



## Inventory

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**Papers of the estates of Foxhall, West Lothian  
and Avoncrook, Stirlingshire**

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## BOX 1

Foxhall Titles: All deeds refer to the whole estate unless otherwise stated.

1. Instrument of Sasine in favour of Alexander Inglis of Rattouneraw [now Ingliston], following on a charter of alienation by John 4th Lord Torphichen, 1629.
2. Assignation by James West of Todshaugh in favour of James Inglis of Ingliston of the tack of the teindsheaves of Todshaugh let to him by George Gledstanes, Archbishop of St Andrews.
3. Extract of an Instrument of Sasine in favour of Alexander Inglis of Ingliston, following on a royal precept of 6 Nov. 1640, of the barony of Ingliston including the lands of Todshaugh, 1641.
4. Minute of contract between Alexander Inglis, and Francis Galloway, Merchant in Edinburgh and Jean Hamilton his wife, 1647.
5. Charter by Alexander Inglis in favour of Francis Galloway, 1647.
6. Copy of 5.
7. Instrument of Resignation following on 5 and 6, 1647.
8. Royal Charter in favour of Francis Galloway, 1647.
9. Royal Precept of Sasine in favour of Francis Galloway, 1647.
10. Instrument of Sasine following on 9, 1647.
11. Contract of Alienation by Alexander Inglis in favour of Francis Galloway, 1647.
12. Instrument of Transumpt of Francis Galloway against Alexander Inglis, 1647, containing summaries of deeds relating to Todshaugh dated between 1628 and 1640, including 1 and 2 in this list.
13. Act by the sheriff depute of Linlithgow excusing Francis Galloway from attendance at head courts according to the terms of 8, 1655.
14. Renunciation by Patrick Dundas of Breistmylne of the thirlage of the corn of Todshaugh, 1656.

15. Ratification by James Inglis of Ingliston son of Alexander Inglis, of 5, 1663.
16. Disposition by Francis Galloway of Todshaugh with consent of his son Patrick, in favour of his daughters Jean, Agnes, Euphame, Cecil, Christian, Janet and Margaret, 1673.
- 16A. Copy of 16.
17. Instrument of Sasine following on 16, 1673.
18. Disposition by the daughters of Francis Galloway to John Mitchell, writer in Edinburgh, 1679.
19. Instrument of Resignation following on 18, 1680.
20. Royal Charter of Confirmation of 16 and 18, with a precept of Sasine in favour of John Mitchell, 1680.
21. Instrument of Sasine following on 20, 1680.
22. Suspension by John Mitchell against the sheriff of Linlithgow anent the sheriff's insistence on his attendance at Linlithgow head courts in respect of his lands of Todshaugh, 1681. [See also 13 in this connection].
23. Disposition by John Mitchell in favour of Jean Hamilton relict of Francis Galloway, and Jean and Agnes Galloway his daughters, 1687.
24. Instrument of Sasine following on 23, 1687.
25. Discharge by John Mitchell of the clause of reversion in 23, 1689.
26. Disposition by Jean and Agnes Galloway in favour of Hugh Craig merchant in Edinburgh, 1691.
27. Instrument of Resignation following on 26, 1691.
28. Royal Charter in favour of Hugh Craig, 1691.
29. Instrument of Sasine following on 28, 1692.

## BOX 2

Titles continued:

30. Disposition by Hugh Craig - now styled minister of Galashiels - in favour of David Mitchell, baxter burghess of Edinburgh, 1704 (registered 1707).
31. Instrument of Sasine following on 30, 1704.
32. Instrument of Resignation in favour of David Mitchell, 1707.
33. Disposition by David Mitchell in favour of Alexander Monteith, surgeon apothecary, Edinburgh, 1707.
34. Disposition by Charles 1st Earl of Hopetoun in favour of Alexander Monteith of 2 acres and a rood of land in the barony of Kirkliston adjacent to the lands of Todshaugh, 1708.
35. Royal Charter in favour of Alexander Monteith, 1708.
36. Instrument of Sasine following on 33, 1708.
37. Instrument of Sasine following on 34, 1708.
38. Disposition by Alexander Monteith to John Carre, younger of Cavers, advocate, and his wife Elizabeth (Monteith's eldest daughter), 1711. (Registered 1735).
39. Instrument of Sasine following on 38, 1736.
40. Instrument of Sasine following on 38, 1743.
41. Disposition by John Carre in favour of Hugh Horn of Horn, 1743.
42. Instrument of Sasine following on 41, 1743.
43. Commission by Robert Dalrymple [younger brother of Hugh Horn and afterwards called Horn himself. The name was his mother's maiden name and was adopted because the mother was the heiress of Westhall in Aberdeenshire] in favour of his father Hugh Dalrymple Lord Drummore, and others, 1746.
44. General retour of Robert Dalrymple Horn as heir to his elder brother Hugh Horn, 1747.

45. Disposition by the commissioners of Robert Horn in favour of Agnes Luke and her husband Joseph Williamson advocate, 1748. (Registered, 1767).
46. Instrument of Resignation following on 45, 1748.
47. Royal Charter of Resignation and Confirmation in favour of Robert Horn, 1748.
48. Precept of Clare Constat by Joseph Williamson in favour of Robert Horn, 1748.
49. Instrument of Sasine following on 48, 1748.
50. Instrument of Sasine following on 47, 1748.
51. Ratification and Procuratory of Resignation by Robert Horn in favour of Joseph Williamson, 1748.
52. Instrument of Resignation following on 51, 1748.
53. Special Retour of John Williamson younger of Clerkington as heir of his mother Agnes Luke in the lands of Foxhall, 1767.
54. Royal Precept of Sasine in favour of John Williamson, 1767.
55. Instrument of Sasine following on 54, 1767.
56. Disposition by John Williamson in favour of James Scrimgeour, merchant in Bo'ness, 1767.
57. Instrument of Sasine following on 56, 1767.
58. Inventory of titles to Foxhall compiled 1899, covering the years 1770-1899, and including titles to parts of the lands of Ogilface and Hallyards. The originals of these deeds are not with the collection.

### **BOX 3**

#### Financial Papers:

- Bundle 1. Bonds secured over the lands of Todshaugh, with related papers, 1691-5.

2. Do. 1696-1736, including receipts for feu duty payable to the crown, 1704.
3. Do. 1744-1826.
4. Papers connected with the teinds of Todshaugh, 1618, 1762, 1872.
5. Papers relating to leases principally of the grass parks on Foxhall, 1862, 1864, 1912.

#### **BOX 4**

Reports on the possible presence of shale under Foxhall, 1899. Details of Foxhall estate, and inventories and valuations of the plenishing of the house, 1903-11. Valuation roll entries for the estate 1942-4.

Plans of the estate 1892, n.d.

Miscellaneous papers, 1835, 1863, 1905, 1915, n.d., including a rough list of the proprietors of Foxhall from 1707 to 1903, and the family register of Robert Robb.

Correspondence, 1864-1941, n.d. Subjects include additional works for the North British Railway, 1872, pollution of the River Almond, 1872, and general correspondence concerning the sale of lease of the estate, mostly 1901-17.

## AVONCROOK PAPERS

Miscellaneous legal papers, 1712(copy), 1854, 1938. The first document is a Decreet Arbitral relating to the division of the Moss of Muiravonside, and the last is the lease of the lands at Middlequarter and Woodside for the exploitation of the steatite deposits there.

Miscellaneous plans of Avoncrook, Melonsplace, and Drumbroider, 1897-1940.

Miscellaneous correspondence, 1923-4, 1930, mostly concerning the widening of the road at Torphichen Bridge.

'Avoncrook Chartulary', containing only copies of the feu charter and subsequent notices of change of ownership of John Williamson's feu on Melonsplace, 1886, 1891, 1900, 1921, 1925.