

Legal Documents relating to the former MacNeill estate, 1900 – 1906, 1931 – 1933

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- Collection Reference Code:** PP00106/
- Title:** Legal Documents relating to the former MacNeill estate
- Dates:** 1900 – 1906, 1931 – 1933
- Level of Description:** Fonds
- Extent:** Two archival folders containing eight items
- Name of Creator(s):** Various legal: former MacNeill estate
- Admin/Biographical History:** Various legal documents created as a result of unredeemed balances of a fee farm grant of April 1852 between Thomas Lord Baron Clermont and James Wolfe MacNeill relating to lands in north County Louth and County Armagh. Thomas Fortescue, First Baron Clermont of Dromiskin was born on 9 March 1815. He was the son of Chichester Fortescue and Martha Angel Hobson. He married Lady Louise Grace Butler in 1840. He held the office of High Sheriff of County Louth in 1839 and the office of Member of Parliament for County Louth between 1840 and 1841. He died on 29 July 1887 at age 72 without issue.ⁱ
- Baron Carlingford [Chichester Samuel Fortescue] was born at Glyde, County Louth, on 18 January 1823. In 1847 he was elected as a Liberal for County Louth; he retained the seat until he was defeated in 1874. He served as Chief Secretary for Ireland under Lord John Russell and William Gladstone. He was created Baron Carlingford in the resignation honours on 27 February 1874. In July 1887 he succeeded his brother Thomas as second Baron Clermont.ⁱⁱ He died on 28 January 1898. Baron Carlingford was succeeded by the 4th Viscount de Vesci.
- Archival History:** These papers were deposited with Louth County Archives Service in November 2004 by the County Louth Archaeological and Historical Society.
- Scope and Content:** This collection contains eight items relating to the fee farm rent of April 1852 made between Thomas Lord Baron Clermont and James Wolfe MacNeill (head grant), a lease of June 1744 between Malcolm MacNeill and Daniel

McNeill and sub fee farm grants of September 1853 and November 1854.
The lands concerned relate to north Louth and county Armagh.

Subject Index:	Fortescues; Land ownership; MacNeill; McNeale
Appraisal and Destruction:	Retain permanently.
Accruals:	No further accruals are currently expected.
System of Arrangement:	The collection is arranged in chronological order.
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Technical Requirements:	Careful handling required.
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Publications:	Ó'Néill, Pádraig, <i>The Fortescues of County Louth</i> , (Journal of the County Louth Archaeological and Historical Society, Vol 24, No 1, 1997)
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Descriptive List

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PP00106/1

Memorandum of title made out for purposes of plaintiff's case where Henry A Johnston executor of James Moore deceased versus Lady Forster and others. It concerns a fee farm grant of 15th April 1852 (referred to as the head grant) between Thomas Lord Baron Clermont and James Wolfe McNeale (MacNeill), a lease of 28th June 1744 between Malcolm McNeale and Daniel McNeale and a sub fee farm grant of 29th September 1853 between Robert McNeale and James Moore. Queries relate to the lands of Lower Faughart, Ballynamenan (Whitemill), Monascribes, Culfore, Carrickaneena, Dromad, Navan, Ballymakellett, Drumnicarra, Lower Aughnaskea, Drumad, and Proleek.

08 Jan 1900

4pp

PP00106/2

Case for counsel to advise on behalf of Telford MacNeill, Henry O'Connell, William and J McAllister, Lady Forster, SM Dobbs, and TPHM Filgate, in connection with rents paid to Viscount de Vesci, successor of the fee farm rent of Baron Carlingford.

19 Oct 1901

23pp

PP00106/3

Order for apportionment and part redemption of fee farm rent of £404.5.2, created by a fee farm grant on 15th April 1852, in the matter of the estate of Edward Walkington Thomson, owner, and Charles O'Connell, petitioner. Cross reference PP00106/1.

07 Mar 1906

8pp

PP00106/4

Notice of motion in the Court of the Land Purchase Commission, Northern Ireland (record number 1209) in regard to the estate of John Edmond Kelly, Armagh and the fee farm rent of 1852 made between Thomas

Lord Baron Clermont and James Wolfe McNeale (MacNeill), for the sum of £404.5.2. The schedules contain information on the townland name, acreage, government valuation, name and address of owners or reputed owners, portion proposed to be redeemed in the case of schedule one: regarding lands sold; or amount proposed to be left outstanding in the case of schedule two regarding lands subject to the annual sum of £183.15.3 (details of the Ballymascanlon fee farm rent reserved by the head grant of 1852 are contained here); or amount of rent redeemed in the case of schedule three lands previously sold and which were liable to the fee farm rent of £404.5.2. There is no map included. Cross reference PP00106/1.

01 Jul 1931

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PP00106/5

Correspondence between SS & E Reeves & Sons, solicitors, Belfast and Messrs Dickie, Coulter & Hamill, solicitors, Roden Place, Dundalk concerning the John Edmond Kelly notice of motion and in particular the Ballymascanlon fee farm rent of the Wilson estate, County Louth Record Number S.6024. Cross reference PP00106/4.

16 Dec 1932

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PP00106/6

Statement of facts in the estates of Maria Wilson, Telford MacNeill, John Treanor, Colonel William Gresson, William Roddy, Mary Anne McArdle, and Dennis Keogh in the Court of the Irish Land Commission, Land Acts 1923 – 1931. In the matter of the unredeemed balance of the fee farm rent of April 1852; the apportionment and redemption of the unredeemed balances of sub fee farm rents of September 1853 and November 1854. Lands included are Edentober, County Louth, and Clontygora, County Armagh and certain lands in north County Louth. It contains three schedules; the first schedule detailing the name of the estate, date of redemption order, amount of rent redeemed, amount of annuity payable, and name of the reputed owner.

27 Apr 1933

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PP00106/7

Notice of motion in the estates of Maria Wilson, Telford MacNeill, John Treanor, Colonel William Gresson, William Roddy, Mary Anne McArdle, and Dennis Keogh in the Court of the Irish Land Commission, Land Acts 1923 – 1931. The motion is in the matter of the unredeemed balance of the fee farm rent of £404.5.2 created by the fee farm grant of 1852; the apportionment and redemption of the unredeemed balances of sub fee farm rents created by grants in 1853 and 1854 and the motion includes a summary of their clients claim. Cross reference PP00106/6.

28 Apr 1933

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PP00106/8

Order of the Honourable Mr Justice Wylie in regard to the estates of Maria Wilson, Telford MacNeill, John Treanor, Colonel William Gresson, William Roddy, Mary Anne McArdle, and Dennis Keogh in the Court of the

Irish Land Commission, Land Acts 1923 – 1931. In the matter of the unredeemed balance of the fee farm rent of £404.5.2 created by the fee farm grant of 1852; the apportionment and redemption of the unredeemed balances of sub fee farm rents created by grants in 1853 and 1854. Also includes details of counsel appearing and solicitors attending. Cross reference PP00106/6 and PP00106/7.

27 Jun 1933

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ⁱ <http://www.thepeerage.com/p20604.htm#i206039>

ⁱⁱ <http://www.oxforddnb.com/view/articleHL/9938?docPos=3&anchor=match>