

his salary arose out of the profits of the Excheat, Amanu  
ments, tolls and customs of the Burghs, leg. Malcolm  
cap. 4. He had an Universal Jurisdiction both Civil and  
Criminal over all the Burrows, their Just. lib. 4 fol. 1  
14. He Enquired yearly how their Common good was Man  
aged and granted Act 36 Parl. 3. I. d. set prices on Virtual and  
other things sold within Burgh; for Camer. cap. 33 agrees  
with those who brought in the meat bought for their feed,  
Stat. David. 2 caps. 3 and judged all crimes committed within  
in Burgh. He was in Effect Justice General over the  
Burrows, and a supreme Judge whose Decrees were put  
to execution by Bailiffs of Burghs for Camer. cap. 37. The  
counts not be reviewed by any inferior Judge or ibid.  
cap. 35. He held Yearly Chamberlain ains or Fines with  
of year or oftener at the Exigence of Affairs Required.  
The Lord high Chamberlain seemed to have Collected the  
Revenues of the Crown before we had Lord high Treasurer  
since there was Calant in the Rolls of King David second  
Robert &c. many preceptives directed by the sovereign emper  
to his Justices for the payment of gifts personal Annu  
ities &c to such subjects as deserved the Royal favour  
Crawfords lives of the officers of the Crown and State  
in Scotland pag. 252. 355. But after the appointing  
of a Lord high Treasurer the Great Chamberlain Ju  
risdiction was restricted to what more particularly  
Related to the Government of the Burrows. The office  
of high Chamberlain (whereof the Badge is a Golden  
key) was from about the Beginning of the Reign of  
King David the first of Scotland, who came to the Crown  
in the Year 1124 Conferred by the sovereign upon great  
Men successively till the Year 1587 when King James  
the sixt gave it to be held by Inheritance to his Sonne  
Ludovic Duke of Lennox and Richmond. In which family  
it continued till the Year 1672 when upon the  
Death of Charles Duke of Lennox it fell to King  
Charles the second as his heir: who in the Year  
1673 gave it for life to James Duke of Buckinghah & Mon  
mouth, since whose death in the Year 1695 no per  
son hath had a Commission of this Nature.

Lord high steward of Scotland, sonoschallus domini  
Rogis, a very ancient office of inheritance which right  
belonged to the Kings Servt for the prince of scotland.

It may be said for those who fancy constable to be  
a factor Compound of King & People a hold, implying  
that great officer to be the stay and hold of the King,  
that Constables were only created in places where the  
King kept house. But others more probably derive the  
word Constable, or from Connstable from comes stabili  
ans, owing to the Magister Equitum among the old Roman  
Mackenzies precedency pag. 41. A Commission Nam'd Under  
the Great Seal anno 1633 to Enquire into the honours  
of Villages privileged and Immunitiess belonging to  
the high Constable, reported Concerning his Criminal  
Jurisdiction that he is supreme in all Matters of Riot  
Disorder, Blood and Misdemeanor committed Within four  
Miles of the Kings person, or of the Parliament or Coun  
cil Representing the Royal Authority in his Absence,  
and that both within and without the Court. And all  
Judges of the Bounds where such things are done, are  
obliged to this Concurrence and lift the Constables and  
his Deputyes in taking the offenders, and to receive  
them into their prifond. Which Report the King  
Approved of in a letter to his privy Council offec  
tial 11 May 1633. since which time till the Union  
the Constable hath been over in up to Judge Riots  
committed in time of Parliament or Convocation of  
Estates within the foresaid Bounds Excluding the  
town of Edinburgh from the Exercise of their Juris  
diction and Replevying Criminals from them during  
that time and kept his guard in the Parliament  
house. He lacked no place by Virtue of his office  
but only as a Noblemen according to the creation