

ART. VIII.—*Denton holme, Part i.* By C. ROY
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IN his *Accompt*, John Denton tells us (p. 155) that because “the Scots did tyrannize over the country”, the gentlemen had to dwell in Carlisle, “and therefore every man provided himself to be served with corn, soyle, and hay, as nigh the city as they might: as . . . Richard at Richardby, Bochard at Bochardby, Hubert the baron of Gilsland at Hubberty, Henricus . . . at Henrikby, Agillon at Agillonby . . . Pavia the widow of Robert de Grinsdale in the territory called Pavie-field, Avery son of Robert in Avery Holme,¹ Albert son of Yervan or Harvey, in Harvy Holme, now called Denton Holme . . .”

Though John Denton does not say so, he himself was the owner of the Denton Holme estate: its history is related by John Denton’s kinsman Thomas Denton in his MS. history of Cumberland, written at the close of the 18th century. The history, the property of the Earl of Lonsdale, is now in the Record Office, Carlisle (D/Lons. 138). At f. 80 Denton says:

Now we come into the Bishop’s liberties intled Low Lordship of Dalston, adjoining to the Manor of St John de Capello, which takes in part of Caldew gate, Shaddon gate, the high & low Comersdales, Browneylston, Little Dalston, & Newby on the Moor, all which Townships answer at the Lord Bishop’s Courts leet & Baron and have a particular Head Jury impannell for the same distinct from the high Lordshipp.

Caldewgate and Shaddon-gate make the first Township in St Maries Parish without the City & within Dalston Low Lordship and may be accounted the west suburbs of this City, being

¹ Denton’s derivation of this place-name, now known as Ambrose Holme, differs from that given in *The Place Names of Cumberland* i (English Place Name Society xx) 160-161.

only severed from the same by the interposition of Caldews 2 Bridges & the River running under it. Here are several freeholders within this Township, as Mr George Bell jure uxoris, who hath Denton Holm & the miln there worth £70 a year untill Arthur Forster pay £800 unto Elizabeth his mother, wife to the said George, whose father Arthur Forster purchased the same of George Denton Esqr in whose family it had continued for many generations. This was the demesne belonging formerly to the Manor of Shaddongate.

Shaddon-gate or Shadwihngate was anciently another manor within this Barony which King Henry the 1st granted to Morvin whose son Harvy² gave the same in frank marriage to Gwercius Flandrensis with Muriell his daughter and therefore the Demesn was called Harvyes Holme untill the Dentons of Cardew became Lords thereof³ and the upper part of that Demesn is called to this day Murrell hill⁴ from the said Muriell, which Murrell hill & What Close were never severed from Denton holme untill this Mr George Denton sold to Mr Norman, the lands being worth £12 a year.

Mr Denton had severall tenants of late who did suit & service at Parton Court, but were lately by him enfranchised.

As will be seen from footnote 3, the Dentons are said to have acquired Denton holme in the time of Henry II. It is not, however, the intention of this paper to trace the history of the estate from its acquisition by the Dentons to their sale of it in the 17th century. I hope that it may be possible to do this at

² For Morvin or Maurin or Maurice and his son Harvey see Canon J. Wilson: *Rose Castle*, 31. The manor of Dalston was forfeited by Harvey c. 1186, and remained an escheat in the King's hands until 1230, when it was granted to Bishop Walter of Carlisle. Some forty years later the Bishop's right to the manor and advowson was challenged by Michael de Harcla, who claimed descent from Walter, brother of Harvey, who was seised of them in fee temp. Henry II. *Ibid.* 35.

³ In LR 2/212 in P.R.O., the following appears under Denton holme at f. 15b, the date being 1608:

Denton holme

The coheires of Thomas Barnes houlde there rent p ann nil

John Denton houlde there rent p ann 6s. 1d. A field of meadowe arrable & pasture called Harvie holme als Denton holme. Purchased by his Auncestors in the time of K: Henry the Second by which evidence appeareth that the same was then houlden in free soccage.

Among the Howard of Naworth muniments in the Department of Palaeography and Diplomatic, South Road, Durham, is a survey of the soccage lands of Carlisle, dated 7 February 1610 (Box 49/1).

⁴ *The Place Names of Cumberland* i (English Place Name Society xx) does not appear to contain any reference to this Carlisle street name.

some future date, when certain documents become available.

Meanwhile, I return to John Denton the historian, the inquisition after whose death was held at Penrith on 15 October 1619. He was a considerable landowner in Cumberland and Northumberland, but here we are only concerned with Denton holme, held of the King at an annual rent of 10s., and Muriell Hill and Shaddongate or Shadowingate, held of the Bishop of Carlisle by soccage. Denton also owned Muriell Hill mill, and so seised died thereof on 26 November 1618. His son and heir, Henry Denton, was 35 and more at the taking of the inquisition (C. 142/382 no. 17). The inquisition after Henry's death was taken at Keswick on 26 August 1628 (C. 142/706 no. 10). He died on 26 August 1627 seised of lands and tenements in Denton holme, Marrell [*sic*] Hill, "Cawdownstones and Shadwingate", and a water-mill at Marrel Hill called Dentons Mill. Denton holme was held of the King by soccage and 10s. rent, and was worth 34s. a year. His heir, Henry, was 8 years and 9 months at the taking of the inquisition, but he died seven months later, and was buried at Dalston on 12 March 1628/9.

His successor was his brother George, who was 44 in 1665 (Dugdale's *Visitation of Cumberland*). George's son George sold the family estates. Only a fragment survives of the 1677 fine by which he and his wife Barbara conveyed to Peter Norman and Jane his wife seven messuages and 70 acres of land in Carlisle, Ruthwaite and Applethwaite (P.R.O., C.P. 25. Cumberland Hil. 28/29 Charles II, bundle 639).

By another fine, George and Barbara, with William Musgrave and Katherine his wife, John Constable and Edward Hutchinson⁵ conveyed in 1680 to George Bell

⁵ William Musgrave married George Denton's sister Katherine in 1678. Edward Hutchinson no doubt married Frances daughter of Sir Richard Musgrave of Eden Hall, while his sister Catherine married John Constable of Calthorpe, Yorks.

and Nicholas Dryden one water-mill, 100 acres of land, 100 of pasture and 60s. rent in the parish of St Mary's, Carlisle, for £160 (C.P. 25(2). Easter, 32 Charles II, bundle 639). It will be recalled that Thomas Denton said that the sale by George Denton was to Arthur Forster and at first sight the fine appears to contradict him. Bell and Dryden were, however, supervisors of Arthur Forster's will, and it seems likely that Arthur contracted to buy from George Denton, but the conveyance was in the names of Bell and Dryden as trustees. Arthur died on 24 August 1680, and, as will be seen later, less than a year afterwards Bell married his widow.

At the time of the survey of the Debatable and Border lands, taken in 1604,⁶ the list of "Fosters inhabitinge on the westermoste parts of the Dale of Bewcastle, which paie no rent, but doe their service to Bewcastle", contains the names of John Foster of Kingsfield with two acres of meadow and six of arable, and Arthur Foster of the same place, with ten acres of meadow and eight acres two roods of arable. The titles of both these men were from their father, Arthur Foster. The Arthur Forster who bought Denton holme was three years old in 1604: he was perhaps son of the above John or Arthur. His life covered almost the first eighty years of the 17th century, and when he died in 1680, he was, in addition to Denton holme, owner of a considerable estate in North Cumberland. Thomas Denton (f. 138) mentions in his account of Nichol Forest "Kingfield and some farms of Arthur Forster's worth £100 a year".

How Arthur was able to acquire so much property is a mystery and it is unfortunate that deeds which might have helped cannot be traced. There is a brief recital of thirteen deeds, dated from 1628-1687,⁷ and

⁶ R. P. Sanderson: Survey of the Debateable and Border Lands . . . 1604 (1891) 32.

⁷ C.5 238/24.

from the first of these, dated 3 March 1627/8, we learn that Arthur was then of Kingfield. It is likely that the deed has been incorrectly cited, for it is said to be a grant by Arthur to Francis, Earl of Cumberland, and Henry, Lord Clifford, his son, of two tenements called Catlowdy in Nichol Forest, whereas in fact the Cliffords sold this property to Arthur.⁸

Deed no. 2 (1 December 1629) is described as a deed of settlement between Sir Richard Graham, Bart., and Arthur Forster of Kingfield of a messuage and tenement called Kingfield and a piece of meadow ground at Kingfield Foot.

Next year (Deed no. 3) he appears to have acquired a piece of land called Croft Angry from Sir Richard Graham (30 November 1630). Deed no. 4, dated 18 February 1651/2, is a grant from George Graham esq. of Netherby of a parcel of land called Cragburn, while by Deed no. 5 (31 July 1653) Arthur got from George Graham a messuage and tenement called Todhirst.

On 10 September 1656 (Deed no. 6) Arthur acquired Cracrop in Stapleton parish, the deed being between the Honourable Charles Howard of Naworth esq. and Arthur. This property consisted of three tenements and had been owned by members of the Forster family as early as 1536/7 (Howard of Naworth, MSS. 201/7, at Durham). By 1655 the estate had descended to Edward Forster,⁹ and in the general fine book of 1655 among the Howard muniments, it is noted that "all the three tenements are sould to Arthur Foster".

⁸ Arthur Forster's account of his acquisition of Catlowdy is given in C.6 230/28. He says that it was a customary tenement in the possession of Thomas Forster and held under Francis Lord Clifford about 1626. Thomas was convicted of felony and hanged at Carlisle, as Arthur himself witnessed. Upon his attainder Lord Clifford entered upon Catlowdy, which he sold to Arthur about 1627, the yearly rent being 10s. Later two sons of Thomas Forster came over from Ireland and challenged Arthur's possession of Catlowdy, but he satisfied them that he was the lawful owner and they went back to Ireland.

⁹ Howard of Naworth 173/136 gives an account of a grant by Charles Howard (later 1st earl of Carlisle) to Edward Forster of a property in Stapleton called Caisbank. The date was 1655 and it seems likely that this was an exchange, whereby Charles Howard acquired Cracrop, which he sold to Arthur Forster.

In February 1655/6 Arthur paid £100 towards the £300 composition due for Cracrop (Surtees Society clxviii 228). Before this purchase, Arthur had been a tenant of Charles Howard's, farming Askerton Parks as early as 1648 (S.S. *op. cit.* 71) and the Wintershields in 1652 (*ibid.* 215). In 1648 the rent for the Parks was £27 a year and he was allowed to deduct £18 "for three lardge beefes" (*ibid.* 54). In 1649 he sold Charles Howard a pair of pistols for £2. 5s. (*ibid.* 17) and in 1650 he was selling him two great oxen, for which £5 was given in part payment, a grey gelding for £22 and two cows and three stots for which £18 was paid on account (*ibid.* 80). Perhaps these sales explain Arthur Forster's prosperity. In 1652 he was able to lend Charles Howard £50 (*ibid.* 117), and the testament dative of Christian Elliot given up on 15 November 1681 by her husband Francis Armstrong of Whithaugh shows that she owed Arthur £400 (Peebles Testaments, 1681-1699, Scottish Record Office).

The remaining deeds cited in C.5 238/24 settle the properties¹⁰ which Arthur had acquired and I will return to them later.

It is time now to turn to a great family battle, which opened in 1679 and lasted for nearly 30 years. To understand this long drawn out litigation it must be explained that Arthur Forster was twice married. By Barbara his first wife he had three sons — Robert, born *c.* 1625, Rowland and Arthur, all of whom predeceased him. By Elizabeth his second wife, who was many years his junior, he had seven children and she was pregnant when he died. The names of six of the

¹⁰ Except for a deed (no. 10) of 22 April 1650 whereby Richard Robinson sold to Arthur's second son, Rowland Forster, a mesuage and tenement called Fieldfoot or Slateford at Lanercost. In C.6 230/27 it is stated that Arthur gave Fieldfoot to Rowland, who died in 1661, when he was succeeded by his elder brother Robert, who died in November 1667, when his elder daughter Barbara succeeded. She and her husband sold Fieldfoot to John Robson in 1693, H. of N. 213/38a.

children have been preserved — Arthur, Thomas, William, Margaret, Jane and Mary.

The family dispute was over the claims of Arthur's two families to his estates. In 1679 it was alleged that he had surrendered Catlowdy to Robert his eldest son, Fieldfoot to Rowland, who died in 1661, and Cracrop to Arthur, who died in 1662, and that Robert succeeded his two brothers. In 1665 Robert, then a man of 40 and upwards, fell in love with Lucy, daughter of Richard Graham of Brackenhill. Lucy is said to have been only sixteen years of age and the disparity in years did not commend him to her father, who had hoped for a better match for her. Richard Graham refused to entertain Robert's proposal unless his father agreed to settle a substantial estate on him. It was later alleged that Arthur approved of the match, and a treaty was drawn up with Graham, providing that Lucy should have a portion of £160, and that Arthur would settle Kingfield and Whiteknow upon Robert and Lucy.

With several of these statements Arthur flatly disagreed. At first he did admit that he had settled Catlowdy on Robert, but later retracted this and said that after the marriage Robert and Lucy lived with him, but Robert and he fell out and Robert removed himself and his family to Catlowdy, where he lived until his death in 1667 as tenant at sufferance or at will. Arthur denied that he had settled Cracrop on his son Arthur and it was later stated that a projected marriage between Arthur junior and a daughter of Daniel Sowerby of Sleetbeck did not take place because Arthur senior did not surrender Cracrop to his son (C.5 483/53).

We can now return to a consideration of the deeds cited in C.5 238/24. These settled various properties on his sons by his second marriage. On 17 January 1669-70 he conveyed Cracrop to his son Arthur (Deed

no. 7), and on 9 March 1679-80 (Deed no. 8) conveyed Catlowdy and Dubstink to him. By Deed no. 9 he granted to his second son, Thomas, Kingfield, Kingfield Foot and Whiteknow (17 March 1671-2), and to the same son on 29 November 1678 (Deed no. 11) he granted Cragburn, Croft Angry and Todhurst.

Deeds nos. 12 and 13, dated 28 August 1668 and 26 May 1687, are receipts for fines for £17, paid by Arthur Forster junior, the first fine being payable on his succession to Cracrop (it will be seen above that the formal conveyance by his father was not until 1670), and the second fine being the general fine due on the death of Charles, first Earl of Carlisle, Lord of the Manor of Askerton, in which Cracrop is situated.

Arthur gave as reasons for these settlements his desire to continue his lands in "the name and blood of his family", and that his sons Arthur and Thomas were "hopeful as well as dutiful sons to their parents and deserve preferment". After his death, Elizabeth his widow declared that she had often heard him say that his son Robert "was the child he had least kindness for of all his children", and that he never agreed to settle Kingfield and Whiteknow upon him, and that even Catlowdy he only had "but upon good will and he could take it from him when he pleased for he had the purchase of it from Lord Clifford in fee simple and might dispose of it as he pleased". She often asked her husband if he had settled Kingfield and Whiteknow on Robert "for she was afraid they would sue her and her poor children" after his death. This question made her husband very angry and vexed. He said it was an impertinent question and told that his son Robert's children "had enough or too much already and that they should never have more from him and that he would settle Kingfield and Whiteknow upon his and her second son Thomas which he did accordingly". As to Cracrop, she had "several times

in a most serious manner made diligent enquiry of her former husband when they have been most private and serious before her son Arthur was admitted tenant of Craikeripp if ever his son Arthur by his first wife was admitted tenant . . . but her husband would have been of a sudden in a great passion and said he thought she was a fool in asking him such a needless question and with many protestations would have protested that never since he purchased Craikrip any person was admitted to it but himself until he admitted this defendant's son Arthur . . .".

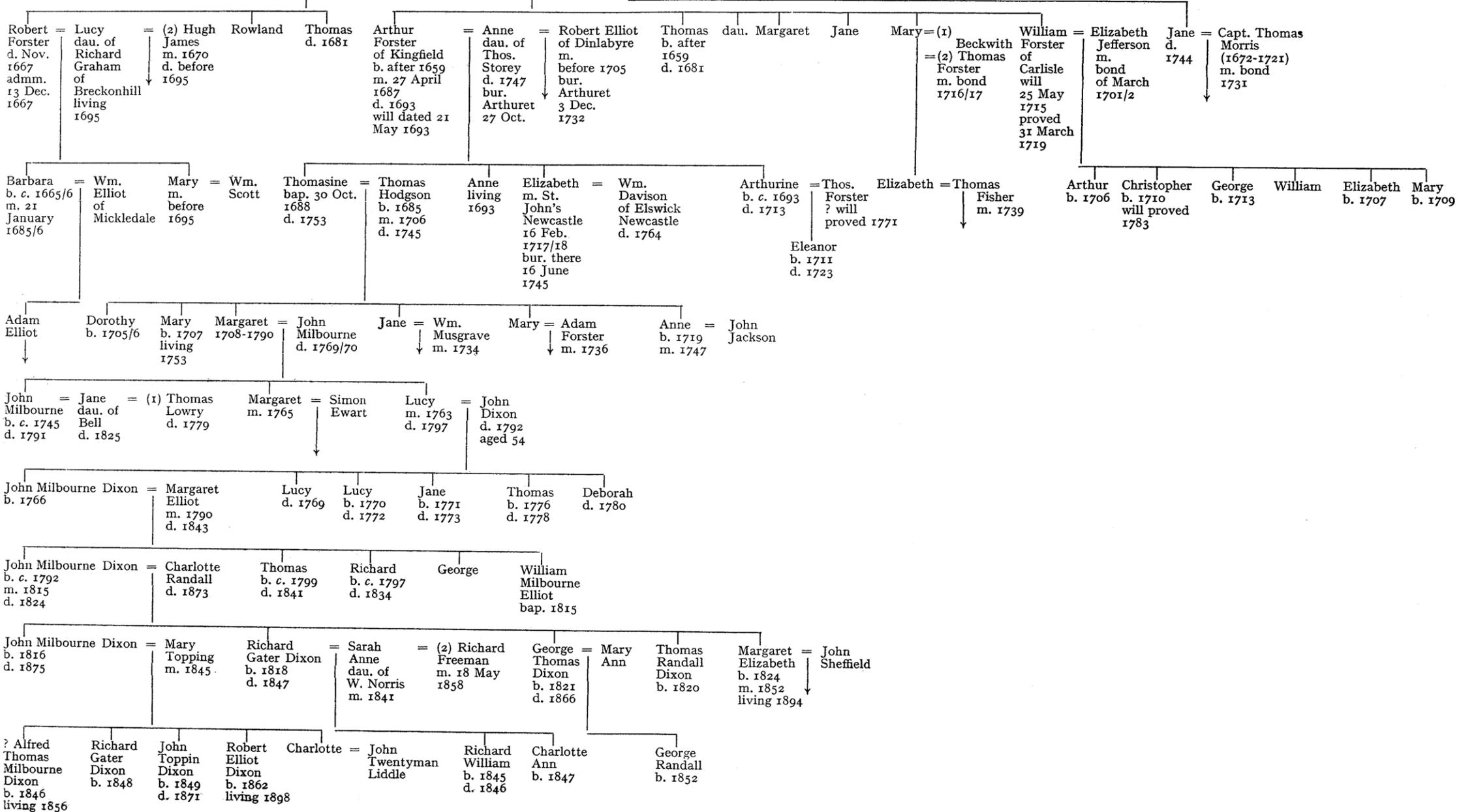
The first shot in the great family battle was fired in Easter term 1679 by Robert's elder daughter Barbara, then thirteen years old, by her mother Lucy as her guardian, and Lucy's second husband Hugh James (C.6 230/27, 28), the defendants being Barbara's grandfather Arthur Forster, his sons Arthur and Thomas, and John Graham and James Maxwell. Arthur made two answers to Barbara's bill, the second on 29 April 1680, when he declared that he was above 94 years of age. His monumental inscription in Stapleton Church gives his age when he died on 24 August 1680 as 79, which seems more likely.

The second stage in the family battle was also initiated by Barbara Forster, who filed a bill in Chancery (C.5 483/53) in October 1680 against Elizabeth Forster and her sons. By the time the answer was sworn on 11 June 1681 Elizabeth had married George Bell, a Carlisle lawyer, and her son, Thomas Forster, had presumably died. The dispute was continued between Barbara Forster and her half-uncle, Arthur Forster, while both were minors. On 26 November 1681 Arthur was apprenticed to John Read (Carlisle Merchant Guild Book in the Record Office, Carlisle), and on 2 May 1685 he was excommunicated for fornication (CW2 i 28). He married at St Mary's, Carlisle, on 27 April 1687, Anne, daughter of Thomas

(1) Barbara = Arthur Forster
 b. c. 1601
 died 24 Aug. 1680 bur. Stapleton
 will dated 18 Dec. 1679
 proved 1680

= Elizabeth
 d. 1728
 will dated
 1721 proved
 1728

= (2) George Bell of Bellbridge
 marr. before 11 June 1681
 will dated 29 Dec. 1717
 proved 24 April 1718



Storey of Justicetown, and their daughter Thomasine was christened in the same church on 30 October 1688. Barbara married at Kirklington on 21 January 1685/6 William Elliot of Meikledale, Dumfriesshire, and the great cause of Forster v. Forster became Elliot v. Forster, and after Arthur Forster's death in 1693 the struggle was carried on, lasting until after Thomasine's marriage in 1706, so that in the end the cause was Elliot v. Hodgson and others. One is irresistibly reminded of Dickens's Chancery suit, Jarndyce v. Jarndyce, in *Bleak House*:

innumerable children have been born into the cause; innumerable young people have married into it; innumerable old people have died out of it. Scores of persons have deliriously found themselves made parties in Jarndyce and Jarndyce, without knowing how or why . . .

This was certainly true of George Bell, who married the widow of Arthur Forster senior, and in 1694 declared "concerning the suits and differences . . . had and moved between the complainants and Arthur Forster [junior] . . . this defendant says he is but too senceable thereof having generally been made a party thereunto . . . without any reasonable cause . . .

The battle swayed to and fro, victory going to each side in turn, but eventually Thomasine Hodgson triumphed over her cousin, Barbara Elliot, and was left in possession of Kingfield, Whiteknow, Cracrop,¹¹ Dormansteads,¹² and Denton holme, the last-named subject to certain charges.

Thomasine married in 1706 (bond, Carlisle, 23 July) before she was 18 Thomas Hodgson of Barrockfield, Hesket-in-the-Forest, the history of whose family is

¹¹ Howard of Naworth 170/67 is a list of fines assessed at the Easter Court 1737. Thomasine had mortgaged Cracrop to John Gaskarth esq.

¹² Dormansteads, a customary holding of two tenements in Stapleton parish, belonged to Arthur Forster senior in 1674 (Call Books, Manor of Askerton, boxes 180 and 181). It descended to Arthur Forster junior and from him to his daughter Thomasine. She and her husband seem to have lived there, though in 1717 and 1719 they are described as of Pearspeal in Kirklington and in 1724 of Justicetown. In 1725 they are of Dormansteads. (Cracrop deeds.)

given in CW2 xxv 244-267. A few months before the wedding, on 20 January 1705/6, Dorothy, illegitimate daughter of Thomasine, was christened at Hesketh-in-the-Forest.¹³ The bridegroom was the eldest son of Peter Hodgson of Barrockfield, and his christening at Ainstable with his twin sister Margaret on 3 March 1684/5 is recorded in Bishop Nicolson's diary (CW2 i 25). It is to be feared that Thomasine's marriage was not happy and eventually she and her husband parted. A copy of the deed of separation, unfortunately undated, is in the Howard of Naworth papers (box 170/5) in the Department of Palaeography and Diplomatic, South Road, Durham (see appendix XXI). Thomas Hodgson was buried, as of Barrockfield, at Hesketh "from Scotch Street within", Carlisle, on 23 June 1745, and administration was granted to Thomasine on 31 January following. She herself died in 1753,¹⁴ aged 64. An abstract of her will and inventory is in appendix X.

She left only daughters, one of whom, Margaret, born c. 1708, wife of John Milbourne, succeeded to the estates. She was admitted tenant of Kingfield on 27 April 1753, paying a fine of £5. 10s. A fine of £200, in respect of Cracrop and Dormansteads, was assessed upon her on 21 February 1755, but she did not pay it until 1760. She and her husband lived at Denton holme. She died in 1790, aged 82, leaving three children — John, who succeeded, Margaret, who married Simon Ewart in 1765, and Lucy, who married in 1763 John Dixon, a Brampton attorney.

John Milbourne, born in 1745, who inherited the considerable estate built up by his ancestor, old Arthur Forster, added to it in 1782 by buying Middle

¹³ DRC 5/5 in Record Office, Carlisle, shows that on 17 May 1706 Thomasine was accused in the Consistory Court of fornication.

¹⁴ Her monument in Stapleton church (appendix) says she died on 27 December 1752, but she made her will on 5 January 1753 and was buried at Stapleton on 10 January. It looks as if the inscription is a week out, and that she died on 7 January.

Catlowdy. He was at Carlisle Grammar School in 1755. In 1774 he granted a 999 years' lease of a close at Denton holme, 147 yards long and 47 yards broad, which had been used by Joseph Moor as a bleach green, to the partners in the New Brewery, Carlisle. The rent was £7 a year, and on the close the New Brewery was built.¹⁵ We hear nothing more of him until 1780, when the *Newcastle Courant* of 22 April carried on the front page the following startling announcement, headed ESCAPED from JUSTICE:

John Milbourn, of the city of Carlisle, gentleman, who stands charged with wilfully and designedly shooting at Mary Bell, his late Servant, and wounding her dangerously in her thigh, on Tuesday evening the eleventh of this month, from which wound her life is in great hazard. Whoever will apprehend, or cause to be apprehended, the said John Milbourn, or will send intelligence, to Mr Robert Raven of the city of Carlisle, where he is concealed, shall be indemnified as to any expence they may incur in securing him. John Milbourn appears to be betwixt thirty and forty, is about five feet six inches high, of a ruddy complexion, has dark curled hair, grey eyes, is a little bald, and rather hables in his gait.

This announcement provoked a statement from four medical men — John Heysham, M.D., Morris Coulthard, M.D., and W. Graham and Jonathan Creighton, surgeons — which appeared on the front page of the *Courant* of 29 April. Headed Carlisle, 22 April, the statement ran:

We certify that Mary Bell, the woman said to be wounded by Mr John Milbourn, is out of all apparent danger; nor do we apprehend her case was ever attended with any symptoms which warranted pronouncing her life in great hazard.

This was not the last word: the *Courant* for 6 May carried a statement that

Mary Bell was fired at, with a gun loaded with small shot, by Mr John Milbourn, at the distance of six yards or less. The public will judge of the degree of *Hazard*, in which her life was,

¹⁵ The land was sold in 1898 to Mr Robert Irving of Woodrouffe Terrace, Carlisle, for £175.

by the following account of her wounds, from a very respectable surgeon who attended her from the first.

Then follows, under the heading CASE, a statement made at Carlisle on 27 April by Joseph Losh, surgeon, as follows:

On the left thigh, on the fore, middle and inner part were above seventy orifices, which might lodge many more pellets, each appearing to penetrate above two inches. The greatest part being very contiguous, necessarily occasioned great laceration and contusion of the parts. Deliquiums, excruciating pains, tension, and considerable extravasation immediately took place, and was afterwards attended with great inflammation and anxiety; also light-headedness and fever, which continued for four days. Some of the wounds being near the course of the large blood vessels, made the case more alarming.

In the *Courant* of 13 May appears another declaration by Joseph Losh, dated Carlisle, 22 May:

I certify that Mary Bell is now out of danger and has appeared so to me for six days past.

There the matter appears to have rested and we hear no more of John Milbourne until an announcement of his wedding in the *Cumberland Pacquet* of 22 January 1782:

Last week at Edinburgh John Milbourne esq. of Carlisle to Mrs Lowrey of Blakewell [*sic*: but read Blackwell] Hall near that city, an amiable lady possessed of a fortune of £1,000 per annum.

The bride had figured in an earlier marriage announcement¹⁶ in the *Newcastle Courant* of 3 July 1773:

Last week at Carlisle Thomas Lowrey of Blackwell esq. a gay batchelor of 60 and a fortune of £1,000 per ann. to his Maid, a handsome and accomplished girl of 25.

In fact, Thomas Lowry was 55 and his bride was 30. Lowry died on 25 November 1779, aged 61 (m.i. St Cuthbert's, Carlisle). The marriage bond, dated 22 May 1773, reveals that the bride's name was Jane

¹⁶ The announcement is given in W. H. D. Longstaffe's *History of Darlington* (1854) 302, the author mistaking Blackwell near Carlisle for Blackwell, Darlington.

Bell. The wedding took place at St Cuthbert's, Carlisle, on 29 May.

After the wedding John Milbourne and his wife lived at Blackwell Hall, but it was not a happy marriage as the bitter comments in his will show, and it seems likely that husband and wife eventually separated (see post).

On the death of his mother in April 1790, John Milbourne succeeded, and on 15 May a descent fine of £400 was assessed upon him in respect of Cracrop and Dormansteads. The notice of assessment was left by Jonathan Holmes at Blackwell on 18 May "with a woman servant of the within named Jno. Milbourn at his House at Blackhall, she said her Master . . . was from home & the House Keeper was not well in Bed. She refused to tell her name or to give the notice to Milbourn on his return home". However, the assessment notice was delivered and the fine paid, though not until after John Milbourne's death, for he died at Blackwell on 23 March 1791 at the age of 46. His customary estates of Kingfield, Cracrop and Dormansteads passed to his elder sister and heir at law, Margaret Ewart, and his freehold estates, by his will made the day before his death, he left to his younger sister Lucy Dixon, who thus became possessed of Denton holme and Middle Catlowdy. She and her husband lived at Denton holme, and it was there that he died in 1792, at the age of 54, the *Newcastle Courant* of 10 November announcing his death thus:

Monday [5 Nov.] at Denton Holme near Carlisle Mr John Dixon senior, attorney at law, who lately became possessed of a very considerable fortune, being heir to the late John Milbourne esq. of Blackwell Hall.

Lucy survived until 1797: an abstract of her will will be found in appendix XV. It will be seen that she strongly disapproved of her son and heir, John Milbourne Dixon (1766-1815), whose conduct she

characterizes as "very irregular". Lucy also had two surviving daughters — Margaret, who married in 1792 John Lowry of Holm Cultram, and Anne, who married in 1796 John Milbourne. It is possible that John Lowry was related to Thomas Lowry, mentioned above. John Milbourne was Anne's cousin, being the illegitimate son of John Milbourne and mentioned in his will.

Of John Milbourne Dixon, the new owner of Denton holme, we know little. He was educated at Carlisle Grammar School and in 1790 married Margaret Elliot, whom I take to be the daughter of Richard Elliot of Brampton, barber, where she was christened in 1768. John Milbourne Dixon's will, made in 1811 and proved in 1815, shows that he was interested in the Denton holme print-field.¹⁷ His successor was John Milbourne Dixon II (1792-1824), who married in 1815 Charlotte Randall, who came from Hampshire. He died at Denton holme on 20 February 1824 and was succeeded by his son, John Milbourne Dixon III (1816-1875). Between 1845 and his death he sold off a good deal of land as building sites. By 1858 he had forsaken Holme Foot, long the family home, and gone to live at Eden Place, Stanwix. At his death in 1875 a considerable part of the Denton holme estate remained unsold, including a corn mill in the occupation of Messrs. Carr & Co., eleven houses in Junction Street, nineteen cottages in Milbourne Street, five cottages in Richard Street, and eighteen acres of land. In 1876 his widow and others presented a petition to the Chancery division of the High Court of Justice for the appointment of trustees to sell the remaining portion of the estate. Its subsequent history has been admirably told by Dr Alan Harris in CW2 lxxvii 206-228.

¹⁷ See *Newcastle Courant* of 13 January 1781 for a reference to the print-field, of which Mr Losh was the chief partner: Wednesday sennight at St Cuthbert's, Carlisle. Mr Thomas Young, principle [*sic*] manager of the Printfields in Denton Holme, to Miss Losh, daughter of Mr Losh, first partner of the said printfields.

APPENDIX I.

Admon. (Carlisle) Robert Forster 1667.

[a] These are certyffy whom it may concerne that I Lucye Foster widdow has constituted and ordained Mr Richard Grame of Breckinhill my father to take my burden upon him and to appear in the Spirituall Court for me and in my name and in my steed and place giving a grant unto him my full power and authoritye in and about my lawfull occations in the said Court and grant whatsoever my father shall doe or cause to be done I promiss to allow ratifye and confirm as if I were present in my own persone

Luce Foster

David Murray
Robert Foster

December the 12th 1667

And for the more satisfaction to the Cort the witnesses will satisfye the Cort that I am not able to travell

[b] 1667 December 13 Admon. Robert Foster to Richard Grame in right of Lucy Foster his daughter widow and relict of said deceased

APPENDIX II.

Will (York) of Arthur Forster 1680.

December 18th (1679)

In the name of God Amen I Arthur Foster of Kingfield in the parish of Kirkandrewes upon Aske in the county of Cumberland gen being in health and in perfect memory praised be Almighty God doe hereby make and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and forme following (viz)

Imprimis I bequeath my soule to Almighty God my creator trusting in the meritts and passion of my Blessed Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ that I shall be eternally blessed with him in glory. And as for the temporall estate wherewith the Lord hath blessed me in this life which is much more than I have deserved I doe devise bequeath and leave as in this my last will and testament is hereafter limited declared and sett forth hereby revokeing and disanulling all other or former wills and testaments heretofore by me made or declared either written or verball

I leave and bequeath unto Margaret my second daughter the summe of £100 lawfull money of England to be kept for her use in the hand of my deare wife Elizabeth Foster and disposed of according to her discretion for the use aforesaid because she is not in a capacity to dispose of it herself I leave and bequeath unto Jane Foster my third daughter the sum of £100 like lawfull money of England to be payed to her by my extors when she shall attain the full age of one and twenty yeares I leave and bequeath unto my youngest daughter Mary Foster the like sume of one hundred pounds to be payed to her by my extors when she shall attaine to the full age of one and twenty yeares It is my will and I doe hereby appoint that if it shall happen that any of my said children dye before they accomplish the severall ages before expressed that then in such case the abovesaid sume or sumes remitted and appointed for them shall be payd to the said Elizabeth Foster my dear wife I leave and bequeath unto Elizabeth Foster my deare and wellbeloved wife the like sume of £100 to be payd to her immediately after my death by my said extors and I doe hereby declare that it is my will that my said wife shall have the said severall sumes before mentioned in her hand and have the benefitt thereof untill such time and times as they shall attaine to their several ages as aforesaid I leave and bequeath unto Arthur Foster my eldest sonne the sume of £40 like lawfull money of England to be payed to him by my executors when he shall attaine to the age of one and twenty yeares I doe hereby ordaine nominate Elizabeth Foster mydear wife and Thomas Foster my second sonne joynt executors of this my last will and testament, and of all my goods moveables and immoveables morgages and leases whatsoever and of all my bonds bills and booke debts whatsoever my legaces and funerall expences first payed and discharged I leave and bequeath unto George Bell of Carlile 20s to buy him a gold ring to be payed to him by my executors Lastly I doe hereby ordaine nominate and appoint the said George Bell aforesaid and Nicholas Dryden of Courteholme to take care that my excutors be not wronged and to be supervisors of this my last will and testament revokeing and disannulling all other will or wills by me made In witnesse whereof I the said Arthur Foster have hereunto sett my hand and seale the day and yeare first within written

Arthur Foster

Signed sealed and published in the presence of Geo: Bell, Richard Bell Thomas Bell Robert Young his marke Mary Pattinson.

Proved 16 September 1680 by Elizabeth Foster widow and Thomas Foster the son.

APPENDIX III.

Will (Carlisle) of Arthur Forster 1693.

21 May 1693 I Arthur Forster of Kingfield in the county of Cumberland gent being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye doe make and ordaine this my last will and testament . . . I give and bequeath unto Anne my dear wife and her assigns for and during the terme of her natural life one annuity or rent charge of £30 to be arising and accrewing out of my freehold estate of Dentonholme and the water corn miln there and wheat close which said annuity shall be paid and allowed by my heirs and assigns on the said Dentonholme and premises by two equall payments . . . provided that my said wife when she shall come to the actual enjoyment or possession of the said annuity or rent charge by virtue of these presents . . . shall not claim any third out of the said Dentonholme and premises nor of any the copyhold or tenant right estate of me the said Arthur Forster and whereas my said wife is inseint or with child at the time of the date of these presents if therefore the said child shall be a son or sons then and in such case I give bequeath leave and appoint unto Thomasin my eldest daughter £100 to be paid by my heir out of my said freehold estate called Dentonholme I also leave and bequeath unto Anne my youngest daughter £60 to be paid out of the said estate of Dentonholme which said several sums shall be paid unto my said daughters when they shall severally attain their respective age of one and twenty years If the said child whereof my wife is now in seint shall happen to be a daughter then such daughter shall have such provision as shall happen by co heirshipp of such freehold as I shall dye possessed of and if any of the said daughters shall happen to dye before they shall attaine their age of twenty one years then such sum or sums as is therein before limited unto them respectively shall descend and come to the survivor of them that be equally divided amongst the [*sic*]

I make and ordaine Anne my dear and well beloved wife and the said Thomasin my eldest daughter my joint and full executors

Bridget Elliot

Blanch Williamson

Mary Litle

Geo Forster

Robt Forster

3 [*sic*] May 1693 proved by Anne Forster widow and relict and one of the co-executors, power reserved to Thomasine Forster the other executor now in minority

APPENDIX IV.

Will nuncupative (Carlisle) of George Bell 1718.

Memorand that the twenty ninth Day of December 1717 George Bell of Carlisle Gent Did declare that he gave all his Goods and Chattels to his wife Elizabeth and that he did make her his Extrix and did desire we who were present to be witnesses thereof

Witness hereof

Thomas Morris, jurat.

Edwd. Hutchinson, jurat.

Wm. Forster.

Elizabeth Herington, jurat.

Wm. Rooke, jurat.

Proved at Carlisle 24 April 1718.

APPENDIX V.

Will (Carlisle) of William Forster 1719.

25 May 1715 William Forster of the City of Carlisle gent To my eldest son Arthur £20 at 21 To my second son Christopher £30 at 21 to my third son George £30 at 21 to my fourth son William £30 at 21 to my daughter Elisabeth £30 at 21 to my niece Lilius Eliot 20s. My mother Bell has assigned over to me a bond of £100, my dear wife Elis. to have the statute use of the said £100 during her life and then to accrue equally to my above mentioned children To my wife Elis. my dwelling house and garden in the City of Carlisle for life and then to my eldest son William who is to pay £5 to each of my other above named children. Residue to my dear wife Elis., she sole executrix

Witnesses:

Richmond Fenton

John Walton

Eliz. Walton

proved "ultimo die" March 1719 by the executrix

Inventory, 30 March 1719. Goods valued at £358.

Tuition of children granted to Elizabeth Forster 31 March 1718 [sic].

APPENDIX VI.

Will (Carlisle) of Elizabeth Bell 1728.

14 March 1720 In the name of God amen I Elizabeth Bell of the City of Carlisle widdow I give and bequeath unto the

children of my son William deceased the sum of £10 in which they are to shair & shar alike the said £10 being to be divided amongst the children that shall then be living of the sd late son William Forster at my deceass and to be paid them by my executorixes I give and bequeath unto my daughter Jane Morris the wife of Capt Tho Morris the sum of five shilling I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter Margaret Armstrong the wife of William Armstrong the summ of one pound as a token of my affection to her I give and bequeath unto my sister Jane Forster the wife of the late Tho. Forster of Sinywhaite deceased the summ of £2 to be paid her by my executorixes All the rest of my goods chattles cattle and personal estate whatsoever I give devise and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Forster the wife of Tho: Forster and to my granddaughter Elizabeth Beckwith which two persons I do hereby make my full equal and joint executorixes of this my last will and testament

Eliz: Bell

Witnesses: Tho: Dobinson George Harrington

21 Oct. 1728 Elizabeth Beckwith an executrix within named was sworn. She, as spinster, proved the will the same day, power reserved to the other executrix

Bond same day of Elizabeth Beckwith of City of Carlisle spinster Thomas Forster of the City of Carlisle gen and Thomas Fisher of the same gen in £200. Signed by all three in presence of Ri Aglionby Regr., the condition being that Elizabeth shall pay the debts and legacies of Elizabeth Bell late of City of Carlisle widow deceased and exhibit an inventory

APPENDIX VII.

Admon. (Carlisle) Robert Elliot 1733.

Admon. 30 March 1733 Robert Elliot late of Justicetown gentleman deceased to Anne Elliott his widow and relict

APPENDIX VIII.

Admon. (Carlisle) Thomas Hodgson 1745-6.

Admon. 31 January 1745 Thomas Hodgson late of Dormansteads to Thomasin Hodgson his widow and relict

APPENDIX IX.

Will (Carlisle) of Ann Elliot 1747.

I Ann Elliot of the city of Carlisle in the county of Cumberland widow . . . give and devise to my daughter Thomasine of Dormansteads in the said county widow the sum of £100 I also give and devise to William Graham son of my friend William Graham of Sykeside in the said county of Cumberland gent £50 I give and devise to the said William Graham the elder and to his executors and administrators £200 for the term of 99 years in case Mary the wife of Adam Forster of Kaysbank in the county of Cumberland yeoman shall so long live upon this special trust and confidence that if the said Adam Forster and all and every other person and persons claiming or to claim by from or under him or any of his ancestors do and shall within twelve calendar months next after my decease well and sufficiently grant surrender and convey all those his customary messuages and tenements called Kaysbank and Pudding Crook and all and every his other messuages lands tenements and hereditaments in the parish of Stapleton to the use of his eldest son by my granddaughter Mary now the wife of the said Adam Forster which shall be then living and his heirs and assigns and reserve the occupation thereof to himself and the said Mary his wife during their natural lives and the life of the longer liver of them, then and in such case he the said William Graham his executors or administrators shall thereupon pay £200 to the said Adam Forster or to such other person or persons as he shall direct or appoint and in default thereof upon this further special trust that he the said William Graham shall during the said term place out the £200 at interest upon such security and shall pay the yearly interest thereof to the proper hands of the said Mary the wife of the said Adam Forster and from and after the end of the said term I give the said sum of £200 to the said William Graham for 99 years upon this special trust that he place the same out at interest and pay the same to such child or children of the said Mary Forster by the said Adam Forster her husband as shall be living at the time of her death till he she or they shall attain the age of 21 years I give the further sum of £50 to the said William Graham the elder for 99 years in case Arthura the wife of George Armstrong of the parish of Kirkandrew's upon Esk yeoman shall so long live upon this special trust that the said William Graham shall place out the same at interest and pay it to the said Arthura Armstrong and after the expiration of the term I give the said sum of £50 to the said William

Graham to pay the interest to such child or children of the said Arthura by the said George Armstrong her husband as shall be living at the time of her death till they shall attain the age of 21 I also give £400 to the said William Graham the elder for 99 years in case my daughter Catherine Elliot the now wife of William Elliot late of Rickardgate without the City of Carlisle aforesaid mercer shall so long live upon trust that he will place out the money at interest and pay the yearly interest to the proper hands of the said Catherine Elliot [and then for her child or children who shall be living at her death I also give £400 to the said William Graham the elder for the term of 99 in case the said [*sic*] Elianor Graham now the wife of James Graham of Firbank in the said county yeoman shall so long live upon trust that the said William Graham place out the same at interest and pay it to the proper hands of the said Elianor Graham [and then for her child or children who shall be living at the time of her death]

I do hereby give and devise to my daughter Elizabeth 1s I bequeath the rest residue and remainder of my goods &c to the said William Graham the elder whom I nominate sole executor 28 April 1747

Witnesses John Brougham John Holme

I stand bound with and for the said Adam Forster to Thomas Bewley of Woodhall gentleman for the sum of £25 and the said Adam Forster is also indebted to me for the sum of £10 for money lent In case he does not pay these sums the said William Graham shall and may deduct the same and all interest thereof out of the said £200

29 April 1747 Witnesses John Brougham John Holme

Proved 2 November 1747 by William Graham sole executor

APPENDIX X.

Will (Carlisle) of Thomasine Hodgson 1753.

January 5 1753 The laste will and testament of Tho Hodgson . . . I lieve my daughter Malley Forster and my daughter Ann Jackson and my grandchild Tho. Musgra. jointly hares of the freehold estate of Denetonholm I lieve my daughter Mally Forster £200 and my daughter Ann Jackson £200 out of the tennon right estate I lieve my daughter Margret Milburn one shilling and for John Milburn and his heirs or his executors to pay to Malle Forster £200 out of Wodstown and to pay to

Ann Jackson £200 out of the Middill Dirmonsted I leive my daughter Malle to pay to her daughter Tho. Forster £50 out of the estate of Danton holm

mark

Witnesses William Barker William Clark

Probate of the will of Thomasine Hodgson late of Dormansteeds widow decd was granted to Ann wife of John Jackson yeomen sole executor

30 June 1753 Bondsmen James Jackson of Stapleton, clerk, and Nathaniel Jackson of the City of Carlisle gent.

Inventory 18 January 1753	£	s.	d.
her purse & apparel	10	0	0
cash	80	16	6
8 cows	23	1	0
6 heifers	8	5	0
three calves	1	5	0
horse		10	6
a swine	1	1	0
ots	6	0	0
barley	4	11	0
hay & straw	4	0	0
sacks	1	5	0
husbandry gear	4	0	0
two beds & other things	4	6	6
cupboard, bedstead & other things	11	10	0
settle & other things		14	0
table linen	2	7	0
cupboard, bedstead & other things	13	2	0
clock & other things	15	6	6
dresser & what belongs to it	3	3	0
copper, brass & other things	3	18	6
cupboard, table & other things	5	0	0
	£204	2	6

APPENDIX XI.

Will (Carlisle) of John Milbourn 1770.

I John Milburn of Dentonholme in the City of Carlisle gentleman . . . give devise and bequeath to my son John Milburn all those my messuages lands tenements and hereditaments called by the names of Denton holme Denton Mill and the Wheat Close situate lying and being within the parishes of Saint Mary and Saint Cuthberts in the said county with their appurtenances

to have and to hold to my said son John Milburn his heirs and assigns for ever subject nevertheless to the payment of all my just debts and the legacies limitations provisos and directions hereinafter mentioned that is to say I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Margaret wife of Simon Ewart and to my daughter Lucy wife of John Dixon each £500 to be paid when they respectively attain the age of 40 years The sum of £20 to be paid to each of my daughters yearly I give and bequeath to Margaret my dearly beloved wife all my plate household goods and household furniture I give to my said son John Milburn all my bills bonds mortgages sum and sums of money and all other my personal estate not hereby given and bequeathed, he to be sole executor

John Milburn

6 Sept. 1765

Witnesses Wm Blamire John Lonsdale Joseph Moor John Stordy

Codicil 6 August 1769 To my dear wife Margaret Milburn two lodging rooms in my dwelling house over the kitchen with two bedsteads with competent bedding thereunto belonging with a press cubbard drawers table and chairs and full liberty in the kitchen to boil and cook her victuals also a coal house on the north side during her widowhood I also give and bequeath to my said wife Margaret and my two daughters Margaret and Lucy all my lining except a pair of sheets cod drawer or pillow slip I also give and bequeath to my said two daughters my silver tankard equally between them To my son John a bed and bedding of close a clock a seeing glass in the parlour with all the tables and chairs in the parlour I also give to my said two daughters a mortgage deed on an estate called Dormensteads in the parish of Stapleton for the sum of £240 equally between them share and share alike to be paid by my wife Margaret or her order the sum of £20 each year I also give and devise to my said two daughters Margaret and Lucy my mortgage deed of Banksfoot in the parish of Abby Laner — Coast being £140 the interest thereof to be equally paid them during their natural lives and after their decease to their heirs to be equally divided being the principal of £140 I also give to my son John Milburn the interest of £600 during the natural life of my wife Margaret and after her decease I give the said principal sum of £600 to my said son and heirs for ever

John Milburn
his mark & seal

Witnesses Jos. Moor Agness Foster Thos Wallis

proved by John Milbourn his son 1 December 1770.

APPENDIX XII.

Will (Carlisle) of Thomas Forster 1771.

3 October 1764 . . . Thomas Forster of the City of Carlisle merchant.

My two sisters Mary Hall and Bridget Natus I give to five of the youngest sons of my nephew John Forster namely William James John Arthur and Joseph each £300 at 21. To the Rev. John Miln the free use of the chapel or meeting house which I built at the back of my dwelling house in Fisher Street Carlisle and to those that shall succeed him by the consent of the people until the death or removal of the Rev. Robinson from the other meeting house or chapel in Fisher Street my freehold house and garden in Fisher Street and my freehold house and bank and close near Denton Miln called Flemstead House my freehold close in Denton Holm called Hair Closs to my nephew John Forster and his heirs for ever, he sole executor

proved by John Forster executor 15 April 1771

APPENDIX XIII.

Will (Carlisle) of Christopher Forster 1783.

I Christopher Forster of Carlisle mariner my messuages lands and tenements in Castle Street My kinswoman Elizabeth Beckwith Fisher. Christopher Forster Young, son of my niece Elizabeth Young . . . The first and second sons of my niece Elizabeth Head

28 January 1783

proved 18 February 1783 by Elizabeth Beckwith Fisher spinster

APPENDIX XIV.

Will (Carlisle) of John Milbourne 1791.

This is the last Will & Testament of Mr John Milbourne of Blackhall in the County of Cumberland Esquire. I give Devise and Bequeath All my Freehold Messuages, Lands, Tenements and real Estates in the County of Cumberland or elsewhere unto my sister Lucy Dixon her heirs and Assigns for ever But I do hereby give to my neice Margaret Dixon one Annuity or yearly sum of Fifty pounds for and during the term of her natural life the first payment thereof to be made at the end of one year next after my decease with the payment of which Annuity I do charge my real Estate called Dentonholm And

I give and bequeath the following Legacies that is to say to my natural son John the son of Ann Parker the sum of Thirty pounds And to my natural son Robert the son of Sarah Lowthian the sum of Fifty pounds which I direct with all my Debts not charged upon my real Estate by Mortgage to be paid out of my personal Estate And the Surplus thereof I give and bequeath to my Executors hereinafter named In trust in the first place to discharge the Mortgage that is upon my Estate called Denton Holme it being my intention that the same should not be incumbered save with the above mentioned Annuity And after discharging the said Mortgage All the rest residue and remainder of my Goods Chattels and personal Estate of what nature or kind soever I give and bequeath to my said Executors for their own proper uses equally between them as Tenants in common And it is not my intention that any part of my personal Estate shall go in discharge of any Mortgage upon any other of my Estates (save that of Dentonholme) And I do hereby charge all my other Estates with the payment of such Mortgages as incumber them And I give to my wife only the sum of five pounds she having robbed my Chests, secreted writings, denyed her Marriage with me and swore the peace against and otherwise illtreated me And I do appoint my Sisters Margaret Ewart and Lucy Dixon Executors of this my last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the twenty second day of March one thousand and seven hundred and Ninety one.

John Milbourn

Signed Sealed published and declared by the said Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses, Elizabeth Young, John Losh sworn Jno Graham sworn.

Proved by Margaret Ewart and Lucy Dixon executrices 16 April 1791

APPENDIX XV.

Will (Carlisle) of Lucy Dixon 1797.

I Lucy Dixon of Denton Holme in the county of Cumberland widow . . . To George Blamire of the city of Carlisle gentleman and Richard Tyson of the city of Carlisle gentleman all those my messuages and tenements at and near Denton Holme with their appurtenances on trust to pay off and discharge two several annuities or rent charges of £60 to each of my daughters

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Margaret the wife of John Lowry and Ann the wife of John Milburn during the terms of their respective natural lives and pay the residue of the rents issues and profits of the said premises to my son John Milbourn Dixon for the term of his natural life and after his decease in case there shall then be an eldest or only son and one more or other child or children of the said John Milbourn Dixon begotten or to be begotten by him on the body of his or any future wife then upon trust that they the said George Blamire and Richard Tyson by mortgage of the said premises or by such other ways and means as they shall think fit shall raise £3,000 for the portion or portions of such other child or children (other than and besides the eldest or only son) to be equally divided between them share and share alike the portion or portions of such of them as shall be a son or sons to be paid at the age of 21 years and the portion or portions of such of them as shall be a daughter or daughters to be paid at the age of 21 years or day of marriage &c &c and from and after the decease of my said daughters Margaret the wife of John Lowry and Ann the wife of John Milburn and also of my said son John Milbourn Dixon in case my said daughters shall have any children lawfully to be begotten then upon trust that the said George Blamire and Richard Tyson by mortgage of the said premises &c raise £1,000, £500 to be for a portion for the child or children of the said Margaret wife of John Lowry and £500 for a portion for the child or children of Ann the wife of John Milburn lawfully to be begotten equally to be divided between them if more than one share and share alike the portion of such of them as shall be a son to be paid at 21 the portion of such of them as shall be a daughter to be paid at 21 or day or marriage &c &c I give to my said daughter Margaret the wife of John Lowry for the term of her natural life an annuity rent charge or yearly sum of £10 (in addition to the annuity of £50 given to her by my late brother John Milbourn deceased in and by his last will and testament chargeable upon the said premises at Denton Holme) to be issuing out of the said premises at Denton Holme I also give to my said daughter Ann the wife of John Milbourn for and during the term of her natural life one annuity rent charge and yearly sum of £60 to be issuing and payable out of the said premises at Denton Holme &c &c I give and devise all those my two houses or cottages and gardens with their appurtenances situate and being at Rockcliff in the said county of Cumberland unto my said son John Milbourn Dixon to hold the same to him his heirs and assigns for ever I give to my said daughters Margaret the wife of John Lowry and Ann the

wife of John Milbourn all that my close or parcel of land at Cargo in the parish of Stanwix in the said county to hold to them for ever as tenants in common And whereas I am now possessed of a beneficial term of years yet to come in a messuage and tenement called Woods Town otherwise Bells Town in the parish of Stapleton in the county of Cumberland I give all the residue of the said term if any there shall be at the time of my decease unto my said daughters Margaret the wife of John Lowry and Ann the wife of John Milbourn to hold as tenants in common I give my messuage and tenement at Bunkers Hill in the parish of St Mary in the said county of Cumberland to my said daughter Margaret the wife of John Lowry for the term of her natural life and then to the said George Blamire and Richard Tyson upon trust for the use and behoof of such child or children as shall be born of the body of the said Margaret lawfully to be begotten by the said John Lowry or any future husband &c &c I give and devise all my messuage and tenement called Catlowdy in the parish of Kirk-andrews upon Esk to my said daughter Ann the wife of John Milbourn for the term of her natural life [with remainder to her children] Whereas I have lately borrowed £3000 upon mortgage of certain parts of the said premises at and near Denton Holme aforesaid and upon the said messuage and tenement called Bunkers Hill it is my will and mind that the said last mentioned sum of money shall be a charge upon all my said messuages tenements and premises at and near Denton Holme aforesaid only and which I hereby charge and make chargeable in exoneration of the said messuage and tenement called Bunkers Hill and of my personal estate and if the said sum of £3000 or any part or parts thereof shall be after called in by the person or persons respectively entitled to the same then I hereby authorize my said trustees by a mortgage of the said premises at or near Denton Holme or by such other ways and means as they shall think fit to raise such sum as shall be necessary to replace the £3000 or such part thereof as shall be called in as aforesaid and I do hereby authorize my said trustees from time to time as it shall be necessary to wear embank fence protect and repair all the premises at or near Denton Holme and if they shall judge it prudent to commence and prosecute or defend or submit to arbitration any action or suit at law in equity all disputes concerning my said estate at or near Denton Holme and I do authorize my trustees to grant leases of all or any part of my said real estates at and near Denton Holme no term to exceed 21 years [a clause providing for Bunkers Hill passing in default of the issue of

testator's daughters to an eldest or only son of testator's son John Milbourn Dixon] In case my said son John Milbourn Dixon shall after my decease commence any suit at law or in equity for or on account of any demands or claims he may urge or insist upon for managing my affairs or business for me or on my account then in such case (as I have already given him more than a reasonable recompence for what he has done and as I make him an ample satisfaction for any trouble he may hereafter have or take regarding my affairs and concerns) I revoke and annul my direction to my said trustees to pay my said son such residue of such rents issues and profits of my said estate at and near Denton Holme and in lieu I give him for the term of his natural life one clear annuity of £100 &c &c I give and bequeath to each of them the said George Blamire and Richard Tyson £20 All the rest residue and remainder of my personal estate I give to my said daughters equally to be divided among them share and share alike, they to be executrixes

Lucy Dixon

22 May 1797

Witnesses: Jane Blamire
 Thomas Blamire } of Carlisle
 W. Tiffen of Brampton.

Codicil: Whereas the conduct of my son John Milbourn Dixon hath been (particularly of late) very irregular and highly displeasing to me now in order to prevent his continuing such improper conduct after my decease as far as in me lies I empower my trustees as in their discretion they shall see fit to pay my said son during the term of his natural life the annuity of £100 out of such residue of such rents issues profits as therein is mentioned and no more or such further part thereof as they shall think proper and to apply the remainder of such rents issues and profits if any in such manner as in my will is mentioned in case of their paying to my said son the said annuity of £100 In case my freehold messuages situate at and near Brampton lately advertized to be sold in public sale shall not be sold in my life time I give the same (subject to a mortgage debt charged thereon) to my daughter Margaret the wife of John Lowry and Ann the wife of John Milbourn to hold as tenants in common 11 June 1797

Witnesses W. Tiffen, Mary Dixon, Mary Davison

Proved 27 July 1797 by the executrixes

APPENDIX XVI.

Will (Carlisle) of John Forster 1797.

I John Forster of City of Carlisle merchant . . . 3 September 1790 To my daughter Ann [unmarried] £2,000 To my daughter Eleanor [unmarried] £2,000 chargeable on my houses shops warehouses and premises which I now occupy at the low end of Fisher Street within the City of Carlisle as also my closes at Murrel Hill in the parish of St Mary To my son Joseph Forster the clear yearly annuity of £30 for life he to live and board with his brothers and that they deduct out of his said annuity £10 or such greater or less sum for his board and lodging as they in their discretion think proper To my sons James Forster and John Forster my said houses shops warehouses and premises at the low end of Fisher Street aforesaid To my said sons James Forster and John Forster all my barn stable garden and premises in Fisher Street late Connors To my said sons James and John all my freehold and leasehold messuages dwelling houses dwelling rooms shop and premises at the head of Fisher Street and at the head of Castle Street or the Market Place, late Hall To my son Thomas Forster all my freehold and leasehold messuages dwelling houses garden and premises in Castle Street late Parkers To my said son Thomas Forster all my tithes of hay yearly arising upon certain lands within the parish of St Cuthbert held under lease from the Dean and Chapter of Carlisle To my son John Forster all my freehold messuage and tenement lands mills and premises commonly called Cummersdale Mill in the parish of St Mary together with the other lands purchased therewith by me of Mr Brougham situate at Williams Wood and Hagg in the said parish of St Mary To my son Thomas Forster all and singular my several freehold closes inclosures and parcels of ground at Murrell Hill aforesaid To my son James Forster my several freehold messuages dwelling houses dwelling rooms &c at or near Denton Holme in the parish of St Mary aforesaid To my said sons James and John Forster all my freehold close or inclosure lately allotted to me on the division of Carlisle and Cummersdale Commons situate at or near Kelhouses in the parish of St Mary To my said sons James and John Forster my freehold close or inclosure situate lying and being upon Newton Common late John Holmes's all my stock in trade looms and other utensils of trade book debts and partnership concerns together with my horses carts cattle and utensils of husbandry unto my said sons Thomas Forster James Forster and John Forster as tenants in common All my household

furniture and utensils of household plate linen beds and bedding to my two sons James and John Forster and my said two daughters Ann and Eleanor Forster Residue to my said sons Thomas Forster James Forster and John Forster, they executors, paying my just debts and expenses and legacies and the annuity to my son Joseph and the annuity secured by my bond dated 28 September 1789 to Mrs Dorothy Forster widow of my son William Forster deceased and I recommend my executors (from the affectionate regard and esteem I have towards the said Dorothy Forster my daughter-in-law that they permit or suffer her to live and entertain her in the manner she has been in the Family free of board so long as she chuses to continue so to do I order and direct that my said two sons James Forster and John Forster when thereunto required release and discharge my said son Thomas Forster from and against the payment of any legacy or legacys sum or sums of money due or payable to them respectively under or by virtue of the last will and testament of my late uncle Thomas Forster deceased

Witnesses Robt Miln

Geo Robinson Geo Hewit

Proved 4 November 1797.

APPENDIX XVII.

Will (Carlisle) of John Milbourn Dixon 1815.

This is the last will and testament of me John Milbourn Dixon of Denton Holme in the county of Cumberland gentleman. Unto my dear wife Margaret Dixon all those my freehold weaving shops and dwelling rooms above situated between Denton Holme Foot and the property of Edward Horsley and let by me unto Messrs Jos. & Francis Stodart and John Thompson as tenants thereof at the annual rent of £73. 10s. to hold to her my said dear wife for her life and from and after her decease to my second son Thomas and his heirs for ever In case of failure of lawful issue of the said Thomas Dixon I give the said premises unto my three younger sons Richard George and William Dixon to hold as tenants in common To my said dear wife Margaret Dixon all benefits profits and dividends arising from my share of Denton Holme Printfield during the continuance of the present co-partnership In case of a dissolution of the said co-partnership I authorize my said dear wife to receive the produce of my share in the said concern and apply the said sum to the use of my four younger sons Thomas Richard George and William Dixon and herself in equal proportions but my said sons shall not receive any part of

the principal thereof until they arrive at the age of 25 I give to my said dear wife Margaret Dixon all my household furniture excepting the clock which I give to my son John Milbourn Dixon after the demise of my said dear wife Margaret Dixon I do hereby give to my said dear wife Margaret Dixon all that uninclosed ground laying between Denton Holme Foot and the aforesaid Edward Horsley's property bounded on the west side by Denton Holme Mill Dam Race and on the east side by the occupation road leading from Caldew Bridge to Denton Holme aforesaid and I devise my aforesaid property to my said dear wife Margaret Dixon so long as she remains my widow continent and an affectionate mother to my aforesaid children but in default thereof I annul my bequests to her in every respect and leave the same unto my aforesaid four sons

Jno M Dixon

21 August 1811

Witnesses: Philip Pears Barnes Thomas Losh Anthy Holme

Effects under £3,500. Admon. with the will annexed granted to Margaret Dixon 28 July 1815

APPENDIX XVIII.

Will (Carlisle) of John Milbourn Dixon 1824.

This is the last will and testament of me John Milbourn Dixon of Denton Holm near the City of Carlisle gentleman I give and devise unto my brothers Richard Dixon and George Dixon of the city of Carlisle gentlemen all those my messuages and tenements at and near Denton Holme upon trust that they shall and do out of the rents issues and profits of the said premises (after paying off and discharging the interest due and from time to time becoming due in respect of the several incumbrances which are or may be charged upon the said premises at the time of my death) pay off and discharge the annuity or rent charge of £70 to my beloved wife Charlotte Dixon so long as she shall continue my widow but no longer in such manner and form as is hereinafter mentioned and pay apply and dispose of the residue of the rents issues and profits of the said premises or a sufficient part thereof for and towards the maintenance education support and bringing up of my sons John Richard and George and such other child or children as I shall have living or that my said wife may be ensient with at the time of my death until my said children shall attain their ages of 21 years and then upon trust that my said brothers Richard Dixon and George Dixon do sell and dispose of the

said premises and after paying off such incumbrances as are or may then be charged upon the said premises out of monies arising from such sale to pay all the residue of such monies equally unto and amongst all my said children share and share alike, and in case none of my said children shall live to attain the age of 21 then upon trust that my said brothers Richard Dixon and George Dixon sell the premises in like manner and after paying off incumbrances pay the residue of the monies arising from such sale equally to my mother Margaret Dixon and my brothers Thomas Dixon and William Milbourn Elliot Dixon and themselves the said Richard Dixon and George Dixon share and share alike I give my messuage and tenement commonly called Simons otherwise Simeons Onset in the parish of Kirkandrews upon Esk unto my said brothers Richard Dixon and George Dixon on trust to take the rents issues and profits and pay the same in like manner as is mentioned concerning the rents, issues and profits of my messuages and tenements at and near Denton Holme until my eldest son John Milbourn Dixon shall attain the age of 21 and as soon as he is 21 I give Simons Onset to the said John Milbourn Dixon I have lately borrowed £250 upon mortgage of my said messuage and tenement called Simons Onset and also £500 upon bond and it is my will and mind that the said last mentioned sums of money shall be charged upon all my said messuages tenements and premises at and near Denton Holme aforesaid only and which I hereby charge and make chargeable therewith in exoneration of the said messuage and land called Simons Onset To my said wife Charlotte Dixon the use of the whole of my plate linen china household goods and furniture to hold use occupy and possess the same during her life if she shall so long continue my widow my said wife Charlotte Dixon sole executrix and the said Richard Dixon and George Dixon my said trustees to be guardians of my children and my said wife guardian of my said children and trustee of my will with my said trustees Richard Dixon and George Dixon so long as she shall continue my widow

John M Dixon

28 January 1824

Witnesses John Brown Sarah Randall Jane Howe

Codicil 13 February 1824, about testator's wife's rent charge and "the portions charged upon the messuages and tenements at Denton Holme under the will of my grandmother Lucy Dixon".

Witnesses Ann Hodgson Wm Henderson John Brown

Proved by Charlotte Dixon 19 August 1824

APPENDIX XIX.

Will (Carlisle) of Jane Milbourn 1825.

Jane Milbourn of Blackhall, parish of St Cuthbert, Carlisle, widow. To my brother George Bell the messuages and lands at Thomas Close in the parish of Hutton, Cumberland, Jane his wife to have occupation of the parlour at Thomas Close and have such fuel and other small necessaries of life provided for her as she may require. My messuages at Stanwix Bank. My nephew Francis Bell, son of my said brother George Bell. Jane Bell the younger daughter of my said brother George Bell. My nephew John Bell. My said niece Jane Bell and her said brothers Francis and John and her sister Margaret wife of John Brown. Jane infant daughter of the said John Brown. My nephews Joseph Coupland and Thomas Coupland and their sister Jane Atkinson. John Lowry esq. nephew of Thomas Lowry esq. deceased my former husband. To Jacob Stordy £200. Ruth eldest daughter of John Mitchinson late of Carlisle esq., deceased. All such furniture as was required by the will of my said former Husband to be left at my death as heirlooms in the capital dwelling house at Blackhall and which shall not have gone to decay shall be there left accordingly for the benefit of such persons as shall be entitled thereto by virtue of the said will

12 March 1814

Codicil 24 June 1818 My brother George Bell and his two sons Francis and John Bell and Jacob Stordy executors

Proved 26 November 1825 by Francis and John Bell two of the surviving executors, power reserved to Jacob Stordy

APPENDIX XX.

Deed concerning Denton Holme. Thomas Forster and John Brougham (Tullie House, Carlisle. 76G)

Endorsed: 25 March 1718 Denton Holme near Carlisle in the county of Cumberland

This indenture made the twenty fifth day of March in the fourth year of our Sovereigne Lord George by the Grace of God of Great Brittain . . . annoque Dni 1718 Between Thomas Forster of Middle King Field in the County of Cumberland gent of the one part and John Brougham of Grays Inn in the County of Middlesex esqr of the other part Whereas the sd Thomas Forster had by Arthurine his late wife deceased Elianor Forster

his only daughter & child which sd Arthurine Forster was one of the Daughters & co heiresses of Arthur Forster the younger of Kingfield in the sd County of Cumberland deceased and whereas the sd Elian^r Forster in the right of her said mother is entitled to some estate of inheritance in reversion or remainder to & in one fourth & undivided share of all those the demesne lands & pasture ground commonly called . . . Denton Holme and also that . . . parcell of arrable or pasture ground thereunto adjoyning commonly called the Wheat Close and all that water corn milne called Denton Holme Milne standing & being upon the River Caldew near to the City of Carlile and all that rent of three pounds paid & payable yearly by the Mayor Aldermen Bayliffes & citizens of Carlisle or by their chamberlaine for liberty of a water course thro' Denton Holme aforesd to the water corn milns belonging to the sd city And whereas the sd John Brougham is seized of the sd lands milne rent & other the premisses for & dureing the natural life of Elizabeth Bell of the sd City of Carlile widow and after her decease doth claime the same for a further terme untill a certain sume of money wherewith the sd lands milne rent & other the premisses are charged & chargeable be payed & satisfied to the sd John Brougham his executrs admrs or assignes And whereas the said Thomas Forster is desirous to prevent all such & controversies which might hereafter arise touching the premisses on the behalf of the sd Elianor Forster his daughter now an infant under the age of twenty one years Now this indenture witnesseth that the sd Thomas Forster for & in consideration of the sum of forty pounds to him in hand payed by the sd John Brougham the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge & of every part thereof doth acquitt exonerate & discharge the sd John Brougham his executrs admrs & assignes and in consideration of the further sume of sixty pounds to be paid to the sd Thomas Forster by the sd John Brougham as is hereinafter mentioned doth covenant for himself his heirs executrs & admrs to & with the sd John Brougham his executrs admrs & assignes that the sd Elianor Forster shall within two months after she shall attaine the age of twenty one years or if then under coverture together with such husband as she shall then have or if she shall die before she shall be of full age that the heir or heiress of the sd Elianor Forster within two months after her death or if within age within two [?] months after such heir or heirs shall respectively be of full age shall & will at the proper costs & charges in the Law of the sd John Brougham his heirs or assigns make doe & execute such act & acts thing & things conveyances & assure-

ances in the Law for the perfect conveying & assuring her the sd Elianor Forsters fourth part & undivided share of & in the sd lands milne rent and other the premisses to the sd John Brougham his heirs & assigns for ever Be it by deed or deeds fine or fines with proclamations common recovery release confirmation or otherwise howsoever as by the sd John Brougham his heirs or assigns or by his or their council learned in the Law shall be reasonably devised advised or required And that the sd John Brougham his heirs & assigns shall untill such conveyance & assurance as aforesd be made done levied & executed peaceably quietly enjoy the sd Elianor Forsters fourth part & undivided share of the sd lands milne rent & premisses free & clear from all suit & trouble charge & incumbrance whatsoever from the sd Elianr Forster her heirs or assigns And whereas the sd Thomas Forster hath surrendered according to the Custome of the Mannor of Nickell Forest all that his customary messuage & tenement held of the sd mannor to the use of the sd John Brougham his heirs & assigns It is hereby coven^ted concluded & agreed by & between the parties to these presents that untill default be made by the sd Elianor Forster or her heirs in makeing levying & executing such conveyance or assurance as aforesd or untill her or her heirs comence any suite or action for the same it shall & may be lawfull for the sd Thomas Forster & his heirs to receive to his own proper use the rents & profitts of the said surrendered lands & premisses but upon neglect or refusal of the sd Elianor Forster or her heirs in makeing levying & executing such conveyance & assurance as aforesaid or upon her the sd Elianor Forster or her heires commencing any action or suit against the sd John Brougham or his heirs for touching or concerning her the sd Elianor Forster's fourth part or undivided share of the sd lands miln rent or premisses or any part thereof the said surrendered lands & premisses shall remaine absolutely to the sd John Brougham & his heirs to have and to hold the same to him & his heirs for ever according to the custome of the said mannor and the sd John Brougham doth covenant for himself his heirs executors & admrs to & with the said Thomas Forster his executors & admrs and assigns that upon the said Elianor Forster or her heirs makeing doing levying & executeing such conveyance & assurance as is before covenanted to be made done levied & executed by her or them he the sd John Brougham his heirs or assigns shall & will pay to the said Thomas Forster his executors admrs or assigns the sume of sixty pounds with lawfull interest for the same from the date of these presents and that he will upon the request & at the costs

& charges of the said Thomas Forster or his heirs surrender again the surrendered lands & premisses to the use of the said Thomas Forster & his heirs In witness whereof the said John Brougham hath hereunto putt his hand & seal the day & years first above written

John Brougham

Seal chevron between three fishes

Witnesses Saml Brougham Thomas Lowson

APPENDIX XXI.

Deed of Separation between Thomas & Thomasine Hodgson.

170/5. Howard of Naworth documents, Dept. of Palaeography and Diplomatic, Durham

Endorsed: Copy of a Deed of Trust from Thomasin Hodgson &c to Wm Graham [no date]

This indenture made between Thomas Hodgson of Dormansteads in the county of Cumberland gent & Thomasine his wife of the one part and William Graham of Sykeside in the sd county gent of the other part Witnesseth that for composing and accomodating of all disputes and controversies whatsoever now or at any time heretofore arisen or depending between them the said Thomas Hodgson & Thomasine his wife & for settling a separate maintenance upon the said Thomasine to be in her own dispose in such manner as in these presents is expressed & so as the said Thomas may not intermedle or have anything to do therewith or to take require challenge or demand any account thereof and in pursuance & performance of the award lately made & published at the request and with the consent and agreement of both the said Thomas Hodgson & Thomasine his wife by Joseph Senhouse of Wigton gent Wm Stordy of Moorhouse in the sd county gent & John Barnes of Dokeray in the said County gent arbitrators indifferently chosen between the said parties and also for & in consideration of 5s apiece to the said Thomas Hodgson and Thomasine his wife in hand well and truly paid by the said William Graham, they have granted bargained sold assigned and set over to the said Wm Graham all those their or the one of their several messuages lands and tenements in the parish of Stapleton in the sd county of Cumberland & commonly called or known by the several & respective names of North Dormansteads Dorryfield otherwise Dorryfield Yeat and Crackrop otherwise Crashrop otherwise Crackthrop and all those messuages and

tenements situate lying and being in the parish of Kirkanders otherwise Kirkandrews called by the several names of Kingfield & Whiteknow with their appurtenances . . . to have and to hold all and singular the said messuages lands tenements hereditaments and premisses with their appurtenances to the said William Graham his executors administrators and assigns for 99 years if the said Thomas Hodgson shall so long live upon the several trusts & to & for the several uses intents & purposes hereinafter mentioned, that is to say that he the said William Graham his executors administrators or assigns shall and will out of the rents issues profits of the said demised premises may or cause to be paid to the said Thomas Hodgson his executors administrators or assigns the annuity or yearly rent charge of £40 free from all manner of deductions or impositions for and during the said term of 99 years if they the said Thomas Hodgson and Thomasine his wife shall both of them jointly so long live and in case the said Thomasine shall happen to dye in the life time of the said Thomas Hodgson her husband then in trust that the said William Graham his executors administrators or assigns shall and will out of the rents issues and profits of the said demised premises pay or cause to be paid to the said Thomas Hodgson his executors administrators or assigns the annuity of £20 for and during all the rest residue and remainder of the sd 99 years if he shall so long live both which said annuities to be paid at four quarterly payments in the year — 29 September, 29 December, 29 March, 29 June by even & equal portions without any deductn or abatement the first payment to be made on or before 29 September next ensuing the date hereof Provided always and the said annuity or yearly rent charge of £20 so made payable to the said Thomas Hodgson in case he survive his said wife is upon the express condition nevertheless that if the said Thomas Hodgson shall or do at any time hereafter join with the said Thomasine his wife in any surrender conveyance or assurance or in any other act matter whatsoever whereby or by means whereof to charge or incumber any part of the said demised premises which belong to and are the Customary or Tenant right inheritance of the said Thomasine his wife or any part or parcel thereof other than & except for what the same are now already incumbered and stand charged or chargeable with then and in such case the said annuity of £20 so payable to the said Thomas Hodgson in case he survive his said wife shall cease determine and be utterly void

And the said term of 99 years so limited to the sd William Graham his executors &c is upon this further trust & confidence

nevertheless that he shall and will permit and suffer the said Thomasine the wife of the said Thomas Hodgson her executors &c notwithstanding her coverture after payment of the said annuity of £40 to receive and take all the rest residue and remainder of the rents issues and profitts of all & singular the said hereby demised premises during the term of 99 years if the said Thomas Hodgson and Thomasine shall both of them joyntly so long live for & towards her separate support sustenation and maintenance of herself & children without any power meddling or interruption therein of the said Thomas Hodgson . . .

[Clause about the annuity being unpaid, in which case it shall be lawful for the sd Thomas Hodgson to enter upon the premises and make distress & sale of all or any of the goods & chattels there found for such arrearages of rent &c &c]

APPENDIX XXII.

Carlisle marriage bonds.

- 1701 March 9 Forster William, Carlisle gen Jefferson Elizabeth. Bondsman: Swinebourne Richard.
- 1706 July 23 Hodgson Thomas, Benrockfield [*sic recte* Barrockfield] gen. Forster Thomasine. Bondsman: Wells, Tho. c. of Heskett.
- 1716 February 25 Forster Tho., St Marie's Carlisle gen. Beckwith Mrs Mary widow.
- 1730 May 1 Elliott Wm Elliott Catherine p. of Kirkandrews upon Esk. Bondsman: Elliott, Hendery, All Hallows.
- 1747 June 22 Jackson John, Stapleton single man above 23 dyer Hodgson Ann, Dormansteads, p. Stapleton above 26, single woman. Bondsman: Addison, Thomas, Carlisle, clerk. Her mother consents. Her father is dead. Stapleton or St Cuthbert's Carlisle.
- 1763 June 2 Dixon Jno., Brampton gent. Milburn Lucy, Denton Holme, p. St Marie's Carlisle. Bondsman: Graham Stuart Ja[mes], Carlisle gent. At St Marie's Carlisle.
- 1790 June 6 Dixon John Milbourn, p. St Marie's Carlisle gent Elliot Margaret, Brampton. Bondsman: Liddell, John, Caldewgate. At St Marie's Carlisle.
- 1815 Dec. 13 Dixon John Milburn, Denton Holme, St Mary's Carlisle esq. Randall Charlotte, St Cuthbert's Carlisle. Bondsman: James, Jno., Carlisle, surgeon. At St Mary's Carlisle.

APPENDIX XXIII.

m.i. Stapleton Church and Churchyard.

1. South Wall of Church:

Here lieth the body of
Arthur Forester late of
Kingfield Gentleman who
departed this life Anno Dom.
August 24 1680
Aged 79 years.

Arms: a chevron between three bugle horns

2. South Wall of Church:

In memory of
Mrs Thomasine Hogeson
Gentlewoman late of Dormonstead
died Dec. 27th 1752 aged 64 years.

3. South Wall of Church:

In memory
of Mrs Margaret Milbourn Relict of John
Milbourn Sen^r Esqr of Dentonholme near
Carlisle who departed this life April 13th 1790
aged 82
Also of John Milbourn Esqr of Dentonholme
son of the said John and Margaret, who
departed this life March 23^d 1791, aged 46 years
Whose bodies lie interr'd within this church
near unto this place
also John Milbourn son of the last
said John Milbourn Esqr late of High
Catlawday who died June 11 1815 aged 45¹⁸
Likewise
John his son who died in London Aug. 7
1833, aged 35.

4. In Churchyard:

Here lies Arthuria Foster spows
to Thomas Foster of Mid Kingfield
who departed this life J w ly [*sic*]
the 8 Day 1713 aged 20. E.F. May
31 1723 Age 11.

Underneath are carved two bugle horns and a stag's head.

¹⁸ *The Carlisle Journal* of 24 June 1815 calls him Mr Milbourn, formerly of Shadongate, Carlisle, and says he died in Nichol Forest.

APPENDIX XXIV.

St Mary's Carlisle, parish registers & Bishops' transcripts.

Register extracts marked *.

- 1686 April 26 Isabell daughter of Mr Bell bap.
- 1687 April 27 Sco. whin [i.e. Scotch Street within] Mr Arthur Foster & Anne Storey married.
- 1688 October 30 Fishergate Thomasin the daughter of Arthur Foster bap.
- 1690 We present Insigne Moorhouse and Mrs Jane Foster for being clandestinely married.
- 1706 May 12 Fisher St Arthur s. of Wm Foster bap.
- 1707* Dec. 18 Castle Street Elizabeth d. of Wm Forster Gunn bap.
- 1707* March 8 Fisher Street Mary Foster buried
- 1708 January 30 Castle Street Mary d. of Wm Fostr. gent bap.
- 1709 Feb. 22 Castle Street Christopher s. of Wm Forster bap.
- 1713 July 28 Castle Street George son of Wm Foster bap.
- 1717* [day & month gone, next entry May 25] Fishr St. Tho Forster and Mary Beckwith with license married.
- 1718* January 28 Wm Fostr one of the Gunners buried.
- 1728* May 14 Fisher Street Mrs Bell wid. buried.
- 1739* Sepr. 29 Fisher Street Mr Thomas Fisher and Elizabeth Beckwith licence married.
- 1742* Dec. 13 Castle Street Thomas son of Mr Thomas Fisher bap.
- 1745* June 23 Scotch Street within Mr Thomas Hodgson buried at Heskett [also in Heskett-in-the-Forest reg.].
- 1747* October 27 Fisher Street Mrs Ellett buried at Arthured.
- 1797 December 30 John son of John Milbourn of Fisher St gent. & Ann his wife late Dixon bap.
- 1798 May 3 John Milbourn, Thomas, Margaret, Richard and George, children of John Milbourn Dixon of Denton Holm Esq & of Margaret his wife late Elliot bap.
- 1799 October 30 Isaac son of John Milbourn of Shaddongate gent. & Anne late Dixon his wife bap.
- 1801 November 9 Lucy daughter of John Milbourn gentleman & of Ann his wife late Dixon bap.
- 1815 September 26 William Milbourn Elliott son of John Milbourn and Margaret Dixon Denton Holme Esq. bap.

- 1816 December 13 John Milbourn son of John Milbourn and Charlotte Dixon Shaddongate gentleman bap.
- 1818 September 10 Richard son of John Milbourn and Charlotte Dixon Shaddongate gentleman bap.
- 1820 October 1 Thomas Randall son of John Milbourn and Charlotte Dixon Shaddon Gate gentleman bap.
- 1821 December 14 George Thomas son of John Milbourn and Charlotte Dixon, Denton Holme, gentleman bap.
- 1824 June 9 Margaret Elizabeth daughter of John Milbourne & Charlotte Dixon, Denton Holme gentleman bap.
- 1845 November 3 Richard William son of Richard Gater & Sarah Anne Dixon Denton Holme solicitor bap.
- 1846 February 12 Thomas Milbourn son of John Milbourn & Mary Dixon Denton Hill gentleman bap.
- 1847 August 18 Charlotte Ann daugr of Richard Gater Dixon decd & Sarah Ann, Denton Holme, solicitor bap.
- 1848 June 22 Richard Gater son of John Milbourn & Mary Dixon, Murrel Hill gentleman bap.
- 1852 August 12 George Randall son of George Thomas & Mary Ann Dixon, Denton Holme Foot Surgeon bap.
- 1763 John Dixon of the parish of Brampton Batchelor and Lucy Milburn of this parish single woman by licence 2 June 1763 marr. by me Robert Simpson minister in the presence of Stuart Ja Graham Margret Milburn.
- 1765 Simon Ewart of the parish of Brampton Batchelor and Margaret Milbourne [signs Margreat Milburn] of this parish spinster by banns 15 August marr. by me Robert Simpson in the presence of John Milburn Eliza Beckwth Fisher Jane Coulthard.
[Their banns were called on 14, 21 and 28 July 1765]
- 1790 John Milbourne Dixon of this parish bachelor and Margaret Elliot of the parish of Brampton single woman marr. by licence 8 June in the presence of Thos Harrington Michael Smith.
- 1792 John Lowry of the parish of Holme Cultram bachelor and Margaret Dixon of this parish single woman marr. by licence 2 June in the presence of Mary Dixon Margaret Lowry.
- 1796 John Milburn [signs Jno Milbourn] of this parish bachelor and Ann Dixon of this parish spinster marr. by licence 5 December in the presence of Mary Dixon Isaac Snowdon.

- 1815 John Milburn Dixon of this parish bachelor & Charlotte Randall of Saint Cuthbert's, Carlisle, spinster, marr. by licence 14 December 1815 by me S. R. Hartley minister in the presence of Ann Hodgson Jno James R Dixon Joseph Hodgson.
- 1824 February 25 John Milbourn Dixon Denton Holme 32 years bur.
[*Durham Advertiser* 5 March 1824 says he died at Denton Holme 20 February].
- 1834 September 6 Richard Dixon English Street 37 years bur.
- 1841 January 15 George Dixon Denton Holme Foot 42 years bur.
- 1843 November 29 Margaret Dixon Denton Holmfoot 75 years bur.
- 1846 May 9 Richard William Dixon Denton Holme 8 months bur.
- 1847 May 25 Richard Gater Dixon Denton Holme Foot 28 bur.

APPENDIX XXV.

Arthuret Bishops' Transcripts.

- 1732 December 3 Mr Robt Elliot of Justicetown and the parish of Kirkclinton householder buried.
- 1747 October 27 Ann Elliot from Carlisle late of Justicetown widow buried.

APPENDIX XXVI.

Brampton Bishops' Transcripts.

- 1766 April 13 John Milburne son of Mr John Dixon attorney at law of Brampton bap.
- 1769 March 26 Lucey d. of Mr John Dixon attorney at law of Brampton buried.
- 1772 June 12 Lucey d. of Mr John & Lucey Dixon of Brampton aged 2 years buried.
- 1773 June 18 Jane d. of John & Lucey Dixon of Brampton aged 2 buried.
- 1776 March 16 Thomas son of John Dixon of Brampton & Lucy his wife bap.
- 1778 May 11 Thomas son of Mr Jno Dixon attorney 2 buried.
- 1780 March 13 Deborah dau. of Mr Jno Dixon buried.

APPENDIX XXVII.

Hesket-in-the-Forest Register

- 1705/6 January 20 Dorothy daughter of Thomazina Foster of Kingfield illegit child bap.
 1707 June 23 May daughter of Mr Tho: Hodgson, Barrockfeild bap.

APPENDIX XXVIII

Kirkandrew's on Esk Bishops' Transcripts.

- 1691 July 6 Florence daughtr of Hugh & Lucie James of Catlawdy bap.
 1711 February 15 Elinor d. of Tho Forster bap.

APPENDIX XXIX.

Kirklington Bishops' Transcripts.

- 1670 August 25 Hugh James & Lucie Forster by licence from Mr Chancelour.
 1671 July 24 Hugh s. of Hugh James of Shank bap.
 1685/6 January 21 Mr Will Elliott of Muckledale de Scotland & Mrs Barbary Foster of Catlowdy married by me 21 January 1685.
 1707 August 13 Katharina fil. Robti Elliot de Dinlybear bap.
 1719 July 21 Anne d. of Mr Thomas Hodgson of Broomy-Know bap.

APPENDIX XXX.

Stapleton Bishops' Transcripts.

- 1734 May 15 Wm Musgrave of Kirklington & Jane Hodgson marr.
 1736 July 12 Adam Forster & Mary Hodgson marr.
 1753 January 10 Thomasine Hodgson of Dormonsteads gent buried.
 1760 Aug. 7 Mary dau. of Mrs Lucy Milburne illegt. bap.
 1764 Nov. 17 Mr William Davison of Casebank bur.
 1790 April 18 Mrs Milburn from Carlisle aged 82 years bur.
 1791 March 27 John Milburn of Blackwell Esqr aged 46 bur.

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