

BUCKIE DEPOSIT

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Mission Properties; Wills, Legacies + Donations.

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This section differs from PL 5-7 in that it deals with individual mission stations, individual priests and individual laymen rather than with an overall picture of the Mission as a whole. It can be broken down into sub-sections. This was done in accordance with the arrangement of the material as it came to the archives. For instance, there were originally different bundles for wills as such, and for legacies to particular places. In the latter category I have made a distinction between clergy wills and the wills, legacies, etc of laymen.

Of interest are the clergy wills which date back to the late 17th century. Included among clergy wills are outstandingly important lay legacies.

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Mission Property - Tenure + Finance, 1809-74.

1. Rev Charles Gordon, Aberdeen: receipt for interest on a bond granted by John Anstruther to Mrs Felice Bonnet, relict of James Bonnett, 23 Nov 1809
2. Excerpts from sasine in favour of Bishop Paterson of Estate of Blairs, 1827
3. Bp Kyle to Rev Charles Gordon: receipt for balance of sum deposited by John David Gordon of Wardhouse towards building a chapel at Huntly, 24 June 1830
4. Bp Kyle: note of money paid to Sir Charles Gordon, 22 Nov 1834.
5. Bp Kyle to "My Lady Duchess" about her contributions towards Braemar Chapel, and the problem of the debt incurred in building that chapel, 12 Oct 1838, copy
6. Same to [Rev Walter Loni]: deaths of Rev Wm Dundas, Chapelton and Rev Mr Walter, Fort Augustus. The Duchess and the Braemar chapel debt, etc 11 Dec 1838, draft
- 7-9. Rev George Mathison to Duke of [Gordon?]: re lease of Auchinhallow farm, 7 Nov 1840, 3 drafts
10. Bp Kyle to Rev. Charles Gordon: Col. Leslie of Balquhairn's wish that a priest should be settled at Inverurie + serve Fetternear, and his willingness to contribute an allowance, 26 Feb 1849
11. Alexander Forbes:- receipt for £60 borrowed by the committee appointed to repair Dufftown Chapel.
12. Lord Lovat, London to Bp Kyle. He proposes selling his estate of Strichen, but first wants to secure a permanent residence for a priest, and so sends Kyle a few charter for the ground occupied by Rev Wm Thomson. He will also give a site for a chapel at Glassburn, and a long lease of 8 acres of ground round it. 21 Nov 1854
13. Rev John Thomson, Woodside of Strichen to Bp Kyle: his debts; subscriptions received for building chapel at Strichen. 13 Nov 1854
14. Bp Kyle to Lord Lovat. Thanking him for the charter of the farm at Strichen. He agrees with Lovat as to the site for the Glassburn chapel, 25 Nov 1854, copy
15. Formartine + Buchan Railway:- schedule regarding proposed line of railway, which will affect priest's farm at Strichen, 1856
16. Rev George G. Forbes, Ardoch, Glengairn to Bp Kyle: he has been to see Sir Charles Forbes about Corgarff Chapel. He has been given a document which secures to the Church the occupancy of house + garden; the Chapel should have relevant documents from its building. 8 May 1857
17. Sir Charles Forbes: document regarding Church's tenure of house of Tornahaish, Corgarff, 5 May 1857, copy
- 18-20. Bp Kyle: notes on finances of Strichen Chapel. 1865
21. Charles S Leslie, London to Bp Kyle re Fetternear, [1874]
22. Anthony Leslie, Brompton to same: re Fetternear, 4 April 1874
23. Rev Charles Gordon's statement about Eastland; copied by Clapperton in 1893

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2. Obligations + Dispositions: Fochabers Tenement, 1781-1832.

1. Obligation to James Simpson for granting him a Feu Charter upon a Tenement of Ground in New Fochabers, 1781, copy
2. Obligation to John Barclay for granting him a Feu Charter upon a Tenement of Ground in New Fochabers, 1784
3. Disposition and Assignment by John Barclay to Hughlan MacPherson, 1804
4. Disposition and Assignment by Hughlan MacPherson in favour of William MacPherson, 1810
5. Disposition and Assignment by William MacPherson in favour of James Robertson, 1820
6. Disposition and Assignment by James Robertson in favour of James Hay of 1/2 tenement of ground in Fochabers, 1823
7. Disposition and Assignment by James Robertson in favour of William Reid of 1/2 tenement of ground in Fochabers, 1826
8. Disposition by William Hay Esq. in favour of William Paterson, 1828
9. Disposition and Assignment by William Reid to Ann Cowie, 1828
10. Disposition by William Paterson to George Taylor, 1831.
11. Disposition and Assignment by George Taylor in favour of Ann Cowie, 1832

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Dispositions, etc., Fochabers Tenement, 1836-62

1. General Disposition and Deed of Settlement by Mrs Ann Bennet or Cowie, 1836
2. Copy of above Disposition + Settlement
3. Disposition by Miss Helen Cowie in favour of Mrs Margaret Gordon + Spouse, 1841
4. Minute explanatory of Miss Cowie's feu in the town of Fochabers, 1841
5. Inventory of the title deeds of property in Fochabers belonging to Miss Helen Cowie, 1841
6. Bond and Disposition in Security: Mrs Margaret Gordon and Miss Margaret Gordon to N N Gordon, 1855
7. Alex Marquis, Fochabers to Wm R Gordon, Banff returning a Disposition by Mrs + Miss Gordon, March 1856
8. Disposition and Assignment by Mrs Margaret MacNab or Gordon and Miss Margaret Gordon in favour of William Robert Gordon, 1856
9. Insurance Policy taken out by Wm R Gordon for house in Fochabers, 1856
10. Copy Inventory of title deeds of property in Fochabers belonging to Wm R Gordon, 1862.
11. Disposition by Wm R Gordon to Bishop James Kyle and others 1862.

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Investments in Fochabers Property, 1841-75

1. William Dawson, Inverness to Bp MacDonald : the houses in Fochabers in which Association and other monies are rested, 5 Nov 1871
2. William Clapperton and others: declaration regarding the above Fochabers property and its future trustees, n.d., copy.
3. William Clapperton: account of money invested in Fochabers property, 1862 - 75, copied from the original entries, [1875]

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Edinburgh Chapel, 1814-16

1. Account: By Cameron and other Trustees of The Chapel for completing titles to purchase from Mr + Mrs Reid, to Messrs Mackenzie + Innes, WS, 1814
2. Account as above for security granted Mr Mackenzie of Pitpoddels for loan, 1813-15.
3. Account: By Cameron and others with Messrs Mackenzie + Innes, WS, 1814-15
4. Procurator's account with the chapel from 26 Sept 1815 to 1 Aug 1816

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Preshome Organ: letters to Wm Reid, 1819-22

1. Alexander Badenoch, Preshome to [?]: he can't attend Triennial Meeting; his proposed new organ - its positioning in the chapel, etc, 18 Aug 1819
2. Same to William Reid asking him to order an organ; he gives detailed specifications of the type; and instructions re payment, 21 Sept 1819
3. Same to same: instructions as to various payments, etc, 3 Nov 1819
4. Same to same: has he ordered the organ yet? 1 Dec 1819
5. William Reid, Edinburgh to Alexander Badenoch: he has ordered the organ from Mr Wood and it is being built. Agreement as to payment. 6 Dec 1819, copy
6. Alex. Badenoch to [William Reid]; various money matters; can the organ makers set up and tune the instrument for a fixed sum along with delivery. Insurance of organ during its transportation, 17 Feb 1820
7. Same to same: problems regarding the organ makers' arrangements, 19 April 1820
8. Same to same: the organ company is on the brink of bankruptcy so they must secure the organ before paying for it, 21 April 1820
9. James Bennett, Edinburgh to William Reid advising securing delivery of organ before the firm's bankruptcy is declared, in which case it's safe to pay. Even after bankruptcy is declared the contract should be fulfilled by the firm. 28 April 1820
10. Alexander Badenoch to same: the organ is almost finished, 8 May 1820
11. George Gordon, Aberdeen to same: his + Mr Badenoch's organs are set up now, 18 Aug 1820
12. George Mathison, Auchinhallow to same: money matters; Preshome organ. 6 Sept 1820
13. Alex. Badenoch to same: money matters, including balance due on organ, 6 Nov 1820
14. George Gordon, Keilhock to same: his organ music's publication; settling of organ accounts; copyright on music; etc, 20 March 1821
15. Alex. Badenoch to same: money matters; paying for the organ; NE news; 1 May 1821
16. Same to [same]; he must move his organ to a new situation; 26 March 1822

7 Ballogie: building of Chapel at Boggieshiel, 1814-16

1. Henry Innes, Balnacraig to Bp Cameron: regarding Deecastle and the settlement of Mr Thomson in the neighbourhood of Ballogie at Boggieshiel. He suggests that Deecastle remain a mission station and also building a house and chapel at Boggieshiel, 17 Sept 1814
2. William Thomson, Ballogie to Bp Cameron, Edinburgh asking him to answer Mr Innes's letter. The only objectionable thing in the offer is the proprietor's reservation of pasturing rights in the adjoining park, 6 Nov 1814
3. John Gordon, Blair to same commenting on the ground at Boggieshiel proposed for chapel and croft for priest, and on the conditions of the lease, 12 Nov 1814
4. Henry Innes, Balnacraig to same: reducing the rent in kind payable by the priest, due to the small acreage of land available. If Cameron agrees he will have to release some of Innes's Fund so that building can begin, 12 Nov 1814
5. William Thomson to same: he's caught between Innes + Cameron in this matter of Boggieshiel. He himself doesn't think the terms of lease are acceptable. 14 Nov 1814
6. Henry Innes to same: why has he not replied to the offer of a more comfortable place for Mr Thomson? He wants to start building, 20 Jan 1815.
7. Same to same hoping Cameron will come and inspect the buildings at Boggieshiel, which are already roofed. He needs money towards the building, 24 Sept 1815
8. Same to same: he has not yet had money from Cameron for Boggieshiel, nor has he taken up its lease, 31 Dec 1816.

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Ballogie Mission, 1824 - 33

1. Henry Innes, Balnacraig to John Forbes, Banff : proposition that Robert Stuart be appointed priest to the Ballogie Mission. Suggestion now that Mr Forbes would be a suitable appointment, 29 June 1824
2. Same: Proposal that a sum of money be invested, interest to go towards the support of a priest at Boggiestiel, now vacant, 21 Nov 1824
3. Copy of the last will and testament of Elizabeth Innes of Balnacraig, found and examined 18 Feb 1829
4. Henry Innes to Bp Paterson, Edinburgh. He cannot cope with looking after the local Catholics as he is old; he wants a successor appointed. He is giving up the property of Balnacraig to Mr Innes of Ballogie. Can his nephew William be taken care of at Blair or with a priest? 23 Feb 1829
5. Same to Bp Kyle; he has sent him a copy of his will, etc, 29 Feb 1832
6. Same to same: regarding Robert Stuart's successor at Ballogie Mission, Boggiestiel at present shelters a whisky smuggler plus family. Money matters. 31 March 1832.
7. Lewis Innes, Ballogie to Bp Kyle: pleased that a priest is being sent to Ballogie. Mr Henry Innes is too old for pastoral duties. The Mission has not been paying the rent due on Boggiestiel, 10 April 1832
8. Messrs Gordon + Burnett, W.S.: - Fees of Bond, Bishop Kyle etc to Rev Mr Innes, May 1832
9. Lewis Innes, Blair to James Sharp, Blairs: receipt for rent for Boggiestiel for 15 years arrears. 12 July 1832
10. Henry Innes, Ballogie to Bp Kyle: approving a proposed bond, 6 July 1832
11. Draft of Henry Innes's will, June 1831.
12. "Copy of the testament of the Rev. Henry Innes who died at Ballogie, 11 Nov 1833"
13. Minute at opening the Repositories of Rev Henry Innes, Ballogie, 20 Nov 1833; copy, with letter to Bp Kyle appended.
14. Note of Ballogie money, n.d.

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Balgogie Mission: Access to Boggieshiel, 1852, (Sept - Nov)

1. Francis Cochran, advocate, Aberdeen to William Mann, Balgogie: Mr Nicol, new owner of Balgogie requires possession of Boggieshiel at Whitsunday, 30 Sept 1852
2. Same to Bp Kyle: notice to quit Boggieshiel, 30 Sept 1852
3. Donald Carmichael, Balgogie to Bp Kyle: sending his account with Kyle + with Mann; the legacies he wishes to make; the laird has barred "foot passengers from the Porter-lodge gate". 4 Oct 1852
4. Bp Kyle, Presbiter to Francis Cochran querying the foreclosure of the 99 year lease on Boggieshiel, 4 Oct 1852, copy
5. Donald Carmichael to Bp Kyle: Mr Nicol has given orders to have the gate on the only road leading to Boggieshiel built up. This will render the house uninhabitable unless another road is made. Legal steps to stop Nicol are needed. 5 Oct 1852
6. Same to same: Mr Mann's sale went well. The cleric has orders to build up the gate as soon as Mann leaves. If that happens the congregation say they'll pull it down. 7 Oct 1852
7. Francis Cochran to same: lease is not binding on the new owner, as he is not a Catholic, 7 Oct 1852
8. Bp Kyle to [Cochran] disputing his interpretation of the lease, 9 Oct 1852, draft.
9. Donald Carmichael to Bp Kyle: an interdict has been served on Donald MacDonald regarding the road to the chapel + house. 9 Nov 1852.
10. Francis Cochran to same: Mr Nicol has procured an interdict to stop people from trespassing on his private property. There is access to the chapel from the public road without going through Nicol's grounds. Validity of the lease. 9 Nov 1852
11. J + A Blackie, Aberdeen to Captain Kyle, Bingham: they have instructed Stodart MacDonald regarding Mr Nicol. 11 Nov 1852
12. Bp Kyle to Francis Cochran: a right of way has been established along the now disputed road, 12 Nov 1852, copy
13. Donald Carmichael to Bp Kyle. His valuation of Boggieshiel Croft, house + chapel. His settlement with Mr Mann. The proposed new road would go through the whole length of a cultivated field, belonging to Boggieshiel.
14. Alexander Kyle, Bingham to James [Kyle] about Mr Nicol's irrational behaviour, 13 Nov 1852
15. William Thomson, Ayr to Bp Kyle: he never received a lease or any paper regarding Boggieshiel. He stayed at Deer Castle. 16 Nov 1852
16. Donald Carmichael to Bp Kyle: the laird has commenced the new road. A more convenient place should be found for the priest. 20 Nov 1852
17. Same to same. The laird is insisting that the congregation use the new "road" which ends in a bank + a dyke, 22 Nov 1852

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Ballogie Mission. Renunciation of lease on Boggiessiel, 1852-54.

1. Copy letter: Rev Wm Thomson, Ayr to Mr MacDonald, W.S., Edinburgh roads to Boggiessiel. Previous access disputes with proprietor. Priest who served the district around Ballogie. 22 Nov 1852
2. Francis Cochran to Bp Kyle: interdict against people going through Mr Nicol's private grounds, approaches or gates, 23 Nov 1852
3. Same to Donald Carmichael: intimation of above interdict, 23 Nov 1852
4. Answers for Donald Macdonald residing at Haugh of Sluie to Note of Suspension + Interdict for James Dyce Nicol Esq of Ballogie, 25 Nov 1852
5. James D Nicol, Ballogie to Donald Carmichael referring him to Mr Cochran who is acting for him in the legal proceedings, 29 Nov 1852
6. Donald Carmichael to Mr Nicol: he has been prevented from using the old road to Boggiessiel + pointed out the road round Mr Nicol's garden as being the correct one to use. The new road being built is very inconvenient, and follows an unsuitable route, 29 Nov 1852
7. Messrs J + A Blaikie to Bp Kyle appending copy of letter from Stodart MacDonald: there is a lack of information about access, etc, 6 Dec 1852
8. J. D. Nicol, London to Bp Kyle offering him £200 to renounce the lease on Boggiessiel, 11 Dec 1852
9. Same to same: as they cannot agree to a price he acquiesces in allowing the matter to be settled by arbitration. He can offer an alternative site for house + chapel at Bridge of Potarch, 14 Jan 1853
10. Same, Ballogie to same: He will now accept the terms offered by Kyle in 1852 for relinquishment of Boggiessiel lease (£600), 25 Oct 1856
11. Bp Kyle to [Mr Nicol] asking for formal documentation of the termination of the lease of Boggiessiel, 26 March 1857, copy
12. Same: renunciation of lease of Boggiessiel, 1854, draft
13. Fair copy of above.

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Ballogie Mission: Move from Boggiessiel to Birse, 1853-60 (vouchers etc)

1. Receipt for rent, road money, etc., 1853
- 2-3 Vouchers for assessments, 1856-57
- 4 Voucher: expense of renunciation by Bp Kyle + others to Mr Nicol, 1857
- 5 Account of sale of the effects belonging to the house, Upper Boggiessiel, Whitsunday 1857
- 6 Copy offer: Rev William Laggie to Francis Farquharson Esq q Finzean for ground proposed for chapel and house. 9 May 1857
- 7 Messrs Smith + Cochran, Aberdeen to Bp Kyle regarding the renunciation in Mr Nicol's favour, 23 May 1857
- 8 Note of expense connected with pen charter by Francis Farquharson q Finzean in favour of the trustees of the Roman Catholic chapel at Tillenteach, 1857
- 9-23 Vouchers re building house, chapel, etc at Tillenteach, 1857-59
- 24 Account of cost of erecting chapel + chapel house at Tillenteach, Birse, 1858-59, seven pp.
- 25 Account of furnishings bought at sale - New Mill Lodge, Birse, 1858
- 26 Receipt for payment of last installment for building + furnishing chapel and chapel house, 11 Jan 1860

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Annuity for Mr John Reid, 1804-10

1. Bishops and procurator to Mr John Reid, Preshome agreeing to provide Mr Reid with an annuity if he renounces all claim to the Preshome property, 13 Aug 1804
2. Copy of above with an additional clause added by Dr Cameron.
3. Bishops Hay and Cameron to Mr Reid obliging themselves to pay Mr Reid an annuity on condition of Mr Reid's relinquishing all claims on Preshome - 14 Aug 1804, copy.
- 4-5 Drafts of above letter
6. John Reid, Preshome to the Bishops thanking them for the annuity and renouncing all claims on Preshome, 15 Aug 1804
7. Bond of annuity, Bishops Hay & Cameron to Mr John Reid, 1806, original, on stamped paper.
8. Copy of above bond sent to Mr Reid
9. John Reid, Aberdeen to Charles Maxwell, Edinburgh: his sister has some money which she wants to sink in an annuity. Can Maxwell advise her? Can he also find a situation in Edinburgh with a lawyer for Blairfindy's son? 6 June 1810.

The following documents relate to various money and property concerns. They include loans to individual priests; and inventories made when incumbents were moved from one mission station to another, or died.

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Obligations and Inventories, 1792-1843

1. William Reid, Park: acknowledging to have received furniture from his predecessor at Park, ... 31 May 1792
2. William MacDonald, Aiguhorties, binding himself to make over to Bp Hay or his successors the house and chapel of Auchindoun, Cabrach, 18 July 1806
3. Valuation of office houses, Auchindrine, Braemar; and acceptance of valuation by Colin Grant and Evan MacEachen, Feb 1818
4. List of articles consigned to Mr MacNaughten, Braes of Glenlivet, Chaptown Mission, including silver plate and chapel furnishings etc, 22 Dec 1829 [includes chalice presented by Leo XII]
5. Inventory and valuation of the Effects of the late Rev John Geddes, Perth, 2 Feb 1832
6. Inventory of the personal estate of John Geddes, 1832, copy
7. Obligation by Mr MacNaughten relative to putting in repair the property and fence at Chaptown, 11 June 1833.
8. John MacEachlan, Huntly to Bp Kyle making over to him all the furniture etc belonging to him in Huntly Chapel House, 21 May 1838
9. Bp Kyle, Preshome to Charles Gordon: in consideration of the above statement by John MacEachlan he has agreed to pay him £6 per annum, 1838, draft.

10. Inventory of cash and effects of the late Philip MacRae, 24 Oct 1842.
11. Bp Kyle, Fochabers to Miss Margaret Mathison: obligation to pay her an annuity and life possession of house in consideration of benefits conferred by the late George Mathison, her brother, on the Mission, 8 April 1842, draft.
12. Same to Miss Dawson, Auchinhalrig: obligation to pay yearly interest on money she has lent him, 30 May 1843
13. Inventory of articles at Braemar, Dec 1843
14. Walter Loui, Braemar to Bp Kyle: receipt for £65 being the full price of the articles in the above inventory, and contained in the priest's house and premises, Braemar, 27 Dec 1843

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Obligations, Valuations, etc: 1845 - 52 (Portsay, Dufftown, Ballogie, etc.)

1. Charles Gordon, Ballogie to Bp Kyle: obligation on receipt of loan re payment of interest (repayment of principal). 23 June 1845
2. Bp Kyle, Preshome to Angus Mackenzie: approving of his establishing Catechists but the money left by his uncle can only be used as he specified: ie to support the Inverness priest, 30 Aug 1845
3. Angus Mackenzie, Eskdale to Bp Kyle: can he have the interest that he had in Inverness until June, 24 Dec 1845
4. Bp Kyle to Angus Mackenzie: he may have the interest for the moment. The financial problems of Inverness mission, 7 Jan 1846
5. John MacDonald: inventory of the effects of the late Angus Mackenzie of Eskdale, n.d.
6. James MacNaughten: making over to Bp Kyle, for the price as in the appended inventory, of the furniture in Chapel House, Portsay 2 Dec 1845
7. Another copy of above inventory, without MacNaughten's agreement added.
8. James MacNaughten to Bp Kyle: receipt for money to the value of furniture etc as in above inventory, 3 Dec 1845
9. Valuation of furniture in Chapel House, Portsay, 4 Dec 1847.
10. Valuation and inventory of furniture, etc, Chapel House, Braemar, + farm. 10 Aug 1848
11. Dufftown Catholics to Bp Kyle guaranteeing to give Mr Gallagher a yearly income of £35 and to furnish his house, 15 Jan 1849, copy
12. P. Kemp, Dufftown to Bp Kyle: obligation to leave the Chapel House at Dufftown in the same good order as when he came and to pay his successor £30 or give him furniture, 16 Dec 1850
13. John MacPherson, Blairs to Charles Gordon, Aberdeen regarding the latter's gift of a chalice to Blairs, 25 June 1851
14. Bp Kyle to Donald Carmichael: the Ballogie furniture etc belongs to Mr Mann personally. Compensation will have to be arranged, 11 Aug 1852
15. Same to same: Ballogie settlement, 5 Nov 1852
16. Same to same: Ballogie settlement, 9 Nov 1852, draft
17. Bp Kyle in account with Donald Carmichael re Ballogie, Nov 1852
18. Donald Carmichael, Ballogie to Bp Kyle regarding the Ballogie interest; necessary repairs, his own personal affairs, 9 Nov 1852.
19. Bp Kyle to Donald Carmichael: Ballogie matters, etc, 12 Nov 1852
20. Bp Kyle to Donald Carmichael on seat rents, 12 Nov 1852, copy of part of letter made by Wm Clapperton.
21. Valuation of articles belonging to Banff Chapel House, 5 Feb 1852.

Obligations, Valuations, etc 1853-62 (Strichen, Kintail, Auchinhalrig etc)

1. Charles Gordon, Tombae to Robert Stuart: receipt for loan, 18 July 1853.
2. Valuation of articles left at Woodside of Strichen by Rev John Thomson, Martinmas 1854, Kyle's hand.
3. Draft of above valuation
4. John MacPherson, Blairs to Bp Kyle sending receipt for letter of credit. Building work at Blairs, 16 Feb 1855
5. Same to same: formal receipt for legacy from Donald Carmichael to Blairs, 16 Feb 1855
6. William Loggie, Ballagie to Bp Kyle acknowledging loan and obliging himself to repay it, 26 March 1855
7. William Smith, Strichen: receipt for furniture, cattle etc valued at £80, and obligation to repay that amount in cash + kind on leaving that Mission Station, 1 May 1855, copy
8. Bp Kyle to [?]: repayment of loan; loan for furnishing Peterhead; 27 March 1855
9. Same: memorandum concerning the furniture etc belonging to Banff Mission, 3 Sept 1856
10. Same to the Duchess of Leeds about the money she gave to build a chapel in Kintail. The reasons for delay in building. 29 June 1857, copy
11. Same to James Lamont who threatens to leave Glassburn for another place of residence to the detriment of that mission, 9 Nov 1857, draft.
12. Inventory and valuation of furniture & effects of the late Rev William Laven, Auchinhalrig, 3 Feb 1859.
13. Bp Kyle to Margaret Dawson, Fochabers: obligation to pay her an annuity, 23 June 1859, copy
14. Donald Mackenzie, Stratherrick to Bp Kyle: receipt for £30 to be repaid on his removal from that mission; together with inventory of furniture brought from Glenmoriston to Stratherrick, 22 Feb 1860
15. John Thomson, Elgin to Bp Kyle: receipt for money which includes the last balance of debt owed by Wm Smith of Strichen, 18 Nov 1861
16. D. MacRae, Braemar to Bp Kyle. Mr Grant has wound up his affairs in Braemar and had a sale of his effects. He bought from MacRae some farm animals etc. and encloses an account of his outlay, 27 Oct 1862
17. Charles MacDonald, Tombae to Bp Kyle: he agrees with Mr Glenrie's statement of his debt to Mr Stuart's estate. 21 May 1862.
18. Same to same sending signed acknowledgements, and agreeing to Kyle's arrangements re his debt. 30 May 1862.

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Obligations and Inventories, 1863-76 (Fetternear, Nairn, Kintail, etc)

1. Bp Kyle to Charles MacDonald, Tombae re Miss Anne Stuart's Benefaction
of £110 to Tombae Mission, 2 July 1863, copy
2. Charles Leslie, Derbyshire to Bp Kyle about providing a house and an annuity if Kyle establishes a permanent priest at Fetternear, who does not have extensive duties outside that place. He would also endow Inverness chapel so that it could have a separate priest, 14 Nov 1864
3. Donald Mackenzie to Bp Kyle: receipt for £20 to help him furnish the Chapel House at Nairn, n.d.
- 4-5 Inventory + valuation of Mr Chisholm's effects, Beauly Chapel House, 30 June 1865
- 6 Alexander Bisset, Preshome to Bp Kyle: receipt for loan to assist him at his entry on the Mission of Kintail, 12 June 1865
- 7 Inventory and valuation of furniture + effects of Rev Donald Mackenzie, Nairn, 10 Nov 1867
- 8 John Cameron to Bp Kyle: receipt for furniture etc at Nairn Chapel House, valued as above, which he obliges himself to hand over to his successor, 10 Nov 1867
- 9 Inventory + valuation of furniture, etc of Rev Mr Chisholm, Beauly, 2 Dec 1867
- 10 William Smith, Strichen to Bp Kyle: acknowledgement of receipt for £251 to enable him to buy a property for the Catholics of Turriff, and which debt Turriff owes Strichen, 7 June 1870
- 11 J. Kemp, Dufftown to Mr Farquhar: the ciborium he sent for use of Strichen belongs to the Dufftown Mission which must get it back, 31 July 1874, copy -
12. William Fraser to John Kemp regarding the settlement of the mission's property on change of incumbent, 6 June 1876

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Mission Property - Inventories, Management, etc., 1849-93

1. Copy account: Bp John Mac Donald + others, trustees of the Roman Catholic Mission, Dufftown with Messrs Cochran + Anderson, advocates, Aberdeen, 1879
2. Inventory and valuation of household furniture, etc, Chapel House, Inverurie, 18 Jan 1882
3. Rev Charles Mac Donald, Inverurie to Rev William Clapperton; Elgin inventory; his discharge on leaving Tombe re inventory, etc, and the finances pertaining thereto, 29 Oct 1886
4. Rev Charles Tochetti, Sussex to [?] about the position regarding Balgawan, 25 June 1888
5. Same to same: their rights to have a say in the management of Blaik estate, 30 June 1888
6. Rev John Sutherland, Huntly to Bp Angus Mac Donald, Oban regarding the position of Balgawan Trust, 16 Sept 1888, copy
7. Same to Messrs Cochran + MacPherson: management of Balgawan, 29 Oct 1888
8. Same to Bp Hugh Mac Donald: Mrs Kay's legacy to Abeyne; 24 Nov 1891
9. Same: Memorandum on Balgawan, n.d.
10. Bp Hugh Mac Donald to Rev John Sutherland: plan for new houses at Woodside of Strichen, 25 June 1892.
11. Rev John Sutherland: Memorandum on the Woodside Property, 27 June 1892
12. Same, Memorandum on Forhaber Property, 14 Aug n.d.
13. Rough pencil notes on Balgawan, n.d.
14. Rev Charles Gordon's statement about Eastlands, 1893, Clapperton's hand.

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Letters from Rev George Wilson, Clava to Rev John Sutherland, Huntly, 1891-92

1. Mrs Kay's legacy to Abeyne; disputes at removals; better if administrators dealt with the money matters of all the missions; problem of getting returns from missions on mass celebrations; the family at Pitmedden; etc 19 Nov 1891
2. Marydale returns; the position of Balgawan, and Miss Benton's claims. 22 Nov 1891
3. Miss Benton's claim for payment for grass at Balgawan; other matters re Balgawan, such as lease of Threshing mill, etc, 29 Nov 1891
4. Further on Miss Benton and Balgawan, 4 Dec 1891
5. Miss Benton and Balgawan; 12 Dec 1891
6. Miss Benton's claims; valuation of estate of Dunecht; etc, 31 Dec 1891
7. Their agent's lack of competence in the Balgawan matter; Marydale's "queer letter", etc, 12 Jan 1892

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Mission Property - Finances, Management, etc., 1894 - 1905

1. Excerpt from letter from Rev John Sutherland, and copy letter from Mrs Reid; Upper Assam, re accommodation for Mr Emslie's griee, Jan 1894
2. H Campbell, Airlie to Rev John Sutherland about Mr Emslie's taking away part of his uncle's accommodation to give to the griee, 4 Jan 1894
3. Same to Rev George Wilson, Clava; sorry about Father Sutherland's death; and explaining his uncle's situation at Balgawan, 12 Jan 1894
4. Messrs Cochran + MacPherson, Aberdeen to Rev George Wilson about allowing Mr Emslie's griee to occupy part of the house tenanted by Joseph Benton. 12 Jan 1894
5. Rev George Wilson to Mr Stapani: Emslie has been famous for underhand dealing and should have nothing to do with Joseph's house, 15 Jan 1894
6. Rev William Clapperton, Buckie to Canon Wilson: he is against the sale of Airlie + against the sale of the whole estate, 5 Feb 1894
7. Rev Charles Tochetti, Woodside to same: he is against selling part of or all the estate, 5 Feb 1894.
8. W. Considine, Edinburgh to Bp of Aberdeen: the Stonehaven Endowment Fund of £2,500 is to be repaid at the Whitsunday term, 14 Feb 1895
9. Same to same sending copy of their letter to Rev James Stewart, Stonehaven about securing a fresh heritable investment for the £2,500 loan, 18 Feb 1895
10. Inventory and valuation of household furniture belonging to Canon MacDonald, Chapel House, Inverurie, 18 July 1905

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Tombae - Endowments, etc., 1910-13

1. Rev William Stuart, Tombae to Canon Wilson: insurance premiums, 7 March 1910, with copy reply written underneath.
2. Same to same: Tombae collections; obligation money; payment of Col. Smith's Trust money to incumbent; various other endowments, etc. 13 April 1913
3. Rev Geo. Nicol, Torry to Canon Wilson about arrangements for removals for the coming term; and agreeing that Father Stuart should get a post-payment of Col. Smith's Tombae fund, 8 May 1913
4. Rev Wm Stuart to Canon Wilson, regarding Tombae endowments; Col. Smith's benefaction, etc, 9 May 1913
5. Rev George Nicol to Rev Wm Stuart about taking over from Stuart at Tombae, 11 May 1913
6. Canon Wilson to [Rev Wm Stuart] about pre- and post-payments of Special Funds, 12 May 1913; draft
7. Same to Rev George Nicol, Tombae sending cheque with breakdown of its component payments, Whitsunday 1913, copy
8. Rev Wm Stuart, Tombae to Canon Wilson: making formal claim to various endowments, 13 May 1913
9. Rev George Nicol, Tombae to same: about the different Tombae monies, 10 June 1913
10. Canon Wilson to Father Stuart: Tombae and Beauly endowments, 13 Aug 1913, copy
11. Rev Wm Stuart, Beauly to Canon Wilson wanting a dispensation for a mixed marriage. Obligation money of Beauly Mission; payment of insurance premium; disputed endowments, 14 Sept 1913
12. Canon Wilson to Father Stuart granting dispensation, etc 15 Sept 1913, copy

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Sale of Woodside, Strichen, 1912-13

1. Canon George Wilson: Inventory of Strichen deeds, 12 Dec 1912
2. F. J. R. Anderson, Fraserburgh to Father Wiseman, Fraserburgh: Mr Young stands by the £800 offered. Arrangement of entry, etc. 10 July 1913
3. Inventory of Strichen deeds, with receipt by Mr Anderson noted below, 16 July 1913
4. F. J. R. Anderson to Canon Wilson thanking him for sending Woodside title deeds. He is now preparing Draft Disposition, 16 July 1913
5. Same to same sending Draft Disposition + returning titles, 23 July 1913
6. Same to same sending engrossment of Disposition for signature, 26 July 1913
7. Same to same sending State for Settlement of purchase price; Practical arrangements regarding entry, etc, 28 July 1913

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- 8 F. J. R. Anderson to Canon Wilson sending a cheque for balance brought out in discharged State for Settlement and requesting the return to him of the title deeds and draft disposition, 1 Aug 1915
- 9 Fotherwise man: memorandum on handing over the Deeds of Disposition, signed by the Bishop to Mr Anderson [Aug 1915]

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Chapeltown Finances, 1915

1. Canon Wilson: note of payments made to Rev John Mc Bain, Martinmas 1914; and date he left Chapeltown, 1915.
2. Same: note of payments due to Chapeltown at Whitsunday 1915
3. Same: note of payments due to Chapeltown at Whitsunday 1915, with more detailed explanation than in (2) above
4. Statement of funds payable to priest in charge of Chapeltown Mission by Treasurer of Diocese at Whitsunday 1915.
5. Rev George Wiseman, Chapeltown to Canon Wilson regarding Chapeltown interests. Dates of previous incumbants' periods at Chapeltown, Father Mc Bain's finances and Chapeltown roup; etc, 15 July 1915
6. Same to same re Chapeltown payments, 20 July 1915
7. John + W.G. Craigen, Aberdeen: to Canon Wilson: Chapeltown payments and Rev John Mc Bain's affairs, 22 July 1915
8. Same to same: further on Rev John Mc Bain's affairs, 27 July 1915
9. Rev. George Wiseman, Chapeltown to Canon Wilson: when will the money settlement for Chapeltown be forwarded? He has had to pay teachers' salaries out of his private bank account. What masses have to be said at Chapeltown? 9 Aug 1915
10. Canon Wilson: note about George MacLachlan's trust, James MacLachlan Smith, Salterhill, Factor, n.d. Faud enclosed with (9) above.
11. John + W.G. Craigen to Canon Wilson. Chapeltown affairs:- payments due to Father Mc Bain; Father Wiseman's position. 2 Sept 1915

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Mission Finances 1923

1. Rev Alex Thomson, Inverurie to Procurator, Aberdeen diocese, sending I.O.U. for proceeds of sale of furniture belonging to Mission, 28 Feb 1923
2. Same to same: I.O.U. for £30, 28 Feb 1923
3. Bp Acneas Chisholm, Aberdeen to [same]: the Inverness £800; and the nuns' inability to pay interest. Disputed Tombae legacies. 13 Oct 1923