

- a) **Tack of East park.** Broughton to Wm McLambrough 19 years after Whit 1759.  
11 August 1759. (yearly rent of £210 Sterling)
- b) **Renunciation and Assignation** William McLambrough to James Murray Esqr. 1762.
- c) **Parks in Tormick** 15 years after Whit 1777. 12 May 1777.

Mathew Buchanan factor for James Murray Esqr of Broughton..... hereby settts the parks of land after mentioned lying in that part of Fililarg called Tormick to the respective parties after named for fifteen years after Whitsunday next at the Several rents under written, the number of the Parks being reckoned from the Stone dike on the North march of the farm of Gatehouse viz.

Park No 1st at 14 Shillings pr. Acre to Robert Richardson Shoemaker at Gatehouse and James McClellan labourer these equally betwixt them.

Park No 2d - at twelve Shillings Ster. pr. acre To Andrew Carter weaver at Gatehouse and John McTaggart taylor these equally.

Park No 3d - at fifteen Shillings and Sixpence Ster. pr. acre To James Porter Shoemaker at Gatehouse.

Park No 4th at fifteen Shillings and Sixpence pr. acre to David McTaggart taylor at Gatehouse.

Park No 5th at fifteen Shillings and Sixpence Ster. pr. acre To Patrick Hughan .... at Gatehouse.

All the acres to be .... by the measurement of Wm Dunbar in Townhead or any other land Surveyor employed by the heirtor .... The said persons Accordingly accept the said .. .., divisions and engage to pay the above... at the term of Martinmas yearly....

The tenants within the tack to lay over the land with lime not under fifty Carlisle bushels to each acre or with Shells not under twenty Tons each acre: one half of each park to be in pasturage only the last four years of the Let, and the other half to be well dunged the last year The Master is to complete the fencing against the end of this month or as soon thereafter as possible and to give bars for the Gateway into each park: The tenants to keep the hedges consistently clean and the whole fences round the park in annual repair and leave them all in that State and the hedge in a thriving condition at the end of the lease; they are also at their own cost to put up and leave good well going Gates and locks on each park Gateway And to encourage the tenants the rent of the first half year is hereby remitted or given down to them: and therefore they pay the first years rent at Martinmas (1778) .... These presents being written by Mr Buchanan and agreed by all the parties... before John Thomson in Boreland and Robt Milligan Surgeon in Newton Stewart.

- d) **Parks in Bridgend.** 4 Nov. 1778

Sett of the Parks or Inclosures of land formerly possessed by John Bell and called Bridgend and Fordmouth .... For 15 years ... the number of the Parks beginning from George Carsons possession which is marked No. 1 and running Northward.

Park No. 2 at	£1 - 5 - 0	Ster. Pr. acre	Thomas Gordon in Rusco
3	£1 - 0 - 0		Thomas Clark labourer at Gatehouse
4	£1 - 0 - 0		Samuel McKeand in Drumshangan
5	£1 - 0 - 0		Alexander Lillie Joiner at Gatehouse
6	£1 - 3 - 0		John McMin Smith at Gatehouse
7	£1 - 3 - 0		Andrew Carter weaver at Gatehouse
8	£1 - 7 - 0		Alexr Lillie Joiner at Gatehouse
9	£1 - 10 - 0		James Sproat Labourer at Gatehouse represented by Andr Sproat at Goatend his bror.
10	£1 - 10 - 0		John McMin wright at Gatehomse
11	£1 - 10 - 0		James Kirkpatrick wright at Gatehouse

All the Parks have now Sea. Shells laid upon them in heaps computed to be twenty Tons to each acre, but which the tenents are not to Spread in till after the land is first ploughed and harrowed: The Master to have power to clean the hedges when he pleases and the tenents are to pay the wages of the workrnen

so employed to be computed as rent, and the tenants to preserve the hedges in a thriving state and free from n11 Damage. The land is thirled to Miln of Skyreburn .... the tenants ... are bound to leave good going and Sufficient Gates in all the parks at the end of the tack and maintain the fences annually in good repair and in a Sufficient tenantable condition at the expiry of the lease; but the lease of the said John McMin is to be void in case he does not either buy or feu a house from the heritor within Six months from this date..., and liberty is reserved for a road to and from the Harbour and their horses with Coals, thro' the Parks No 9 10 and 11th.....

- e) **Articles and Condition of Roup** for the Lett of a part of the Lands at Cally in the Natural possession of the deceased James Murray Esqr of Broughton at the time of his death to be made by authority of the Trustees named in his Settlement agreeable to Advertisement made in the Dumfries Newspapers and hand bills distributed in Sundry Places.....

for 11 years from the 29th day of September Curr't .... the last and highest offerer shall be preferred....  
The whole fences hedges and ditches shall be put into good order at the Commencement of the lett ..... and the Tenents shall constantly keep and at their removeall shall have in such order the whole fences hedges and ditches .....

The Tenants shall be debarred from Entering into any part of any of the plantations under any pretences whatever and liberty is reserved to the Exposers of free Ingress and Egress into the different plantations at all times and for leading away the wood they may Cut. 3 Sept 1799.

- f) **Lett of Rainton Merseltons and Millerton** to John Sproat tenant in Borness and Thomas Sproat and Hugh Sproat tenants in Brighthouse for 19 years after Michaelmas 1791. 3 Sept 1791

The said James Murray sett's and lett's to the said John Sproat Thomas Sproat and Hugh Sproat .... his park or enclosures of land commonly called Upper and Nether Raintons Mellerton and the two Mersiltons as pointed out to them by his factor... in the parish of Girthon. .... Reserving always the wood park next Boreland and Margrie march with a road to and from the same ....

.... Of Twelve shillings and Sixpence Sterling Yearly for each and every acre ....

The said James Murray agrees as soon as he can conveniently to perform the following articles at his own expense:

- 1st The present dwelling house of Upper Rainton to be raised in the side walls to 14' or near it so as to make it two storeys in height, to be new roofed and slated and new doors and windows so far as the old will not do, and the ground storey to be made comfortable by beards bricks or flags....
- 2nd A new barn to be made in addition to the present one not under 40' by 16' within the walls and 9' high in the side walls and the roof to be of foreign fir covered, with slate
- 3d The ring fences he will also put into a good tenantable condition, and he will also order a dike to be built at the head of the wood park reserved... till it joins the dike from the head of Nether Rainton, and another from the new dike Eastward till it strikes the march dike next Margrie, each of them not less than five quarters in height... and he will likewise direct Drumminnoch bog to be fenced by a ditch or to cut a ditch up the middle as he sees best to relieve it of water, and
- 4th To assist the said tenants to make, open and clean the march drain Mr Murray will allow them £15 sterling out of the first years rent.

.... Mr Murray agrees to give the tenants the liberty of a private road on to the road leading past Boreland farm house for the purpose of access to the Sea Shore and lifting Shells for the improvement of the farm sett so far as shells shall remain after the tenants of Boreland and Ards have supplied themselves with what shells they have occasion for in their possession.

... all wood being reserved to the heritor with liberty to cut char manufacture and carry away the same and again to inclose and fence the young growth on allowing the tenants reasonable damages.... and if at any time Mr Murray chuses to alter the road through his parks and to open a new one through the premises sett or any part thereof he shall be at liberty to do so on payment of damages..... But liberty to cut peats as usual for the possessors of the waulk mill of Enrick, smiths croft of Merselton, and the Little Laganory park and which shall be allowed without damage or mossmail....

The said John Thomas and Hugh Sproats hereby become bound to manage the premises Let according to the following course of husbandry

- 1st That they shall not have more than one fourth part of the arable land in crop in any one year.
- 2d That they shall not take more than three successive crops upon any part of the premises unless the third crop shall be of Peas potatoes or Turnips ..... the same shall be laid down properly with not less than twelve pounds of sufficient red and white clover seeds and not less than two bushels of sufficient rye grass seeds to the acre and after the same is so laid down they shall not take more than one crop of hay yearly and that for two years only, after which it shall be pastured for at least seven years before it is broke up for crop –
- 3d They shall not return upon any ground for crop .... Until they have gone over the whole arable land regularly in the above rotation of crops and they shall break up no Ley ground for Tillage or crop without first sufficiently manuring the same with not less than forty sufficient cart loads of marle or twenty tons of sufficient shells or fifty Carlisle bushels of shell lime to each acre....

The Tenants shall carry what grain is necessary to be ground for their own familys to the Mill of Barlay and for which they shall pay Multures Mill dues and Services as the other tenants in the thirl pay and they shall also carry what other grain they grind to the said mill but for which they shall only pay out in tons multure ....

...The Tenants become bound during the said nineteen years to keep the whole houses dikes ditches and fences made and built or to be made and built ... in constant good order and condition ... all wrote by John Thomson factor to the said James Murray are subscribed by Walter Sloan Laurie Esquire of Redcastle John Bushby sheriff clerk of Dumfries and Matthew Buchanan writer in Kirkcudbright a quorum of the Commissioners of the said James Murray and having power to sign these presents for him..... at Cally the 2nd day of Aug 1791.

- g) Renunciation of Cleughyard by Anthony Heron 13 Oct 1794.
- h) Renunciation Isabel Brown of Little Laganory agst Whit 1796  
25 Decem 1795.

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