extracted from Burke's "The Landed Gentry", 1953, from Innes of Learney p 1346-1347

Lineage: (BREBNER)- JOHN BREBNER of Corskie, Aberdeenshire, merchant of Aberdeen, *m.* 7 June 1653, **Agnes**, probably dau. of **John Moir**, 1st of Stoneywood, Aberdeenshire, and had (with four other sons, who *d.s.p.*, and two daus.), a son, **JOHN BREBNER** of Corskie, *s.* his father 1702; *b.* 18 May 1665, *m.* 25 April 1704, **Elizabeth**, dau. of **John Gordon**, 2nd of Fechil (see **Gordon of Pitlurg**), and *d.* 13 Jan. 1747, having had (with five other sons who *d.s.p.*, and four daus.) a son, **WILLIAM BREBNER**, 1st of Learney, Torphins, Aberdeenshire; acquired the barony of Learney; *b.* 8 Sept. 1713, *m.* 9 June 1743, **Jean**, dau. of **Major James Buchan**, 11th of Auchmacoy (see that family), and *d.* 13 Sept. 1801 having had (with five other sons, who *d.s.p.*, and two daus.), a son,

ALEXANDER BREBNER, 2nd of Learney, Lord Provost of Aberdeen, *s.* his father, in 1801; *b.* 25 Jun 1753, *m.* 17 Aug. 1783; **Christian**, dau. of **Francis Leys** of Glasgoforest, Aberdeenshire, and *d.* 28 Feb. 1823, having had issue,

- 1. **WILLIAM**, of whom presently.
- 2. **Francis**, b. 11 Aug 1803; d. unm. 9 Apr 1820
- 1. **Elizabeth**, *d.* an inf.
- 2. **Jane**, s. her father
- 3. **Frances**, *m.* 30 April, 1813, **Hugh Lumsden**, 2nd of Pitcaple, and had issue (see that family). He *d.* 27 Jan 1859
- 4. **Christian**, *d.* unm.
- 5. **Maria**, *d.* unm.
- 6. Elizabeth, d. unm.
- 7. **Margaret**, *d.* unm
- 8. **Sibella**, d. unm.
- 9. **Marv**, d, unm.
- 10. **Anne**, *m.* 29 April, 1825, **William Gordon-Cumming-Skene**, 12th of Pitlurg, and had issue (see **GORDON**, of Pitlurg). He *d.* 14 Jan 1837.

His eldest son,

WILLIAM BREBNER, 3^{rd} of Learney, on whom the estate was conveyed on his marriage; b. 17 July, 1791, m. 1814, **Mary**, dau. of **John Ramsay** of Straloch, and d.v.p.s.p. 1816. The estate reverted to his father, who was s. in 1823, by his eldest surviving dau., and heiress

JANE BREBNER, 4th of Learney, *b.* 6 Oct. 1786, *m.* 19 Oct. 1809, **WILLIAM INNES** of Raemoir (see above), *d.* 18 Jun 1872, having had issue,

- 1. **Alexander**, of Raemoir (see Burke's Peerage, **INNES**, of Balveny, Bt.)
- 2. **Thomas**, of Learney and Cullerlie, of whom presently,
- 1. **Christina**, *m.* 26 Apr. 1849, **Capt. Charles Gordon**, 92nd Highlanders, and *d.s.p.* 20 July, 1901

Her 2nd son,

COL. THOMAS INNES, 5th of Learney, and Cullerlie, Aberdeenshire, C.V.O., L.L.D., received Learney in 1865 from his mother, and inherited Cullerlie from his father, D.L., J.P., for City of Aberdeen; hon. Col. and Lt.-Col. cmdg. 3rd Bn. Gordon Highrs. mem. of the Royal Company of Archers (King's Bodyguard for Scotland), 10 July, 1844, called to the Bar in Scotland, 1836 (senior mem), Convener of Commissioners of Supply, Aberdeenshire, C.V.O. (1901); L.L.D. Aberdeen Univ. (1895); *b.* 31 Oct. 1814, *educ*, Shrewsbury, *m.*29 July 1839, **Helen Christian**, dau. of **Thomas Burnett** of Kepplestone, Aberdeenshire, Deputy Lord High Constable of Scotland (see **BURNETT** of Monboddo), and *d.* 12 Nov. 1912, having had issue,

- 1. **William**, Capt. R.E., *b.* 27 May, 1841; *d. unm., k.* in action Perak River (Burma), 7 Nov. 1785.
- 2. **Thomas**, b. 20 April, 1843; d. unm. 18 June, 1888
- 3. **FRANCIS NEWELL**, of whom presently, His yst. son,

FRANCIS NEWELL INNES, 6th of Learney and Cullerlie (conveyed to him by his father in 1893), D.L., Aberdeenshire, Lt.-Col. R.H.A.; Order of the Merdjidie; *b.* 17 Nov. 1845, *educ*. Wellington, *m.* 6 July, 1892, **Margaret Anne** (*d.* 15 Oct. 1923), and 2nd dau. of **Archer Irvine-Fortsecue**, 12th of Kingcausie, Kincardineshire, and Swanbister, Isle of Orkney (see that family, and Burke's Peerage, **FORTESCUE**, **E**.), and *d.v.p.* 12 April, 1907, leaving issue,

- **THOMAS** (Sir), 7th of Learney, of whom we treat.
- **Helen Christian** of Cromney, Aberchirder, Banffshire; Lady of the Barony of Cromney, which she acquired in 1932 (Kinnairdy Castle, Bridge of Marnoch, Huntly), b. 6 Dec. 1895

He was s. by his only son.

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