

Contract between Grey Colin and Mr William Ramsay setting up Ramsay as the first

Protestant minister of Inchadney parish [now Kenmore] Loch Tay in 1561

NAS GD 112/1/114

Description

Contract between Colin Campbell of Glenurchquay, on one part, and Mr William Ramsay, minister of the kirk of God, on the other part, whereby said Mr William 'sall mak dew inquisitione in the paris kirk and houss of prayouris of Inchekradyne ... in teching and preching syncerely the word of God mynistring of the sacramentis to the glory of God and instructioun of the pepill insa far as God vill wouchschaiff his giftis and grace to hym according to the vocatione and dewyte of ane trew pastour and minister and sall enter to the said office within ten dais nixt efter the dait heirof', to remain there for a year, and the said Colin will put him in peaceable possession of manse and glebe beside said kirk, occupied in time past by the vicars thereof, and 'alss for the uphalding of hym self his wif and children that he be nocht onerit with caris of the warld the said Colin sall content and pay and thankfully delyver to the said Maister Williame fourty bollis wictuall ... and fifty merkis gude and usual money'.

Balloch, 28 May 1561.

Witnesses: - Campbell of Lawers, James Ruthwene, John McOwyre and Andrew Quhit,
notary,

Signed by Mr William Ramsay. Slightly damaged.

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Endorsement: none ('1561' in later hand)

At Balloch ye xxviiij day of May in ye zeir of God ane thousand v^c thre scoir and ane zeir. it is apointit agreit and concordit betuixt ane honorable man Collyne Campbell of Glenvrchquay one yat ane part and Maister Villiam Ramsay mynister in ye kirk of God one yat vthir part in maner forme and effect as followis. That is to say ye said Maister Villiam sall mak dew mynistratiōne in ye paris kirk and houss of prayeris of Inchekadyn and allvthir partis necessar within ye paris of ye samyn in teching and preching syncerly ye word of God and mynistring of ye sacramentis to ye glory of God and instructiōne of ye pepill in sa far as God vill withschaiff(? -w^tschaiff) his giftis and grace to hym according to ye vocatione and dewyte of ane trew pastor and minister and sall enter to ye said office within ten [added later] dais nixt efter ye dait heirof and yairefter remaine still in ye said office of mynister for ye haill space and dais of ane zeir. Ffor ye quhilkis ye said Collyne sall at ye entre of ye said Maister Villiam to ye said office put hym in peciabil possession of ye manse and gleib lyand besyd ye said kirk with ye tenement and zaird pertenyng yairto occupyit in tymis past be ye vicaris of ye said kirk. And sall warrand hym ye samin vnto ye ische(?) and compleit furthrynyng of ye said zeir. And als for ye vphalding of hym self his wif and children yat he be nocht onerit with caris of ye warld the said Collin sall content and pay and thankfully delyver to ye said Maister Williame fourty bollis wictuall viz xxvj bollis meill and xiiij bollis beir or malt gude and sufficient stuff, threnty(?) stanis cheiss and fifty merkis gude and vsuall money as followis. That is to say sevin bollis meill and thre bollis beir or malt at his entre to ye said officand ten merkis money with ten stanis cheis ye last part of ye cheiss to be pait afor Lammes and vthir ten stanis cheis in hale pament of ye haill cheis to be pait afor Hallowmes the remaned xix [?or xx] bollis mele and xj bollis beir or malt to be delyverit hym

of ye new crop vpon ye ground ay as he requiris sua yat ye last part yairof in hale pament of ye said forty bollis sall be payt afor Zwle and ye remanent forty merkis money to be compleitly pait betuixt yis and ye feist of Mertymes nixt to cum completand in ye haill ye sowme of fyfty merkis providing alviss yat ye said victuall, cheis and money be pait and delyverit fre to ye said Maister Villiam at his duelling place vpone ye said manse and glebe. And heirto bayth ye saidis parteis bindis and obliss yame be ye fayth and trowyth in yair bodeis but fraud and gyle to fulfill observe(?) and keip ye premisses to vtheris in forme as efferis. In witness of ye quhilk thing yai hef subscrivit yis present contract with yair handis day zeir and place forsaidis befor yair witnes [damage]

...ampbell of Laweris, James Ruthwen, Jhone McOwyrn(?) and Andro Qhuyt notar publyct with vthis diverss.

Maister Villiame Ramsay

with my hand