



CLAN DRUMMOND

ARMS	Or, three bars wavy Gules
CREST	On a crest coronet Or, a goshawk, wings displayed Proper, armed and belled Or, jessed Glues
MOTTO	Virtutem coronat honos (Honor crowns virtue)
On Compartment	Gang warily
SUPPORTERS	(on a compartment é of caltrops Proper) Two savages wreathed about the head and middle with oak-leaves all Proper, each carrying a baton Sable on his exterior shoulder
STANDARD	Azure. A St Andrew's Cross Argent in the hoist and of two tracts Or and Gules semée of caltrops Argent, upon which is depicted the rest in the first compartment, the sleuthhound Badge in the second compartment, and a holly leaf Proper in the third compartment, along with the Motto 'Gang warily' in letters Or upon two transverse bands wavy Sable
PINSEL	Gules, bearing upon a Crest coronet of four (three visible) strawberry leaves Or the above Crest within a strap of cuir brunatre buckled and embellished Or, inscribed with this Motto 'Virtutem coronat honos' in letters of the Field, all within a circlet also Or, bearing this title 'An Drumenach Mor' in letters also of the Field, the same ensigned with an Earl's coronet, and in an Escrol Or surmounting a leaf of holly Proper this slogan 'Gang warily' in letters of the field
BADGES	1. A sleuth-hound passant Argent, collared and leashed Gules, (the leash shown refluxed over its back) 2. A caltrop Argent
PLANT BADGE	Holly

One of the families residing on the edge of the Highlands, the Drummonds have always played a prominent part in Scottish affairs. The parish of Drymen lies to the west of Stirling and appears to have derived its name from the Gaelic, 'dromainn', meaning a 'ridge' or 'high ground'. The traditional legend narrates that the first nobleman to settle at Drymen was Hungarian, having accompanied Edgar the Aetheling and his two sisters to Scotland in 1067 on their flight from William the Conqueror. The royal fugitives were warmly received by Malcolm III, who married one of the royal sister, Margaret, later to be made a saint. The first chief appearing in written records was Malcolm Beg, Chamberlain of Lennox, who married Ada, the daughter of the Earl of Lennox and who died some time prior of 1260. Gilbert de Dromund of Dumbarton appears on the Ragmann Roll of Scottish noblemen submitting to Edward I of England in 1296. Malcolm de Drummond also swore fealty to Edward at this time. Despite this, the Drummonds firmly supported the cause of Bruce and Scottish Independence, and after the Battle of Bannockburn the king bestowed upon them lands in Perthshire, It is supposed that the four-spiked pieces of iron called 'caltrops', which form part of the heraldic emblems of the Drummonds, allude to Sir Malcolm's promotion of the use of these weapons, which were highly destructive of the English cavalry.

In 1357, Annabella Drummond married, John, High Steward of Scotland, later Robert III, and she exercised considerable influence over her husband. Sir John Drummond rose to great power during the reigns of James III and IV. He was created a peer with the title of 'Lord Drummond' in 1488. A title borne today by the present chief. In one famous incident he was confined in Blackness Castle for having struck the Lord Lyon, King of Arms, for allegedly slighting his grandson, the Red Earl of Angus, and was only released a year later. His son, David Drummond, also fell foul of royal justice after a feud with another family resulted in his violation of the right of sanctuary. He did not escape with imprisonment, and instead paid with his life.

Around this time the Drummonds built a new castle at Concraig, and named it Drummond Castle. It is now the Scottish seat of the Earls of Ancaster, whose family name is Drummond-Willoughby. James, the fourth Lord Drummond, was created Earl of Perth in 1605.

The family were staunch supporters of the Stuart kings, both during their quarrels with Parliament and after the exile of James VII. The third Earl joined the Marquess of Montrose in August 1645 and was taken prisoner at Philiphaugh the following month. James, the fourth Earl, was appointed Lord High Chancellor of Scotland in June 1684. On the accession of James VII he openly declared himself a Catholic, and enjoyed high royal favor. He was one of the founder knights at the revival of the Order of the Thistle in 1687. When James abdicated, the Edinburgh mob plundered the earl's town house and he himself became a prisoner for nearly four years in Stirling Castle. He was freed in 1693 and went to Rome. He was summoned to France by his king, who bestowed upon him the Order of the Garter and raised him to the rank of Duke of Perth. His brother, the Earl of Melfort, also one of the founder knights of the Order of the Thistle, was with the king during his campaign in Ireland in 1690. The brothers so impressed their French hosts that their duchesses were accorded the jealously guarded right to sit in the royal presence. James Drummond, later the second Duke, was one of the first to join in the rising of 1715. He formed a daring plan to seize Edinburgh Castle and commanded Jacobite horde at the Battle of Sheriffmuir. He escaped to France and his estates were forfeited. The third Duke joined Bonnie Prince Charlie on his arrival at Perth in September 1745. He followed his prince into England and captured Carlisle. His brother, John later arrived with troops sent to assist in the rising by the king of France. At the Battle of Culloden, the duke commanded the left flank, and after the defeat of the Jacobite forces he was forced to flee. His escape was a harrowing ordeal and he died on the passage to France in 1746. The estates and titles of the Drummonds were once again declared forfeit.

In 1853 George Drummond, Duc de Melfort, Comte de Lussan and Baron de Valrose in the peerage of France, was restored by Act of Parliament to the title of 'Earl of Perth', together with various subsidiary titles. The sixteenth Earl of Perth was the first secretary general of the League of Nations and his son was a Minister of State and a member of the Privy Council.

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BEGG(S)clan_drummond.doc	DREN(N)AN,-IN	MAC	MAC GROT(T)IE,-Y
BREWER	DRIMMAN,-EN	CROUDERclan_drummond.doc	MAC GROUTHER
BROE	DRINNAN	MAC	MAC GRUDER
BROUGH	DRUMMOND	MAC	MAC GRUER
BROW	DRYMAN,-EN	CROUTERclan_drummond.doc	MAC GRUTHER, -AR
CARGILL	DRYNEN	MAC	MAC ROB(B)IE,-Y
CARRIGLE	GREWER,-AR	MAC	MAC RUDER
CHILD(S)	GRIMMOND	CROWDERclan_drummond.doc	MAC RUER
DOAK(E)	GRUERclan_drummond.doc	MAC CROWTHER	MAC STRAWDER
DOCK		MAC CRUAR	MASHETTE
DOIG		MAC GREWAR, -ER	MUSHET,-TE

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