

KILGOUR. From Kilgour near Falkland, Fife. The surname is found all over Fife and is also common in Aberdeenshire. It is also found in North Australia, and has given name to a river there. Sir Thomas Kilgour, who appears in 1528 as chaplain of St. Thomas in the palace of Falkland, is probably the same "Sir" Thomas Kilgoure to whom several entries of payments of ten bolls of bear occur in 1563, 1566, 1567, etc. In 1567 there is also an entry of an annual pension of 45 shillings to Sir Thomas Kingoure. John Kilgour of Aberdeen was ordered to serve on a ship of war in 1540, Richard Kilgour appears twice as a witness in 1550 and 1551, David Kilgour of Lathrisk was one of an assize in Fife in 1555, and there is mention of a debt due to Henry Kilgor in 1572. David Kylgour was retoured heir of Alexander Kylgour de Nethill, his father, in 1600, John Kilgour, was "sacristar of the cathedrall kirk of Aberdeen" in 1607, and Henry Kilgour was retoured heir of his grandfather, Andrew Kilgour, in 1644. Hamilton Kilgour, minister of Collace, died in 1777. Kilgor 1572, Kilgowre 1665.

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