



1093

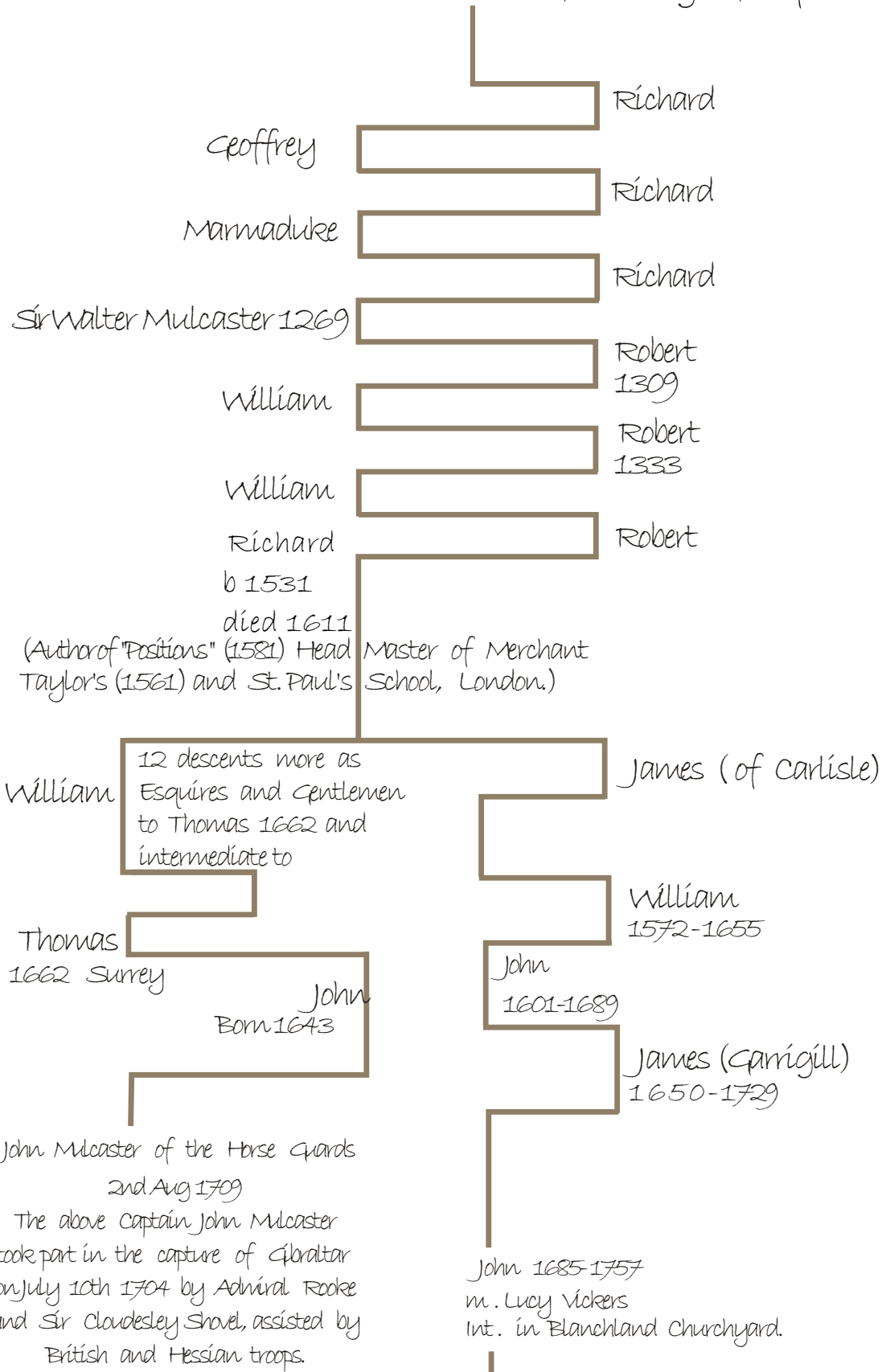
Sir Richard Mulcaster

Torpenhow and Brackenhill Castle, Cumberland.
From him in Eleven descents, as Knights, as follows:-



Brackenhill Castle was situated on the banks of The river Lyne, about 4 miles east of Langtown, and was a large old moated Castle built in the form of a square. The Pedigree of the Mulcasters begins from Sir Richard Mulcaster (1093) Lord of Torpenhow, or Torpenham, in the county of Cumberland, who was appointed by King William Rufus, in the sixth year of his reign, to reside at Bracken hall Castle, with four other Knights to act against the Scots to preserve the Borders.

The Pedigree is continued in Eleven descents as Knights (as annexed), and from them in Twelve descents more as Esquires and Gentlemen to Thomas Mulcaster, Anno 1662 and from him in two descents more to John Mulcaster of the Horse Guards Aug 2nd 1739 and intermediate by another branch in ten descents more from James Mulcaster of Carlisle to James Mulcaster of Allendale Tam born in 1862 where the male line ends, the other branches of the Cumberland Mulcasters,



so far as the Langley, Allendale and Benwell Park Mulcasters are concerned, they are shown in the annexed Table, which traces them in direct and unbroken Male descent from Father to Son, from Sir Richard Mulcaster of Brackenhill Castle Cumberland 1093. Sir Walter Mulcaster at the battle of Carlaverock, c. 1300 against the Scots, had the leading of the Middle Ward when King Edward I (Long shanks) was himself present in person, also the Earl of Warren of Surry leading the rear, and Sir Henry Lacy, Earl of Lincoln the forward. This disposition of the attack by three divisions under the forenamed leaders tallies exactly with that of the Royal Minstrel who wrote the Roll of Carlaverock. Sir Robert Mulcaster grandson to the above Sir Walter married his sister Eufemia to Ralph Nevill Earl of Westmoreland and Earl Marshall of England.

In the old records in the Tower of London the Pipe Rolls of Cum. d for 1299 is a letter of bequest from Robert de Clifford, Captain of the Counties of Cum. d Westm. d and Lancaster to the treasurer and burser of the Exchequer, directing them to excuse Sir Wm. Mulcaster, Sir Thos. Felton, Robert Mulcaster and Richard Mulcaster from appearing in the Court of Exchequer, according to their summonses by reason of their attending on him, in aid and defence of the Marches. Dated at Lochmaben Castle July 4th 1299.

