

## Crawfordsburn (Hamilton)



**Origins:** The Thomas Raven maps of the Hamilton estate which were drawn in 1625 show a portion of land leased to an Andrew Crawford. The Crawfords are believed to have come from Kilbirnie in north Ayrshire, where their estate was also known as Crawfordsburn. The Crawfords acquired lands in other parts of early 1600s Ulster - George Crawford was one of the fifty Scottish undertakers of the Ulster Plantation.

He was son-in law of one of the chief undertakers, Andrew Stewart (Lord Ochiltree) and was granted 1,000 acres adjacent to Stewart's portion in Mountjoy, Co. Tyrone. Although he sold the Tyrone property within ten years, many of the Crawfords he brought over from Scotland remained. The name "Crawfordsburn Glen" may be evidence of Scots influence.

### **First recorded Ulster-Scots settlers:**

- Raven Map, 1625
- Andrew Crawford
  - Bessie Rudd
  - William McGee
  - George Rudd