

Finnard: The second, Elizabeth, married to Ramsay of Balmain, and afterwards to Ramsay of Dalhousie, and gave an heir to both families.

Janet Bethune, Lady Easter Weems, afterwards married the Earl of Arran, and bore him several children; the eldest of whom was Earl of Arran, Duke of Chatelherault, and Governor of Scotland. The second was Lord Claud; she had also three daughters, married.

David Bethune, First Laird of Criech, lies in the Church of Morkench, under a large marble, covered with a copper-plate, whereupon is engraved:

*"Hic jacit David Bethune de Criech filius Joannis Bethune de Balfour, obit anno 1500."*

His son John, second Laird of Criech, married Janet Hay, daughter to the Provost of Dundee. It is said this Janet was exceedingly beautiful, and that young Criech having fallen in love with her, under promise of marriage, conveyed her away privately to St. Andrew's, he lodged her in a house of that city, and went himself immediately to the Castle to the Archbishop, who was his uncle, told him what he had done, and desired that he might be married to the lady. The Bishop at first refused to marry them, because neither of them had their parents' consent; but being told that she desired to be married, he sent for her to the Castle, and seeing her extremely handsome, and they both being very urgent with him, he made no further scruple to marry them.

The Bishop then wrote letters both to his father and to her father, acquainting them with what he had done, and his motives for doing it. This Lady's portion was six thousand marks, at that time a prodigious sum.

Janet Hay had two sons and four daughters; she was herself one of the greatest beauties of her time, and her daughters were no less handsome. The eldest, Janet, was first married to the Laird of Craigmiller, and after to the Laird of Buccleuch—to whom she bore two daughters, namely, Janet, Lady Borthwick, and Dorothy, Lady Cranston.

The second daughter of Janet Hay, Grissell, was married to Sir Walter Scott, younger of Buccleuch, to whom she bore a son, Walter Scott, of Buccleuch, and daughters. After the death of Sir Walter, Grissell married the Laird of Blackbaronie, and had by him three sons and one daughter, Elizabeth, who married James Bothwick, and bore to him a daughter, who married the Earl of Haddington, by whom she had three daughters, the Lady Lindsay, the Lady Carnegie, and the Lady Ogilvie.

It was by the interest of Grissell Bethune with her cousin, the Cardi-