

tenement, or life-rent, into the hands of the King in favour of Robert Broun, his son, and Katherine Douglas, his spouse, daughter of the deceased John Douglas in Kinneston, 4 March, 1595. (Finderlie Writs.) The "guidman of Kinneistoun" appears to have been a cadet of the House of Lochleven, "Brother to William Douglas of Lochleven," according to Crawford. (Laurus Crawfordiana, MS. 34, 3, 4, Advocates' Library.) As no infeftment followed this resignation, the co-heiresses were afterwards served to Peter Broun, their grandfather, in the said half lands.

Robert Broun, designed eldest lawful son of Peter Broun of Balquharne and Katherine Douglas, his spouse, had sasine of the half lands of Finderlie and lands of Auchingowny, holden of Sauchy, 10 March, 1595. (Finderlie Writs.)

He was in the train of King James VI. at Perth on the tragic denouement of the extraordinary plot known in our history as the Gowrie Conspiracy, 5 August, 1600, and "accumpanyit Johne Hamyltoun to feche the hameris vp to the galry" in Gowrie House, and "past vp the littill black turnepyke, and at his first entrie within the chalmer he saw the erle of Gowrie lyand dead, Thair being at that tyme in company with his majestie, Sr. Thomas Erskene, Sr. Hew Heres, Sr. John Ramsay, and George Wilsoune." (Deposition of Robert Broun, servant to the King, at the trial for the