 map, but Hartsgarth is.



Inquisitionum Ad Capellam
Domini Regis Retornatarum,
Quae in ... Volume 2

(825) Apr. 20. 1619.
ROBERTUS ELLOT, *haeres Roberti Elliot de Reidheuch, patris.*
vii. 186.

Robert Elliot 16th was heir to Robert Elliot 15th of Redheugh his patris (father), and part heir to the estate of Gavin Elliot of

(981)	Jan. 2. 1621.		Inquisitio
ROBERTUS ELLOT,	<i>haeres portionarius</i>	Gavini Elliot de Stob-	num Ad
<i>bis, proavi ex parte matris.</i>		vii. 266.	Capellam
			Domini
(982)	Jan. 2. 1621.		Regis
DORATHIA ELLOT	sponsa Georgii Halyburtoun de Pankell,		Retornat
<i>haeres portionaria</i>	Gavini Elliot de Stobbis, <i>patris.</i>	vii. 266.	arum.
			Quae in
			...
(983)	Jan. 2. 1621.		Volume 2
ESTER ELLOT	sponsa Gilberti Ker de Lochtour, <i>haeres por-</i>		
<i>tionaria</i>	Gavini Elliot de Stobbis, <i>patris.</i>	vii. 266.	

Stobs, the portion of the estate which his mother who Jean Scot which married Gavin of Stobs.

Gilbert was not a name utilized by the lessees of Ulster Plantation where the border Scots moved to, but by a landholder in the English town in northern Ireland of Londonderry, though the writings of Walter Scot would speak favorably of him, but unfavorably about those which moved to Ulster.

Robin is a name the chief family would use, and Elliott is the Stobs spelling, which would indicate that the Elliot chief is of Stobs in 1620.



Highways and Byways in the Border

By Andrew Lang, John Lang

Gorrenberry Sweet Milk

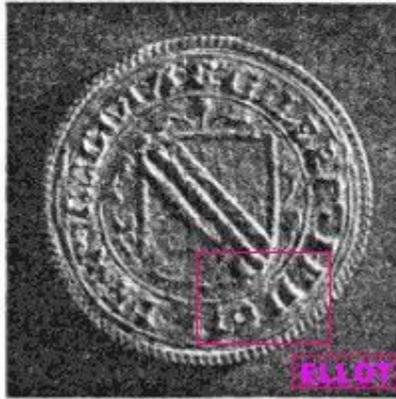
Somewhere about 1620, Rule Water had her minstrel, named Robin, nick-named “Sweet-milk,” from the place of his residence. In my opinion these singers of the late days of James VI and I, were the survivors of the Border minstrels who, says Queen Mary’s Bishop of Ross, Lesley, the historian, made their own ballads of raids and rescues, such as *Dick o’ the Cow*, and as much as is not Scott’s of *Kinmont Willie*. There was a rival minstrel, Willie Henderson, whom I take to have sided with the Scotts, while Robin was the Demodocus of the Elliotts of Stobs. The pair met, drank, fought, and Willie pinked “Sweet-Milk” Robin, the Elliotts’ man.

It is felt “Sweet-milk” is a name given by the Buccleuch family to those of Gorrenberry, Horsleyhill, and Stobs, likely one of fair shin and young looking.

Robin is a name used by the family of the chief of Clan Elliot, but this time the spelling is Elliott which is the spelling of Stobs which shows a transference of the Elliot Clan chieftain from Redheugh/Lariston to Stobs.

The seal which Gilbert of Stobs used when he signed the 'Reversion' is attached to that document, and is here represented, together with his signature :—

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Elliot**



It will be observed that the seal bears his arms, with the legend 'S. Gilberti Elliot de . . .', the last word being illegible. It is not 'Stobs' or 'Stobbis,' which would not nearly fill the space; but there are traces of some of the letters which give a clue to the decipherment of the name. Two letters in the middle of it are plainly discernible, namely, 'LI,' and these occupy the place they would do if the whole word were 'Horslihill.' Some fainter traces of other letters, which can only be guessed at, fit in with this reading, and no other name can be pointed out which complies with the conditions of the case. Thus there appears little room to doubt that the seal should be read, 'S. Gilberti Elliot de Horslihill.'¹ The arms shown on the

¹ The reading of experts in the Register House, Edinburgh, is HORSLIHILL.

In the above the shield with the elwand; representing a wand a standard Edinburgh ell/el in length, showing the family belonged to that of measurement, sometimes referred to as *Elwand* instead of *Elwald*. It could as easily read **Hartsgarth** as **Horslihill** on shield.

Maggie Kidd of Hartsgarth;



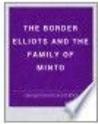
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"Maggie Kidd" Stobs

THE PEDIGREE OF THE ELIOTTS OF STOBS

There seems no doubt that Gilbert Elliot, better known as 'Gibbie wi' the Gowden Garters,' was the founder of the family which retained the estate of Stobs till a recent date, although he was not the first of that name to possess it. Gavin Elliot of the Horsliehill family owned it from about 1584 until his death in 1606 or 1607. Gilbert Elliot succeeded to it—on what terms is not known. As to the parentage of Gibbie there is no reliable information.



The Border Elliots and the Family of Minto

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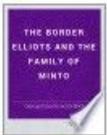
Hartsgarth Tower

¹ This tradition is referred to in Jeffrey's *History of Roxburghshire*, iv. 237 note, and also in a Pedigree of the Elliots, drawn up by Mr. William Elliot, writer, in 1790. The late Sir Walter Elliot of Wolfelee, in a letter to the present writer in 1867, says that when he was at Lariston some time ago he found a very general tradition there that the present Stobs race had sprung from a natural son of the Laird of Lariston, by a girl named Margaret Kidd, whose cottage was pointed out to him. But the version of the tradition given in the text is chiefly taken from the Diary of the late Mr. Thomas Beattie of Meikledale, extracts from which are among the papers at Wolfelee, of which I have been allowed to make use. Mr. Beattie was born in 1736, and died in 1826 or 1827. The farm of Hartsgarth was his property, and he states that he had seen the tower built there for Meg Kidd. It was afterwards pulled down and the stones used for building the present houses and offices at Hartsgarth. There

is a further tradition concerning this girl, according to which the young Laird of Lariston was determined to make her his wife. The females of his kin and name tried to prevent the match by blackening her character, but finding their efforts unavailing, and the day for the marriage being fixed, they professed to approve, and invited the bride to an entertainment, at which she was poisoned. Aware of the foul practice of which she was the victim, she, with her dying breath, prayed that the ladies of Liddesdale who had persecuted her, and their descendants to the most distant generation, might never be beloved and might die single and desolate; or in the event of marriage might be doomed to still greater misery. 'Kidd's Curse,' as this was called, was believed in after generations to cling to the ladies of the name of Elliot, who in popular belief could not escape the evils that the dying woman had called down upon them. (See Jeffrey's *History of Roxburghshire*, iv. 234 note.)

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Robert of Redheugh lived is felt to live in Lariston at this



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In the uncertainty that still exists on this matter, it is right, before leaving the subject, to refer to a tradition, still current in Liddesdale, which at first sight may appear to have some bearing upon it. The story goes that one of the Lairds of Lariston fell in love with a girl called Margaret, or Meg, Kidd, who became his mistress. At first she lived not far from Lariston, at a house which is still pointed out as her dwelling-place, and is known by the name of 'Kidd's Walls,' but the fact coming to the knowledge of the Laird's wife, he removed Kidd to the farm of Hartsgarth, where he built a tower for her. Here she continued to live, and gave birth to children. The Laird, to make provision for his illegitimate offspring, gave some of them lands in Teviotdale. Stobs, in particular, is said to have been purchased for a grandson, whose father was one of the sons Meg Kidd

time, and it is felt the Stobs was purchased for William, step-grandson of Gavin of Stobs.

It is felt that Gilbert is the son of Robert Elliot 15th and Maggie Kidd of Hartsgarth. After the death of Robert 15th the Redheugh family did not want to raise Gilbert, and his older brother William (had a son Gilbert), who he named his first son William after, was the first son of Meggie Kidd and was in/of Hartsgarth, and Gilbert did not have a place to go since Marion of Redheugh did not want him.

So Gavin of Gorrenberry-Horsleyhill-Stobs, and Jean Scot sister to Buccleuch, and widow to Robert 16th, raise the son of Robert 16th and Maggie Kidd of Hartsgarth that of Gilbert which married the very popular Maggie Scot (Fendy) first cousin to Buccleuch, which first son William is the one Gavin of Stobs tutored and purchase Stobs for.

This was at a time which in which Buccleuch one though unwilling to resettle his supporters Armstrong, Elliot, Scot, Ker and others, was requested by the Union of the Crown to resettle these people away from the borderland, though with the ancestors of those to be resettle still in numbers live along the Scottish borderlands even today. Buccleuch left for instance a lot of Armstrong today intact on the borderlands.

It is the Gorrenberry family and the family of Buccleuch which transferred the chieftain of Clan Elliot to a Redheugh Lariston and Hartsgarth a Gilbert-William-Gilbert of Hartsgarth-Stob became as Elliott the line of the chieftain.

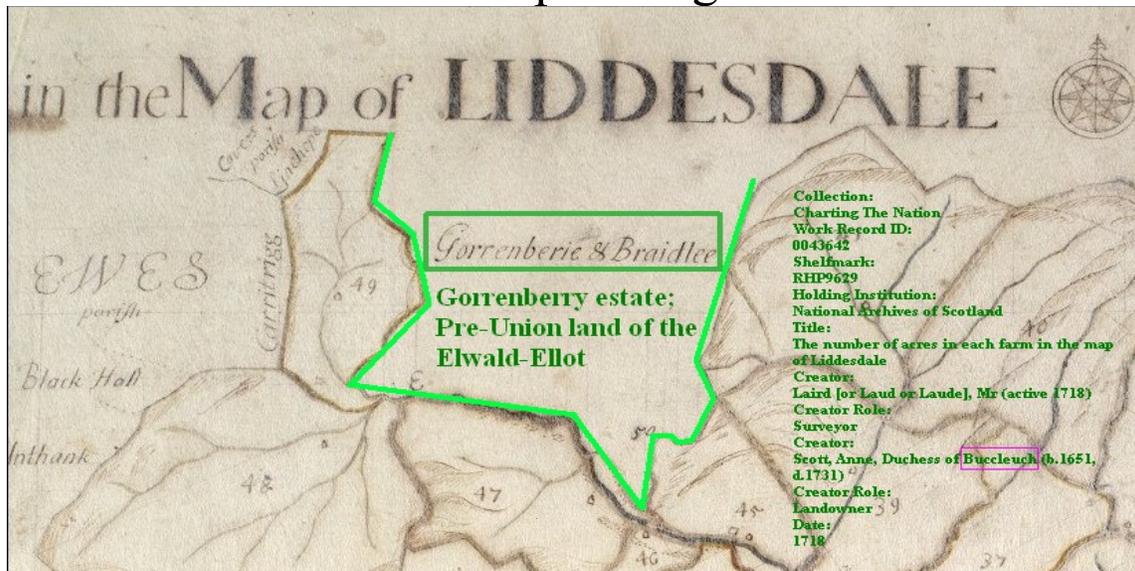
Today the Buccleuch and Gorrenberry, along with the Armstrong and many descendants of those of the borders are in protection of the border heritage especially The Hermitage Castle.

The Scot-Ker feud in a covert border fashion is still active on the borders in which the Chieftains of the Kerr and Elliot Clan along with Cessford (Duke of Roxburghe) are all linked to North British Windpower, NBW, an has beaten a border relative of Buccleuch in a lawsuit an allowed to place and NBW was allowed to be instrumental in placing a wind farm on the Scottish side near Northumberland. Now the NBW Elliot and Kerr Clan chiefs along with the Cessford -Ker that of the Duke of Roxburgh in support of a near London English firm are supporting placement of a wind farm near if not on ancestral Gorrenberry lands of the Elwald-Ellot, which have been displaced around the world, and many would like to come back and visit their ancestral lands as Scottish Elliot-Elliott.

Gorrenberry Lands after the Union were acquired by the Buccleuch Estate.

If a question of proper ownership of these lands could be developed to stop the building of the Infinis Windy Edge wind farm, for one would like to assist. This land in the United States would be preserved from industrial encroachment by the 1906 Antiquities act, but the United Kingdom the aristocrats like Buccleuch which has for more

then four centuries been preserving and protecting historical land like Buccleuch historical protection of The Hermitage Castle is being overridden by a Ker getting corporate power, and working with an English firm to bring corporate destruction to this antiquity which means so much to border reivers on the border and the past English Plantations.



- <http://familytreemaker.genealogy.com/users/o/g/i/Ian-Ogilvie-Lancashire/WEBSITE-0001/UHP-0147.html>
- ((A)) Walter Scott, 1st Earl of Buccleuch (d 20.11.1633)
 - m. (mcr 10.1616) Mary Hay (d 1631, dau of Francis Hay, 9th Earl of Erroll)
 - ((i)) Walter, Lord Scott (b 13.11.1625, d infant)
 - ((ii)) Francis Scott, 2nd Earl of Buccleuch (b 21.12.1626, d 22.11.1651)
 - m. (mcr 25.07.1646) Margaret Leslie (d 02.1688, dau of John Leslie, 6th Earl of Rothes)
 - ((a)) Walter, Lord Scott (b 05.11.1648, d infant)
 - ((b)) Mary Scott, Countess of Buccleuch (b 31.08.1647, dsp 11.03.1661)
 - m. (09.02.1659) Walter Scott, Earl of Tarras (b c1646, d 09.06.1693)
 - ((c)) Margaret Scott (b 05.03.1650, d 1652)
 - ((d)) Anna Scott, Duchess of Buccleuch (b 11.02.1651, d 06.02.1732)
 - m1. (20.04.1663) James Scott, Duke of Monmouth, 1st Duke of Buccleuch (d 15.07.1685)
 - m2. (06.05.1688) Charles Cornwallis, 3rd Lord (d 29.04.1693)
 - ((iii)) David Scott of Cannobie (b 28.11.1627, d un 07.1648) **Debateable land of the Traitors of Leven inclusive of Armstrong and Elwald/Ellot (Elliot) financed by the to become Buccleuch line.**
 - ((iv)) Elizabeth Scott (b 11.1621, dsp before 23.07.1647)
 - m. John Erskine, Earl of Mar
 - ((v)) Jean Scott (b 01.1629, d 11.1688)
 - m. (mcr 24.09.1644) John Hay, 1st Marquess of Tweeddale (b 1626, d 11.08.1697)
 - ((vi)) Mary Scott (b 11.04.1631, d un 09.1644)
 - p. Annas Drummond
 - ((vii)) John Scott of Gorrinberrie (a 1629, 1656) **Gorrenberrie, of the Elwald/Ellot Gorrenberrie line which rode with the Armstrong, and abolished by none support of Buccleuch, land ends up in the hands of the Buccleuch family.**
 - partner(s) unknown
 - ((viii)) William Scott, 2nd of Mangerton had issue **Mangerton land of the Armstrong transferred to Buccleuch at the time of Archibald "Bell the Cat" Douglas fifth earl of Angus about 1470, previous to Robert Elwald receiving lands of Redheugh.**
 - ((ix)) Francis Scott, 1st of Mangerton (d before 01.1641)
 - ((a)) Elizabeth Scott
 - m. Sir John Scott, 1st Bart of Ancrum (d 1712)
 - ((x)) Margaret Scott
 - m. (mcr 31.08.1632) **John Pringle**
 - ((xi)) Janet Scott
 - m. (1643) Andrew Scott of Foulshells
 - ((B)) Margaret Scott (d 05.10.1651)
 - m1. (1614-5) James Ross, 6th Lord (d 17.12.1633)