FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF THOMAS HENDERSON AND AGNES ROBSON

Thomas Henderson was christened 27 December 1652 in Dalkeith, Midlothian, Scotland, the son of John Henderson and Jenet Thomson. He married Agnes Robson. Agnes, or Anna, was christened 25 February 1651 in Dalkeith, the daughter of Alexander Robisson and Alisone Campbell.

Thomas and Agnes had the following children:

1. Isobell, christened 21 June 1668 in Dalkeith.

2. John, christened 1 March 1672 in Dalkeith.

3. Alexander, christened 23 November 1675 in Dalkeith.

*4. Elisabeth, christened 13 August 1678 in Dalkeith; married Andrew Mcmillan 18 July 1701 in Dalkeith.



Baptism record for Elisabeth Henderson in Dalkeith: "El: Henderson parents Thomas Henderson, Agnes Robson"

SOURCES: Dalkeith parish register; www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk; www.ancestry.co.uk.



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FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF JOHN HENDERSON AND JENET THOMSON

John Henderson was born in about 1620 of Dalkeith. He married Jenet Thomson. Jenet was christened 19 September 1624 in Dalkeith, the daughter of James Thomsone and Janet Jamesoune.

John died in about 1665, leaving a testament dative dated 26 January 1666. John's occupation is shown as a baxter (or baker) of Dalkeith. The testament mentioned sons Johne, Thomas and Andro.

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Testament Dative of John Hendersone of Dalkeith, 1666

In Scottish probate law, real or heritable property was by right inherited by the eldest son, in accordance with Scottish rules of succession. The widow would by right receive one-third of the moveable property as the widow's part, The children would by right receive one-third of the moveable property as the bairn's part. These two-thirds, along with the real property, did not need to be mentioned in a will, as they were a standard part of Scottish inheritance. The deceased could leave the remaining one-third as the deid's part, and stipulate in the will how this would be distributed.

A testament dative is a probate document for a person who died intestate, or without a will. The document names a person to be the executor of the estate. This person may be a close family member or a creditor. For John, the executor was Johne Mitchell, a minister. John Hendersone's three young son were mentioned in the testament dative.

"The testament dative and inventar of the goods gear and debts perteanning to umqll Johne Hendersone baxter in Dalkeith the tyme of his decease who deceast in the monthe of October jajvj & three score five (1665) years forth fullie maide And given up to Johne Mitchell minister Londonne only executor dative decerned as creditor to him In sou far as be decreet of contitionis causa receaved at the instance of the sd Johne Mitchell before he compeared upon ye twentie on day of December jajvj & three score five yeares (1665) Johne Thomas and Andro Hendersone bairnes lawfull and onlie nearest of kin to the sd deaceast Jon Henderson to the ilk decreet the sd compt".

Umpquill (or umqll) is a term meaning deceased in Scottish. A **baxter** was a baker. A **decreet of contitionis causa** was the pronouncement of the court as to the amount of a debt to be paid from the deceased's estate. **Compeared** meant appeared before the court. **Bairn** is a Scottish term for a child. A **compt** is an account.

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Inventar of John Hendersone

The testament included the inventar or inventory, which included a list of debts owed to the deceased.

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John and Jenet had the following children:

*1. Thomas, christened 27 December 1652 in Dalkeith; married Agnes Robson.

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Baptism record for Thomas Henderson in Dalkeith: "Tho: Henderson, December 27 was bapt Thomas Henderson, parents Johin Henderson, Jenet Thomson, wit: Thomas Key, Thomas Dobie"

- 2. James, christened 8 March 1655 in Dalkeith.
- 3. Andrew, christened 10 April 1657 in Dalkeith.
- 4. Janet, christened 17 February 1659 in Dalkeith.
- 5. John, christened 5 May 1661 in Dalkeith.

SOURCES: Dalkeith parish register; www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk; www.ancestry.co.uk; testament dative of John Hendersone of Dalkeith, 1666, Edinburgh Commissary Court on www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk.

Earlier Hendersones in Dalkeith:

James Hendersone and Marie Borthwick had twin sons christened in Dalkeith in 1609. This is the only Hendersone family in Dalkeith before 1640. These may be John's parents.

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Baptism record for Peter and William Hendersone in Dalkeith: "Ye 26 of July 1609 Parentes James Henderson Marie Borthwikc ye witnesses Wm Borthwick Peter Calderwood James Calderwood elder Williame Brinnbice ye bairnis named Peter and Wm both twines"

FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF JAMES HENDERSONE AND MARIE BORTHWICK

James Hendersone was born in about 1580 of Dalkeith. He married Marie Borthwick.

James and Marie had the following children:

1. Peter, (twin) christened 26 July 1609 in Dalkeith.

2. William, (twin) christened 26 July 1609 in Dalkeith.

*3. **John**, born about 1620 in Dalkeith; married Jenet Thomson; occupation: baxter; died in about 1666 of Dalkeith, leaving a will.

SOURCES: Dalkeith parish register; www.scotlandspeople.co.uk.